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WELCOME TO GOD'S HOUSE May your soul be nourished and refreshed with the Bread of Life from heaven, our dear Savior, Jesus Christ.

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.

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- Visitors, we are pleased that you have joined us this morning. Please fill out a Visitor Card and hand it to an usher. 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 Preserve your Word, O Savior, to us this latter day and let your kingdom flourish; enlarge your Church, we pray. Oh, keep our faith from failing; keep hope's bright star aglow. Let nothing turn us from you while wandering here below. Amen. (See also the prayers on pages 10-11 of *Christian Worship*.)

SERVICE THEME The LORD teaches us that we don't live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from his mouth.

ORDER OF WORSHIP *Service of the Word* on page 38 in the front of the hymnal

OPENING HYMN *Every Morning Mercies New* | **CW 580 v 1, 2**

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

C: **(spoken) And also with you.**

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

C: **Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

M: God our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: **(spoken) Amen.**

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

SONG OF PRAISE

Every Morning Mercies New | CW 580 v 3, 4

Let our prayers each morn prevail That these gifts may never fail.
And as we confess our sin And the tempter's pow'r within,
Feed us with the bread of life; Fit us for our daily strife.

As the morning light returns, As the sun with splendor burns,
Teach us still to turn to you; With your light our souls renew.
Then shall we our voices raise In unfailling prayer and praise.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

O God, you reveal your mighty power chiefly in showing mercy and kindness. Grant us the full measure of your grace that we may obtain your promises and become partakers of your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: ♪ Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

FIRST LESSON

Exodus 16:1-35

The LORD patiently schooled his untrusting children, teaching them to look to him alone for their daily bread.

On the fifteenth day of the second month after they had left the land of Egypt, the entire Israelite community set out from Elim and came to the Wilderness of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai. ²The entire Israelite community grumbled against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. ³The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the LORD's hand in the land of Egypt, when we sat around pots of meat and ate as much food as we wanted, but now you have brought us out into this wilderness to have this whole community die of hunger."

⁴Then the LORD said to Moses, "Watch what I will do. I will rain down bread from heaven for you, and the people will go out each day and gather enough for that day. In this way I will test whether they will follow my instructions or not. ⁵On the sixth day they will prepare what they bring in, and it will be twice as much as they gather on the other days." ⁶So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, "At evening

you will know that it was the LORD who brought you out of the land of Egypt, ⁷and in the morning you will see the Glory of the LORD, because he has heard your constant grumbling against the LORD. Who are we that you should grumble against us?"

⁸Moses said, "Now the LORD will give you meat to eat in the evening and as much bread as you want in the morning, because the LORD has heard your grumbling against him. Who are we? Your grumbling is not against us but against the LORD."

⁹Then Moses said to Aaron, "Tell the entire Israelite community, 'Come before the LORD, because he has heard your grumbling.'" ¹⁰As Aaron spoke to the entire Israelite community, they turned toward the wilderness, and suddenly the Glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud.

¹¹The LORD spoke to Moses: ¹²"I have heard the grumbling of the Israelites. Say to them, 'At evening you will eat meat, and in the morning you will eat bread until you are full. Then you will know that I am the LORD your God.'"

¹³So in the evening quail came and covered the camp, and in the morning a layer of dew surrounded the camp. ¹⁴When the layer of dew was gone, there were thin flakes on the surface of the wilderness, thin as frost on the ground. ¹⁵When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" because they did not know what it was.

Moses said to them, "This is the bread which the LORD has given to you as food to eat. ¹⁶This is what the LORD has commanded: All of them are to gather as much of it as they need to eat. You are to take an omer per person based on the number of people each of you has in your tents."

¹⁷The Israelites did this, and some gathered more, some less. ¹⁸When they measured it with an omer, the one who gathered more did not have too much, and the one who gathered less did not have too little. All of them gathered as much as they needed to eat. ¹⁹Moses said to them, "No one is to leave any of it until morning."

²⁰However, they did not listen to Moses. Some of them left part of it until morning, and it became full of worms and stank. So Moses was angry with them. ²¹They gathered it each morning. All of them gathered as much as they needed to eat. When the sun grew hot, it melted away. ²²On the sixth day they gathered twice as much food, two omers for each person, and all the leaders of the community came and reported to Moses. ²³He said to them, "This is what the LORD has said: Tomorrow is a complete rest, a holy sabbath to the LORD. Bake what you want to bake, and boil what you want to boil, but set aside for yourselves all the rest of it to be kept until morning." ²⁴So they set it aside until morning as Moses commanded, and it did not

stink, and there were no worms in it. ²⁵Moses said, “Today eat whatever is left over, for today is a sabbath to the LORD. Today you will not find any around the camp. ²⁶Six days you will gather it, but on the seventh day, the Sabbath, there will not be any.”

