

Worship Service: Series on Ecotheology and Discipleship
Third Service – *Understanding Discipleship*

Opening Prayer

Creator God,
We come before you in worship today,
giving praise for all that you have made
and all that you are.
We come before you
as seekers
On the path to abundant life.

Loving Jesus,
We come before you in worship today,
heeding your invitation to walk in your way.
We come before you
as witnesses
to your life, ministry, death and resurrection.

Holy Spirit,
We come before you in worship today,
seeking your power to fill us.
We come before you
as disciples
learning to act in the ways of justice and peace.

Guide us, Triune God.
Teach us the ways of discipleship,
teach us the ways of faithfulness.
Fill us in our time of worship today
So that we may go out and live our faith in action.
AMEN.

Opening Hymn: *VU 409 Morning Has Broken*

Children's Time

Children's Hymn: *MV 209 Go Make a Difference*

Scripture Readings:

Luke 6:46-49
James 2:14-26

Sermon *Lord, What Would You Have Me Do?*
(video sermon preached by the Rev. Dr. Jessica Hetherington)

Hymn: *VU 509 I, the Lord of Sea and Sky*

Closing Hymn: *VU 507 Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples*

Benediction

My friends,
We know that faith without works is dead.
We know that we are to listen to Jesus' words,
and we are to act on them, too.
To do so is discipleship.
To do so is to be faithful people
Witnessing to the resurrection,
Striving for the abundant life
That Jesus has promised to all of creation.

So go out now.
Go out and live out your faith.
Follow in the footsteps of Jesus in our time and place.
Practice a radical discipleship that will be
The strong foundation upon which you can stand.

And as you go, know that you go not alone.
God our Creator, Christ our Redeemer, and the Holy Spirit our Sustainer
Goes with you today, and forever more. AMEN.

Other Hymn Suggestions:

VU 504 How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord
VU 352 I Danced in the Morning
VU 87 I am the Light of the World
VU 592 Come, Now, You Blessed
VU 120 O Jesus, I Have Promised