

St. John 1:49

“Jesus found Philip and said to him,  
‘Follow Me’”



**JESUS SAID “FOLLOW ME”**

**FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH**

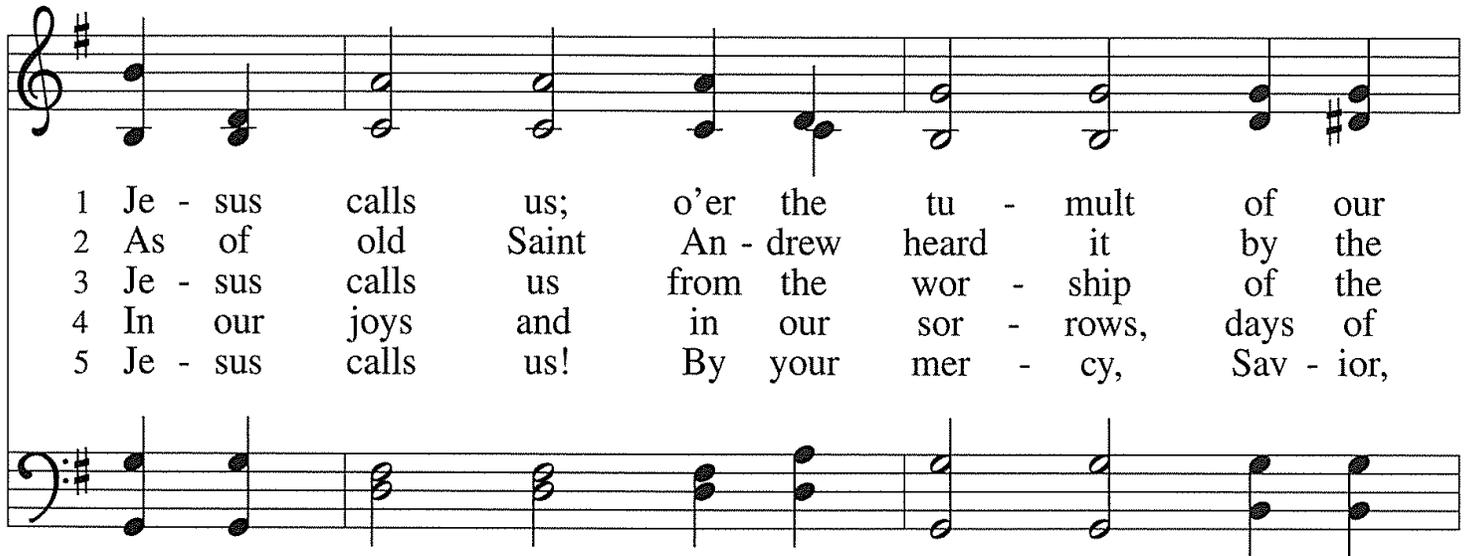
## SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

