

## Response

\*Song of Response: "Listen, God Is Calling" LUYH 753

Call to Discipleship: "The Calling of the Twelve"

\*We Profess Our Faith: Joining the Mission of God LUYH 263

Prayers for the Church and World

## Sending

\*Song: "Lord, We Hear Your Word with Gladness" LUYH 766:1,3

\*Benediction

Postlude: "Trust and Obey" L. Visser



### Worship Participants

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### 1 Samuel 3:10

Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!"  
 And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

## Gathering

Prelude: "Trust and Obey"

L. Visser

Welcome

Opening Prayer

Loving God, we have gathered to meet you.  
 We have come to listen to you,  
 to seek you, to worship you.  
 You are the beginning of all things,  
 the life of all things; you knew us before we were born.  
 In you we become; in you we live.  
 You are the source of serenity,  
 giving peace that is beyond our understanding.  
 In you we are still; in you we live.  
 Loving God, we live in you; we worship you.  
 Loving God, you live in us; we worship you.  
 Amen.

\*Call to Worship

Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
**who made heaven and earth.**

\*Song: "God of the Word"

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*(soloist sings the first time, congregation joins second time)*

\*God Greets Us, We Greet One Another

\*Song: "O Word of God Incarnate"

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## Renewal

Call to Confession: Mark 1:15-17

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Prayer of Confession

O Lord, our hearts are heavy with the violence of our world,  
 so much suffering through the ages,  
 wars and holocausts, genocide and abuse.  
 We cry on behalf of our violent world:  
**Lord, have mercy.**

O Lord, you love and care for us as a parent;  
 you came to share life with us as a brother.  
 But we confess we have failed to live as your children  
 and instead have broken many bonds.  
 We cry on behalf of our violent world:

**Lord, have mercy.**

O Lord, you have called us to live together in community,  
 to consider one another as brother and sister,  
 regardless of ethnicity, economic status, or popularity.  
 Yet we prejudge one another,  
 refuse to love one another,  
 and victimize one another.

We cry on behalf of our violent world:

**Lord, have mercy.**

O Lord, giver of all life,  
 you fearfully and wonderfully made us  
 and breathed into our nostrils the breath of life.  
 Yet we endanger the lives of one another,  
 abuse the lives of young children among us,  
 destroy those who are defenseless,  
 and oppress those who are powerless.

We cry on behalf of our violent world:

**Lord, have mercy.**

**Pardon us through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Here are words you may trust, words that merit full acceptance:  
 Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.  
 To all who confess their sins and resolve to lead a new life,  
 He says, "Your sins are forgiven." He also says, "Follow me."  
 Now to the one who rules all worlds, immortal, invisible, the only God,  
 be honor and glory forever and ever.

## Word

Prayer for Illumination: "Speak, O Lord"

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Scripture: I Samuel 3

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Sermon: "Listening as Love"

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