²⁷On the seventh day some of the people went out to gather it, but they did not find any. ²⁸The LORD said to Moses, “How long will you people refuse to keep my commandments and my instructions? ²⁹Look, the LORD has given you the Sabbath. Therefore on the sixth day he will give you two days’ worth of bread. All of you are to stay where you are. None of you are to leave your places on the seventh day.” ³⁰So the people rested on the seventh day.

³¹The house of Israel called it manna. It looked like white coriander seed, and it tasted like wafers made with honey. ³²Moses said, “This is what the LORD has commanded: A full omer of it is to be kept throughout your generations so that they may see the bread which I fed you in the wilderness when I brought you out of the land of Egypt.”

³³Moses said to Aaron, “Take a container, and put a full omer of manna in it. Place it before the LORD, to be kept throughout your generations.” ³⁴To obey the LORD’s command to Moses, Aaron placed an omer before the Testimony, to be preserved.

³⁵The Israelites ate manna for forty years, until they came to a land that was inhabited. They ate manna until they came to the border of the land of Canaan.

PSALM 145

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SECOND LESSON

Ephesians 4:17-24

Outside of Christ the joys of marriage are wasted on the Gentiles, a term Paul uses here to refer unbelievers. But clinging to Christ we use our bodies and our minds to give joy to others.

¹⁷So I tell you this and testify to it in the Lord: Do not walk any longer as the Gentiles walk, in their futile way of thinking. ¹⁸They are darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God, because of the ignorance that is in them, due to the hardness of their hearts. ¹⁹Because they have no sense of shame, they have given themselves over to sensuality, with an ever-increasing desire to practice every kind of impurity.

²⁰But you did not learn Christ in that way, ²¹if indeed you have heard of him and were taught in him (since the truth is in Jesus). ²²As far as your former way of life is concerned, you were taught to take off the old self, which is corrupted by its deceitful desires, ²³and to be renewed continually in the spirit of your mind, ²⁴and to put on the new self, which has been created to be like God in righteousness and true holiness.

VERSE OF THE DAY

♪ Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**These words are written that we may believe that Jesus is the Christ,
the Son of God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

HYMN OF THE DAY

I Know My Faith Is Founded | **CW 403**

GOSPEL

John 6:24-35

More important than bread for our bodies, is the precious Bread of Life from Heaven, Jesus Christ. Thank the LORD that he provides both.

²⁴When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus. ²⁵When they found him on the other side of the sea, they asked him, “Rabbi, when did you get here?”

²⁶Jesus answered them, “Amen, Amen, I tell you: You are not looking for me because you saw the miraculous signs, but because you ate the loaves and were filled. ²⁷Do not continue to work for the food that spoils, but for the food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For on him God the Father has placed his seal of approval.”

²⁸So they said to him, “What should we do to carry out the works of God?”

²⁹Jesus answered them, “This is the work of God: that you believe in the one he sent.”

³⁰Then they asked him, “So what miraculous sign are you going to do, that we may see it and believe you? What miraculous sign are you going to perform? ³¹Our fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, just as it is written, ‘He gave them bread from heaven to eat.’”

³²Jesus said to them, “Amen, Amen, I tell you: Moses did not give you the bread from heaven, but my Father gives you the real bread from heaven. ³³For the bread of God is the one who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.”

³⁴“Sir,” they said to him, “give us this bread all the time!”

³⁵“I am the Bread of Life,” Jesus told them. “The one who comes to me will never be hungry, and the one who believes in me will never be thirsty.”

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: ♪ Praise be to you, O Christ!

“Earthly Bread That Lasts”

Pastor Boehringer

1. Work for food that endures to eternal life
2. Which the Son of Man will give you

APOSTLES’ CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

PRESENTING OF OUR OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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.

HYMN

O Holy Spirit, Grant Us Grace | CW 185 v 2

M: O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **♪ Amen.**

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.

C: **♪ Amen. Amen. Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

Feed Your Children, God Most Holy | CW 616



ORGANIST
David Koepsell

GREETERS
7:45 ~ Joe & Nancy Birkholz
10:00 ~ Diana Kent