

INCREASE OUR

**FAITH!**

**LUKE 17:5**

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*A little faith goes a long way is Jesus' point in the gospel. A mustard seed's-worth of faith has miraculous potential. The patience, tenacity, and endurance required for the life of faith are the blessings received in holy baptism, holy communion, and the word read and proclaimed in this assembly. Anticipate them. Receive them with thanksgiving.*

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## **WE GATHER TO WORSHIP**

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All invitations to stand or kneel are for those who are able.

### **SINGING BOWL**

During the ringing of the bowl, you are encouraged to center your thoughts on God the Creator, Christ the Redeemer, and the Holy Spirit our Comforter.

**PRELUDE** – *“Find Us Faithful”* – Myrna Emata Diaz,  
Kathleen Keating, Michael Keating  
**Liturgical Dance** – Karen Narveson

### **WELCOME**

Please Stand

### **SHARING OF THE PEACE**

*P: The peace of Christ is with you.*

**All: And also with you.**

## CALL TO WORSHIP

L: The Spirit is among us now!

**All: The Spirit calls us to rejoice together!**

L: The Spirit is moving in our world now!

**All: The Spirit calls us to do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with God!**

L: The Spirit is within us, alive in us now!

**All: The Spirit awakens us to the movement of God in the world!**

L: Come, worship God, and be filled with love,

**All: for God is about to rush the world with the Spirit!**

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross,  
the sign marked at baptism.

*P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days.*

**All: Amen.**

*P: Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does.*

Silence is kept for reflection.

*P: God of mercy and forgiveness,*

**All: 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.**

*P: Beloved of God: our sins are forgiven and we 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.*

**All: Amen.**

# OPENING HYMN – “God Is Here!” vs. 1,4



1 God is here! As we your peo - ple meet to of - fer  
4 Lord of all, of church and king - dom, in an age of



praise and prayer, may we find in full - er mea - sure  
change and doubt, keep us faith - ful to the gos - pel;



what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the day's  
help us work your pur - pose out. Here, in this day's



world a - round us, all our var - ied skills and arts  
ded - i - ca - tion, all we have to give, re - ceive;



wait the com - ing of the Spir - it in - to o - pen minds and hearts.  
we, who can - not live with - out you, we a - dore you! We be - lieve!

## GREETING

*P:* God of hosts most gracious, God the Son who saves us,  
God the Spirit placed upon us, is with you all.

**All:** And also with you.

**LORD, HAVE MERCY  
CHRIST, HAVE MERCY  
LORD, HAVE MERCY**

## KYRIE



L: In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.



**All:** Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have

L: For the reign of God, and for  
mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

peace through-out the world, for the u-ni-ty of all, let us pray to the

Lord. L: For your  
All: Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

peo - ple here who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your

word, let us pray to the Lord.  
All: Lord, have mer-cy. Christ, have mer-cy. Lord, have

L: Help, save, and de-fend us, O God.  
mer - cy. All: A - men.

# NOW THE FEAST AND CELEBRATION

*Refrain*

All: Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion

sings for joy to the God of life and love and free-dom;

praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!

1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has

freed and u - nit-ed us to be one great peo-ple of God.

*Refrain*

Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion

sings for joy to the God of life and love and free-dom;

praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!

2 Pow - er and rich-es, wis-dom and might, all hon - or and

glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er.

*Refrain*

Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion

sings for joy to the God of life and love and free-dom;  
 praise and glo-ry for - ev - er - more!

3 For God has come to dwell with us, to make us peo-ple of  
 God; to make all things new. *Refrain*

*Refrain*  
 Now the feast and cel - e - bra-tion, all of cre - a - tion  
 sings for joy to the God of life and love and free-dom;  
 praise and glo-ry for - ev - er - more!

## THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

**L:** Benevolent, merciful God: When we are empty, fill us.  
 When we are weak in faith, strengthen us.

**All:** 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. Amen.

Be Seated

**CHOIR ANTHEM** – “We’ve Come This Far by Faith”

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## WE LISTEN AND THINK

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### INTRODUCTION TO THE WORD

Reader: As we listen to the words of life,

**All: may they inspire us to pursue righteousness, holy living, faithfulness, love, endurance, and gentleness.**

Reader: Today's reading is from Second Timothy, chapter one, beginning with the first verse.

### READING – 2 Timothy 1:1-14

From Paul, by the will of God an apostle of Christ Jesus, sent to proclaim the promise of life in Christ Jesus,

To Timothy, my dear child: May grace, mercy and peace from God the Creator and from Christ Jesus our Savior be with you.

