

WORSHIP HANDOUT
Sunday July 16th
Who are these disciples anyways?



OPENING OF WORSHIP

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*SONG OF WELCOME Open Doors

*CALL TO WORSHIP

God is with us!

Nothing can shut him out!

Christ is among us!

Our hearts know he is here!

We return to the Lord!

He praises our return!

Let us worship the one who always loves,

That we would follow him closer today! Amen.

OPENING PRAYER

How very good and pleasant it is, Lord God, to be drawn together by you as brothers and sisters in Christ on this day. Pour your empowering Spirit upon us, that the words we here proclaim may become more than words upon a page. Help us this hour to listen for and lean toward your voice which speaks beyond the words we utter. Move us past our doubts that we might step forward with a faith that does not end when we

leave this place. Nudge us to look honestly at our lives, so that we might then recognize that no door is so heavy that it can lock you out. This we pray in the name of the One for whom you rolled away the stone. Amen.

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SONG AS CHILDREN GATHER Rise and Shine

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

TIME OF PRAYER

Prayers/Names of the People

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: Are Ye Able UMH 530

LESSON I Mark 3:13-19

¹³ Jesus went up on a mountain and called those he wanted, and they came to him. ¹⁴ He appointed twelve and called them apostles. He appointed them to be with him, to be sent out to preach, ¹⁵ and to have authority to throw out demons. ¹⁶ He appointed twelve: Peter, a name he gave Simon; ¹⁷ James and John, Zebedee's sons, whom he nicknamed Boanerges, which means "sons of Thunder"; ¹⁸ and Andrew; Philip;

Bartholomew; Matthew; Thomas; James, Alphaeus' son; Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean; ¹⁹ and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed Jesus.

*HYMN The Old Rugged Cross v. 1 & 4 UMH 504

*LESSON 2 John 20:24-29

²⁴ Thomas, the one called Didymus, one of the Twelve, wasn't with the disciples when Jesus came. ²⁵ The other disciples told him, "We've seen the Lord!"

But he replied, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands, put my finger in the wounds left by the nails, and put my hand into his side, I won't believe."

²⁶ After eight days his disciples were again in a house and Thomas was with them. Even though the doors were locked, Jesus entered and stood among them. He said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here. Look at my hands. Put your hand into my side. No more disbelief. Believe!"

²⁸ Thomas responded to Jesus, "My Lord and my God!"

²⁹ Jesus replied, "Do you believe because you see me? Happy are those who don't see and yet believe."

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

P: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE The Prodigal Disciple

HYMN Amazing Grace v 1-3 & 6 UMH 378

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.

***BENEDICTION and RESPONSE**

The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve v. 1&4 TFWS 2241
POSTLUDE