



# **Jesus Teaches, Heals & Calls**

## **January 14, 2024**

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### **GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE**

*The chime is rung as a call to set aside distractions to find rest in God, who welcomes us here.*

#### **Prelude**

**Opening Sentence:** *Jesus said to the people: "The time has now come! Creator's good road is right in front of you. It is time to return to the right ways of thinking and doing! Put your trust in this good story I am bringing to you." (Mark 1:15 First Nations Version – An Indigenous Translation of the New Testament)*

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP\***

*Leader: Come, gather round –*

*1: seeking a word,*

*2: seeking hope,*

*Leader: seeking healing,*

**ALL: JESUS, LIVING WORD OF GOD, IS HERE.**

*Leader: Come, gather round, for Jesus is calling us –*

*1: from ordinary work,*

*2: from long traditions,*

*Leader: from friends and family,*

**ALL: JESUS INVITES US TO NEW LIFE WITH HIM.**

#### **Opening Prayer\***

**HYMN** *Will You Come and Follow Me* VT 540

**Passing the Peace & Fellowship Greeting**

## HEARING GOD'S GOOD NEWS

HYMN *Come Thou Fount* VT 563

Lighting the Peace Lamp: *A Prayer (by Martin Luther King, Jr.)*

Scripture Reading *Mark 2:1-22*

Children's Time

HYMN *Healer of Our Every Ill* VT 644

Sermon

Music for Meditation

## SHARING OUR STORIES

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Announcements

## LIVING GODS' GOOD NEWS

HYMN *Oh, Have You Not Heard* (v.1-4) VT 668

Benediction\*

Postlude ... *receive the postlude as a musical blessing*

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If you need a hearing assist device, please ask at the sound booth in the back of the sanctuary.

The Nursery is typically staffed with a volunteer care provider during worship (and Sunday School as needed). Children are also welcome to remain in the sanctuary! Worship bags with drawing/coloring materials are provided at the back of the sanctuary.

If you'd like to be added to our all church email list to receive prayer requests and announcements (typically 2 emails/week), please contact the church office or Pastor Tonya.

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\*Call to Worship, Opening Prayer and Benediction written for BibleWorm by Rev. Teri Peterson (used with permission)

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Sound: Adam Pounds  
Livestream: Joel Iwashige  
Ushers: Don Wiens & Russell Goering  
Pianist: Shelley Kauffman  
Worship Leader: Maggie Pounds  
Song Leader: Jonathan Wenger  
Children's Time: DeAnna Goering  
Scripture Reader: Stephanie Gehring  
Sermon: Pastor Tonya Ramer Wenger

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# Welcome!

We are so glad you all are here!!

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The Christ Candle and Peace Lamp are lit each Sunday as a visible sign of our trust in God-with-us, and our commitment to allow the peace of Christ to grow and rule in our hearts, minds and lives.

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*Your offerings are received, with gratitude, in the offering box on the table at the back of the sanctuary.*

*You can also now donate electronically on our website.*

*Thank you for your generosity shown in many ways!*

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**TODAY:** Fellowship Time after worship & Sunday School @ 11:00

**Sunday School classes for all ages**

- **CHILDREN (all ages + nursery care):** *Jesus Brings Good News*
- **ADULT BIBLE STUDY:** Salt and Light Bible Study
- **ADULT DISCUSSION CLASS:** *"Cost of Discipleship"* DVD Study
- **YOUNGER ADULTS CLASS:** meets in the library

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR:**

- **Jan 21** – Anabaptist World Fellowship Sunday with One Lunch Offering for Mennonite World Conference + Communion
- **Jan 21** - Mark Charles lecture @ Hesston Mennonite Church 7:00pm
- **Jan 24** – Joint Congregational Ministry Team + Coordination Teams 6:30pm
- **Jan 27** – FMC serves at the Soup Kitchen – volunteers needed!!!
- **Feb 3** – Hymn sing @ Community Church of the Brethren 2:00pm
- **Feb 14** – Ash Wednesday Worship (evening) with Community Church of the Brethren
- **March 4-6** – MCC Comforter Blitz – Journey Activity Center, Yoder

**ANABAPTIST WORLD FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY – JANUARY 21, 2024**

As is our tradition, we will be observing Anabaptist World Fellowship Sunday along with other Mennonite World Conference member congregations around the world. We worship together in spirit using the same worship resources, knowing we belong to each other in this global family of faith. This year's worship resources were prepared by Latin American Anabaptists with the theme: ***Mosaic – Becoming Part of God's Story***. As part of our worship, we will be collecting a ***"One Lunch" offering*** for Mennonite World Conference (*please consider donating what it would cost you to buy lunch in our community!*), AND we will be ***celebrating communion*** together.



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