## 4 The word of the Lord came to me, saying,

5 "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations." — Jeremiah 1: 4-5

# God's Call

## January 30, 2022

WASHINGTON STREET

The congregation of Washington Street UMC praises and serves God from the heart of the city in ways that reach our neighbors near and far. We welcome and affirm all who seek the love and mercy of Christ regardless of race, creed, age, gender, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, or economic status. We honor traditions as rooted in our history, our expression of worship, and our respect for theological curiosity. We nonetheless see vital change and ongoing renewal as essential for spiritual growth.

### WASHINGTON STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

4th Sunday After the Epiphany January 30, 2022

11:00 AM - Sanctuary

Liturgical Color: Green, symbolizing growth

(As our worship begins, please silence any electronic devices. Portable hearing devices are available in the Narthex. Please ask an usher for assistance.)

#### GATHERING IN THE NAME OF CHRIST

PRELUDE

*Lebhaft* from *Sonate II* 

Paul Hindemith

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

\*CALL TO WORSHIP+

One: Come! Hear the call of God: "Speak of me to my people."

All: But we are just ordinary folks. Who will listen?

One: "I will give you the words. I will always be with you as you speak my words of truth and justice and love."

All: We gather here to worship you, to praise you for your loving presence, and to be strengthened for the calling you have given us.

HYMN #408

The Gift of LoveGIFT OF LOVEWords: Hal Hopson, 1972 (1 Cor. 13:1-3)Music: Trad. English melody; adapt. by Hal Hopson, 1972

#### OPENING PRAYER++

O God of all the prophets, you knew us and chose us before you formed us in the womb. Fill us with faith that speaks your word, hope that does not disappoint, and love that bears all things for your sake, until that day when we shall know you fully, even as we are known by you. Amen.

#### 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.

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

A Modern Affirmation (UMH #885)

*THE GLORIA PATRI 70	) Words: Lesser Doxology, 3rd-4th cent. Music: Charles Meineke, 1844	MEINEKE
ANTHEM	Come Thou Fount	Daniel Musselman
MINISTRY MOMENT		
SOLO/OFFERTORY	<i>Make Me a Channel of Your Peace</i> Soloist: Karly Shorter	arr. Mark Hayes
*DOXOLOGY #95	Words: Thomas Ken, 1674; Music: Attr. to Louis Bourgeois, 1551	OLD 100TH
SCRIPTURE LESSON	Jeremiah 1:4-8	
SERMON	"God's Call"	Rev. Alston Lippert

\*HYMN #582

Rev. Alston Lippert

Whom Shall I Send? DEUS TUORUM MILITUM Words: Fred Pratt Green, 1970 (Is. 6:8) Music: Grenoble Antiphoner, 1753; adapt. by Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906; harm. by Basil Harwood, 1908

#### \*BENEDICTION

Please remain seated until the pastors have cleared the aisle. Please remember to practice social distancing when exiting.

Herr Jesu Christ, dich zu uns wend, Opus 67, No. 9 \*POSTLUDE Max Reger

\*Congregation standing. If standing is uncomfortable, please remain seated and continue your participation.

> When our worship ends, our service begins! + www.ministrymatters.com/worship/entry/3545/worship-elements-january-30-2022 ++ www.lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/prayers.php?id=110



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#### **PRAYER THOUGHT**

Prayer does not fit us for the greater work...prayer is the greater work.

#### PRAYER LIST

Thom Berry Martha Boynton Martha Brooker Heidi Conte Mickey Epting Bud Harrelson Karen Horne Geneva Hutchinson Lisa Johnson Debby Joyner Rev. Judy King Mike LeFever Paul McClanahan David Middleton Lauren, Greg, and Nora Blair Middleton and family Rick Rowe

Boyd Saunders Stephanie Saunders Sarah Threatt Marjorie Tuell Our homebound

#### **IN MEMORIAM**

Ms. Lyn Bailey January 26, 2022

#### IN CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

Rev. Becky J. Shirley joins the entire staff and Washington Street Church family in expressing our deepest sympathy and Christian love to Charlotte and Richard Owen in the passing of her sister, Ms. Lyn Bailey.

Usher Sound/Video Visitor Cards Pew Maintenance

#### SERVING TODAY

SCAN TO GIVE

Tommy Betenbaugh Spencer Stevens, Lynn Shirley Suzanne Joye Worship Team



STEWARDSHIP REPORT <u>Giving to-date (as of 1-20-22)</u> Church: <u>Budget: TBD—PENDING FINANCE</u> <u>COMMITTEE APPROVAL</u>

Actual: \$25,107 Soup Cellar: \$2,150 Foundation Gifts: \$100 Attendance on 1/23/22: 68 (Live); 117 (Liveonline as of 1-27-22);

<u>PLEASE NOTE THE ATTENDANCE NOTED</u> <u>ON OUR HYMN BOARD</u>