UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THE Calling of the First Disciples Matthew 4:18-22

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WELCOME

Welcome! You have come to hear the Word of God, and you shall hear it read and preached. But we hope that by hearing it, you will also meet the Word of God, the Living Word, Jesus, our Master and Savior. And we pray that you will leave our church equipped to serve him more faithfully and effectively.

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

January 26, 2014

PRELUDE "Safe to the Rock" arr. Carrier

PRAYER HYMN

"Christ of the Upward Way"

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Christ of the upward way, my guide divine, Where You have set Your feet may I place mine; And move and march wherever You have trod, Keeping face forward up the hill of God.

WE COME TO WORSHIP GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We are your church, the body of Christ.

People: We are your followers, the disciples of Jesus.

Leader: We are your hands and feet,

the outpouring of Jesus love to the world.

People: We are your sons and daughters,

living out the kingdom of God here on earth.

Leader: We are your bride, the one true love of our glorious Savior. **People: We belong to you, our Father, our Savior, our Guide.**

All: We are yours and we will worship you. Amen.

*HYMN "Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore" 377

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we go about our days failing to proclaim your saving power with our voices or with our actions. We do not live as ones saved, but rather as people filled with fear and doubt. We often choose what is expedient, not what is right. We close our eyes and ears to those who are in need, and close our hearts to those we claim to love. We are quick to hurt others, and slow to right our wrongs. Forgive us, O God, for all the ways

we have not lived into our relationship with you. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GIVE GLORY TO GOD

"All People That on Earth Do Dwell"
All people that on earth do dwell,
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
Him serve with mirth, His praise forth tell,
Come ye before Him and rejoice.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

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Jeremiah 16:16-21

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16 I am now sending for many fishermen, says the LORD, and they shall catch them; and afterward I will send for many hunters, and they shall hunt them from every mountain and every hill, and out of the clefts of the rocks. 17 For my eyes are on all their ways; they are not hidden from my presence, nor is their iniquity concealed from my sight. 18 And I will doubly repay their iniquity and their sin, because they have polluted my land with the carcasses of their detestable idols, and have filled my inheritance with their abominations.

O LORD, my strength and my stronghold, my refuge in the day of trouble,

to you shall the nations come

from the ends of the earth and say:

Our ancestors have inherited nothing but lies, worthless things in which there is no profit.

- Can mortals make for themselves gods? Such are no gods!
- "Therefore I am surely going to teach them, this time I am going to teach them my power and my might, and they shall know that my name is the LORD."

A TIME WITH CHILDREN

"Go Fish!"

Rev. Jean Pinto

D. Haas

ANTHEM "We Are Called"

Matthew 4:12-23

12 Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee.
13 He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, 14 so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

15 "Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,

on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—

16 the people who sat in darkness

have seen a great light,

and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death

light has dawned."

17 From that time Jesus began to proclaim, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near."

18 As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. 19 And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fish for people." 20 Immediately they left their nets and followed him. 21 As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. 22 Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

23 Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

SERMON "The Ones God Calls" Rev. Jean Pinto

MOMENT FOR QUIET REFLECTION

*HYMN

"Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples"

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WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH—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 catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

WE PRESENT TO GOD OUR GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "Prayer" arr. Blake

*WE GIVE PRAISE AND THANKS TO GOD

(tune # 455)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below; Alleluia, Alleluia. Praise Him above ye heav'nly host; Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*PRAYER TO DEDICATE OUR GIFTS

Good and generous God, we pray that your life would so overflow in us that our neighbors both near and far would be fed by your Spirit. Use the offerings of our resources and our lives to proclaim the gospel, spread your love and bring forth your kingdom. For the sake of Christ we pray. Amen.

"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus" Sing the Faith 2129

WE RECEIVE GOD'S BLESSING

POSTLUDE "The Power and the Glory"

Nolte

*Those who are able may stand.

The flowers today are given by Jean Pinto in honor of Rev. Anne Benefield's birthday.

Greeters and Ushers: Donna Bade and Dot Schroeder

Liturgist: Tony Nami

*HYMN

UPCOMING EVENTS January 26th – February 2nd

Sunday—January 26th: 9:30 am E3 Worship

9:45 am Adult Bible Study 11:00 am Traditional Worship

12:00 noon Annual Congregational Meeting

6:00 pm Youth Group

Monday—January 27th: 7:00 pm Deacons

Tuesday—January 28th: 7:00 pm Women's Book Club

Thursday—January 30th: 10:00 am UPW Coordinator's Meeting

7:30 pm Choir

Sunday—February 2nd: 9:30 am E3 Communion Worship

9:45 am Adult Bible Study

10:15 am Coffee Hour

11:00 am Traditional Communion Worship

6:00 pm Youth Group

There are large print bulletins available. Please see an usher if you need this service.

