

ORCHARD VALLEY UNITED CHURCH

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, January 22nd, 2023, 10:00 am

3rd Sunday after Epiphany

Music as We Gather

Gathering

* Introit: "Serve Our God with Joy and Gladness"

Lighting of the Outreach, Unity Christ Candles

The light of understanding, the light of compassion, the light of community...

are symbolized in the light that shines from this outreach candle.

The light of acceptance, to be cherished and loved, radiates from this Unity Candle...

And burns within each of us for a world where all people are united into one human family.

Let the light of our Christ Candle illumine our lives, our worship, and our way forward...

as we gather today as God's people.

Recognition of the Land

May the peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you!

Welcome and Announcements

* Call to Worship:

Jesus calls fishermen to be his disciples.

We are also called into discipleship.

Jesus' disciples are called into his ministries.

We are also called to be partners in our ministries.

Jesus brings his followers into prayer and worship.

We are called here into worship through word and song.

Let that worship begin now.

*Hymn: "Today We All Are Called" VU #507

Opening Prayer

Listening

Children's Time / Time for all Ages:

The Lord's Prayer

*Hymn: "Simon, Simon, a Fisherman" VU #597

Scripture:

1 Corinthians 1:10-18 Overcome divisions and find unity
Matthew 4:12-23 Jesus begins his ministry

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem: Go Out and Serve God! Price/Besig

Offered by Orchard Valley United Church Choir

Message: Fish? Yuck! Rev Don Sellsted

* **Hymn:** "There's a Spirit in the Air" VU #582

Celebrating

Offering of Our Gifts

* Offertory: "When We Are Living" VU #581 v.2

Offertory Prayer:

With hearts of praise, O God, we dedicate to you these gifts from our lives and work. Use them and us, to the fulfilling of your goal for creation, that we might give

thanks to you not only in the hearing, but in the living out of your word. Amen.

Prayers of the People

* **Hymn:** "All the Way My Saviour Leads Me" VU # 635

* Commissioning

* Benediction:

The God of forgiveness bless you, the grace of Christ keep you, and the wisdom of the Holy Spirit strengthen you. Let us go now in peace, to love and to serve. And the people said ... **AMEN!**

* **Hymn:** "Amen" VU #967

Postlude