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**NORTH HAVEN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

Sunday, January 24, 2021

9:30 a.m.

Third Sunday after Epiphany

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE: Prelude on *All Glory Be to God Alone*

J. G. Walther

***OPENING HYMN:** “Jesus Calls Us”

V562

***THE CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Leader: A star shining brightly in the East,

PEOPLE: discovered by those who have eyes to see the unusual and the challenging.

Leader: A journey into unknown territory.

PEOPLE: taken by those who have courage and curiosity.

Leader: An encounter with an evil presence,

PEOPLE: evil faced, yet resisted with care.

Leader: The Holy One recognized, in spite of humble origin,

PEOPLE: the glory and the gifts given, to God’s Chosen Child.

ALL: Let us worship God!**

***LIGHTING THE CANDLE OF PEACE ~unison**

Father, Mother God, we ask that those who live in pain
be bathed in the river of Your healing;

that those who are lonely
may be kept in Your company.

Creator God, You, the Borderless Sea of Substance,
we ask you to give to all the world
that which we need most – peace.*** Amen.

Maya Angelou

PRAYER OF INVOCATION:~unison

We thank you, O God, for calling us into your church to be your people. We have gathered, God of grace and wisdom, because we have heard your call. You have reached out to us in Jesus Christ, you have touched us with your Spirit; and we have turned toward you, seeking to love as we have been loved. We call upon your holy name: empower us to worship and serve you, walking gently on this earth, through the grace of Jesus Christ.## Amen.

THE LORD’S PRAYER (trespasses)

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.

THE FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON: Jonah 3:1-5, 10

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The word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time, saying, “Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you.” So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days’ walk across. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day’s walk. And he cried out, “Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!” And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.

When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

HERE ENDS THE READING. **THANKS BE TO GOD.**

THE SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON: Mark 1:14-20

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Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.”

As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, “Follow me and I will make you fish for people.” And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

HERE ENDS THE READING. **THANKS BE TO GOD.**

SPECIAL MUSIC: *Jesu, Joy of Our Desiring*

J.S. Bach

Gary Snowbeck, organ, and Jeff Hutchins, baritone

arr. H. Clough-Leigher

Text by Martin Janus, Translated by Robert S. Bridges

Jesu, joy of our desiring,
Holy wisdom, love most bright;
Drawn by Thee, our souls aspiring
Soar to uncreated light.

Word of God, our flesh that fashioned,
With the fire of life impassioned,
Striving still to truth unknown,
Soaring, dying round Thy throne.

SERMON: “Called Away”

Scott G. Morrow

PASTORAL CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE OFFERTORY:

*Doxology

Tune: Old Hundredth

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise God all creatures here below
Praise God above ye heavenly hosts
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

GREETING OF PEACE

May the peace of God in Jesus Christ be with you always!

*CLOSING HYMN: "Great God, We Sing That Mighty Hand"

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*THE BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: Fughetta on *All Glory Be to God Alone*

Andreas Vetter

*Those who are able, please stand.

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The flowers today are given by Cathy Welch. *To the glory of God on what would have been our 51st Wedding Anniversary with love to Ken from Cathy.*

In Our Prayers This Week are: Heather Purcell, Ona & Sam Gott, Ben & Cole Purcell, Heidi Welch, Mary Cestaro, Tim Peiffer, David Bellonio, Marlene Belonio, Stefan McKosky, Rose Monaco, Linda Shannon, Elaine Burr, Joyce Bellonio, and Betsy Gumbart.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Kevin Leyerzapf 01/24, Lillian Flodquist 01/25, Lynn Reardon 01/27, Hazel Jokl 01/27, Samuel Jokl 01/27, Lawrence North 01/29, Craig Miller 01/31.

We will have an online Coffee Hour this morning at 11am. The Coffee Hour will be hosted on ZOOM. This will be an opportunity to greet each other, to chat in small groups, and to hear a little bit about how the Annual Meeting, which will also be on ZOOM, will work. You can attend the ZOOM Coffee Hour either with a computer, tablet, or smartphone, or from a regular phone. If you would like to attend the ZOOM Coffee Hour and you have not already registered with the Church Office, please call the Church Office and leave a message with your email address, or ask for a return call for information to connect by phone.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS*

Sunday	1/24	9:30 a.m. 11:00 5:00 p.m.	WORSHIP – Online COFFEE HOUR (Zoom) OASIS (Zoom)
Monday	1/25	10:00 a.m.	FOOD PANTRY OPEN
Tuesday	1/26	5:30 p.m. 7:00	BIBLE STUDY (Zoom) MLB ANN'L MTNG REHEARSAL
Wednesday	1/27	10:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 7:00	WINDOW MAILING FOOD PANTRY OPEN STAFF MEETING (Zoom) REOPENING (Zoom)
Thursday	1/28	7:00 p.m.	CHANCEL CHOIR (Zoom)
Friday	1/29	10:00 a.m.	FOOD PANTRY OPEN
Saturday	1/30		
Sunday	1/31	9:30 a.m. 10:45 5:00 p.m.	WORSHIP – Online ANNUAL MEETING (Zoom) OASIS (Zoom)

*Small print indicates non-Church function

Bold print starts new day.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please save the date for our Annual Congregational Meeting - on January 31st! The Annual Meeting this year will be a ZOOM meeting. We ask you to register through the Website by clicking the green bar on the front page. After you register, you will receive the instructions of how to log into the meeting.

