

## Evangelism for Ordinary People: Listening

Rev. Lance Marshall

Colossians 4:2-6

Traditional Worship

11:00 am

August 5, 2018

# WE GATHER

Prelude — Fanfare

Jacques - Nicholas Lemmens, composer

Welcome

Choral Call to Worship

### \*Call to Worship

The LORD is gracious and compassionate,  
very patient, and full of faithful love.

**All that God has made gives thanks to the LORD;  
all God's faithful ones bless the Lord!**

We will speak of the glory of God's kingdom;

**We will talk all about God's power,**  
For Your kingdom is everlasting;  
**Your rule endures for all generations.**

### \*Hymn 139 — Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!  
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near;  
Join me in glad adoration.**

**Praise to the Lord, who over all things so wondrously reigning,  
Bears thee on eagle's wings, e'er in his keeping maintaining!  
God's care enfolds all, whose true good he upholds.  
Hast thou not known his sustaining?**

**Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;  
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.  
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,  
Who with his love doth befriend thee.**

**Praise to the Lord, who doth nourish thy life and restore thee;  
Fitting thee well for the tasks that are ever before thee.  
Tend to thy need God as a mother doth speed,  
Spreading the wings of grace o'er thee.**

**Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore Him!  
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him.  
Let the Amen sound from His people again,  
Gladly forever adore Him.**

