



THE FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH CANTON CENTER, CT

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Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

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CHIMES

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WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Lord, You have Searched Me and Known Me*

Allen Pote (based on Psalm 139)

INTROIT *This is the Day*

Leo Garrett

Members of the Senior Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP

This is the day that the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.
The blessings of God abound, whatever the path,
and in all the steps of our journeying.
The blessings of God abound in this day
and all its gifts.
Let our hearts be open and our spirits awake
to the One who calls us to follow.

HYMN *Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore*

Chalice 342

1. *Lord, you have come to the lakeshore,
Looking neither for wealthy nor wise ones;
You only asked me to follow humbly.*

*Refrain: O Lord, with your eyes you have searched me,
And while smiling have spoken my name;
Now my boat's left on shore behind me;
By your side, I will seek other seas.*

2. *You know so well my possessions;
My boat carries no gold and no weapons;
You will find there my nets and labor.
(Refrain)*

3. *You need by hands, full of caring
Through my labors to give others rest,
And constant love that keeps on loving.
(Refrain)*

4. *You, who have fished other oceans,
Ever longed-for by souls who are waiting,
My loving friend, as thus you call me.
(Refrain)*

GATHERING PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

God of all creation, God of here-and-now,
we come once more to a time of worship
to deepen our own lives and to share a common life,
to seek wisdom for living, courage for choosing,
strength for following Jesus.

We trust in your forgiving love that holds us in grace,
even when we miss the depths
and are blind to the riches of this life.

Awaken us on this day, Holy Spirit,
for brave and faithful living.

This we ask in Christ's name and spirit, as we also pray together:

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 debts as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine
is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

SUNG RESPONSE

Alleluia

1. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The musical notation consists of two staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and repetitive, with lyrics written below the notes. Chord symbols G, C, D, and G are placed above the notes to indicate accompaniment. The first staff begins with a '1.' and ends with a double bar line. The second staff continues the melody and also ends with a double bar line.

READING FROM SCRIPTURE Luke 5:1-11

SERMON *Instructions for Living a Life*

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Joys and Concerns, Pastoral Prayer

ANTHEM *Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult*
Members of the Senior Choir

Cecil Alexander/William Jude

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

You are invited to participate in the sacrament using whatever you have at home for elements.

Invitation and Prayer of Preparation

Recalling the Story: The Words of Institution

Partaking of the Bread and Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving

**To you, Holy One, who gives us life and new life,
we give thanks,**

and to you we turn our hearts and our minds,

our being and our doing,

that all might flow from love.

Send us now to be bread for each other

and light for the world, following the way of Jesus. Amen.

HYMN

The Summons (Will You Come And Follow Me)

Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?

Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?

Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known,

Will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?

Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?

Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?

Will you risk the hostile stare, should your life attract or scare?

Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?

Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?

Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?

Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around,

through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?

Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.

Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.

In your company I'll go, where your love and footsteps show.

Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE *Amen*

*POSTLUDE *How Firm a Foundation* trad. American melody Foundation arr. Jason Payne