

WORSHIP HANDOUT  
Sunday January 15<sup>th</sup>  
Series: How Do We Answer the Call?



OPENING OF WORSHIP

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE          "I Wonder as I Wander"          Cathy Moglebust  
The United Handbell Choir

\*SONG OF WELCOME    "Open Doors"          Chris McManus

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

A phone rings, a knock on the door,

**We wonder who it could be.**

We look at caller ID or peek out the window,

**Wanting to know who it could be.**

We get nervous about this call, this knock,

**Our routine is comfortable.**

God is on the other side, waiting for us to answer,

**Help us have courage to answer.**

OPENING PRAYER

As we gather this day help us to hear the call of God in our hearts, in this place, and in each other. God is waiting for us to answer, even though we're not sure what to say. God is waiting for us to answer, even though we didn't expect this call. God is, and will be, waiting for us always because he loves and cares for us. Even as we are called we are strengthened by God to take the next step and open that door to the next opportunity. Amen.

SONG AS CHILDREN GATHER    Where Children Belong TFWS 2233

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

ANTHEM      "When the Angels' Song Is Silent"      Mary Kay Beall  
                 Hope Chancel Choir

## TIME OF PRAYER

### PASTORAL AND SILENT PRAYER (MUSIC)

### LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory now and forever. Amen.

HYMN              Breathe on Me, Breath of God              UMH #420

## OFFERTORY

### \*DOXOLOGY

UMH #95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.

### \*UNISON PRAYER

Almighty God,  
giver of every good and perfect gift,  
teach us to give to you all that we have and all that we are,  
that we may praise you not with our words only,  
but with our whole lives. Amen.

LESSON    I              **Jonah 1:1-6 CEB**

**The Lord's word came to Jonah, Amittai's son: <sup>2</sup> "Get up and go to Nineveh, that great city, and cry out against it, for their evil has come to my attention."**

**<sup>3</sup> So Jonah got up—to flee to Tarshish from the Lord! He went down to Joppa and found a ship headed for Tarshish. He paid the fare and went aboard to go with them to Tarshish, away from the Lord. <sup>4</sup> But the Lord hurled a great wind upon the sea, so that there was a great storm on the sea; the ship looked like it might be broken to pieces. <sup>5</sup> The sailors were terrified, and each one cried out to his god. They hurled the cargo that was in the ship into the sea to make it lighter.**

**Now Jonah had gone down into the hold of the vessel to lie down and was deep in sleep. <sup>6</sup> The ship's officer came and said to him, "How can you possibly be sleeping so deeply? Get up! Call on your god! Perhaps the god will give some thought to us so that we won't perish."**

**May God add a blessing to this reading.**

**\*HYMN                      Whom Shall I Send?    V I & 3              UMH #582**

**\*LESSON 2              Jonah 1:7-17    CEB**

**<sup>7</sup> Meanwhile, the sailors said to each other, "Come on, let's cast lots so that we might learn who is to blame for this evil that's happening to us." They cast lots, and the lot fell on Jonah. <sup>8</sup> So they said to him, "Tell us, since you're the cause of this evil happening to us: What do you do and where are you from? What's your country and of what people are you?"**

**<sup>9</sup> He said to them, "I'm a Hebrew. I worship the Lord, the God of heaven—who made the sea and the dry land."**

<sup>10</sup> Then the men were terrified and said to him, “What have you done?” (The men knew that Jonah was fleeing from the Lord, because he had told them.)

<sup>11</sup> They said to him, “What will we do about you so that the sea will become calm around us?” (The sea was continuing to rage.)

<sup>12</sup> He said to them, “Pick me up and hurl me into the sea! Then the sea will become calm around you. I know it’s my fault that this great storm has come upon you.”

<sup>13</sup> The men rowed to reach dry land, but they couldn’t manage it because the sea continued to rage against them. <sup>14</sup> So they called on the Lord, saying, “Please, Lord, don’t let us perish on account of this man’s life, and don’t blame us for innocent blood! You are the Lord: whatever you want, you can do.” <sup>15</sup> Then they picked up Jonah and hurled him into the sea, and the sea ceased its raging. <sup>16</sup> The men worshipped the Lord with a profound reverence; they offered a sacrifice to the Lord and made solemn promises.

<sup>17</sup> Meanwhile, the Lord provided a great fish to swallow Jonah. Jonah was in the belly of the fish for three days and three nights.

L: This is the Word of God for all people.

**P: Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE “Ripples in the Water”

\*HYMN We Are the Church v. 1-4 UMH #558

BENEDICTION and RESPONSE  
God Be with You till We Meet Again v 1 UMH #673

POSTLUDE