

ORCHARD VALLEY UNITED CHURCH

130 Cornwallis Ave.
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ORDER OF WORSHIP Sunday, July 23, 2017 – 9:30 am

Prelude Music

Welcome & News of the Community

Introit: “Gather Us In” MV #7 (x1)

Music: “Will You Come and Follow Me?” VU #567

Gathering Words:

One: Long ago, people lived with fear and uncertainty.
Many felt lost and alone.

All: And Jesus said, “Follow me.”

One: Today, people look for a sign of new life. Many feel
lost and alone.

All: And Jesus says, “Follow me.”

One: The people of God come together to see a new
beginning. We don't know where we're going. Many
still feel lost and alone.

All: And Jesus continues to say, “Follow me.”

One: Some will lead and some will follow, but all are
called to live lives of faithfulness, compassion and
love.

**All: God will be with us wherever we go when we
respond to Jesus' invitation: “Follow me.”**

One: In our gathering for worship, may we experience
Jesus' words once again, “Follow me.”

Music: “Jesus Saw Them Fishing” MV#113

Stories for All God's Children

Sharing the Story: Matthew 4:18-22

The Lord's Prayer

Special Music: Fred Lipskey

Message: The Faith We Sing: Jesus Calls Us

Music: “Jesus Calls Us” VU #562

Offering of our Gifts

Offertory: “When We are Living” VU #581, v2

Offertory Prayer:

When you call us to be disciples, Loving God, we sometimes think that you do all the asking – for our time, our money, our commitment, and for our very lives. We forget, that in the beginning, we had nothing at all and that everything that we now have was given to us by you. You only ask from us what we are willing to freely return to you. Here are our freely given gifts today. Amen.

Prayer in Action

Words of Affirmation:

Let us go into the world, with the boldness of disciples, knowing that we are called, and sure of our place in the world as stewards of God's goodness to us. Amen.

Music: “Jesus, You Have Come to the Lakeshore” VU #563

Benediction

Postlude Music