January 17, 2021

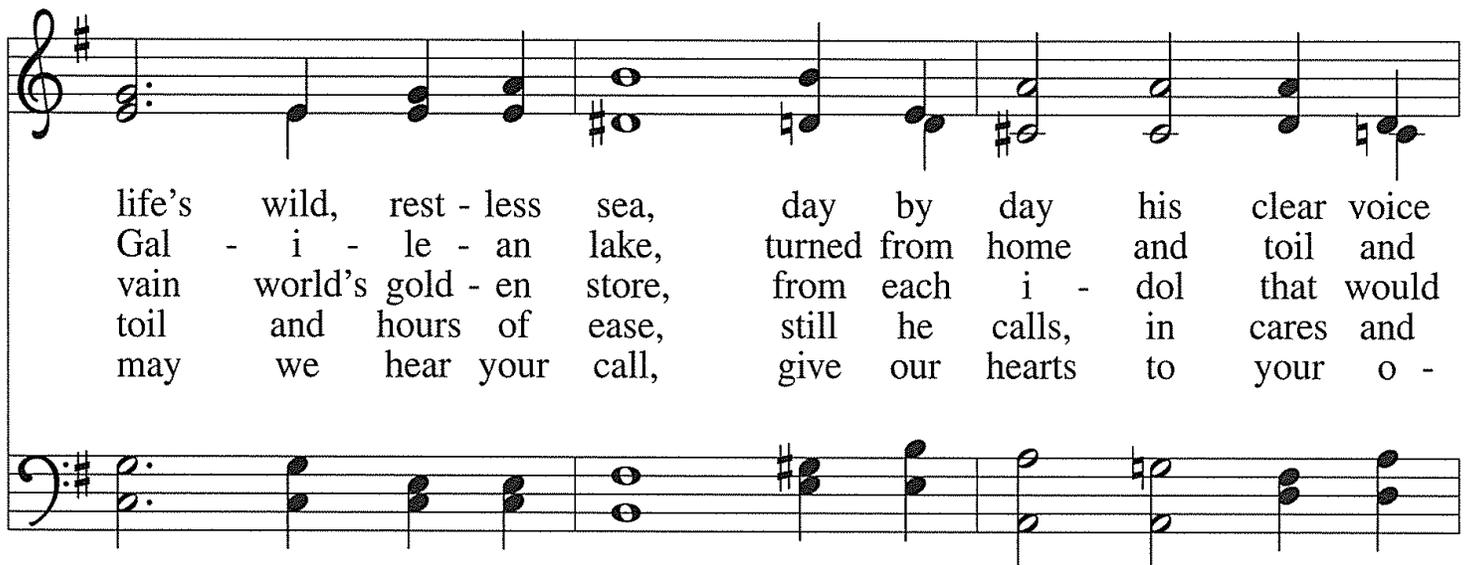
- Prelude *Let Us With Gladsome Mind* by H. Livingston  
*The Soul That Thirsts for God* by Paul Taylor
- \*The Processional Hymn *Jesus Calls Us; o'er the Tumult* (ELW) No. 696
- \*The Confession and Forgiveness (ELW) page 94
- P: In the name of the Father, and of the †Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C: Amen.**
- P: God of all mercy.....of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
**C: Amen.**
- P: Most merciful God,  
**C: We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**
- P: In the mercy of almighty God,.....in the name of the Father, and of the †Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C: Amen.**
- \*The Apostolic Greeting (ELW) page 138
- P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**C: And also with you.**
- \*The Kyrie (*sung response*) (ELW) page 138
- P: ....., let us pray to the Lord.  
**C: Lord, have mercy.**
- P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.  
**C: Amen.**
- \*The Hymn of Praise *Lord, Speak to Us, That We May Speak* (ELW) NO. 676

# Jesus Calls Us; o'er the Tumult

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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 -



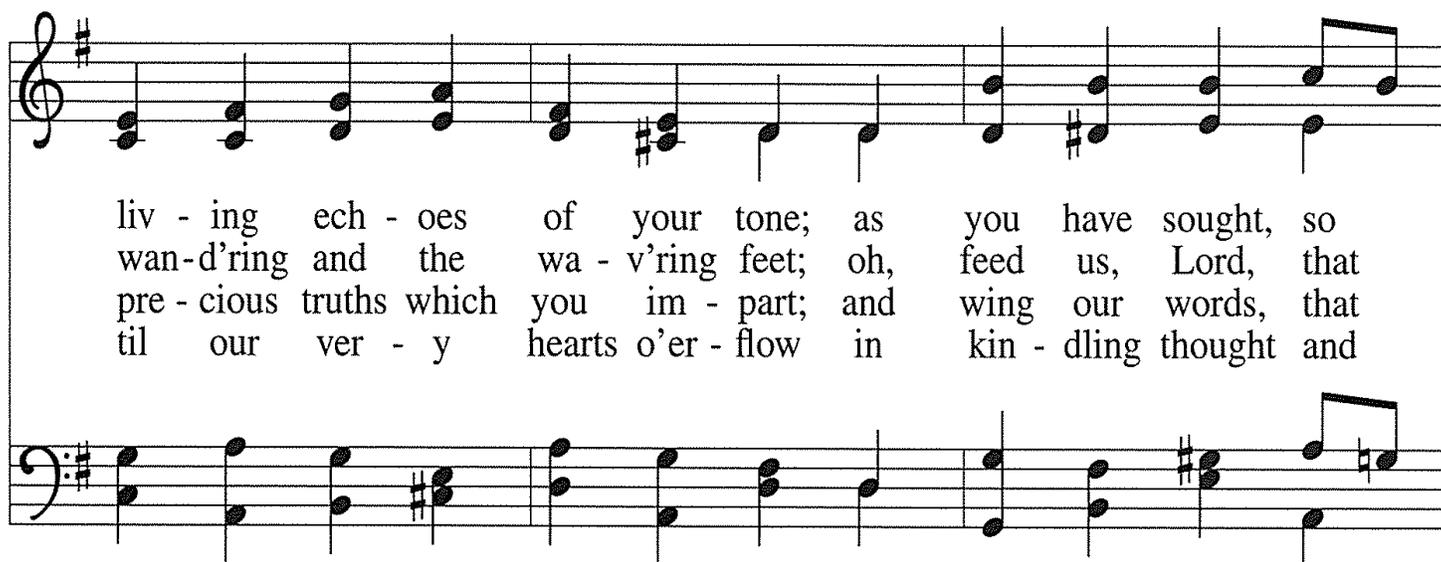
sound - ing, say - ing, "Chris - tian, fol - low me":  
kin - dred, leav - ing all for Je - sus' sake.  
keep us, say - ing, "Chris - tian, love me more."  
plea - sures, "Chris - tian, love me more than these."  
be - dience, serve and love you best of all.

