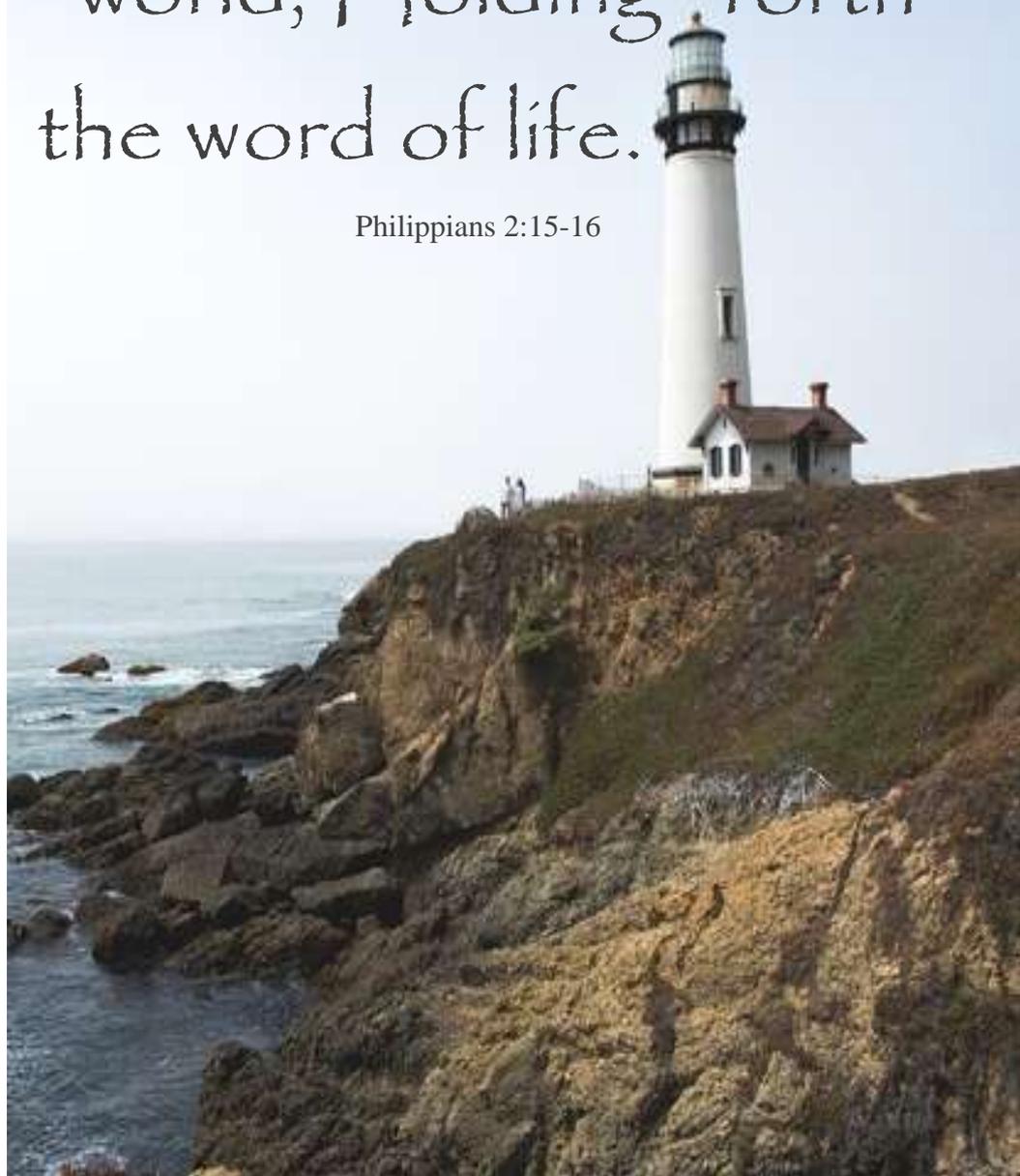


Shine as lights in the
world; Holding forth
the word of life.

Philippians 2:15-16



Third Sunday after Epiphany

January 24th / January 25th 2021

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Welcome to Trinity!

We're glad you're here to worship!

