GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days. Amen. Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does. God of mercy and forgiveness,

we confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life. Be our refuge and strength on the journey, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. Amen. Beloved of God: your sins are forgiven + and you are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

GATHERING SONG By Grace We Have Been Saved

Refrain: By grace we have been saved—saved by grace through faith, not because of what we do; it is the gift of God.

1 On the days when you are weak, on the days when you are strong, rich or poor, young or old, just listen to the song. Refrain

2 Rest your body, rest your mind, in the stillness you will find you're a lovely, precious child, part of the great design. Refrain

3 You don't need to be afraid. You will never be alone. There is mercy, there is hope, and love will take you home. Refrain

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

KYRIE

Chorus: Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

- 1. We pray for peace from above. We pray for our salvation.
- 2. We pray for peace in the world. We pray for wellness in your church. We pray for the unity of all.
- 3. We pray for this holy place. We pray for all who gather here.
- 4. O Lord, help us, save us. O Lord, comfort and defend us. Amen. Amen.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Chorus: Glory in the highest. Glory be to God. Glory in the highest and peace to all the earth.

- 1. Shaper of the universe, thanks and praise we sing. Loving father, caring mother, hold us in your wings.
- 2. Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God, you wash our sins away. At your table all are welcome. Hear us as we pray.
- 3. Holy Spirit, source of life, burning wild and free. You are God the three in one, such a mystery.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Benevolent, merciful God: When we are empty, fill us. When we are weak in faith, strengthen us. When we are cold in love, warm us, that with fervor we may love our neighbors and serve them for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

4-YEAR-OLD MILESTONE: Receiving Prayer Pillows

CHILDREN'S READING

FIRST READING: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

¹The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw. ²O LORD, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen? Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save? ³Why do you make me see wrongdoing and look at trouble? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. ⁴So the law becomes slack and justice never prevails. The wicked surround the righteous—therefore judgment comes forth perverted. ^{2:1}I will stand at my watchpost, and station myself on the rampart; I will keep watch to see what he will say to me, and what he will answer concerning my complaint. ²Then the LORD answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. ³For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end, and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay. ⁴Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faith. The word of the Lord.

SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 1:1-14

¹Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, ²To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. ³I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. ⁴Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. ⁵I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; ⁷ for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline. ⁸Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, ⁹who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, ¹⁰but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. ¹¹For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, ¹² and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. ¹³Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁴Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us. The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia. Alleluia. Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: Luke 17:5-10

The holy gospel according to Luke. Glory to you, O Lord.

⁵The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" ⁶The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you. ⁷"Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? ⁸Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? ⁹Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? ¹⁰So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!'"

The gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON We Have Only Done

HYMN OF THE DAY O Jesus, I Have Promised

1 O Jesus, I have promised to serve you to the end; remain forever near me, my master and my friend. I shall not fear the battle if you are by my side, nor wander from the pathway if you will be my guide. ELW 810

3 Oh, let me hear you speaking in accents clear and still above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self-will. Now speak to reassure me, to hasten or control; now speak and make me listen, O Guardian of my soul.

4 O Jesus, you have promised to all who follow you that where you are in glory your servant shall be too. And Jesus, I have promised to serve you to the end; oh, give me grace to follow, my master and my friend.

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

As scattered grains of wheat are gathered together into one bread, so let us gather our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of God's good creation.

We pray for your holy church in every place and for those who serve following the example of Christ. Help them to live by faith and walk by the light of your gospel. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For parts of the world ravaged by natural disaster (*especially*): relieve those affected by floods, wildfires, droughts, earthquakes, tornadoes, and hurricanes. For a safe and bounteous harvest and with thanksgiving for farmers who provide daily bread for the world. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For every nation and for those entrusted with authority: grant our leaders self-discipline in all things and inspire them with love for your people. For peace in our world. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For victims of violence, abuse, and neglect: heal those who have been harmed and protect those who are vulnerable. For all who are sick (*especially*). God of grace, **hear our prayer**.

For this and every congregation: rekindle your gifts within your people, and inspire councils, committees, and individuals to plan and work together that all may know your love. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

In thanksgiving that you have abolished death, and for the saints who have died (*especially*). Bring us all to eternal life with you. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Gathered together in the sweet communion of the Holy Spirit, gracious God, we offer these and all our prayers to you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

PEACE The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

OFFERING God of the Fertile Fields

1 God of the fertile fields, shaper of earth that yields our daily bread: forth from your bounteous hand come gifts your love has planned, that all in ev'ry land be clothed and fed.

2 We would be stewards true, holding in trust from you all that you give; help us in love to share, teach us like you to care for people ev'rywhere, that all may live.

OFFERING PRAYER

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.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God. It is right to give God thanks and praise.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Holy, holy, holy, Lord. Lord God of pow'r and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosannah in the highest; hosannah in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosannah in the highest; hosannah in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

DISTRIBUTION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of the abundant table, you have refreshed our hearts in this meal with bread for the journey. Give us your grace on the road that we might serve our neighbors with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

DISMISSAL Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SENDING SONG Canticle for Departure

Now Lord you let your servant go in peace. Your word has been fulfilled.

My eyes have seen – the salvation you have prepared in the sight of everyone.

A light to reveal you to the nations and the glory of your people Israel.

Now Lord you let your servant go in peace. Your word has been fulfilled.

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