

# The Worship of God

January 28, 2018

Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.

— Mark 1.17

## Gathering at God's Invitation

Music for Gathering

Marietta Mobley, piano

Christ Candle

Liza Lewis

Opening Sentences

Rev. Alan Sherouse

Musical Voluntary

Hart Morris

Contemplation and Dance on KINGSFOLD

Adult Handbell Choir, Renee Fila *flute*

†Responsive Psalm 62.5-11

Mark Miller

For God alone I wait in silence;  
truly my hope is in God.

**God alone is my rock and my salvation,  
my stronghold, so that I shall never be shaken.**

In God is my deliverance and my honor;

**God is my strong rock and my refuge.**

Put your trust in God always, O People,  
pour out your hearts before the one who is our refuge.

**Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath;  
those of low estate cannot be trusted.**

**Placed on the scales together they weigh even less than a breath.**

Put not trust in extortion; in robbery take no empty pride;  
though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.

**God has spoken once, twice have I heard it,  
that power belongs to God.**

## I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say



I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come un - to me and rest;  
 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be - hold, I free - ly give  
 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this dark world's light;



lay down, O wea - ry one, lay down your head up-on my breast."  
 the liv - ing wa - ter; thirst - y one, stoop down, and drink, and live."  
 look un - to me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright."



I came to Je - sus as I was, wea - ry and worn, and sad;  
 I came to Je - sus, and I drank from that life - giv - ing stream,  
 I looked to Je - sus, and I found in him my star, my sun;



I found in him a rest - ing place, and he has made me glad.  
 my thirst was quenched, my soul re - vived, and now I live in him.  
 and in that Light of life I'll walk, till trav - eling days are done.

Words: Horatius Bonar, 1846

## Hearing God's Word

During the congregational verse, children ages four through first grade may attend Junior Church and return to the sanctuary after the sermon.

Congregational Verse

ANCIENT WORDS



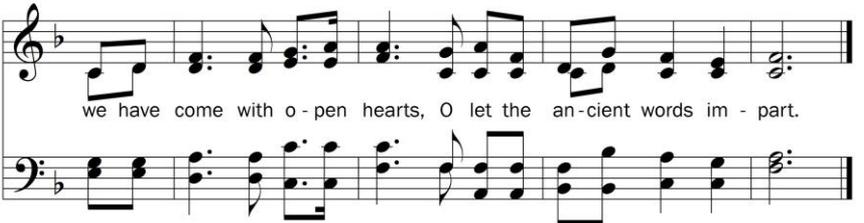
Ho-ly\_ words long pre-served for our walk in this world, they re -



sound with God's own heart; O let the an-cient words im - part.



An-cient words ev-er true, chang-ing me and chang-ing you;



we have come with o - pen hearts, O let the an-cient words im - part.

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Opening of God's Word

Jack Sherouse

Prayers of God's People

Dr. Steve Pressley

Scripture Lesson

Dr. Pressley

Mark 1.14-20

Sermon

Rev. Sherouse

Dropping the Nets

# Responding to God's Word

†Hymn 576

ASSAM

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

Musical Interlude

Offertory Prayer

Mark Miller

Choral Offering

Howard Helvey

Steal Away  
Sanctuary Choir

Megan Pinder *clarinet*, Baker Lawrimore *piano*

# Sending into God's World

†Benediction

Rev. Sherouse

†Congregational Response

KINGSFOLD

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's light;  
look unto me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright."

I looked to Jesus and I found in him my star, my sun,  
and in that Light of life I'll walk till traveling days are done.

The luminary is lit in memory of member **Ernest H. Ferris, Jr.**,  
who died January 25, 2018.

**Guests** are warmly welcomed today. There are several ways in which we can become better acquainted. During the **Words of Friendship** we will share a personal greeting with those sitting around us. You will find a **Connection Card** in the bulletin that can be filled out and dropped in the offering plate as it is passed in the service. **Ministers** will also be greeting worshipers at each exit door after the service.