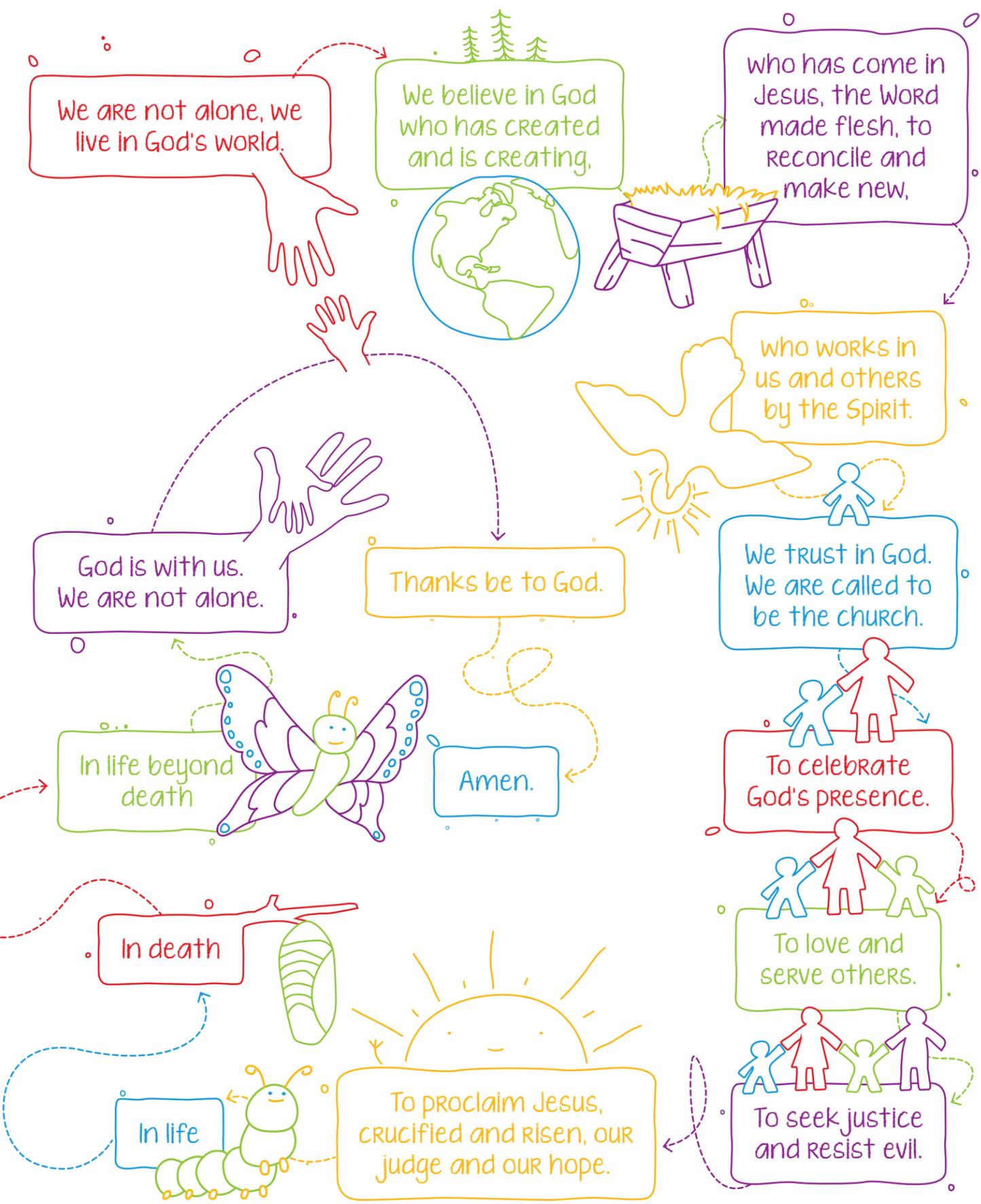
Word of the Day:  
Listen

Memory Verse:  
All God's faithful  
ones bless the  
Lord!  
— Psalm 145:10

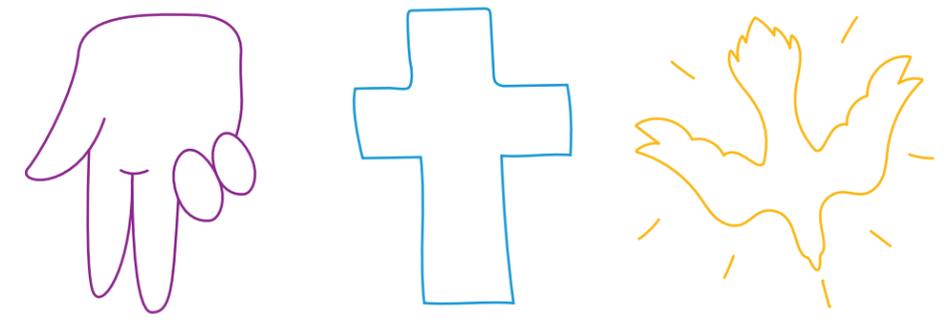


Adoration means  
deep love and  
respect.

# \*Affirmation of Faith



\*Gloria Patri  
 Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;



Gloria Patri means "Glory to the Father." This short hymn of praise has been sung by Christians for many centuries.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Please be seated. Ushers will assist in seating at this time.

## WE PROCLAIM

Scripture – Colossians 4:2-6  
 God speaks to us through the reading of scripture.  
 Thanks be to God.

Faith Like a Child

\*Passing the Peace

\*Hymn – O God of Light, May Our Light Shine  
 Sung to "Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak"

O God of light, may our light shine  
 In ways that serve and honor You.  
 May we be loving, just and kind,  
 Proclaiming Christ in all we do.

God, where Your people are oppressed  
 And where they cry out in despair,  
 Make us Your light — to heal, to bless —  
 A witness, Lord, that You are there.

Christ, when your way is pushed aside  
 By those who trust in wealth and might,  
 Make us your lamps that we may guide  
 A searching world to your love's light.

O Spirit, in this world of doubt,  
 We often sin and drift away;  
 When our own faith is flickering out,  
 Shine on our path and light our way.

Scripture: Each week we read from the Bible — the book of God's love. Its words can inspire you, comfort you, teach you, and challenge you to be your best self — a true servant of God.

You can listen as the scripture is read, or... Find a Bible nearby, look up the scripture, and follow along.



