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Welcome and Outreach Announcements

Prelude O How I Love Jesus and In Moments Like These Mark

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Call to Worship Linda Progar, Lay Reader

Silence your scattered thoughts and lay down your distractions God calls us here to worship.

## We are here to worship

Drop your nets and leave your boats. God is with us. Jesus calls us.

We are here to worship.

\*Gathering Song Here I am to worship

Light of the world You stepped down into darkness Opened my eyes let me see Beauty that made this heart adore You Hope of a life spent with You

Refrain: Here I am to worship, here I am to bow down Here I am to say that You're my God You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy Altogether wonderful to me

King of all days oh so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above
Humbly You came to the earth You created
All for love's sake became poor (Refrain)

\*Call to Confession

God of mercy. We confess that we have settled down in Nineveh. We have gotten comfortable in our categories: haves and have nots, makers and takers, law abiders and illegals, perpetrators and innocent. We confess that we have grown accustomed to systems of injustice and exploitation. Make us ready to follow Jesus; to repent and hear his call and your good news again. Amen.

\*Gloria Patri Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

\*Sharing the Peace of Christ

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Scripture	Jonah 3:1-5.10	See insert
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Anthem Great Is The Lord

Scripture Mark 1:14-20 See Insert

Message Should we go back to mending our nets? Rev. Edward Dunn

\*Responding Song Help Us Accept Each Other 754

Help us accept each other as Christ accepted us; teach us as sister, brother, each person to embrace. Be present, Lord, among us and bring us to believe we are ourselves accepted, and meant to love and live.

Teach us, O Lord, your lessons, as in our daily life we struggle to be human and search for hope and faith. Teach us to care for people, for all, not just for some, to love them as we find them, or as they may become.

<sup>\*</sup>Prayer of Confession

<sup>\*</sup>Declaration of Forgiveness

Let your acceptance change us, so that we may be moved in living situations to do the truth in love; to practice your acceptance until we know by heart the table of forgiveness, and laughter's healing art.

Lord, for today's encounters with all who are in need, who hunger for acceptance, for justice and for bread, we need new eyes for seeing, new hands for holding on: renew us with your Spirit; Lord, free us; make us one!

Prayers of the People

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Receiving our Offering When Morning Gilds the Sky Lee Schouw

\*Doxology 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.

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Sending Song You Walk Along Our Shoreline

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You walk along our shoreline where land meets unknown sea. We hear your voice of power, "Now come and follow me. And if you still will follow through storm and wave and shoal, then I will make you fishers but of the human soul."

You call us, Christ, to gather the people of the earth. We cannot fish for only those lives we think have worth. We spread your net of gospel across the water's face, our boat a common shelter for all found by your grace.

We cast our net, O Jesus; we cry the kingdom's name;

we work for love and justice; we learn to hope through pain. You call us, Lord, to gather God's daughters and God's sons, to let your judgment heal us so that all may be one.

\*Blessing

Postlude

Ye Watchers And Ye Holy Ones

Woody Johnson