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O Christ, Who Called the Twelve

(CWS 770 vv. 1,4)

1. O Christ, who called the Twelve To
rise and fol – low you, For –
sak – ing old, fa – mil – iar ways
For ven – tures bold and new: Grant
us to hear your call To
risk se – cur – i – ty And,
bound in heart and will to you, Find
per – fect lib – er – ty.

Please rise

4. O Christ, th' a – pos – tles' Lord, The
mar – tyrs' strength and song, The
cru – ci – fied and ris – en King To
whom saints be – long: Though
gen – er – a – tions pass, Our
trib – ute still we bring, Our
hymns a sac – ri – fice of praise, Our
lives an of – fer – ing

Salutation:

P: The Lord be with you.

C: *(Spoken) And also with you.*

Prayer of the Day:

P: Let us pray

Almighty God, you sent your Son to proclaim your kingdom and to teach with authority. Anoint us with the power of your Spirit that we, too, may bring good news to the afflicted, bind up the brokenhearted, and proclaim liberty to the captive; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen

Please be seated

Old Testament Lesson

When Elijah called Elisha to be his successor, Elisha was working. Did you ever notice how many people were working when the Lord called? Moses and David were tending sheep, Peter and Andrew were fishing, James and John were mending their nets. God called them from doing something good to something even better!

When our days are filled with work that doesn't seem eternally important, remember that God knows where you are. "Whatever you do, keep working at it with all your heart, as for the Lord and not for people." (Col 3:23)

While Elisha was faithfully working on the farm, Elijah threw his cloak over him. Elisha knew what that meant. He knew that he would be leaving his family to serve God full time. And he celebrated! He said good-bye to his parents and then he threw a party! God's service is exciting! It's fulfilling. And it saves people.

Let's celebrate our service in God's kingdom—in everything He's called us to do!

1 Kings 19:19-21 (EHV)

¹⁹So Elijah went from there and found Elisha son of Shaphat. Elisha was doing the plowing with twelve teams of oxen in front of him, and he himself was driving the twelfth team. Elijah crossed over to him and threw his cloak over him. ²⁰Then Elisha left the oxen and ran after Elijah. He said, "Let me kiss my father and my mother good-bye! Then I will follow you."

Then Elijah said, "Go back! For what have I done to you?"

²¹So Elisha turned back from following him. Then he took the team of oxen and slaughtered them. Using the equipment from the oxen as fuel, he cooked the meat and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he got up, followed Elijah, and served him.

Historical Lesson

The church in Antioch had a diverse congregation. There were people from different backgrounds, economic groups, and cultures. What they all had in common was their faith, their Savior, and their heavenly home. Our congregation, too, has a variety of personalities, histories, and gifts. God calls us all to serve together in his kingdom.

Sometimes our call is the universal call to all Christians. We are all called to worship and to serve. We are all called to share our faith and to encourage each other. Sometimes a call is more specific. We can be called to preach, to teach, to lead, to organize, or to service in a myriad of other ways according to our gifts. Every call into Christian service is a call from God and blessed by the Holy Spirit.

Barnabas and Paul were set apart for mission work. They brought the word of God everywhere they were sent by the Holy Spirit. The work would not be easy or convenient (important work rarely is), but they were not alone. God was with them and faithful Christians supported them.

And so it is with our calls. Whether public or private, God is with us, and faithful Christians serve together to the glory of God and the salvation of precious souls.

Acts 13:1-5 (EHV)

¹Now in the church at Antioch there were some prophets and teachers: Barnabas; Simeon, who was called Niger; Lucius of Cyrene; Manaen, who had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch; and Saul.

²While they were worshipping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, "Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them." ³Then, after they had fasted and prayed and laid their hands on them, they sent them off.

⁴So they were sent out by the Holy Spirit and went down to Seleucia. From there they sailed to Cyprus. ⁵When they arrived at Salamis, they proclaimed the word of God in the Jewish synagogues. They also had John as their assistant.

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Jesus Calls Us o'er the Tumult

(Hymn 463 vv. 1,2,5)

- 1 Jesus calls us o'er the tumult
 Of our life's wild, restless sea;
 Day by day his voice invites us,
 Saying, "Christian, follow me!"

