

Virtual Worship for January 31, 2021

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Nate Sell

The One who calls you together this day
Years for each of you and for all people
to hear and be blessed.
Speak, Lord, for your servants are listening.
Blessed is the One who comes bringing
trustworthy words for the healing of the world.
Speak, Lord, for you servants are listening.

- Feasting on the Word: Worship Companion

PRELUDE – *Just a Closer Walk with Thee*, trad.

Wally West, saxophone & Chuck Burns, electric guitar

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. Dr. Charlie Lee

Holy God, you see into each of us and know us fully as creatures in need of your constant care. We confess that we have neither heard your word nor followed your will. We have failed our nation, neighbors, families, friends, and ourselves. Give us ears to hear your wisdom. Lead us to honesty and faith so that we may begin again with renewed strength; in Jesus' name. Amen.

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HYMN – *Blest Be the Tie That Binds*, Hymn 306, verses 1,3,5

Starmount Ensemble

Blest be the tie that binds
our hearts in Christian love.
The fellowship of kindred minds
is like to that above.

We share our mutual woes;
our mutual burdens bear.
And often for each other flows
the sympathizing tear.

From sorrow, toil, and pain,
and sin we shall be free;
and perfect love and friendship reign
through all eternity.

SCRIPTURE READING – John 1:43-51

Jesus Calls Philip and Nathanael

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus, son of Joseph from Nazareth." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

SERMON – *Anything Good?*

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ANTHEM – *His Eye Is on the Sparrow*, instrumental

Liturgical Dance created by Susan Porter; Karena Porter, solo dancer

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & BENEDICTION

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