St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Congregation

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WELCOME TO GOD'S HOUSE May the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, keep our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

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 each Sunday morning at 8:00 to hear the current weekend's sermon.
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A PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP Triune God, oh, be our stay and let us perish never! Cleanse us from our sins, we pray, and grant us life forever. Keep us from the evil one; uphold our faith most holy; grant us to trust you solely with humble hearts and lowly. Let us put God's armor on, with all true Christians running our heavenly race and shunning the devil's wiles and cunning. Amen, amen! This be done; so say we, Alleluia! Amen.

SERVICE THEME

The Need for Followership: Followers of Christ are Humble Servants

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Service of Word & Prayer | 266-269

OPENING HYMN

O God, My Faithful God | 740

INSPIRATION IN 10:30 SERVICE

ADULT CHOIR IN 8:00 SERVICE

Sing & Make Music by Karen Mayo

Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving. Let us make a joyful noise with songs of praise! For His love is great: it's higher than the heavens, And his faithfulness reaches to the skies!

Refrain: Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord our God! Always giving thanks to him for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ!

> For the Lord is light, and he is our salvation. He's the stronghold of our lives; whom shall we fear? Though our enemies may gather all around us, We can stand secure for God is always near. Refrain.

For the Lord has worked salvation for all people. By his grace, through faith in Jesus Christ we're saved! May our hearts be full of joy and deep thanksgiving, And our voices lifted high in songs of praise. Refrain.

LESSON (Sermon Text)

Numbers 12:1-15

The pride of Aaron, the high priest, and Miriam, a prophetess, led them to badmouth humble Moses and belittle Moses' wife, simply for being another race.

Miriam and Aaron spoke against Moses because of the Cushite woman he had married (for he had married a Cushite woman). ²They said, "Has the LORD really spoken only through Moses? Hasn't he also spoken through us?" The LORD heard this.

³(Now the man Moses was very humble, more humble than anyone else on the face of the earth.)

⁴Right then the LORD spoke suddenly to Moses, Aaron, and Miriam, "You three come out to the Tent of Meeting!"

The three of them came out. 5The LORD came down in a pillar of cloud and stood at the entrance to the tent. He called Aaron and Miriam, and they both came forward. ⁶He said, "Now listen to my words: If there is a prophet among you, I, the LORD, will make myself known to him in a vision. In a dream I will speak with him. 7Not so, however, with my servant Moses. He is faithful in my whole household. 8With him I speak face-to-face, clearly, and not in riddles. He sees the form of the LORD. Why then

were you not afraid to speak against my servant, against Moses?" ⁹The LORD's anger burned against them, and he left.

¹⁰The cloud went up from above the tent, and immediately Miriam was leprous, as white as snow. Aaron turned to Miriam and saw that she was leprous.

¹¹Aaron said to Moses, "My lord, please do not hold this sin against us. We have acted foolishly. We have sinned. ¹²Please do not let her be like a stillborn infant that comes out of its mother's womb with its flesh half-eaten away."

¹³Moses cried out to the LORD, "God, please heal her, please!"

¹⁴The LORD said to Moses, "If her father had merely spit in her face, would she not be disgraced for seven days? Have her confined outside of the camp for seven days, and after that she can be brought back in."

¹⁵Miriam was confined outside of the camp for seven days, and the people did not set out until Miriam was brought back in.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

PSALM Not to Us, O Lord | 115

SECOND LESSON James 3:3-18

St. James teaches that ambitiously pursing greatness is not just prideful but also demonic. True greatness in Jesus' kingdom is acting toward others in ways that are humble.

¹³Who among you is wise and intelligent? Let him by his good way of living show that he does things in wise humility. ¹⁴But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your heart, do not boast and lie, contrary to the truth. ¹⁵This is not the wisdom that comes down from above, but it is worldly, unspiritual, and demonic. ¹⁶In fact, where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and every bad practice. ¹⁷But the wisdom that comes from above is first pure, then also peaceful, gentle, reasonable, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial, and sincere. ¹⁸And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who practice peace.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL Mark 9:30-37

The greatest in Jesus' kingdom is the one humble enough to gladly serve a little child who could not possibly repay that favor.

They went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know this, ³¹because he was teaching his disciples. He told them, "The Son of Man is

going to be betrayed into the hands of men, and they will kill him. But three days after he is killed, he will rise."

³²But they did not understand the statement and were afraid to ask him about it.

³³They came to Capernaum. When he was in the house, he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" ³⁴But they remained silent, because on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. ³⁵Jesus sat down, called the Twelve, and said to them, "If anyone wants to be first, he will be the last of all and the servant of all." ³⁶Then he took a little child and placed him in their midst. Taking the child in his arms, he said to them, ³⁷"Whoever welcomes one of these little children in my name welcomes me. And whoever welcomes me, welcomes not just me but also him who sent me."

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

HYMN OF THE DAY

Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us | 767

SERMON Numbers 12:1-15

"Strive for the humility of Moses"

I. Moses had reasons to be prideful

II. The Lord defended him

III. Humble yourselves before the Lord and man

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Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus | 704

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CLOSING HYMN

Lord, Help Us Walk Your Servant Way | 737

ORGANIST: Kris Lindemann **GREETERS:** 8:00 ~ Vicki & Mary Mortensen

10:30 ~ Heidi & Bruce Zabel