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Worship: Thursday, 6:30 pm ~ Sunday, 7:45 & 10:30 am
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WELCOME TO GOD'S HOUSE May our spirits be quenched as we partake of the free gift of the water of life.

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.
- Hymns and songs are reprinted under OneLicense #A-713891. Artwork obtained from churchart.com. Scripture texts are taken from the New International Version 1984 translation.
- 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 Father, oh, hear me, pardon and spare me; calm all my terrors, blot out my errors that by your eyes they may no more be scanned. Order my goings; direct all my doings. As best it may be, retain or release me; all I commit to your fatherly hand. Amen.

SERVICE THEME Are you weary, weak, and heavy-laden? Jesus is the One to whom you can go.

BELLS

HYMN

LAPPY pages 14-15

GREETING

Pastor/**Congregation**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

And also with you.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

SONG OF PRAISE

LAPPY pages 164-165 v. 1, 3

PRAYER OF THE DAY Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

GRADES 3-4 IN 10:30 SERVICE

“God Befriends Us Well”

God made you, God made me, and all nature's majesty!
We believe he certainly is a mighty friend!

Refrain

Forever and ever, he will always be, looking after you, looking after me!

Forever and ever, we are glad to tell, God befriends us well!

Cares for you, cares for me, with his generosity!

We believe he certainly is a thoughtful friend! *Refrain*

Died for you, died for me, took our sins and set us free!

We believe he certainly is a loving friend! *Refrain*

Promised you, promised me, our new home is heavenly!
We believe he certainly is a truthful friend! *Refrain*

LESSON

Isaiah 35:4-7a

Isaiah foretold how Jesus, through the waters of life, would free us from our spiritual disabilities and quench our spiritual thirst.

Say to those with fearful hearts, “Be strong, do not fear; your God will come, he will come with vengeance; with divine retribution he will come to save you.” Then will the eyes of the blind be opened and the ears of the deaf unstopped. Then will the lame leap like a deer, and the mute tongue shout for joy. Water will gush forth in the wilderness and streams in the desert. The burning sand will become a pool, the thirsty ground bubbling springs.

RESPONSE

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GOSPEL

Mark 7:31-37

By restoring a man’s ability to hear and speak, Jesus proved that he is the One to whom we will want to go for all our physical and spiritual needs.

Then Jesus left the vicinity of Tyre and went through Sidon, down to the Sea of Galilee and into the region of the Decapolis. There some people brought to him a man who was deaf and could hardly talk, and they begged him to place his hand on the man. After he took him aside, away from the crowd, Jesus put his fingers into the man’s ears. Then he spit and touched the man’s tongue. He looked up to heaven and with a deep sigh said to him, “*Ephphatha!*” (which means, “Be opened!”). At this, the man’s ears were opened, his tongue was loosened and he began to speak plainly. Jesus commanded them not to tell anyone. But the more he did so, the more they kept talking about it. People were overwhelmed with amazement. “He has done everything well,” they said. “He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak.”

HYMN OF THE DAY

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SERMON TEXT

Acts 3:1-10

Through a miracle, the Lord displayed the compassionate nature of the true Christian faith. He satisfies of all of our physical and spiritual needs.

One day Peter and John were going up to the temple at the time of prayer — at three in the afternoon. Now a man crippled from birth was being carried to the temple gate called Beautiful, where he was put every day to beg from those going into the temple

courts. When he saw Peter and John about to enter, he asked them for money. Peter looked straight at him, as did John. Then Peter said, “Look at us!” So the man gave them his attention, expecting to get something from them. Then Peter said, “Silver or gold I do not have, but what I have I give you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk.” Taking him by the right hand, he helped him up, and instantly the man’s feet and ankles became strong. He jumped to his feet and began to walk. Then he went with them into the temple courts, walking and jumping, and praising God. When all the people saw him walking and praising God, they recognized him as the same man who used to sit begging at the temple gate called Beautiful, and they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.

Jesus Gives Us More Than We Can Expect

Pastor Zuberbier

1. Priceless gifts.
2. Eternal joy.

SERMON RESPONSE

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OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD’S PRAYER

SERMON HYMN

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CLOSING COLLECT

BLESSING

HYMN

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ORGANIST

Pam Zuberbier

GREETERS

7:45 ~ Gene & Judy Zwicky
10:30 ~ DuWayne & Marilyn Zamzow