I thank God, the God of my ancestors—whom I worship with a clear conscience—whenever I remember you in my prayers, as indeed I do constantly, night and day.

When I recall your tears, I long to see you again, which would fill me with joy. I'm reminded of your sincere faith, which first lived in your grandmother Lois, then in your mother Eunice, and now, I'm certain, in you as well.

That's why I want to remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands. For God didn't give us a spirit of timidity, but a spirit of power, of love, of self-discipline.

So don't be ashamed to give your testimony about Christ, and don't be ashamed of me, Christ's prisoner. But join with me in suffering for the Gospel by the power of God, who has saved us and called us to a holy life—not because of anything we have done, but because of God's own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the beginning of time, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ, who has destroyed death, and brought life and immortality to light through the Gospel.



And it was for this Gospel that I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher. That's why I'm suffering as I am. Yet I'm not ashamed, because I know whom I have believed, and I'm convinced that Jesus Christ is able to guard what has been entrusted to me until that final Day.

Take what you have heard me say as a model of sound teaching, in faith and love in Christ Jesus. Guard the rich deposit of faith with the help of the Holy Spirit, who dwells within us.

## RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Reader: May we be rich in good things:

**All: attending to the poor and caring for those in need.**

Reader: May we be generous with our lives:

**All: giving treasure and time to make this world a better place.**

Reader: May we take hold of what is truly life,

**All: the goodness of God flowing in and through us.**

Please Stand

## ALLELUIA VERSE

All: Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we  
go? You have the words of e - ter - nal  
life. Al - le - lu - ia!

*Alleluia!*

*P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the seventeenth chapter.*

**All: Glory to you, O Creator.**

**GOSPEL – Luke 17:5-10**

The apostles said to Jesus, “Increase our faith!”

Jesus answered, “If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, ‘Uproot yourself and plant yourself in the sea,’ and it would obey you.

“If one of you had hired help plowing a field or herding sheep, and they came in from the fields, would you say to them, ‘Come and sit at my table?’ Wouldn’t you say instead, ‘Prepare my supper. Put on your apron and wait on me while I eat and drink. You can eat and drink afterward’? Would you be grateful to the workers who were just doing their job? It’s the same with you who hear me. When you have done all you have been commanded to do, say, ‘We are simple workers. We have done no more than our duty.’ ”

*P: The Gospel of the Risen Christ.*

**All: Thanks be to Christ.**

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**CHILDREN’S TIME – Pastor Barbara**



Please Stand

## HYMN OF THE DAY – “My Faith Looks Up to Thee” vs. 1,2



1 My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Cal - va - ry,  
2 May thy rich grace im - part strength to my faint - ing heart,



Sav - ior di - vine! Now hear me while I pray, take all my  
my zeal in - spire; as thou hast died for me, oh, may my



guilt a - way, oh, let me from this day be whol - ly thine!  
love to thee pure, warm, and change - less be, a liv - ing fire!

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MESSAGE – Pastor Tim

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## WE SHARE THE LORD'S SUPPER

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Please Stand

### APOSTLE'S CREED

L: Let us confess our faith in the words of the Apostle's Creed:

**All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.**

## INVITATION TO OFFERING

L: Children of God, we have received much from God—  
grace, mercy, abundance, the love of Christ, and the gift  
of life itself.

All: In our worship, we praise God and give God thanks  
for these gifts. Let us now offer what we can as a  
way of saying, “Thank you.” In gratitude for God’s  
generosity, let us share God’s abundance with one  
another.

Be Seated

## THANKFUL OFFERING

Please Stand

### OFFERTORY

*Refrain*

All: As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were  
gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from  
all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.

1 As this cup of bless-ing is shared with - in our midst,  
2 Let this be a fore - taste of all that is to come when

may we share the pres - ence of your love.  
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

*Refrain*

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

L: Gracious and loving God, we thank you for these gifts and ask that they be used to help the needy in our community and throughout the world.

**All: As we offer you these gifts, we offer ourselves as well, that together we might transform the world with your grace and love. Amen.**

## THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

L: 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,

**All: hear our prayer.**

L: For parts of the world ravaged by natural disaster: relieve those affected by floods, wildfires, droughts, earthquakes, tornadoes, and hurricanes. God of grace,

**All: hear our prayer.**

L: For victims of violence, abuse, and neglect: heal those who have been harmed and protect those who are vulnerable. For all who are sick. God of grace,

**All: hear our prayer.**

L: 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,

**All: hear our prayer.**

L: God of all, hear now the prayers of our heart said silently or aloud.

