Good Morning!

North Bend Church

a Global Methodist Congregation

Sunday, January 21, 2024

Because God is worthy we worship

GATHERING AND WELCOME

Prelude

Announcements

BIBLE STUDY: We are studying the book of Daniel for the next several weeks. Bible Study starts at 10 a.m. each Tuesday.

BOARD MEETNG: Our church board will have its bi-monthly meeting at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, January 23, to discuss church business. Anyone interested is invited to attend.

FRANK'S TREE: We donated \$1,??? to be split between two charities, Lane of Roses, supported by Hope Stephens' ministry, and Hope Restored India, supported by Laura Meyers' ministry. If you wish, you may donate to either of their ministries

through their respective websites: *laneofroses.com* and *hoperestoredindia.com*.

CHOIR REHEARSALS: Weekly choir practice is now at 6:30 p.m. on Thursdays. If you'd be like to join in singing with our choir, please don't hesitate to come to a rehearsal and learn more about the fun and fellowship.

TRAM: All non-perishable food, personal care and household items are welcome. The location is at the Miami Town Hall, 112 S. Miami Avenue, Cleves. TRAM is always grateful for monetary donations. Mail checks to TRAM Ministry Inc., P.O. Box 389, North Bend, Ohio 45052.

(Are there any other Announcements?)

COME BEFORE THE LORD

*Call to Worship¹

Leader: Christ is calling you as disciples

People: Lord Jesus, let us follow you faithfully.

Leader: You will be led into fields of mission and service.

People: Lord Jesus, where you lead us, we will go.

Leader: Listen for Christ's call to you.

People: We are ready to serve the Lord. Amen!

*Singing Where He Leads Me

UMH #338

(vs. 1, 2, 3, 4)

1. I can hear my
Savior calling,
I can hear my
Savior calling,
I can hear my
Savior calling,
"Take thy cross
and follow,

follow me."

Refrain:

I will follow,
where he leads me
I will follow,
where he leads me
I will follow,
where he leads me
I will follow;
I'll go with him,
with him all the way.

2. I'll go with him
through the garden,
I'll go with him
through the garden,
I'll go with him
through the garden,
I'll go with him,
with him all the way.

Refrain:

Where he leads me I will follow, where he leads me I will follow,
where he leads me
I will follow;
I'll go with him,
with him all the way.

3. I'll go with him through the judgment, I'll go with him through the judgment, I'll go with him through the judgment, I'll go with him, I'll go with him, with him all the way.

Refrain:

Where he leads me
I will follow,
where he leads me
I will follow,
where he leads me
I will follow;
I'll go with him,

with him all the way.

4. He will give
me grace and glory,
he will give
me grace and glory,
he will give
me grace and glory,
and go with me,
with me all the way.

Refrain:

I will follow,
where he leads me
I will follow,
where he leads me
I will follow,
where he leads me
I will follow;
I'll go with him,
with him all the way.

PRAY UNTO THE LORD

*Praying Together¹

O God, you are our light and our salvation. Living in your presence, we have nothing to fear. Open our hearts to your word this day. As we hear the story of the call of the first disciples, make us ready to follow Jesus on whatever path he leads us. Cast aside our fears and doubts and teach us to trust wholly in you. For we ask this in Jesus' Name, Amen.

Joys & Concerns

Silent & Pastoral Prayer

The 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 forever. Amen.

HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD

Anthem

Reading the Scripture

Mark 1:14-20 (NIV)

- 1:14 After John was put in prison, Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God.
- "The time has come," he said. "The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!"
- As Jesus walked beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen.
- "Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will send you out to fish for people."
- 18 At once they left their nets and followed him.
- When he had gone a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John in a boat, preparing their nets.
- Without delay he called them, and they left their father

 Zebedee in the boat with the hired men and followed him.

Leader: The Word of God for the People of God.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Proclaiming the Gospel

The Evangelizing Disciple

RESPOND IN THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD

*Singing

Here I Am, Lord

UMH #593 (vs. 1, 2, 3)

I, the Lord of sea and sky,
 I have heard my people cry.

 All who dwell in dark and sin
 my hand will save.

 I who made the stars of night,
 I will make their
 darkness bright.

 Who will bear my light to them?
 Whom shall I send?

Refrain:

Here I am, Lord.
Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you
calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold
your people in my heart.

2. I, the Lord of snow and rain,I have borne my people's pain.I have wept for love of them.

They turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.

I will speak my word to them.

Whom shall I send?

Refrain:

Here I am, Lord.
Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you
calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold
your people in my heart.

3. I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame,
I will set a feast for them.
My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide
till their hearts are satisfied.
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send?

Refrain:

Here I am, Lord.
Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you
calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold
your people in my heart.

GO IN THE GRACE OF THE LORD

*Receiving the Blessing

Postlude

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