# Lord, Speak to Us, That We May Speak

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1 Lord, speak to us, that we may speak in  
2 Oh, lead us, Lord, that we may lead the  
3 Oh, teach us, Lord, that we may teach the  
4 Oh, fill us with your full - ness, Lord, un -



liv - ing ech - oes of your tone; as you have sought, so  
wan-d'ring and the wa - v'ring feet; oh, feed us, Lord, that  
pre - cious truths which you im - part; and wing our words, that  
til our ver - y hearts o'er - flow in kin - dling thought and



let us seek your stray - ing chil - dren, lost and lone.  
we may feed your hun - g'ring ones with man - na sweet.  
they may reach the hid - den depths of man - ya heart.  
glow - ing word, your love to tell, your praise to show.

\*Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray,

**C: Almighty and eternal God, You restrain the powers of heaven and earth. Mercifully hear Your people's prayers for peace in our time. Grant this, we pray, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

First Reading

1 Samuel 3:1-10 [11-20]

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

The Psalmody for the Day *(read responsively)*

Psalm 139:1-9

<sup>1</sup>Lord, You have searched me out and known me; You know my sitting down and my rising up; You discern my thoughts from afar.

**<sup>2</sup>You trace my journeys and my resting places and are acquainted with all my ways.**

<sup>3</sup>Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, but You, O Lord, know it altogether.

**<sup>4</sup>You press upon me behind and before and lay Your hand upon me.**

<sup>5</sup>Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain to it.

**<sup>6</sup>Where can I go then from Your Spirit? where can I flee from Your presence?**

<sup>7</sup>If I climb up to heaven, You are there; if I make the grave my bed, You are there also.

**<sup>8</sup>If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,**

<sup>9</sup>Even there Your hand will lead me and your right hand hold me fast.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 6:12-20

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

\*The Gospel Acclamation (*sung*)

(ELW) page 142

**C: Alleluia, Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

\* The Gospel

John 1:43-51

**C: Glory to You, O Lord.** (sung after announcement of the Gospel)

**C: Praise to You, O Christ.** (sung after conclusion of the Gospel)

Sermon

Rev. Robert B. Grewe

\*The Hymn of the Day

*Thy Strong Word*

(ELW) No. 511

\*The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Christian Church, the Communion of Saints; the forgiveness of sins; the Resurrection of the body, and the Life everlasting. Amen.**

1 Thy strong word did cleave the dark - ness; at thy  
 2 Lo, on those who dwelt in dark - ness, dark as  
 3 Thy strong Word be - speaks us righ - teous; bright with  
 4 From the cross thy wis - dom shin - ing break - eth

speak - ing it was done. For cre - at - ed light we  
 night and deep as death, broke the light of thy sal -  
 thine own ho - li - ness, glo - rious now, we press toward  
 forth in con - qu'ring might; from the cross for - ev - er

thank thee, while thine or - dered sea - sons run.  
 va - tion, breathed thine own life - breath - ing breath.  
 glo - ry, and our lives our hopes con - fess.  
 beam - eth all thy bright re - deem - ing light.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise to thee who light dost send!