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We are currently live streaming our 9:30 a.m. Sunday worship services [\[CLICK HERE to view service\]](#).

Make your 2021 Pledge Today [\[CLICK HERE to fill out your pledge card\]](#)

Register for the Annual Meeting Via Zoom [\[CLICK HERE to Sign-up\]](#)



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Wherever you are in life's journey, you are welcome here.



The 2020 Annual Report is available on the website. There is a drop-down list under OUR CHURCH, First listing is Annual Meeting Reports. This will take you to a page that has the last six years of reports in Adobe format. If you need a printed copy, they are available in the elevator lobby on the table with the pledge envelopes.



Pledge Envelopes are Here!

Please stop by the church and pick up your pledge envelopes during office hours. They are waiting for you in the elevator entrance.

Everyone who pledged for 2021 has envelopes waiting. If you have not pledged and would like envelopes please call the office and we will assign you a number and provide you with envelopes.

Using pledge envelopes makes it easier for both the counters and for Julie when she keys the information into Servant Keeper. Please come pick up the envelopes and use them as often as you make contributions to the church.

Sign up online! The signup sheets in the Narthex are replaced with virtual signups online. On our website (Northhavenucc.org) there is a drop down menu under WORSHIP SERVICES. You are now able to sign up for Flowers and DEACON OF THE DAY. If you are interested in becoming a Deacon, please call the Church Office. When we are able to Re-Open, there will be more signups added to the website (Scripture Readers, Usher/Greeter, Coffee Hour)



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MISSION

Our church's mission is to bind ourselves with Jesus Christ in:

- Worship together;
- Nurture of Christian discipleship; and
- Compassionate service to our community and beyond.

VISION

We are a hub for the larger community as a church of action:

- Conducting regular, robust worship in a responsible and relevant way in an ever changing and challenging world;
- Welcoming all people from different and diverse backgrounds to become a community of disciples together; and
- Involved in purposeful action and activities through the structure of self-directed Mission Teams.

VALUES

We:

- Pray together, encourage each other, and trust one another;
- Take personal responsibility for fellowship and our community; and
- Celebrate with honored traditions.

*OPENING HYMN: "Jesus Calls Us"

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- 1 Je - sus calls us, o'er the tu - mult of our life's wild rest-less sea,
- 2 Long a - go a - pos-tles heard it by the Gal - i - le - an lake,
- ♦ 3 Je - sus calls us from the wor-ship of the vain world's gold-en store,
- 4 In our joys and in our sor-rows, days of toil and hours of ease,
- 5 Je - sus calls us: by your mer- cies, Sav- iour, may we hear your call,



- day by day his clear voice sound-ing, say-ing, "Christ-ian, fol-low me."
turned from home and toil and kin - dred, leav-ing all for Je - sus' sake.
- ♦ from each i - dol that would keep us, say-ing, "Christ-ian, love me more."
still he calls, in cares and plea-sures, "Christ-ian, love me more than these."
give our hearts to your o - be-dience, serve and love you best of all.



*CLOSING HYMN: "Great God, We Sing That Mighty Hand"

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The musical score is written in 3/4 time with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. Chords are indicated above the vocal lines.

System 1:

Chords: A, Bm, A, Bm, A, E, A, E, A, B7

Vocal 1: Great God, we sing that mighty hand by which sup-
 Vocal 2: With grate-ful hearts the past we own, the fu-ture,
 Vocal 3: In scenes ex-alt-ed or de-pressed, you are our

System 2:

Chords: E, A, E, A, E, B, E, A, D, A, Bm, A, E, F#m, E

Vocal 1: port-ed still we stand, the o-p'ning year your mer-cy
 Vocal 2: all to us un-known, we to your guard-ian care com-
 Vocal 3: joy, and you our rest; your good-ness all our hopes shall

System 3:

Chords: A, E, D, A, Bm, A, C#dim, A, Bm, A, E7, A

Vocal 1: shows; your mer-cy crowns it till it close.
 Vocal 2: mit, and peace-ful leave be-fore your feet.
 Vocal 3: raise, a-dored through all our chang-ing days.