

The brothers, James and John, who were the partners of Simon and Andrew, also left their ship to follow Jesus.

January 21, 2024

# Good Hope Lutheran Church

### THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

January 21, 2024 10:30 a.m.

The Prelude & Meditation The Ringing of the Bell The Special Music -Spark Choir The Blessing of the Birthday Bags The Welcome & Announcements "There Is a Balm in Gilead" \*The Hymn WOV #737 \*The Service of the Word "Blessed are you..." page 126 \*The Apostles' Creed page 128 \*The Canticle "Listen! You Nations" LBW #14

\*The Prayer of the Day (unison)

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.

The Special Music "Mold Me, Teach Me, Use Me Lord" -Senior Choir The First Reading -Jonah 3:1-5, 10 ¹The word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time, saying, ²"Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you." ³So 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. ⁴Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, "Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" ⁵And 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.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

The Psalm -Psalm 62:5-12

For God alone I wait in silence; truly, my hope is in God.

God alone is my rock and my salvation, my stronghold, so that I shall never be shaken.

In God is my deliverance and my honor; God is my strong rock and my refuge.

Put your trust in God always, O people, pour out your hearts before the one who is our refuge.

Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath; those of low estate cannot be trusted. Placed on the scales together they weigh even less than a breath.

Put no trust in extortion; in robbery take no empty pride; though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.

God has spoken once, twice have I heard it, that power belongs to God. Steadfast love belongs to you, O Lord, for you repay all according to their deeds.

The Hymn "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind" LBW #506
(NOISY OFFERING FOR WORLD HUNGER)

The Second Reading

-1 Corinthians 7:29-31

<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.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

\*The Verse & Responses

"Alleluia"

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A reading from the Gospel of Mark.

## C: Glory to you O Lord.

\*The Holy Gospel

-Mark 1:14-20

<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.

C: Praise to you O Christ.

The Sermon The Hymn

"I Love to Tell the Story"

LBW #390

\*The Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, creator of darkness and light, word of truth, wind sweeping over the waters. **C: Amen.** 

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

## Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our rock and refuge, we pour out our hearts before you. We have known you but have not always loved you. We have wounded one another and sinned against you. We have not always recognized the Holy Spirit dwelling in each of us. Remember your covenant. Renew your creation. Restore us, that we might proclaim your good news to all. Amen.

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters. God has spoken: The time of grace is now. In Jesus, the reign of God has come near. By the authority of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are God's beloved.

C: Amen.

\*The Exchange of Peace

The Offering

\*The Offertory "We give thee but thine own" Vs. 1 #410

\*The Prayers

\*The Lord's Prayer

\*The Benediction

\*The Hymn "Arise, Your Light Has Come!" WOV #652

Go in Peace to Serve the Lord – Thanks be to God!

\*The Silent Prayer

\*The Postlude

<u>THE OFFERING TODAY</u> is for current expenses. The offering next Sunday is for Benevolence.

<sup>\*</sup>Congregation stand if you are able.

### THIS WEEK AT GOOD HOPE

Tues., Jan. 23	9:00 a.m.	Quilting
Wed., Jan. 24	3:00 p.m.	Worship @ The Summit House
	6:00 p.m.	Confirmation
Sun., Jan. 28	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	9:30 a.m.	Senior Choir Practice
	10:30 a.m.	Worship/Holy Communion/
		Free will donation meal followed by
		the Annual Meeting

<u>THE ANNUAL MEETING</u> will be held following our worship service **next Sunday**. The reports are in your mailboxes today. Please remember to bring them with you to the meeting next week! A freewill donation meal will be catered before the meeting.

**THE LECTOR LIST**, Greeter list and Flower calendar for 2024 are ready for you to sign up!

<u>PASTOR JOHN IS</u> looking for people to do speaking parts during the Lent services each week. If you are interested, please let Pastor John know ASAP. Thank you!