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The musical score is written on two staves. The top staff is in treble clef and the bottom staff is in bass clef. Both staves are in the key of B-flat major (two flats) and 4/4 time. The melody in the treble clef features three triplet markings over the first three phrases of the lyrics. The lyrics are: "Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!". The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes.

5 Give us lips to sing thy glory,  
tongues thy mercy to proclaim,  
throats that shout the hope that fills us,  
mouths to speak thy holy name.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

May the light which thou dost send  
fill our songs with alleluias,  
alleluias without end!

6 God the Father, light-creator,  
to thee laud and honor be.  
To thee, Light of Light begotten,  
praise be sung eternally.

Holy Spirit, light-revealer,  
glory, glory be to thee.

Mortals, angels, now and ever  
praise the holy Trinity!

\*The Prayers of the Church (response)

P: Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

\*Sharing of the Peace

The Musical Offering

*Sonate Pathetique: Adagio cantabile*

\*The Offertory

*Create in Me a Clean Heart*

(ELW) No. 188

\*The Lord's Prayer

**C: 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 and ever. Amen.**

Announcements

\*The Benediction (*sung response*)

**C: Amen, Amen, Amen.**

\*The Recessional Hymn

*Hail to the Lord's Anointed*

(ELW) No. 311

\*FLC Sending Hymn

*Be The Love of Christ*

arr. Michael Showalter

Roger Thornhill

\*The Dismissal (*response*)

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

*You Are the Way*

Psalter, Edinburgh, 1615

## Create in Me a Clean Heart

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right

The first system of music features a treble and bass clef with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The melody is primarily composed of quarter and eighth notes, with some rests. The accompaniment consists of block chords and moving bass lines.

spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your

The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are split across two lines. The musical notation includes various note values and rests, maintaining the same key signature and time signature.

pres-ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -

The third system continues the piece. The lyrics are split across two lines. The musical notation includes various note values and rests, maintaining the same key signature and time signature.

store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,

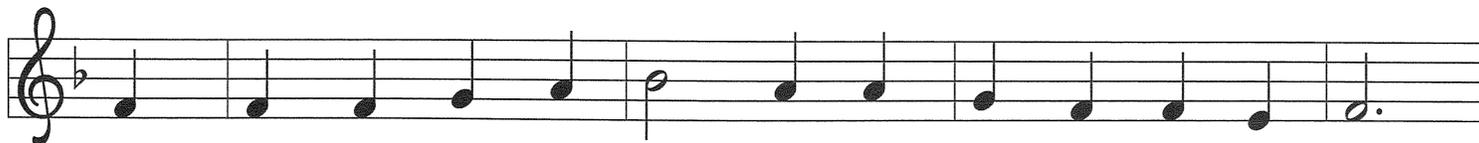
The fourth system continues the piece. The lyrics are split across two lines. The musical notation includes various note values and rests, maintaining the same key signature and time signature.

and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

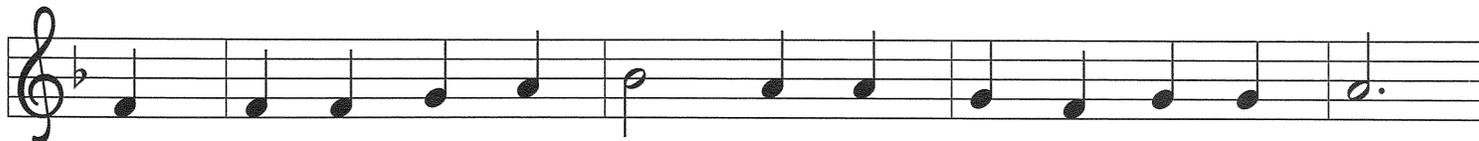
The fifth system concludes the piece. The lyrics are split across two lines. The musical notation includes various note values and rests, maintaining the same key signature and time signature. The system ends with a double bar line.

