

**\*Doxology** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH#94

**\*Offertory Prayer**

Generous God, we ask you to bless the gifts we give this morning. We ask that that you help grow the trust in us, that we might follow without looking back and that we might leave behind more of our old lives to experience more deeply new life in you. Help us to leave our nets on the shore, leave those things that seemed essential before we heard the call, so that we might travel the road you have put before us. In the name of Christ who goes before us and beside us, we pray. Amen.

**\*Closing Hymn**

**UMH#500**

**"Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart"**

**Benediction**

Go now, follow where Christ calls you and proclaim the message God gives you.  
Wait in hope for God. Avoid become bound up in the business of the world, but live in readiness for the in-breaking of the Kingdom. We go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Amen!

**Postlude**

**Glen Haselbarth**

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# ***Minden United Methodist Church***

**Vision for 2021:**

**Overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.**

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace,  
as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope  
by the power of the Holy Spirit.  
(Romans 15:13 NIV)

**Order of Worship**  
**January 24, 2021**  
**3rd Sunday after Epiphany**

**Prelude**

**Glen Haselbarth**

**Welcome and Announcements**

1. We are offering live-streaming worship on both Facebook and YouTube. Please put your names on either YouTube or Facebook, and then we will know you are with us.
2. Pastor. Peter will be praying for you and your family throughout the whole year. Please send prayer requests for 2021 to the church office or Pastor Peter's email, [peterchoiminden@gmail.com](mailto:peterchoiminden@gmail.com).
3. We are collecting confirmation and baptism pictures. If you have confirmation pictures between 2005 and 2018, and if your pictures of baptism are not displayed in the church, please contact the church office.
4. Pastor. Peter has started to reach out to our church friends and visit their homes. If you need a visitation, please contact the church office or call Pastor. Peter.
5. Last week we received offerings of \$8,170. Thank you for the offerings and prayers.

**\*Call to Worship**

L: Christ is calling you as disciples

**P: Lord Jesus, let us follow you faithfully.**

L: You will be led into fields of mission and service.

**P: Lord Jesus, where you lead us, we will go.**

L: Listen for Christ's call to you.

**P: We are ready to serve the Lord. AMEN.**

### **\*Opening Prayer**

O God, you are our light and our salvation. Living in your presence, we have nothing to fear. Open our hearts to your word this day. As we hear the story of the call of the first disciples, make us ready to follow Jesus on whatever path he leads us. Cast aside our fears and doubts, and teach us to trust wholly in you. For we ask this in Jesus' Name, AMEN.

### **\*Congregational Prayer**

**\*Opening Hymn**      **"Shine, Jesus, Shine"**      **TFWS#2173**

**Children's Time**      **"Jesus Chooses Helpers!"**      **Peter Choi**

### **Scriptures**

**Kay Lyn McBride**

### **Psalm 62:5-12 (NIV)**

Yes, my soul, find rest in God;  
my hope comes from him.  
Truly he is my rock and my salvation;  
he is my fortress, I will not be shaken.  
My salvation and my honor depend on God;  
he is my mighty rock, my refuge.  
Trust in him at all times, you people;  
pour out your hearts to him,  
for God is our refuge.  
Surely the lowborn are but a breath,  
the highborn are but a lie.  
If weighed on a balance, they are nothing;  
together they are only a breath.  
Do not trust in extortion  
or put vain hope in stolen goods;  
though your riches increase,  
do not set your heart on them.  
One thing God has spoken,  
two things I have heard:  
"Power belongs to you, God,  
and with you, Lord, is unfailing love";  
and, "You reward everyone  
according to what they have done."

### **Mark 1:14-20 (NIV)**

After John was put in prison, Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. "The time has come," he said. "The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!"  
As Jesus walked beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. "Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will send you out to fish for people." At once they left their nets and followed him.  
When he had gone a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John in a boat, preparing their nets. Without delay he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men and followed him.  
L: This is the word of the Lord.  
P: **Thanks be to God.**

**Message "The Adventure of Discipleship!"**      **Pastor Peter Choi**

**Hymn**      **"Spirit of God" vs. 1-3**      **TFWS#2117**

### **Joys and Concerns**

Prayer List: Denny Lange, Carolyn Olsen, Marjorie Hultquist, Maxine Grams, and Lori Conyers's Parents (all healing).  
Happy Birthday to Makenna Dornhoff, Donald Johnson, Brooke Lundeen, Ian Sinsel, Devin Jensen, Bonnie Westengaard, Dudley Scharff, and Tyler Gokie.

### **Pastoral Prayer—Lord's Prayer**