There will be a congregational meeting following the 11:00 am worship service on <u>January 26, 2014</u> for the purpose of receiving annual reports and conducting any other business of the corporation. The meeting will take place in Fellowship Hall.

The Women's Book Club will meet on Tuesday, January 28th (the last Tuesday of the month) at 7:00 pm in the Bertolet Lounge. We will be discussing JUNE BUG by Chris Fabry. The story is about a ten year old girl who doesn't mind life on the road with her dad until she spots a missing child poster at Walmart that looks like her. All women of the church and their friends who enjoy books and good fellowship are invited to join us. Our classic book for February is: POLLYANNA by Eleanor Hodgman Porter.

The coordinating team of the UPW will meet on Thursday, January 30th at 10:00 am in the Bertolet Lounge.

The United Presbyterian Women will have their monthly meeting on Tuesday, February 4th in the Bertolet Lounge at 10:00 am. In our Bible study we will be studying Hagar. Our business meeting will follow the Bible study. After our meeting, all those women who want to, go to a local restaurant for lunch. All women are invited to join us. We would love to have you!

Looking for a change in the new year? The **Adult Sunday School** offers the opportunity for learning about some Old Testament and New Testament subjects and church history over the past 1000 years as well as having some fellowship and coffee. We hope to see you on Sunday mornings at 9:30. SS Teachers

Topic	Dates	Teacher
Amos and Hosea, the Prophets	Jan 19 & 26	Jean Malloy
The Reformers, Martin Luther,	Feb 2, 9, 16 & 23	Jean Pinto
Waldo, Calvin, Menno Simons,		
etc.		
First Corinthians, One In Christ	Mar 2 - May 18	
	Mar 2, 9, 16, 23	Curly Rentner
	Mar 30, Apr 6, 13, 20	Peggy Ayres
	Apr 27, May 4, 11, 18	Tony Nami

The Survivors Senior Group will meet at the church, Fellowship Hall, on Wed., Feb. 12th at 12:00 p.m. to play Bunco. We ask that you bring a bag lunch and a dessert to share. Drinks will be provided. All seniors and friends are welcome to participate in our annual Bunco afternoon. Please contact Rita Peterson at 259-7256 or email ritapete@optonline.net if you plan to attend. I would like to thank everyone that has saved tabs for the Ronald McDonald House this past year and also the donation of hats, gloves, scarves and sweatshirts for TASK. Your continued support of both these wonderful organizations is most appreciated.

Camp Johnsonburg is our Mission focus for the month of January. All mission donations received during this month will go to support Camp Johnsonburg.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Healing for Bob Efaw (cancer); Kim Corelli; Casey Ashe (brain tumor); Angela (breast cancer); Cyndy (breast cancer); Tony; John; Bryan; and Bev.

Comfort for Carolyn Reynolds on the loss of her husband, John Frierson. Concern about Bob (kidneys); and Lois (eyes).

Prayers for the Connolly Family and Hope's wedding Saturday; and prayers that her father, who is terminally ill, is able to walk her down the aisle.

Thanksgiving for Tom Zeyack's successful hip replacement; for Nancy Hall's cancer remission; for Ed Housel's good health; and for the safety of Tom and Sue Lanning.

Our Mission Statement

We are called by Jesus Christ and empowered by the Holy Spirit to celebrate and share the love of God with grace and joy. Gracefully and joyfully we seek to share our gifts in the community through:

Open Doors
Diverse Worship
Innovative Education
Creative Mission
Dynamic Service

CHURCH STAFF

Ministers: All the members of the Congregation

Pastor: Rev. Jean B. Pinto (737-8011) <u>jeanbpinto@comcast.net</u> Pastors Emeriti: Rev. Terry E. Fouse and Rev. John H. Milne

Organist: Michael Mraz

Choir Director: Marilyn Machmer Church Secretary: Betty Reinert

Prayer Chain: Daytime: Carol Heberling (298-2594); Betty Reinert (585-5770)

Evening: Gail Fouse (585-3248); Joyce Vaughn (888-1187)

OUR CONGREGATION IN MISSION

Because of your stewardship commitment, the United Presbyterian Church is supporting the ministries of:

- The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) through Monmouth Presbytery; the Synod of the Northeast, and the General Assembly.
- ❖ Mobile Meals of Hamilton Township
- Princeton Theological Seminary Scholarship Fund
- Trenton Area Habitat for Humanity
- Trenton Area Rescue Mission
- Presbyterian Camp at Johnsonburg
- Trenton Area Soup Kitchen
- Pearson Memorial Food Bank
- Womanspace
- **❖** Homefront
- Trenton Area Campus Ministries