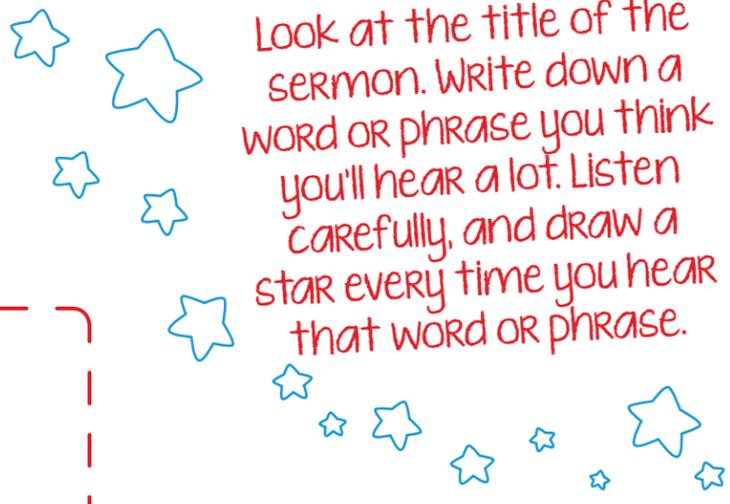
Sermon Snips:  
You don't have to "just sit there." Choose one of the sermon snips and let it guide you as you take your relationship with God to the next level.



# Evangelism for Ordinary People: Listening



Look at the title of the sermon. Write down a word or phrase you think you'll hear a lot. Listen carefully, and draw a star every time you hear that word or phrase.



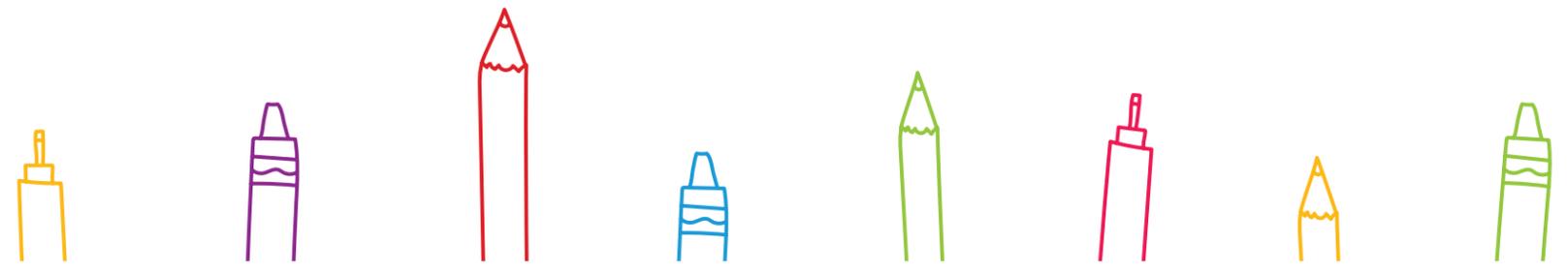
What about the sermon surprised you?

Take the Bible story, or one of the stories from the sermon, and create a storyboard. Think of it as a 4-panel comic strip that tells the story.



Be mindful.  
What is something deep inside you that God wants the world to know?

Make a list of all the things that distract you during the sermon. Can you fix some of these? Can God help?



# WE RESPOND

## Pastoral Prayer

### The Lord's Prayer

Find the Prayer Cross in your worship kit. The cord has five knots, and there are five parts to the prayer Jesus taught his friends. Hold each knot between your thumb and forefinger as you say the different parts of the 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 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.

Many years after Jesus went to heaven, the early church added this part of the prayer. Hold the prayer cross close to your heart as you say this part.

## A Time of Giving

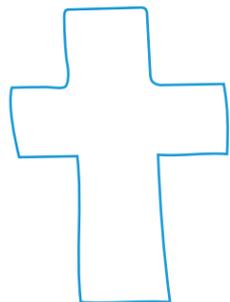
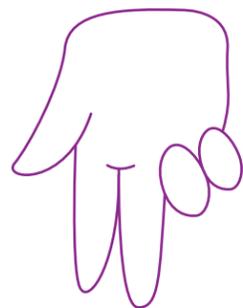
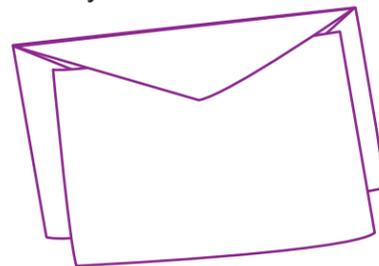
### Offertory – None Like You

Craig Courtney, arranger

Find the offering envelope in your worship kit. Write your first and last name on the envelope, then put in the money you plan to give to the church. Place the **envelope** in the offering plate. Every dollar makes a difference!

