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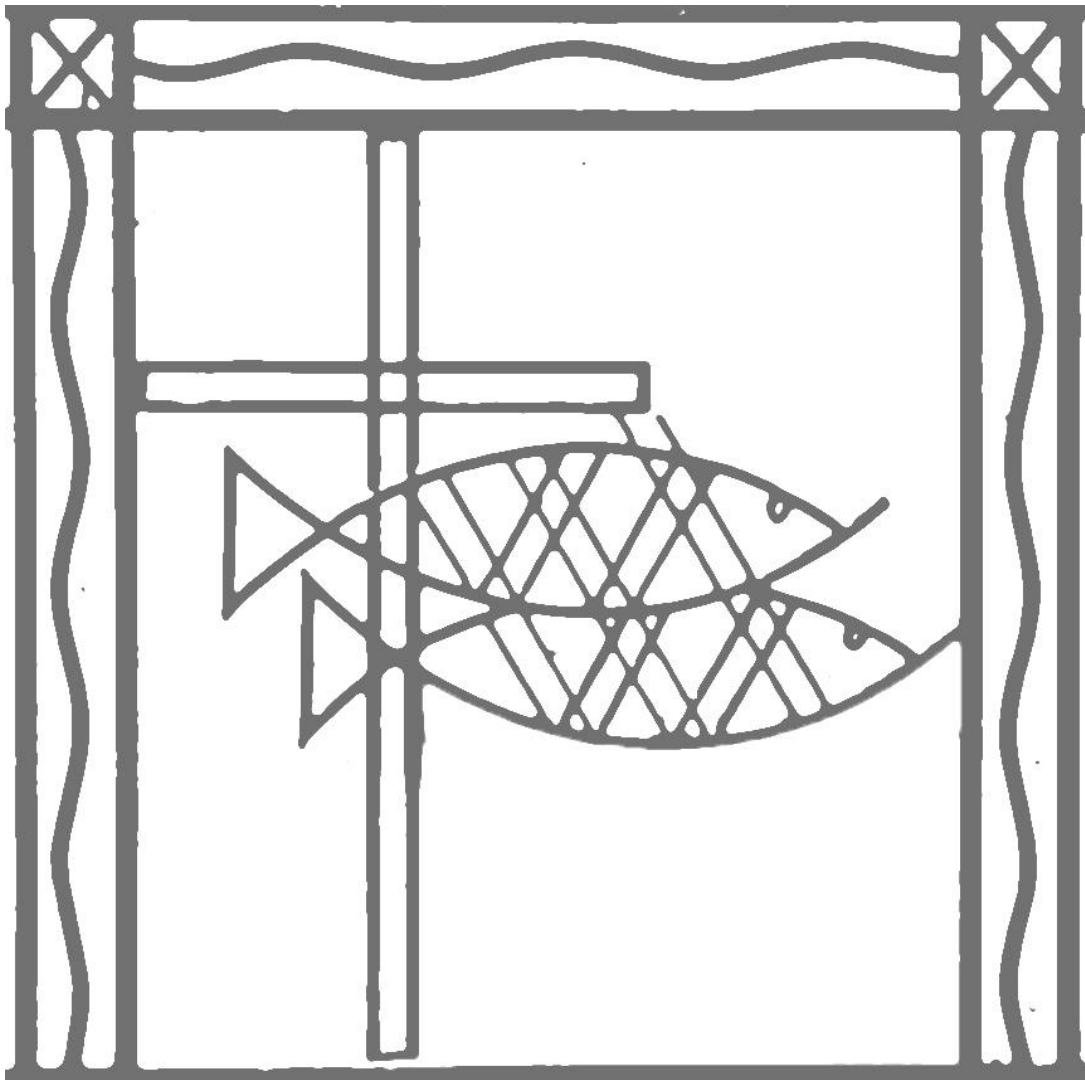
# INDEPENDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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## *THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY*

January 24, 2021



*Cross with Fish, Benton Chapel, Vanderbilt University*

C.J. Briggs, Music Director  
Julie Lehmann, Secretary

Lauren Somple, Liturgist  
Rev. David B. Wigger, Pastor

*“For men stray and wander in the world, as in a great and troubled sea,  
till they are gathered by the Gospel.” -John Calvin*

# GATHERING

## GATHERING PRAYER

### PRELUDE

“Vestapol”  
arr. by C.J. Briggs

Anonymous

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CALL TO WORSHIP (*based on Psalm 62*)\*

Lauren Somple

The present form of this world is passing away.  
**Therefore, help us to keep our focus on you, Lord,**  
for true power and steadfast love belong to you.

From God comes my salvation.

**For God alone my soul waits in silence.**

God alone is my rock and my salvation.

**God is my fortress; I shall never be shaken.**

Come, let us worship God.

### HYMN

“From the Nets of Our Labors”  
Words by Mary Louise Bringle  
Music by John R. Kleinheksel Sr.

GTG #751  
HAMILTON

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Forgiving God, we repent of all the ways we turn from you. You call, but we do not listen; you show us your path, but we prefer our own way. Forgive us, heal us, and lead us back to you, that we might show mercy to others. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.**

### RESPONSE

“Kyrie Eleison”

arr. C.J. Briggs

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

In Jesus Christ, you are forgiven by God and given new life.  
**Thanks be to God!**

## **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

## **THE WORD**

### **CHILDREN'S MOMENT**

### **PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION**

**HEBREW BIBLE**                      *Jonah 1:17-2:10*                      (NRSV)

**GOSPEL**                              *Mark 1:14-20*                      (NRSV)

Hear what the Holy Spirit is telling God's people.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**                              *Metanoia*                      Rev. David B. Wigger

### **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (*from The Confession of 1967*)

**God's sovereign love is a mystery beyond the reach of man's mind. Human thought ascribes to God superlatives of power, wisdom, and goodness. But God reveals his love in Jesus Christ by showing power in the form of a servant, wisdom in the folly of the cross, and goodness in receiving sinful men. The power of God's love in Christ to transform the world discloses that the Redeemer is the Lord and Creator who made all things to serve the purpose of his love.**

**God has created the world of space and time to be the sphere of his dealings with men. In its beauty and vastness, sublimity and awfulness, order and disorder, the world reflects to the eye of faith the majesty and mystery of its Creator.**

## **RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

### **OFFERING**

## DOXOLOGY

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*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 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.**

## SENDING

<b>HYMN</b>	“Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore”	GTG #721
	by Cesareo Gabarain	PESCADOR DE HOMBRES

## BENEDICTION

<b>POSTLUDE</b>	“El Pescador”	Jose Benito Barros
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Pieces of today's liturgy are from the *Book of Common Worship*, PC(USA); *Feasting on the Word: Worship Companion*, Kimberly Bracken Long, ed.; and *Presbyterian Outlook*, Roger Gench.

GTG = *Glory to God* (PCUSA Hymnal)

\*For all responsive liturgy, leader will read the parts in regular type,  
**and the congregation may respond with the words in bold.**