Here other prayers may be offered.

L: God of grace,

**All: hear our prayers.**

L: 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.

**All: Amen.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

L: The Lord be with you. All: And al - so with  
you. L: Lift up your hearts. All: We  
lift them to the Lord. L: Let us give  
thanks to the Lord our God. All: It is  
right to give God thanks and praise.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

*P: We give thanks and praise to you, God of love and grace! With gratitude, we recall how you formed us from the very earth, made covenant with us from the beginning of time, and call us again and again to be your people.*

**All: In your amazing love, you came as one of us in the form of Jesus the Christ, showing us the way of unconditional love and the path of self-giving service.**

*P: In the night in which he was betrayed Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: "Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." Again, after*

*supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me." With thanksgiving we take this bread and this cup and proclaim the mystery of faith.*

**All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

*P: Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us that this meal may be a communion in the body and blood of our Savior. Make us one with Christ and with all who share this feast. Unite us in faith, encourage us with hope, and inspire us to love, that we may serve as your faithful disciples until we feast at your table in glory.*

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us, using the language or translation of our hearts.*

**All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

## **FRACTION RITE**

*P: This is a table where all are welcome: the poor and the rich, the righteous and the sinful, the courageous and the timid.*

**All: Whether we have wandered far or remained close, Christ invites us to this table of grace, this abundant feast of love for all.**

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# LAMB OF GOD

All: Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world:  
have mer - cy on us, mer - cy on us,  
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you  
take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace,  
grant us peace, grant us peace.

Holy Communion is open to all.  
Grape juice is white, wine is red.

Let an usher know if you need communion brought to you.

All are invited to the Prayer and Healing Station in the narthex during communion.

## **For communion at the altar rail:**

You may come up the center aisle to the altar rail as space allows, stand or kneel, and hold out your hand for the pastor to drop the wafer into. Then take a cup of grape juice (white) or wine (red) from the assistant, partake, then return to your seat via the side aisles, depositing your disposable cup in the provided bowls.

## **For communion at your seat with pre-packaged kit:**

You may come to altar rail as above, take a communion kit from the assistant, and return to your seat to partake. Or you may remain seated and partake of the communion kit you picked up at the entrance. The ushers will come around to collect empty kits.



## COMMUNION HYMN – “We Walk by Faith”



1 We walk by faith and not by sight; with  
 2 We may not touch your hands and side, nor  
 3 Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; and  
 4 That, when our life of faith is done, in



gra - cious words draw near, O Christ, who spoke as  
 fol - low where you trod; but in your prom - ise  
 may our faith a - bound to call on you when  
 realms of clear - er light we may be - hold you



none e'er spoke: "My peace be with you here."  
 we re - joice, and cry, "My Lord and God!"  
 you are near and seek where you are found:  
 as you are, with full and end - less sight.

## COMMUNION HYMN – “O Master, Let Me Walk with You”



1 O Mas - ter, let me walk with you in low - ly  
 2 Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear,  
 3 Teach me your pa - tience; share with me a clos - er,  
 4 In hope that sends a shin - ing ray far down the



paths of ser - vice true; tell me your se - cret;  
 win - ning word of love; teach me the way - ward  
 dear - er com - pa - ny, in work that keeps faith  
 fu - ture's broad - 'ning way, in peace that on - ly



help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.  
 feet to stay, and guide them in the home - ward way.  
 sweet and strong, in trust that tri - umphs o - ver wrong,  
 you can give; with you, O Mas - ter, let me live.