- 2 As the first disciples heard it
 By the Galilean lake,
 Turned from home and toil and kindred,
 Leaving all for his dear sake.

- 5 Jesus calls us! In your mercy,
 Savior, help us hear your call;
 Give our hearts to your obedience,
 Serve and love you best of all!

Gospel Lesson/Sermon Text:

John the Baptist was imprisoned for saying the right things. When that happened, Jesus went into Galilee to say the same things. But Jesus did even better: He fulfilled the words that John had spoken.

It shouldn't surprise us that John was put into prison. He was a threat to Satan and his mastery of the world. John spoke the words of God and brought people out of slavery to sin. God's work was being done. Jesus completed the work by living a perfect life of service and offering himself as the perfect sacrifice.

Jesus called his first four disciples to follow him into the Gospel ministry. They, too, would speak the words of God. They would rescue souls from the dungeons of hell. They would be imprisoned for preaching of Jesus Christ.

The disciples heard the voice of their Savior and followed him. Now Jesus is calling us.

Mark 1:14-20 (EHV)

¹⁴After John was put in prison, Jesus went to Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God. ¹⁵“The time is fulfilled,” he said. “The kingdom of God has come near! Repent, and believe in the gospel.”

¹⁶As Jesus was going along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea, since they were fishermen. ¹⁷Jesus said to them, “Come, follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.” ¹⁸Immediately they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹Going on a little farther, he saw James the son of Zebedee and his brother John. They were in a boat mending the nets. ²⁰Immediately Jesus called them. They left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants and followed him.

Prayers for Our family and Friends

The Beaumont Family, Melanie Bell, Milferd Behnke, Ashleigh Bourdelais, Ardice Cerney, Gladys Constine, Geri Garbrecht, Jean Harper, Dorothy Johnson, Rose Karr, Sharon Malmstadt-Rupert, Noah & Kristin Olson, Lisa Schmitt, Aaron Wood and Jesse Zach

Prayers for those called to protect

Military: **Jesse Adams** (Sue Connor's son), **Greg Carow** (Dennis Carow's godson/nephew), **Aeron Forsberg** (Linda and Gene Erickson's grandson), **Dayton Godfrey** (Dave & Cindy Schacht's great-nephew), **Joshua Jansen** (Isaac Jansen's cousin), **Jesse Johnston** (Jim & Laurie Johnston's son), **Patrick Noppenberg** (Denis & Deb Vieth's son), **Aaron Stocker Jr.** (Martina (Dura) Stocker's husband), **Dylan Vanko**, (Roy and Grace Chmela's grandson), and **Thomas Weirich** (Mary Bush's nephew).

Firefighter: Steve Campbell.

Police: Greg Haemker, Raymond Cashaw (Pastor Sonnemann's niece's husband) and **David Peterson** (Jamie Tesch's uncle). Ask the Lord to bless them, strengthen them, and keep them safe.

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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who 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 and ever. Amen.*

The Benediction:

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen

Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus

(Hymn 452 v.1)

1. Let us ever walk with Jesus,
Follow his example pure,
Flee the world which would deceive us
And to sin our souls allure.
Ever in his footsteps treading,
Body here, yet soul above,
Full of faith and hope and love,
Let us do the Father's bidding.
Faithful Lord, abide with me.
Savior, lead; I follow thee.

Mid-week Lenten Services

Wednesday at 3:15pm & 6:00pm

February 17th – Ash Wednesday

February 24th

March 3rd

March 10th

March 17th

March 24th

"The Hands of the Passion"

Whether they were lifted to bless God's chosen people or to stone God's chosen prophets, hands in the Bible are rarely noticed but always in action. The Hands of the Passion explores the many roles hands played during the Passion History, from waving palm branches to nailing our Savior to the cross.

Join us for our Worship Services

Sunday at 8:00am & 10:00am

Monday at 6:00 pm

* Communion Worship is the 2nd and last weekend of every month

TRINITY'S CORE MISSION

Shining the Light of the Gospel in our community.

John 8:12 - *"I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."*

Matthew 5:16 - *"Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven"*