



## UNIVERSITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

January 17, 2021 | 10:30 a.m.

Pastor - Reverend Michelle Mejia



### Order of Worship – Online Service

#### WE GATHER FOR PRAYER AND PRAISE

Gathering Music

*Whom Shall I Send?*

UMH #582

Welcome Message

Call to Worship

Gracious God,  
Just like Jesus by the Jordan River  
told John's confused disciples,  
"Come and you will see."  
You continue to invite us your people,  
To come and see,  
To come and follow.  
You invite us  
Even when we don't understand  
Even when we can't believe the good news in front of us.  
Even when we don't have the right words to describe who you are.  
Come and see.  
It's a standing invitation.  
Always there, full of grace.  
As we come and worship,  
As we come into God's presence  
May we see the difference Love makes today.  
Amen.

## Verse 1

I want to walk as a child of the light  
I want to follow Jesus  
God set the stars to give light to the world  
The star of my life is Jesus  
In Him, there is no darkness at all  
The night and the day are both alike  
The Lamb is the light of the city of God  
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus

## Verse 2

I want to see the brightness of God  
I want to look at Jesus  
Clear sun of righteousness, shine on my path  
And show me the way to the Father  
In Him, there is no darkness at all  
The night and the day are both alike  
The Lamb is the light of the city of God  
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus



## 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. Amen.



## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

### Prayer for Illumination

Send down your Holy Spirit, O God - tear open the veil of heaven and speak to us as beloved children so that we may hear and believe the good news of your Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Scripture

John 1:35-51

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<sup>35</sup> The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, <sup>36</sup> and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" <sup>37</sup> The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. <sup>38</sup> When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" <sup>39</sup> He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. <sup>40</sup> One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. <sup>41</sup> He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). <sup>42</sup> He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

<sup>43</sup> The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." <sup>44</sup> Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. <sup>45</sup> Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." <sup>46</sup> Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." <sup>47</sup> When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" <sup>48</sup> Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." <sup>49</sup> Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" <sup>50</sup> Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." <sup>51</sup> And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

Leader: This is the Word of God for the People of God.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

**Giving of our Gifts**     \*If you haven't already done so, we hope you'll share your gifts.

**Music Ministry**

*O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee*  
Aldersgate Choir

Kaan/Hughes



**Doxology**

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Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!  
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Hymn of Service**

*Would I Have Answered When You Called*

TFWS #2137

- 1    Would I have answered  
      when you called, "Come follow, follow me!"?  
      Would I at once have left behind  
      both work and family?  
      Or would the old, familiar round  
      have held me by its claim  
      and kept the spark within my heart  
      from bursting into flame?

4. O Christ, I cannot  
search my heart  
through all its tangled ways,  
nor can I with a certain mind  
my steadfastness appraise.  
I only pray that when you call,  
"Come, follow, follow me!"  
you'll give me strength  
beyond my own  
to follow faithfully.

Postlude

Gather Us In

Haugen

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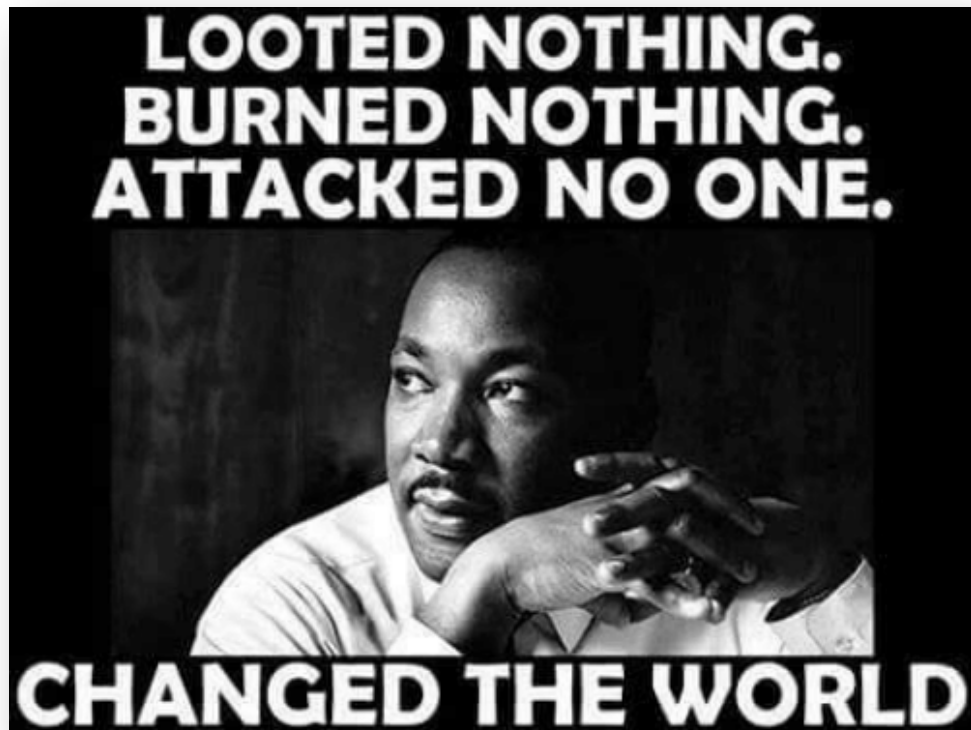


# Sign of Hope



How will you answer your call?





### **Announcements – January 17, 2021**

**FOR YOUR CALENDAR:** Our worship service on the first Sunday of each month will celebrate communion, via Zoom, at 10:30 a.m. We hope you are able to join us on February 7<sup>th</sup> for our next communion service.

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL** Join our Sunday School class (via Zoom) for a discussion of scriptures, sharing of insights, and time of fellowship. We meet Sundays at 11:15 after our worship service. Details are in the email blast each week.

**WEDNESDAY PRAYERS** Join Pastor Michelle and members of your church family in a time of sharing prayers this Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m., via a Zoom call. You will receive log in information via an email.

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