WE GATHER TOGETHER PRAISING GOD

Introductions and Invitations

Welcome & Welcoming Music

Responsive Reading

One: Come, with undivided attention, to meet God, who calls you away from old routines.
All: Our souls wait for God in silence. We hope in God, our rock and our salvation.
One: Come without anxiety or fear, for God cares for you.
All: We come with devotion to our Sovereign, in whom time is fulfilled and life has meaning.
One: Enter the realm of God, which is here and now, as well as beyond time and place.
All: We pour out our hearts before God, whom we trust and honor.

Hymn #363

“And Can It Be” (v. 1, 4, & 5)

Invocation (worship leader prays aloud)

Teach us anew, rock of our salvation, how your kingdom has come near. As you called Simon and Andrew long ago, call us to be your disciples this day, that we might find refuge and strength as we face the destructive forces of our lives. Grant us the strength to wait for you in silence, that we might meet you in the subterranean chambers of our souls. For in you we rest secure, in you we abide in holy love.
Amen.

Sharing the Peace of Christ (greet fellow worshipers in the live chat as we sing song #723 “Shall We Gather At The River”)

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Children In Ministry

Music to Lift Our Spirits

Erich Grimm-Schmitt

Scripture: Mark 1:14-20
Message: “Follow Me” Pastor Lori Leopold

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S LOVE

Song of Prayer (we pray for God’s guidance as we sing #3109 “Living Spirit, Holy Fire”)

Prayers of the People
The Lord’s Prayer
Offering of Gifts (followed by)
Doxology

Liturgical elements from Abingdon Worship Annual and Discipleship Ministries UMC.
Prayer of Dedication (we read and pray aloud together)

God of abundance, you teach us the dangers of setting our hearts on earthly riches. May these offerings be symbols of our faith in your bounty, and of our commitment to follow your call in our lives, wherever you may lead. Amen.

Hymn #571

“Go Make Of All Disciples” (v. 1, 2, & 4)

Benediction

And God will raise you up on eagle’s wings,
bear you on the breath of dawn,
make you to shine like the sun,
and hold you in the palm of God’s hand.

All are invited to share in virtual coffee time online
via Zoom (may require app download).