### \*Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise God, all creatures here below.  
Praise God above ye heavenly host.  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**



### \*Invitation to Christian Discipleship

### \*Hymn 584 – Lord, You Give the Great Commission

Find this hymn in your hymnal and follow along.

### \*Benediction

Our gathering will soon be ended, where will we go, and what will we do?

**We will go out to be God's people in the world.**

May grace, peace, hope, love, and joy forever accompany you. Amen.

### \*Congregational Closing – Let There Be Peace on Earth

**Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.**

**Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.**

**With God our Creator, children all are we.**

**Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.**

**Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now,**

**With every breath I take let this be my solemn vow:**

**To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.**

**Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.**

### \*Postlude – Andante

John Stanley, composer

**The flowers in the Sanctuary** are given in loving memory of Noreen Pool by her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

**The flowers in the narthex** are given by Reverend Casey Orr and family with deep gratitude to Dr. Tim Bruster, the staff, and the congregation at FUMC Fort Worth for many years of love and friendship.

**The red carnation** symbolizes our congratulations to Elyse and Trent Mueller on the birth of their daughter, Ava Joy.

### Worship Leaders:

Rev. Lance Marshall, Senior Associate Pastor

Mr. Robert Stovall, Director of Music and Worship Arts

Mrs. Peggy Graff, Organist/Associate Director of Music and Worship Arts

**Liturgists:** Dr. Mike Marshall, Rev. Chuck Graff

**Faith Like a Child:** Rev. Nancy Froman, Whit Sykes, helper

**Choir:** Choral Union

**Procession:** Adeline Arbour

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

*The flowers in the Sanctuary on July 15 were listed incorrectly. They should have been listed in loving memory of Judith Lokey by the Lokey family.*

How are you going to be one of God's people in the world this week?

# WORSHIP KIT

↪ INSIDE YOU WILL FIND ↪

## TREASURES OF NATURE BOX

One of the best ways we can experience God's power and love is by cherishing God's handiwork in the wonders of nature. Carefully open the box and discover what treasures wait inside.

## BLANK CARD

You can use the pencil and crayons to make a *Thank You* note for someone in the Sanctuary who helped make worship feel special to you. It could be a parent, a minister, a choir member, an usher, or someone in the next pew who gave you a friendly wave. After the service, ask your parents to take you to hand-deliver the card.

## ANOINTING BALM

Use the anointing balm to bless a friend or family member sitting next to you. Rub a tiny bit of the balm on your thumb and trace the sign of the cross on your neighbor's forehead or back of the hand (whichever they prefer). As you do this, say a simple blessing, such as "God bless you." (It's not just for sneezes.) Or, for a longer blessing, you could say:

*You are a special person.  
God loves you, and so do I.  
Bless you.*

And don't forget to allow your neighbor the privilege of getting to bless you.

## PIPE STEMS

There are so many things you can do with pipe stems. You could:

- Listen to the sermon and sculpt an object you hear mentioned.
- Shape them in the initials of someone you'd like to pray for.
- Look around the Sanctuary and sculpt something you see.
- Sculpt a flower and give it to a family member.
- Make a friendship bracelet and give it to a friend, or to a new member.

## PRAYER CROSS

The cross is such a powerful symbol of God's love and hope. Anytime is a good time to hold on to the cross. See inside the bulletin for how to use the prayer cross during the Lord's Prayer.

## TANGLE

Listen to a piece of music or a Bible story and mold the tangle to show how it makes you feel.

Does it make you feel:

- Open and ready for God's presence?
- Tangled and confused?
- Wrapped snugly and securely?
- Calm like a gentle stream?
- Not sure?

## PENCIL AND CRAYONS

Use these to write notes in your bulletin, draw a prayer, illustrate a story you hear in the sermon, or even ask hard questions.

## CLOTH FIGURE

Here are just a few things you can do with the cloth figure:

- Have it act out the events in the Bible story.
- Help it read the bulletin.
- Gently hold it the way God is holding you right now.

## EYE SPY CARD AND TELESCOPE

Use the Eye Spy card to identify some of the many meaningful objects and symbols in our Sanctuary. Use the telescope to help you explore.

