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**WELCOME TO GOD'S HOUSE** In repentance and rest is your salvation, in quietness and trust is your strength.

- Tune into KFIZ AM 1450 Sunday morning at 8:00 to hear the current weekend's sermon.
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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. 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.

**HOLY COMMUNION** Today we have the privilege of receiving Christ's true body and blood in, with and under the bread and wine of Holy Communion. Through this sacrament the Holy Spirit seals to us the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation for the strengthening of our faith. Scriptures also teach that as we commune together, we are publicly testifying to a complete unity of faith based on a confession of all of God's Word. For this reason, we respectfully request that all of those who are not members of the WELS or our sister ELS please speak with one of the pastors before communing with us. Thank you.

**A PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP** *Lord, on you I cast my burden—sink it in the depths below! Let me know your gracious pardon; wash me, make me white as snow. Let your Spirit leave me never; make me only yours forever. Amen.*

**SERVICE THEME** Christ Provides Ministers to Proclaim His Word.

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

*Setting One* | 154-170

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Almighty God, you have built your Church on the foundation of the apostles and prophets with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. Continue to send your messengers to preserve your people in true peace, that, by the preaching of your Word, your Church may be kept free from all harm and danger; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**All: Amen.**

**FIRST LESSON**

Ezekiel 2:9-3:11

*Ezekiel was called to proclaim the word of the LORD to his fellow exiles, regardless of whether they listened or failed to listen.*

Then I looked, and I saw a hand stretched out toward me, and in it there was a rolled-up scroll. <sup>10</sup>He unrolled it in front of me, and there was writing on both sides. Written on it was: Laments, Groaning, and Woe. <sup>3:1</sup>Then he said to me, "Son of man, eat what you have received. Eat this scroll, and then go, speak to the house of Israel." <sup>2</sup>I opened my mouth, and he fed me the scroll. <sup>3</sup>Then he said to me, "Son of man, feed your stomach and fill your belly with this scroll that I am giving you." I ate, and in my mouth it was sweet like honey. <sup>4</sup>He then said to me, "Son of man, go now to the house of Israel and speak my words to them. <sup>5</sup>For you are not being sent to a people who have incomprehensible speech or a difficult language, but you are being sent to the house of Israel. <sup>6</sup>Nor are you being sent to many peoples who have incomprehensible speech and difficult languages, whose words you cannot understand. Certainly, if I were to send you to such people, they would listen to you. <sup>7</sup>But the house of Israel will not be willing to listen to you because they are not willing to listen to me, because the whole house of Israel is hard-headed and hard-hearted. <sup>8</sup>Look, I have made your face just as hard as their faces and your forehead just as hard as their foreheads. <sup>9</sup>I have made your forehead like the hardest stone, harder than flint. Do not fear them, and do not be intimidated by their looks, for they are a rebellious house."

<sup>10</sup>Then he said to me, "Son of man, receive into your heart all my words that I will speak to you, and hear them with your ears. <sup>11</sup>Go now to the exiles, to your own people. You shall speak to them and say to them, 'This is what the LORD God says,' whether they listen or they do not."

The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## SECOND LESSON

1 Peter 5:1-4

*Pastors are to shepherd God's flock exactly as Jesus, the Chief Shepherd, would himself.*

Therefore, as a fellow elder and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, and as one who also shares in the glory that is about to be revealed, I appeal to the elders among you: <sup>2</sup>Shepherd God's flock that is among you, serving as overseers, not grudgingly but willingly, as God desires, not because you are greedy for money but because you are eager to do it. <sup>3</sup>Do not lord it over those entrusted to your care, but be examples for the flock. <sup>4</sup>And when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive an unfading crown of glory.

The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Your words are my joy and my heart's delight. | 161*

## GOSPEL

Luke 10:1-20

*Jesus sends out messengers of his Word who were to forgive sinners they met exactly as Jesus would have if he had been there himself.*

After this, the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them out two by two ahead of him to every town and place where he was about to go.

<sup>2</sup>He told them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. So ask the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into his harvest field. <sup>3</sup>Go your way. Look, I am sending you out as lambs among wolves. <sup>4</sup>Do not carry a money bag or traveler's bag or sandals. Do not greet anyone along the way. <sup>5</sup>Whenever you enter a house, first say, 'Peace be to this house.' <sup>6</sup>And if a peaceful person is there, your peace will rest on him, but if not, it will return to you. <sup>7</sup>Remain in that same house, eating and drinking what they give you, because the worker is worthy of his pay. Do not keep moving from house to house. <sup>8</sup>Whenever you enter a town and they welcome you, eat what is set before you. <sup>9</sup>Heal the sick who are in the town and tell them, 'The kingdom of God has come near you.' <sup>10</sup>But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, <sup>11</sup>'Even the dust from your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off against you. Nevertheless know this: The kingdom of God has come near.' <sup>12</sup>I tell you, it will be more bearable for Sodom on that day than for that town. <sup>13</sup>Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the miracles that were done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago, sitting in sackcloth and ashes. <sup>14</sup>But it will be more bearable for Tyre and Sidon in the judgment than for you. <sup>15</sup>And you, Capernaum, will you be lifted up to heaven? No, you will be

brought down to hell. <sup>16</sup>Whoever listens to you listens to me. Whoever rejects you rejects me. And whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me."

<sup>17</sup>The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons submit to us in your name!"

<sup>18</sup>He told them, "I was watching Satan fall like lightning from heaven. <sup>19</sup>Look, I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and over all the power of the enemy. And nothing will ever harm you. <sup>20</sup>Nevertheless, do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names have been written in heaven."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**All: Praise be to you, O Christ!**

## HYMN OF THE DAY

*O Christ, Our True and Only Light | 904*

## "Jesus Uses Feet to Preach"

*Pastor Boehringer*

## PRESENTING OF OUR OFFERING

## THE SACRAMENT

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## DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

*At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing | 675*

*Preach You the Word | 895*

## THANKSGIVING & BLESSING

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## CLOSING HYMN

*God Bless Our Native Land | 774*



## ORGANIST

Laura Nolte

## GREETERS

8:00 ~ Ken & Jo Wendorff

10:00 ~ Ann Trewin