



## GATHERING AS THE CHURCH

*Asterisks (\*) indicate an invitation to stand as you are able.*

### OPENING MUSIC

#### GREETING

*All are invited to greet those around them and to fill out the Communication Card.*

*Response:* I was glad when they said to me,  
**“Let us go to the house of the Lord!”**

Psalm 122:1

## ENTERING THE HOLY

**INTROIT** Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now German Chorale

Lord Jesus Christ, be present now;  
our hearts in true devotion bow.  
Your Spirit send with light divine,  
and let your truth within us shine.  
Unseal our lips to sing your praise  
in endless hymns through all our days;  
increase our faith and light our minds;  
and set us free from doubt that blinds.

All glory to the Father, Son,  
and Holy Spirit, Three in One!  
To you, O blessed Trinity,  
be praise throughout eternity!

Unknown, trans. Catherine Winkworth

#### \* CALL TO WORSHIP

The buzz of the world interrupts our lives and fills our ears.

**Call us into Your way of life, O God.**

The complaints of others settle in our mind  
and cloud our vision.

**Lead us into Your vision of life, O God.**

The cries of the poor, the oppressed, and the outcast  
pierce our hearts.

**Guide us in Your example of living for others, O God.**

Fill our hearts, fill our eyes,  
fill our ears with Your love, O God.

**Let us be Your hands and feet in the world, O God.**

**Let us worship You together.**

\* **HYMN** 546 The Church's One Foundation

### OPENING PRAYER

### ANTHEM

He Comes to Us

Jane Marshall

He comes to us as One unknown,  
without a name, as of old,  
by the lakeside he came,  
he came to those men who knew him not.

He speaks to us, he speaks the same word:

“Follow! Follow thou me!”

and set us to the tasks

which he has to fulfill for our time.

He commands, and to those who obey him,

whether they be wise or simple,

he will reveal himself in the toils,

the conflicts, the sufferings

which they shall pass through in his fellowship,

and, as an ineffable mystery,

they shall learn in their own experience who he is.

O Morning Star, how fair and bright  
thou beamest forth in truth and light!

O Sovereign meek and lowly.

Thou Root of Jesse, David's Son,  
my Lord and Master, thou hast won  
my heart to serve thee solely!

Thou art holy, fair and glorious,  
all victorious, rich in blessing,  
rule and might o'er all possessing.

Albert Schweitzer “The Quest of the Historical Jesus”

Phillip Nicolai, trans. Catherine Winkworth

## HEARING GOD'S WORD

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Eternal God,

**in the reading of the Scripture,**

**may your Word be heard;**

**in the meditations of our hearts,**

**may your Word be known;**

**and in the faithfulness of our lives,**

**may your Word be shown.**

**Amen.**

### SCRIPTURE READING

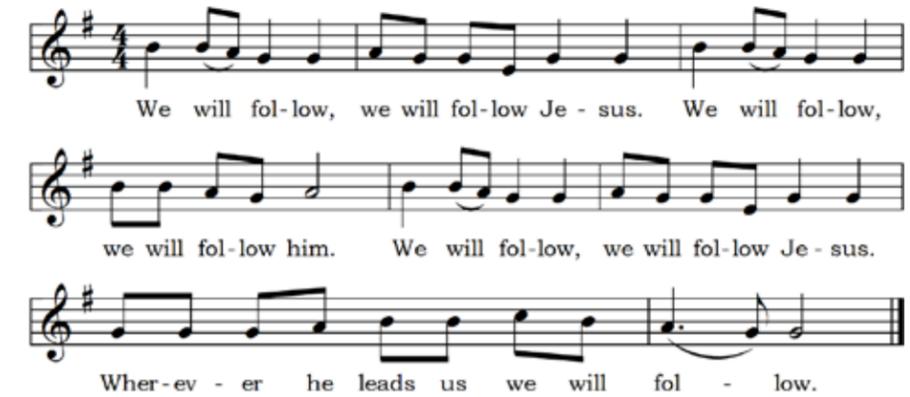
Matthew 4:12-23

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### HYMN

We Will Follow

*Sung seated, as the children come forward.*



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### TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

#### HYMN

We Will Follow

*Sung seated, as the children return to their seats.*

### LITANY OF THE CALLED

#### HYMN

We Will Follow

### SERMON

Follow Me

Taylor Fuerst

## RESPONDING IN FAITH

### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

#### 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.**