# Hail to the Lord's Anointed

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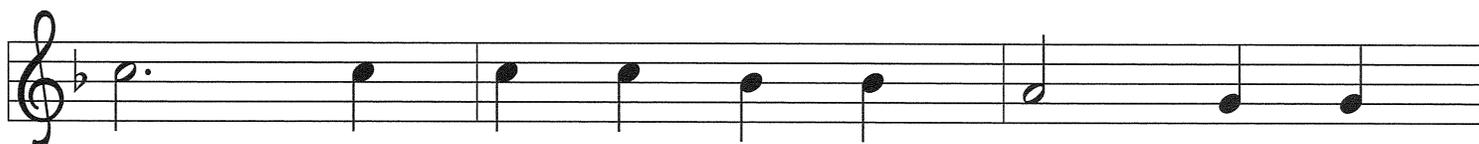
1 Hail to the Lord's a - noint - ed, great Da - vid's great - er Son!  
2 You come with res - cue speed - y to those who suf - fer wrong,  
3 You shall come down like show - ers up - on the fruit - ful earth;  
4 Kings shall fall down be - fore you, and gold and in - cense bring;



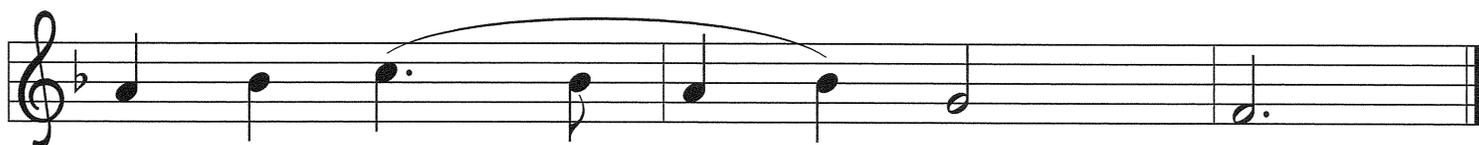
Hail, in the time ap - point - ed, your reign on earth be - gun!  
to help the poor and need - y, and bid the weak be strong;  
love, joy, and hope, like flow - ers, spring in your path to birth.  
all na - tions shall a - dore you, your praise all peo - ple sing.



You come to break op - pres - sion, to set the cap - tive  
to give them songs for sigh - ing, their dark - ness turn to  
Be - fore you on the moun - tains shall peace, the her - ald,  
To you shall prayer un - ceas - ing and dai - ly vows as -



free, to take a - way trans - gres - sion and  
light, whose souls, con - demned and dy - ing, are  
go; and righ - teous - ness in foun - tains from  
cend; your king - dom still in - creas - ing, a



rule in eq - ui - ty.  
pre - cious in your sight.  
hill to val - ley flow.  
king - dom with - out end.

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**The Flowers on the Chancel** are given to the glory of God in memory of my father, James Verderber on his Jan. 16th birthday by Mark Verderber.

**The Lay Reader** is Dennis Schmidt.

**Counters/Greeters** today are K. Luketich and D. Schmidt.

**Welcome to our Visitors!** The people of this congregation welcome you as you join us in worship this morning. Please sign the register, located in the narthex. If you have questions, please see the pastor or contact the church office.

**Do you wish to become a member of First Lutheran Church?** Please contact Pastor Grewe.

**The Word in Season** daily devotional for the next quarter is available in the narthex. Please take one for your use. They are provided by the women of the church.

**Nursery:** We welcome all children to be a part of worship, but we realize that sometimes the service can be too long for the little ones. We have a nursery for those attending to the needs for infants and small children. There is a speaker in the nursery so that parents can still hear the service. You are welcome to use the nursery for the entire service, or just a small part.

**Bell Choir Practice** on Sunday from 1-2 & Thursday from 7-8 PM.

**The Flower Chart for 2021** is posted in the narthex. If you wish to place flowers, (real or artificial) near the altar, sign your name opposite the date of your choice. You will be reminded of your date and asked for the wording you want in the bulletin two weeks before the due date.

