

# SUNDAY WORSHIP

April 26, 2026 ~ 10:30am

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**Mission Statement:** As a community of faith, we welcome all who seek understanding. • As a community of hope, we offer friendship and comfort to those in need. • As a community of love, we provide caring support and shared fellowship to all

WE ARE A COMMUNITY CHURCH. OUR FRIENDS, NEIGHBORS AND MEMBERS COME FROM MANY PLACES AND MULTIPLE FAITH TRADITIONS. EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO FIND A SPIRITUAL SANCTUARY HERE.

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## — ANNOUNCEMENTS & WELCOME —

### CENTERING MUSIC

*Sharon Novak*

### CALL to WORSHIP *adapted from Blessing the Nets, Jan Richardson*

One: You could cast it in your sleep...

People: *After months, years, a lifetime of gathering in what you thought would sustain you forever.*

One: You would not have imagined it would be so easy to cast aside.

People: *Would never have believed the immediacy with which your hands could release their...grip, could let it go...*

One: But when the call came you did not hesitate,

People: *Did not pause, did not delay to follow,*

One: As if your body had suddenly remembered...As if the release begun in your hands now passed through you entirely and...

All: *You let go of everything to cast yourself with abandon upon the waiting world.*

## — PRAYING —

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & MOMENT OF SILENCE

**LORD'S PRAYER:** 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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, the power, and glory forever. *Amen.*

\*SONG <sup>[BLUE BOOK]</sup> *Have You Seen Jesus, My Lord?*

*Sharon Novak*

## — REFLECTING —

SCRIPTURE *John 21:1-8*

REFLECTION *CAST... YOU WILL FIND* *Rev. Gail Doktor*

\*SONG 452 *Jesus Savior Pilot Me* *Sharon Novak*

## — OFFERING —

\*SONG 44 *Doxology* *Sharon Novak*

### PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## — CLOSING —

### BENEDICTION

*May the love of God live in us today, may the love of God live in us today.*

*May the warmth we feel within us show in all we do and say.*

*May the love of God live in us today.*

*May the peace of God be with us today,*

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*May it guide us and protect us, as we go our separate ways.*

*May the peace of God be with us, May the love of God live in us,*

*May the love of God shine through us today.*

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### PRAYERS:

**For PEOPLE: Focus this week:** Alex A., Alexis, Allison, Annie, Ariana, Bette D., Bill M., Bob C., Bob G., Brianna & baby Addie, Cindi G., Deb L., Doug, Hannah, Jenn, Jess, Joanne's parents, Kailee, Karen, Larry, Mary, baby Miles, Mike, Nancy, Nat & baby June, baby Noelle, Rob, Ruth, Sascha, Steve, Tom, and baby Quinn N. For those grieving. Our adversaries and enemies.

**For PLACES:** For Chikanga Church in Mutare, Zimbabwe and communities in Honduras. For hurting places in the world, wounded by natural disasters or human-made causes and conflicts.

**Luke 5:1-11—Jesus Calls the First Disciples** *(excerpts)*

Once while Jesus was standing beside the Lake...he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gotten out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, *“Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.”*

Simon answered, *“Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets.”* When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to burst. So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink...all...were astounded at the catch of fish that they had taken...

Then Jesus said to Simon, *“Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people.”* ... they left everything and followed.

**JOHN 21:1-8 — Jesus Appears to Seven Disciples** *(part 1)*

After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, *“I am going fishing.”* They said to him, *“We will go with you.”* They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach, but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, *“Children, you have no fish, have you?”* They answered him, *“No.”* He said to them, *“Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some.”* So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, *“It is the Lord!”*

When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he had taken it off, and jumped into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

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