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WELCOME TO GOD'S HOUSE Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

Thank you for joining us as we gather to be fed by Jesus! If you have any questions about our service or practice, please feel free to ask one of the ushers or the pastor.

- Tune into KFIZ AM 1450 or FM 100.7 Sunday morning at 8:00 to hear the current weekend's sermon.
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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.



SERVICE THEME

*Rethinking Religion:
Rethinking the Solution to Sin*

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Service of Word & Prayer | 266-269

OPENING HYMN

What Grace Is This | 395

FIRST LESSON

Numbers 21:4-9

The LORD promised a solution for the bite of venomous snakes. That solution perhaps seemed nonsensical. Yet, all those who trusted God's promise lived.

They set out from Mount Hor along the road to the Red Sea to go around the land of Edom, but the people became very impatient along the way. ⁵The people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? Look, there is no food! There is no water! And we are disgusted by this worthless food!"

⁶The LORD sent venomous snakes among the people, and the snakes bit the people. As a result, many people from Israel died. ⁷The people went to Moses and said, "We have sinned, because we have spoken against the LORD and against you. Pray to the LORD to take the snakes away from us." So, Moses prayed on behalf of the people.

⁸The LORD said to Moses, "Make a venomous snake and put it on a pole. If anyone who is bitten looks at it, he will live." ⁹Moses made a bronze snake and put it on the pole. If a snake had bitten anyone, if that person looked at the bronze snake, he lived.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM OF THE DAY IN THURSDAY & 8:00

I Turn to You, O LORD | 32

ADULT CHOIR IN 10:30 SERVICE

"Who Is Jesus"
by Jeffrey Honore

Who is Jesus? Friend of sinners, whom in love the Father gave; born within a borrowed stable, laid within a borrowed grave, Son of God and son of Mary, Son of Man, to seek and save.

Who is Jesus? Man of sorrows! See his glory all put by. Prince of life and sinners' ransom stumbles forth to bleed and die. Lamb of God and Love immortal hangs upon the cross on high.

Who is Jesus? Risen Savior! to his Father's throne restored, firstborn of the new creation, sun and star and saints reward, Prince of glory, King of ages, Christ the ever living Lord!

SECOND LESSON

Ephesians 2:1-10

God's solution to sin is offered by grace and received through faith.

You were dead in your trespasses and sins, ²in which you formerly walked when you followed the ways of this present world. You were following the ruler of the domain of the air, the spirit now at work in the people who disobey.

³Formerly, we all lived among them in the passions of our sinful flesh, as we carried out the desires of the sinful flesh and its thoughts. Like all the others, we were by nature objects of God's wrath.

⁴But God, because he is rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, ⁵made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in trespasses. It is by grace you have been saved! ⁶He also raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus. ⁷He did this so that, in the coming ages, he might demonstrate the surpassing riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. ⁸Indeed, it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—⁹not by works, so that no one can boast.

¹⁰For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared in advance so that we would walk in them.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL (Sermon Text)

John 3:14-21

Christ is the solution to sin. Whoever believes in Christ shall not perish but have eternal life.

“Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, ¹⁵so that everyone who believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

¹⁶“For God so loved the world that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish, but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. ¹⁸The one who believes in him is not condemned, but the one who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only-begotten Son of God. ¹⁹This is the basis for the judgment: The light has come into the world, yet people loved the darkness rather than the light, because their deeds were evil. ²⁰In fact, everyone who practices wicked things hates the light and does not come toward the light, or else his deeds would be exposed. ²¹But the one who does what is true comes toward the light, in order that his deeds may be seen as having been done in connection with God.”

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise be to you, O Christ!**

HYMN OF THE DAY

God Love the World, So That He Gave | 570

“To Save You”

Pastor Phil Janke

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GATHERING OF OUR OFFERING

5-6 BELL CHOIR IN 8:00 SERVICE

“Were You There When I Surveyed the Wondrous Cross”
by Sharon Rogers

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CLOSING HYMN

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ORGANIST: Erin Achey

GREETERS: 8:00 ~ Joe & Nancy Birkholz

10:30 ~ Ann Trewin