



Pilgrim Congregational Church  
United Church of Christ  
January 24, 2021

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Music streamed in today's service

Fugue in G - JS Bach  
Jesus Calls Us Over the Tumult - PH #322  
The Souls of the Righteous - Stanley Marchant  
All Are Welcome - arr. Randall Sensmeier  
O Savior, Let Me Walk with You - NCH #503  
Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee - arr. Becki Slagle Mayo

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Prelude

Fugue in G

JS Bach

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Reebee Kavich Girash

Call to Worship

Chris Reaske

For God alone our souls wait, For our hope is from God.  
**God alone is our rock, our salvation, our fortress.**

We shall not be shaken.

**Our refuge is in God.**

Trust in God at all times, O people:

**Pour out your hearts before God, who is a refuge for us.**

Calling God,  
Be with us in this worship,  
As we wait for the fulfilment of your time,  
As we embrace transformation, growth and change,  
As we work to believe in the good news,  
As we choose to follow your son out into the world.  
Amen.

Opening Hymn **Jesus Calls Us Over the Tumult** - Pilgrim Hymnal #322

1 Jesus calls us, o'er the tumult of our life's wild, restless sea;  
Day by day his sweet voice soundeth, Saying,  
"Christian, follow me."

2 As of old, Saint Andrew heard it by the Galilean lake,  
Turned from home and toil and kindred,  
leaving all for his dear sake.

3 Jesus calls us from the worship of the vain world's  
golden store, from each idol that would keep us, saying  
"Christian, love me more."

4 In our joys and in our sorrows, days of toil and hours of ease,  
still he calls, in cares and pleasures,  
"Christian, love me more than these."

5 Jesus calls us; by thy mercies, Savior, may we hear thy call,  
give our hearts to thine obedience,  
serve and love thee best of all. Amen.

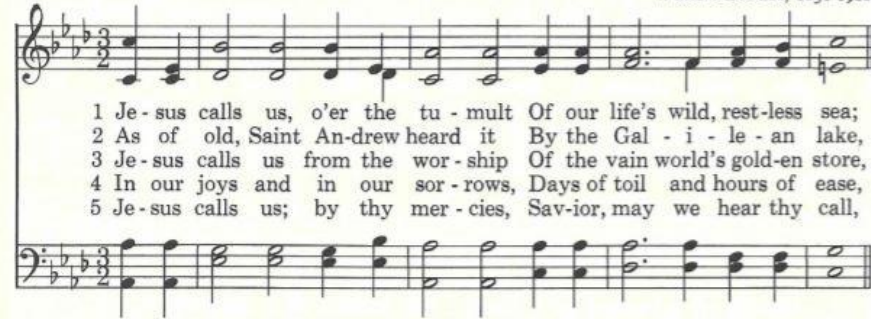
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**Jesus Calls Us, O'er the Tumult**

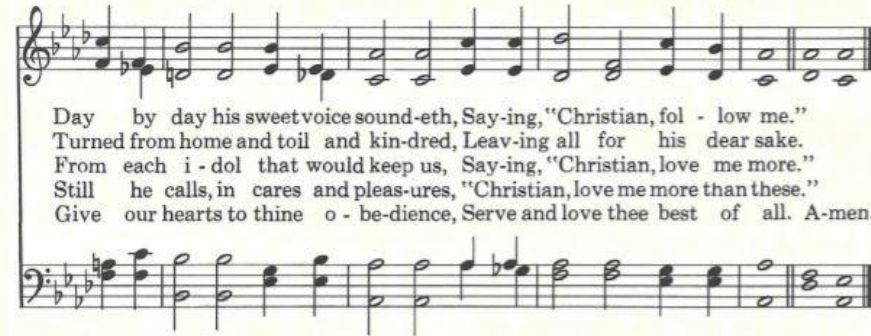
First Tune

*Cecil F. Alexander 1818-1895*

GALILEE 8.7.8.7.  
*William H. Jude, 1851-1922*



1 Je - sus calls us, o'er the tu - mult Of our life's wild, rest-less sea;  
2 As of old, Saint An-drew 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,  
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From each i - dol that would keep us, Say-ing, "Christian, love me more."  
Still he calls, in cares and pleas-ures, "Christian, love me more than these."  
Give our hearts to thine o - be-dience, Serve and love thee best of all. A-men.

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

16 As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net  
into the lake—for they were fishermen. 17 And Jesus said to them, ‘Follow me and I will make you  
fish for people.’ 18 And immediately they left their nets and followed him. 19 As he went a little  
farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the  
nets. 20 Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired  
men, and followed him.

## Rite of Membership

Today we are delighted to welcome three new members: **Nancy Fuller, Bruce Nickerson and Fran Nickerson.**

### Address

By your baptism you were made one with us in the body of Christ the church. Today we rejoice in your pilgrimage of faith which has brought you to this time and place. We give thanks for every community of faith that has been your spiritual home, and we celebrate your presence in this household of faith.

### Question about discipleship

Do you promise, by the grace of God, to be Christ's disciple, to follow in the way of our Savior, to resist oppression and evil, to show love and justice, and to witness to the work and word of Jesus Christ as wholeheartedly as you are able?

**Answer:** *I promise, with the help of God.*

## **Question about participation**

Do you promise to participate in the life and mission of this family of God's people, sharing regularly in the worship of God and enlisting in the work of this local church as it serves this community and the world?

**Answer:** *I promise, with the help of God.*

### **Affirmation by the Congregation:**

We welcome you with joy in the common life of this church. We promise you our friendship and prayers as we share the hopes and labors of the church of Jesus Christ. By the power of the Holy Spirit may we continue to grow together in God's knowledge and love and be witnesses of our risen Saviour.

### **Welcome:**

In the name of Jesus Christ and on behalf of Pilgrim Congregational Church, UCC, we extend to you the hand of Christian love (in the form of a Zoom wave and a round of applause) welcoming you into the company of this local church.

Anthem

The Souls of the Righteous

Stanley Marchant

Sermon

Rev. Reebee Girash

Passing the Peace

Prayers of the People

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father (Creator), 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.**

Invitation to the Offering

Sarah Fuller



## Offertory

## All Are Welcome

arr. Randall Sensmeier

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## Doxology (#515 Red)

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

## Prayer of Dedication

Sarah Fuller

Calling God, we dedicate these gifts, and our lives, to your service, praying that you will make us fishers of people. Amen.

Closing Hymn **O Savior, Let Me Walk with You** New Century Hymnal #503

1 O Savior, let me walk with you in earthly paths of service true; Tell me your secret, help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.

2 Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear winning word of love. Teach me the wayward feet to stay, and guide them in the homeward way.

3 Teach me your patience; let me be in closer, dearer company, In work that keeps faith sweet and strong, in trust that triumphs over wrong.

4 In hope that sends a shining ray far down the future's broadening way, In peace that only you can give, with you, O Savior, let me live.

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*Washington Gladden, 1879; alt.*

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Benediction

Rev Reebee Girash

Postlude

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