St. Luke Lutheran Church

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Evangelical Lutheran Worship 3rd Sunday after Pentecost

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Dear Members & Guests - Welcome to Worship!

God has greatly blessed us with your presence today. Thank you for responding to his invitation.

If you have a prayer request, please send it by email or voicemail to Letty in the church office.











SERVING US THIS MORNING

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Background Worship: William Polzin

Organist: William Polzin

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Prayer Chain Coordinator: Marlene Custer

Hearing Assistance devices are available in the Library/AV Room.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC William Polzin

WELCOME Pastor Dan Tisdel

(By Barbara Harbach)

GATHERING HYMN "AWAKE, O SLEEPER, RISE FROM DEATH" ELW #452

INVOCATION

[P] The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all

[C] And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

[A] Let us pray...

[C] Sovereign God, ruler of all hearts, you call us to obey you, and you favor us with true freedom. Keep us faithful to the ways of your Son, that, leaving behind all that hinders us, we may steadfastly follow your paths, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE WITH DEB MANDAC

GOD ENCOUNTERS HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

1st Reading – 1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21

In the story preceding today's reading, the prophet Elijah flees for his life to the security of God's mountain. There God reveals to Elijah that there are still other faithful people in Israel and commissions him to anoint new leaders, including his own successor, Elisha.

Then the LORD said to [Elijah,] "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place."

So he set out from there, and found Elisha son of Shaphat, who was plowing. There were twelve yoke of oxen ahead of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle over him. He left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, "Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you." Then Elijah said to him, "Go back again; for what have I done to you?" He returned from following him, took the yoke of oxen, and slaughtered them; using the equipment from the oxen, he boiled their flesh, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out and followed Elijah, and became his servant.

Psalm 16

OT => Old Testament windows (right) side of sanctuary NT => New Testament windows (left) side of sanctuary

- [OT] Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."
- [NT] All my delight is in the godly that are in the land, upon those who are noble among the people.
- [OT] But those who run after other gods shall have their troubles multiplied.
- [NT] I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods, never take their names upon my lips.
- [OT] O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; it is you who uphold my lot.
- [NT] My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a rich inheritance.
- [OT] I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me night after night.
- [NT] I have set the LORD always before me; because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.
- [OT] My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.
- [NT] For you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your holy one see the pit.
- [C] You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

2nd Reading – Galatians 5:1, 13-25

For Paul, the freedom Christ gives is not permission to do whatever we want. It is the invitation to be what we could not be otherwise. The power and guidance of Christ's Holy Spirit produce a different kind of life, one marked by the fruit of this Holy Spirit.

¹ For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

- [P] This is the Holy Gospel according to Luke ...
- [C] Glory to you, O Lord. (spoken)

Gospel – Luke 9:51-62

Read by Pastor Dan Tisdel

Jesus is unwavering in his commitment to his mission in Jerusalem and will not be swayed by pettiness. In a series of striking cases in point, he calls his disciples to a similar single-mindedness.

When the days drew near for [Jesus] to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village.

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

- [P] This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- [C] Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE "EVERY MOMENT COUNTS" Pastor Dan Tisdel

HYMN OF THE DAY "HERE I AM, LORD" Led by Andy Wadsworth & William Polzin

GATHERING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Prayer requests collected in the offering plates will be brought forward for the Prayers of the People.

OFFERING MUSIC William Polzin

PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS

[A] Let us pray...

[C] Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. Amen.

APOSTLES' CREED

[C] I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

(*universal)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

[P & A] God of grace,

[C] Hear our prayer.

PEACE OF CHRIST

TRANSITIONAL PRAYER

- [A] Let us pray...
- [C] Oh God, Each time I worship and take communion, I want to recommit my life, my heart, my thoughts, my everything to You. Fill me today with Your powerful Spirit and help me grow closer to you and to my neighbor. Amen.

MEAL

The Great Thanksgiving

- [P] The Lord be with you.
- [C] And also with you.
- [P] Lift up your hearts.
- [C] We lift them to the Lord.
- [P] Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- [C] It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- [P] It is indeed right, our duty and our joy . . .

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND BLESSING

THE LORD'S PRAYER

[C] 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 and ever. Amen.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION - THE EUCHARIST (be seated)

Our Lord Jesus is the host of his table. He invites all to come to him. Everyone is welcome to commune with communion fellowship cups or by intinction with bread and your choice of wine or grape juice. If you are not communing, please come up to receive a blessing of the day.

COMMUNION MUSIC Willian Polzin

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

- [P] Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name.
- [C] Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING HYMN "BE THOU MY VISION" ELW #793

BENEDICTION

- [P] The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit + bless you and give you peace.
- [C] Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

[A] Our worship continues; our service is just begun. Go in peace to love and serve The Lord.

[C] THANKS BE TO GOD!

POSTLUDE: "SETTING ON SLANE" William Polzin

(By Gregg Sewell)