**Sign-up sheets are posted to host a coffee hour in 2021.** Please write your names under the month you would like to host. The coffee hours have been a wonderful time of fellowship and the hosts have been awesome! Thank you!!

**Sign-up sheets are posted for Lay Readers in 2021.** Please sign up.

**Please remember to continue contributing donations to our girls in Ethiopia.**  
**Please consider this as a call to help others in need.**

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**Please pray for those in need of healing:**

Betty Johnson, Janet Burke, Maureen Curry, Eveline Reihner, Rocky and Carol, Leah, Shari Kienzle, Joanne Reck, Chiquita, Patricia Zablotny, Stacy Carroll, Byron Christian, Tillie Shawin, Billie Sue Serbak, Susan Westott, Fred Dupas, little Karson, Pastor Bruce and Marie Kreutzer, Melissa McCabe, baby Isaac Christian, Barbara Mounts, Sandy Hebrank, Rachel Rogers, Lynn Hudak, Sonie Rea, Allan Zimmerman, Donna O., the Pollana family, Iva Romano, Frank Kubichar, Ashley McCartney, Amy Verderber, Sylvia Sunstrum, David & Theresa Lacko, Linda Lacko, Kevin Ryan, Bill Hutzel, Diane & Megan, Patty, Nikki, Loretta & Paul, Alice & Delores, and Deb & Norma Price.

EMERGENCY CONTACTS

FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY

PA Mental health support and referral line

1-855-284-2494

WASHINGTON, PA BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CRISIS LINE

1-877-225-3567

WASHINGTON COUNTY BHDS LINE

724-228-6832

SCOTT BERRY DIRECT LINE

724-250-4079 (FOR CHURCH MEMBERS ONLY)

FOR OTHER NEEDS, CONTACT 211 OR THE CHURCH.

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**Church Offering Change:** In order to keep everyone safe we have changed how we collect the Sunday Offering. We do not have our ushers pass the plates around. Instead, we have one offering plate located by the last pew and one by the choir loft. Please place your offering in one of those plates. Feel free to place your offering in the plates during our Offertory if you did not do so on the way in.

# Listening for the Promise

## Weekly Devotional

### Second Sunday after Epiphany - January 17, 2021

“Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathaniel and said to him, ‘We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus, son of Joseph from Nazareth.’ Nathaniel said to him, ‘Can anything good come out of Nazareth?’ Philip said to him, ‘Come and see.’” - John 1:44-46

Philip gives us a wonderful example of how to talk about Jesus in a world that doesn't know him. How can you and I be the kind of person Philip was? Eager to share the good news with any and all who would listen? Jesus himself models this for us in the passage that's just before this one. Jesus noticed a couple of men sort of tagging along behind him. Verse 38 says, “Jesus turned and saw them following and said to them, ‘What are you seeking?’”

These are the first words Jesus speaks in John's Gospel, and they come in the form of a question. What are you looking for? What do you really want? It's an open-ended question that Jesus is modeling for us; the kind of question that gives people an opportunity to share what's important to them. Everyone has a story, and Jesus wants to be part of it.

If we're going to be effective witnesses for Christ, it's not just about knowing His story and knowing our own story... It's also about knowing the story of the person that you're trying to reach... their joys and sorrows, their successes and failures, their hopes and dreams. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, “We have found him of whom Moses in the Law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.”

Notice that Philip doesn't have all the answers before he invites his friend Nathanael to meet Jesus. Now, Nathanael is a skeptic, but notice that Philip doesn't try to argue him into believing. Then Nathanael said to him, “Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” To which Philip responded, “Come and see.” No pressure or guilt here. Actually, meeting Jesus was what changed Nathanael's mind. Philip's role was simply to pray for him and invite him. That's something all of us can do. We can pray daily for the one person that we will reach out to and lead to Jesus. That's how it works.

So, who is your one? Who is that one person you are dying to have meet and know Jesus? What are you waiting for? Tell them to “Come and See!”