SERMON NOTES:
TOPIC OF THE SERMON FOR THE DAY:
SCRIPTURE:
SERMON OUTLINE:
CONCLUSION:
SERMON APPLICATION FOR MY LIFE:

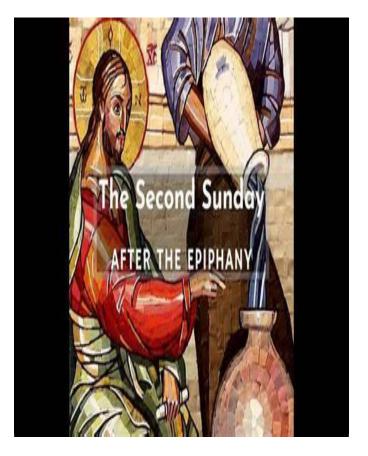
#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

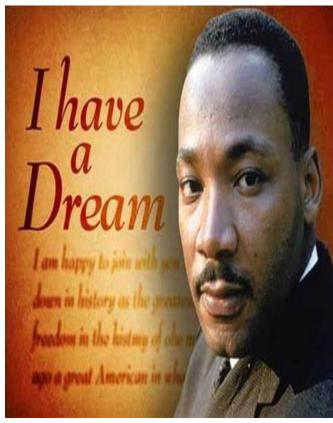
Statesville Avenue Presbyterian Church (USA), guided by the Holy Spirit, is called by God to teach, and preach God's word, to create a climate for spiritual growth, to engage in mission outreach, and to promote peace and justice in the world.

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- Happy Belated Birthday Mrs. Otelia Erwin. May God continue blessing you!!!
- The PW Coordinating Team will meet after Service on January 22,2023.
- **Church family**, this is a reminder that we are looking for volunteers to be a part of our Church Choir that will sing preferably the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday and rehearse the Saturday before singing. "This isn't "etched in stone, just getting settled in for 2023". We need bass and tenor voices also to enhance those voices who've agreed to sing!!! Contact Mr. Rogers and or Pastor Blackmon if "you are interested."
- Stay Hopeful, Peaceful, Joyful, Loving, Christ like and Safe.

# STATESVILLE AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA) 3435 NEVIN RD. CHARLOTTE, NC 28269 January 15, 2023 11:00 A.M.





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#### We Gather

Prelude "Total Praise"

\*\*Announcements and Welcome

**Lighting of Candles** 

\*\*Introit "This Is the Day"

**Call To Worship:** 

L: Listen up, everyone! God has given us work to do.

P: God has called each of us before we were even born.

L: It was God who named us.

P: It was God who claimed us.

L: The light of God's love shines in us.

P: Let's shine God's love into all the world!

\*Centering Prayer

\*\*Opening Hymn "Life Every Voice and Sing" #563

### **Prayer of Confession:**

Merciful and loving God, you have called us to be your people and claimed us for the service of Jesus Christ. we confess that we have not lived up to Our Calling to proclaim the good news in the world and deed. We are quick to speak when we ought to listen and remain silent when it's time to speak. We put too much faith in our own actions and fail to trust the strength of your spirit.

#### **Assurance of Pardon:**

O God, forgive our foolish and sinful ways. Strengthen us anew to follow Christ's way in the world. By your Holy Spirit, give us the grace we need to be faithful disciples and fulfill our common calling, through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. **Amen.** 

Passing the Peace "In the Beauty of Holiness"

**Prayers of the People** 

Choral Response "Ask, and it Shall Be Given"

\*\* Special Selection "The Storm Is Passing Over"

#### The Word

# **Prayer of Illumination:**

Send us your Holy Spirit, O God, that it speaks to us as your word, and our lives bear witness to the good news of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

Scripture Readings: OT: Psalm 40:1-1 and NT: John 21:15-17

**Rosanna Cureton-Jones** 

Sermon: "The Call of a Servant"

Isaiah 49:1-7

**Pastor Gary S. Blackmon** 

We Respond

Invitation to Discipleship "Somebody's Knocking at Your Door" #382

## **Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed (Traditional)**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. **Amen.** 

**Installation Service** 

**Tithes and Offerings** 

\*Doxology "Glory Be to the Father" #579

**Prayer of Thanksgiving** 

Celebration Song "We've Come This Far by Faith"

\*Charge and Benediction

**Extinguishing of the Candles** 

Postlude "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

\*Please stand if you are able.

\*\* Worshippers may enter.