



# Centenary

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

**January 24, 2021**

**Third Sunday after The Epiphany**

(As the Prelude begins, you are invited to enter a time of prayer and meditation as we prepare to worship God together.)

**The Prelude**

*Trust and Obey*

Daniel B. Towner, 1887

**The Welcome**

**The Opening Prayer**

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

**All: Almighty God who pours out upon us steadfast love,  
as we gather for worship today,  
we do not come simply to pray for tranquility  
or that our tribulations will cease;  
rather we pray for thy spirit and thy love,  
that thou grant us strength and grace to overcome adversity,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**The Hymn No. 398**

*Jesus Calls Us*

GALILEE

1. Jesus calls us o'er the tumult  
of our life's wild, restless sea;  
day by day his sweet voice soundeth,  
saying, "Christian, follow me!"
2. As of old the apostles heard it  
by the Galilean lake,  
turned from home and toil and kindred,  
leaving all for Jesus' sake.
3. Jesus calls us from the worship  
of the vain world's golden store,  
from each idol that would keep us,  
saying, "Christian, love me more!"
4. In our joys and in our sorrows,  
days of toil and hours of ease,  
still he calls, in cares and pleasures,  
"Christian, love me more than these!"
5. Jesus calls us! By thy mercies,  
Savior, may we hear thy call,  
give our hearts to thine obedience,  
serve and love thee best of all.

**The Scripture Lesson**

Psalm 62:5-12

**The Sermon**

*You Never Know What You'll Hear in the Silence*

Dr. Matthew D. Bates

**The Offertory Prayer**

**The Offertory Solo**

*Dear Lord and Father of Mankind*

C. Hubert H. Parry

Dear Lord and Father of mankind,  
Forgive our foolish ways;  
Reclothe us in our rightful mind;  
In purer lives, Thy service find,  
In deeper rev'rence, praise.

In simple trust like theirs who heard,  
Beside the Syrian sea,  
The gracious calling of the Lord,  
Let us, like them, without a word,  
Rise up and follow Thee.

Drop Thy still dews of quietness,  
Till all our strivings cease:  
Take from our souls the strain and stress,  
And let our ordered lives confess  
The beauty of Thy peace.

Breathe thro' the heats of our desire  
Thy coolness and Thy balm;  
Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;  
Speak thro' the earthquake, wind, and fire,  
O still small voice of calm!

John Greenleaf Whittier (1807-1892)

**The Prayers of the People**

The Silent Prayer

The Pastoral Prayer

**The Lord's Prayer No. 895**

**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 trespasses,  
as we forgive those that trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
forever. Amen.**

**The Hymn No. 2129**

*I Have Decided to Follow Jesus*

ASSAM

1. I have decided to follow Jesus,  
I have decided to follow Jesus,  
I have decided to follow Jesus -  
no turning back, no turning back.

2. The world behind me, the cross before me,  
the world behind me, the cross before me,  
the world behind me, the cross before me -  
no turning back, no turning back.
3. Though none go with me, still I will follow,  
though none go with me, still I will follow,  
though none go with me, still I will follow—  
no turning back, no turning back.

## The Benediction

### The Postlude

*Praise to the Lord*

Johann Gottfried Walther

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*We thank these persons who helped us in worship this morning.*

Senior Pastor:	Rev. Matthew D. Bates
Minister to Young Adults:	Rev. Drew Willson
Director of Music:	Stanley M. Baker
Pianist:	Lee Covington
Singer:	Todd Minnich
A/V Team:	Dan Corcoran
	Jane Covington
	Nathan Grubb

# Scripture

## Psalm 62:5-12

For God alone my soul waits in silence,  
for my hope is from him.

<sup>6</sup>He alone is my rock and my salvation,  
my fortress; I shall not be shaken.

<sup>7</sup>On God rests my deliverance and my honor;  
my mighty rock, my refuge is in God.

<sup>8</sup>Trust in him at all times, O people;  
pour out your heart before him;  
God is a refuge for us. *Selah*

<sup>9</sup> Those of low estate are but a breath,  
those of high estate are a delusion;  
in the balances they go up;  
they are together lighter than a breath.

<sup>10</sup> Put no confidence in extortion,  
and set no vain hopes on robbery;  
if riches increase, do not set your heart on them.

<sup>11</sup> Once God has spoken;  
twice have I heard this:  
that power belongs to God,

<sup>12</sup> and steadfast love belongs to you, O Lord.  
For you repay to all  
according to their work.

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