

Closing Hymn 567 (VU):

Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known,
Will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?

Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?

Will you love the "you" you hide if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around,
through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?

Christ, your summons echoes true when you call my name.
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.
In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

Sending Forth and Blessing

God, help us shake the dust off our feet,
and go into the world with a spirit of healing love.
Faith, belief and discipleship are to be lived out.

**May we, your followers in this generation,
go to meet our world:
with your blessing,
with the example of Jesus ever before us,
and the energy of the Spirit driving us.**

The Peace

The peace of the risen Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

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Welcome and Sharing

Lighting of the Christ candle and Rainbow candle

Call to Worship

Back then there was the twelve.
Here and now there is us.

**We are your disciples today,
and today we come to worship you.**

Back then they followed you in the flesh.
Today we follow in your Spirit.

**We are your disciples today,
and today we come to follow you.**

Back then there were but a few.
Today we, numbering billions,
are part of a worldwide Church.

**We are your disciples today,
and today we come to serve you.**

Opening prayer

Opening Hymn 28 (MV): God of the Bible

*Refrain: Fresh as the morning, sure as the sunrise,
God always faithful, you do not change. (x2)*

God of the Bible, God in the Gospel,
hope seen in Jesus, hope yet to come,
you are our centre, daylight or darkness,
freedom or prison, you are our home.

God in our struggles, God in our hunger,
suffering with us, taking our part,
still you empow'r us, mothering Spirit,
feeding, sustaining, from your own heart.

Not by your finger, not by your anger
will our world order change in a day,
but by your people, fearless and faithful,
small paper lanterns, lighting the way.

Hope we must carry, shining and certain
through all our turmoil, terror and loss,
bonding us gladly one to the other,
till our world changes facing the Cross.

Prayer of Confession

Discipling God,
we are made in your image
and called to follow Jesus.

Forgive us, God, when we fail you,
when we choose our own way instead of yours.
Forgive us, God, for our frailties,
when we hold back from sharing our faith.
Help us move forward determined to be
more like the people you created us to be,
using our gifts and talents for the work of your kin-dom,
here and now. Amen.

Words of Affirmation

Hear this good news, brothers and sisters in Christ:
God, our Creator, loves us,
God, our Redeemer, forgives us,
God, our Sustainer, holds us,
that we might walk in newness of life.

Thanks be to God!

Gospel Reading: Matthew 9:35 – 10:23

Jesus sends the 12 disciples out to share in his mission.
“This is the Gospel of Christ.”
“Praise to Christ, our Life.”

Faith Reflections

Hymn 589 (VU): Lord, speak to me that I may speak
in living echoes of your tone;
as you have sought, so let me seek
your straying children lost and lone.

O lead me, so that I may lead
the wandering and the wavering feet;
O feed me, so that I may feed
your hungering ones with manna sweet.

O teach me, so that I may teach
the precious truths which you impart;
and wing my words, that they may reach
the hidden depths of many a heart.

O fill me with your fullness, Lord,
until my very heart o'erflows,
in kindling thought and glowing word,
your love to tell, your praise to show.

Minute for Mission

The Offering

Prayers for Others and Ourselves