## SINGING BOWL

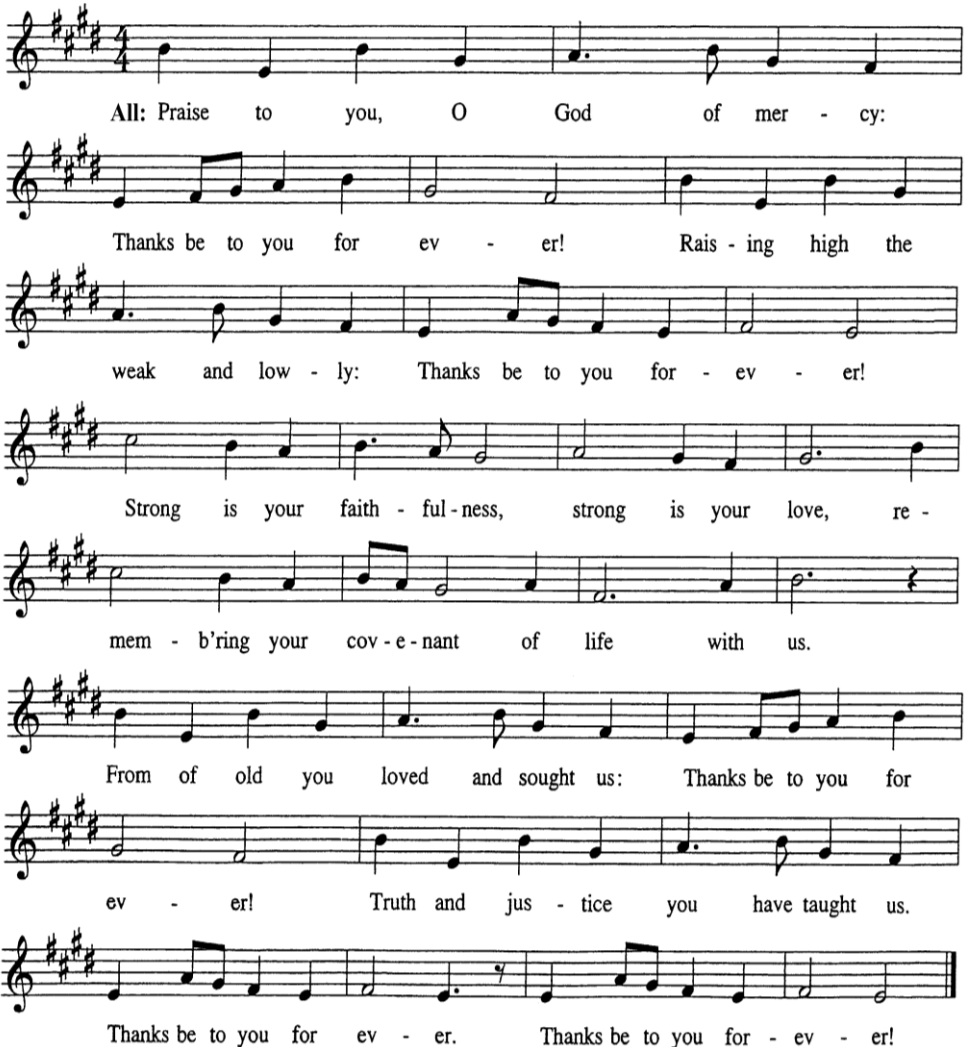
Please Stand

## POST COMMUNION BLESSING

*P: O God, you are Hospitality. You are Welcome. You are the Invitation, the Table, the Feast. By your spirit may we learn to receive and offer grace, to share from the sustenance of our lives and not simply its crumbs.*

**All: Embolden us as we serve as the voice of those who continue to ask the church for justice and bread. In Christ we pray. Amen.**

## POST COMMUNION THANKS



The musical score is written on ten staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: All: Praise to you, O God of mer - cy: Thanks be to you for ev - er! Rais - ing high the weak and low - ly: Thanks be to you for - ev - er! Strong is your faith - ful - ness, strong is your love, re - mem - b'ring your cov - e - nant of life with us. From of old you loved and sought us: Thanks be to you for ev - er! Truth and jus - tice you have taught us. Thanks be to you for ev - er. Thanks be to you for - ev - er!

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## COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please Stand

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### **WE CARRY GOD'S CARING LOVE TO THE WORLD**

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#### **BENEDICTION**

*P: Just as God's Word was sent into the world to heal and redeem,*

**All: so God sends us into the world this day to be light for the world!**

*P: Go now to be light for the world! And may the grace and peace of God the Creator, the Redeemer, and the Sustainer come upon you this day and remain with you always.*

**All: Amen.**



## SENDING HYMN – “On Our Way Rejoicing” vs. 1



1 On our way re - joic - ing glad - ly let us go.  
Christ our Lord has con - quered; van - quished is the foe.  
Christ with - out, our safe - ty; Christ with - in, our joy;  
who, if we be faith - ful, can our hope de - stroy?  
*Refrain*  
On our way re - joic - ing; as we for - ward move,  
hear - ken to our prais - es, O blest God of love!

## DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace, with Christ beside you.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE – “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” – Myrna Emata Diaz



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