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WELCOME TO GOD'S HOUSE May the Lord bless us as together we acknowledge that, for Christ's sake, every good and perfect gift comes from him.

Thank you for joining us for worship. If you have any questions about our service or practice, please feel free to ask one of the ushers or a pastor.

- Family restrooms are available in the multi-purpose room off the narthex or on the right side of the large hallway leading to the school wing.
- A parent's room with audio feed and a window into the sanctuary is available.
- Listening devices and six large print hymnals are available, please ask an usher.
- Tune into KFIZ AM 1450 each Sunday morning at 8:00 to hear the current weekend's sermon.
- Please silence your cell phone and all other electrical devices to help minimize distractions during Divine Worship. Thank you.
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- Visitors, we are pleased that you have joined us this morning. Please feel free to inquire about our congregation through the pastors, one of the ushers, or one of the members. If you are a visitor from out of town, please be sure to introduce yourself to one of the pastors after the service. We welcome all of you to come and worship with us again.

A PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give you gladly, freely, of your own. With the sunshine of your goodness melt our thankless hearts of stone till our cold and selfish natures, warmed by you, at length believe that more happy and more blessed 'tis to give than to receive. Lord of glory, you have bought us with your lifeblood as the price, never grudging for the lost ones that tremendous sacrifice. Give us faith to trust you boldly, hope, to stay our souls on you; but, oh, best of all your graces, with your love our love renew. Amen. (See also the prayers on pages 10-11 of Christian Worship.)

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OPENING HYMN **“Almighty Father, Heaven and Earth”**
Hymn 480

M: ♪O Lord, open my lips.

C: ♪**And my mouth shall declare your praise.**

M: ♪Hasten to save me, O God.

C: ♪**O Lord, come quickly to help me.**

M: ♪Praise be to God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: let us worship him.

OH, COME, LET US SING TO THE LORD

♪ **Oh, come, let us sing to the Lord, let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation. Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving, let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise. For the Lord is a great God and a great king above all gods. The deep places of the earth are in his hand; the heights of the hills are also his. The sea is his, for he made it, and his hand formed the dry land. Oh, come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord our maker. For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.**

PSALM 84

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LESSON

2 Kings 4:42-44

About 850 years before Jesus' birth, the Almighty miraculously provided for his people through the prophet Elisha.

A man came from Baal Shalishah, bringing the man of God twenty loaves of barley bread baked from the first ripe grain, along with some heads of new grain. “Give it to the people to eat,” Elisha said. “How can I set this before a hundred men?” his servant asked. But Elisha answered, “Give it to the people to eat. For this is what the LORD says: ‘They will eat and have some left over.’” Then he set it before them, and they ate and had some left over, according to the word of the LORD.

GOSPEL

John 6:1-15

Even under seemingly impossible circumstances, Jesus teaches us to trust in his power to superabundantly provide for us.

Some time after this, Jesus crossed to the far shore of the Sea of Galilee (that is, the Sea of Tiberias), and a great crowd of people followed him because they saw the miraculous signs he had performed on the sick. Then Jesus went up on a mountainside and sat down with his disciples. The Jewish Passover Feast was near. When Jesus looked up and saw a great crowd coming toward him, he said to Philip, “Where shall we buy bread for these people to eat?” He asked this only to test him, for he already had in mind what he was going to do. Philip answered him, “Eight months’ wages would not buy enough bread for each one to have a bite!” Another of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, spoke up, “Here is a boy with five small barley loaves and two small fish, but how far will they go among so many?” Jesus said, “Have the people sit down.” There was plenty of grass in that place, and the men sat down, about five thousand of them. Jesus then took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed to those who were seated as much as they wanted. He did the same with the fish. When they had all had enough to eat, he said to his disciples, “Gather the pieces that are left over. Let nothing be wasted.” So they gathered them and filled twelve baskets with the pieces of the five barley loaves left over by those who had eaten. After the people saw the miraculous sign that Jesus did, they began to say, “Surely this is the Prophet who is to come into the world.” Jesus, knowing that they intended to come and make him king by force, withdrew again to a mountain by himself.

M: Come, Holy Spirit! Fill the hearts of your faithful people, and kindle in us the fire of your love. Alleluia!

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Savior, Thy Dying Love”
Hymn 488

SERMON TEXT

2 Corinthians 9:6-11

God generously provides us with material wealth that we might generously employ his wealth in service to him and others.

Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work. As it is written: “He has scattered abroad his gifts to the poor; his righteousness endures forever.” Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.

“The LORD Works Generosity in Our Hearts”

Pastor Zuberbier

1. Presenting us with opportunities to be generous.
2. Enabling us to give generously.

WE PRAISE YOU, O GOD

♪ We praise you, O God, we acclaim you as Lord; all creation worships you, Father everlasting. To you all angels, all the pow’rs of heav’n, cherubim and seraphim, sing in endless praise: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of heav’nly hosts, heaven and earth are full of your glory. The glorious company of apostles praise you. The noble fellowship of prophets praise you. The white-robed army of martyrs praise you. Throughout the world holy Church acclaim you: Father of majesty unbounded, your glorious, true, and

only Son, and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide. You, Christ, are the Kind of glory, the eternal Son of the Father. When you became man to set us free, you humbled yourself to be born of a virgin. You overcame the sting of death and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. You sit at the right hand of God in the glory of the Father. We believe that you will come to be our judge. Come then, Lord, and help your people, bought with the price of your own blood, and bring us with your saints to glory everlasting.

GATHERING OF OUR OFFERING

LORD, HAVE MERCY

M: ♪In the morning, O Lord, I call to you; be merciful to me and hear my prayer.
C: ♪Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

**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.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

M: O Lord, your ears are always open to the prayers of your humble servants, who come to you in Jesus’ name. Teach us always to ask according to your will that we may never fail to obtain the blessings you have promised; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

PRAYER FOR GRACE

M: O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, you have brought us safely to this new day. Defend us with your mighty power, and grant that this day we neither fall into sin nor run into any kind of danger; and in all we do, direct us to what is right in your sight, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

M: ♪Let us praise the Lord.

C: ♪Thanks be to God.

BLESSING

M: ♪ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: ♪Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

“Brothers, Sisters, Let Us Gladly”
Hymn 484



ORGANIST
Phil Otto

GREETERS
7:45 ~ Ruth Schultz
10:00 ~ Diana Kent