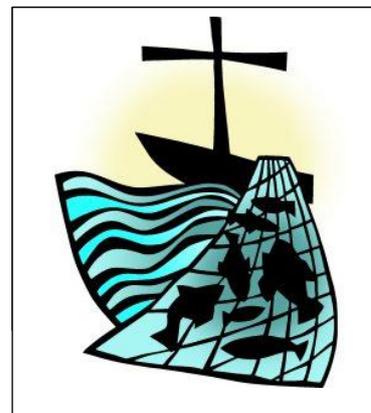


## Third Sunday after Epiphany

Sunday 24 January 2021, 09.30

Advent Lutheran Church

Morgan Hill, California



*As we continue through the time after Epiphany, stories of the call to discipleship show us the implications of our baptismal calling to show Christ to the world. Jesus begins proclaiming the good news and calling people to repentance right after John the Baptist is arrested for preaching in a similar way. Knowing that John was later executed, we see at the very outset the cost of discipleship. Still, the two sets of brothers leave everything they have known and worked for all their lives to follow Jesus and fish for people.*

**WELCOME AND PRELUDE**      In the Bleak Midwinter    by Gustav Holst  
John and Kathy Hopkins

### GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service. Strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of your call, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

### READING: Jonah 3:1-5, 10

*The book of Jonah is a comedy starring a reluctant prophet who is given a one-sentence message: Nineveh will be destroyed in forty days. Much to Jonah's dismay, the people of Nineveh repent. The point of the story is to get the reader to wrestle with the question "On whom should God have mercy?"*

<sup>1</sup>The word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time, saying, <sup>2</sup>"Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you." <sup>3</sup>So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. <sup>4</sup>Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, "Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" <sup>5</sup>And the people of Nineveh believed God; they

proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.

<sup>10</sup>When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

Word of God, Word of Life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

Pastor Anita

### **PSALM 62**

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### **READING: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31**

*Paul does not disapprove of marriage or other human social institutions. He does, however, want Christians to live in the present in fervent anticipation of God's future, which even now has dawned through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.*

<sup>29</sup>Brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, <sup>30</sup>and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, <sup>31</sup>and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

Word of God, Word of Life.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **GOSPEL: Mark 1:14-20**

*Before Jesus calls his first disciples, he proclaims a message that becomes known as "the gospel" or good news from God. God is ready to rule our lives. Those who realize this will respond with repentance and faith.*

<sup>14</sup>Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, <sup>15</sup>and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

<sup>16</sup>As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. <sup>17</sup>And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people." <sup>18</sup>And immediately they left their nets and followed him. <sup>19</sup>As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets.

<sup>20</sup>Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

# Only in God 621

## Refrain



On - ly in God will my soul be at rest. From him comes my



hope, my sal - va - tion. He a - lone is my rock of



safe - ty, my strength, my glo - ry, my God.

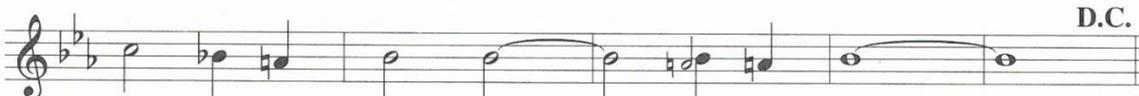
## Verses



1. Trust in him at all times, O peo - ple, and pour out  
2. Man - y times have I heard him tell of his long last -



your hearts. God him - self is a ref - uge for  
ing love. You your - self, Lord, re - ward all who



us and a strong - hold for our fear.  
la - bor for love of your name.

Text: Psalm 62:1, 2 8, 11, 12; John Foley, SJ, b.1939

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**SERMON** Following. Inviting. Companionship

Rev Anita R. Warner

## HYMN OF THE DAY

## You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore

*Tú has venido a la orilla*



1 Tú has ve - ni - do a la o - ri - lla, no has bus -  
 1 You have come down to the lake - shore seek - ing  
 2 You know full well what I have, Lord: nei - ther  
 3 You need my hands, my ex - haus - tion, work - ing  
 4 You who have fished oth - er wa - ters; you, the



ca - do ni a sa - bios ni a ri - cos; tan só - lo  
 nei - ther the wise nor the wealth - y, but on - ly  
 trea - sure nor wea - pons for con - quest, just these my  
 love for the rest of the wea - ry — a love that's  
 long - ing of souls that are yearn - ing: O lov - ing



quie - res que yo te si - ga.  
 ask - ing for me to fol - low.  
 fish nets and will for work - ing.  
 will - ing to go on lov - ing.  
 Friend, you have come to call me.

*Refrain / Estribillo*



Se - ñor, me has mi - ra - do a los o - jos; son - ri - en - do,  
 Sweet Lord, you have looked in - to my eyes; kind - ly smil - ing,



has di - cho mi nom - bre. En la a - re - na he de - ja - do mi  
 you've called out my name. . . . On the sand I have a - ban - doned my



bar - ca; jun - to a ti bus - ca - ré o - tro mar.  
 small boat; now with you, I will seek oth - er seas.

Text: Cesáreo Gabaráin, 1936–1991; tr. Madeleine Forell Marshall, b. 1946  
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## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

...O God... receive our prayer:  
**Our hope is in you...**

## THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD

Let us pray.

Holy God,  
 Light of the universe, Teacher of truth, Giver of goodness,  
 we hear your Word in the Scriptures,  
 proclaiming to us your wisdom  
 and inviting us to follow your call.  
 For speaking this Word, we thank you, O God.  
**We thank you, O God.**

Your Word came among us in Jesus, our brother,  
 who preached your righteousness, healed the sick,  
 and revived the brokenhearted.  
 For giving us this Word, we worship you, O God.  
**We worship you, O God.**

By your Spirit bless all who receive this Word,  
 that upheld by the mystery of the body of Christ,  
 we may be light for the world,  
 revealing the brilliance of your Son.  
 For sustaining us with your Word, we praise you, O God.  
**We praise you, O God.**

Blessed are you, holy God, around us, with us, and in us,  
 now and forever. Amen.  
**Amen.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven**  
     **hallowed be your name.**  
     **Your kingdom come,**  
     **your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.**  
**Give us today our daily bread,**  
**and forgive us our sins,**  
     **as we forgive those who sin against us.**  
**Save us from the time of trial**  
     **and deliver us from evil.**  
**For the kingdom,**  
     **and the power, and the glory are yours,**  
     **now and forever. Amen.**

**OFFERING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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**BENEDICTION**

God the creator strengthen you;

Jesus the beloved fill you;

and the Holy Spirit the comforter ✠ keep you in peace.

**Amen.**

**HYMN**

Jesus Calls Us; o'er the Tumult

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**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Be the light of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Jesus Calls Us; o'er the Tumult



1 Je - sus calls us; o'er the tu - mult of our  
 2 As of old Saint An - drew heard it by the  
 3 Je - sus calls us from the wor - ship of the  
 4 In our joys and in our sor - rows, days of  
 5 Je - sus calls us! By your mer - cy, Sav - ior,



life's wild, rest - less sea, day by day his clear voice  
 Gal - i - le - an lake, turned from home and toil and  
 vain world's gold - en store, from each i - dol that would  
 toil and hours of ease, still he calls, in cares and  
 may we hear your call, give our hearts to your o -



sound - ing, say - ing, "Chris - tian, fol - low me":  
 kin - dred, leav - ing all for Je - sus' sake.  
 keep us, say - ing, "Chris - tian, love me more."  
 plea - sures, "Chris - tian, love me more than these."  
 be - dience, serve and love you best of all.

Text: Cecil Frances Alexander, 1818–1895  
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