WELCOMING WORD A woman finds healing by touching Jesus' cloak, and a girl is restored to life when he takes her by the hand. In both cases a boundary is crossed: in Jesus' time the hemorrhaging woman was considered ritually unclean, polluting others by her touch, and anyone who touched a corpse also became unclean. In Mark's gospel Jesus breaks down barriers, from his first meal at a tax collector's house to his last breath on the cross as the temple curtain is torn in two. We dare to touch Jesus in our "uncleanness" and to live as a community that defines no one as an outsider.

CALL TO WORSHIP

- L: Sing praise to the LORD, all you faithful; give thanks in holy remembrance.
- C: God's wrath is short; God's favor lasts a lifetime.
- L: Weeping spends the night, but joy comes in the morning.
- C: You have turned my wailing into dancing;
- L: you have put off my sackcloth and clothed | me with joy.
- C: Therefore, my heart sings to you without ceasing; O LORD my God, I will give you thanks forever.

OPENING HYMN: #256 Oh, Sing Jubilee to the Lord

Oh, sing jubilee to the Lord, ev'ry land: Glory be to God!

Oh, serve him with gladness, as in his halls we stand;

Sing praises to God out of Zion!

He made us his own, and has given us breath;

Glory be to God! The sheep of his pasture, we need not fear our death; Sing praises to God out of Zion!

Oh, come to his feast with thanksgiving and praise;

Glory be to God! Give glory to him, and your brightest banners raise;

Sing praises to God out of Zion!

His mercy is ours; he is Lord over all; Glory be to God!

May all generations find power in his call;

Sing praises to God out of Zion!

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.
- C: Amen.
- L: Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

- L: God, our provider
- C: help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.
- L: Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, + the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.
- C: Amen.

INVOCATION

- P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P: Almighty and merciful God,
- C: we implore you to hear the prayers of your people. Be our strong defense against all harm and danger, that we may live and grow in faith and hope, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

FIRST LESSON: Lamentations 3:22-33 ²²The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; ²³they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. ²⁴"The LORD is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him." ²⁵The LORD is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him. ²⁶It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD. ²⁷It is good for one to bear the yoke in youth, ²⁸to sit alone in silence when the Lord has imposed it, ²⁹to put one's mouth to the dust (there may yet be hope), ³⁰to give one's cheek to the smiter, and be filled with insults. ³¹For the Lord will not reject forever. ³²Although he causes grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love; ³³for he does not willingly afflict or grieve anyone.

SECOND LESSON 2 Corinthians 8:7-15 ⁷Now as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you—so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking.

⁸I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. ⁹For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. ¹⁰And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something—¹¹now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. ¹²For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has—not according to what one does not have. ¹³I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between ¹⁴your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. ¹⁵As it is written, "The one who had much did not have too much, and the one who had little did not have too little."

GOSPEL: Mark 5:21-43 ²¹When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. ²²Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet ²³and begged him repeatedly, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live." ²⁴So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. ²⁵Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. ²⁶She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. ²⁷She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, ²⁸for she said, "If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well." ²⁹Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. ³⁰Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my clothes?" ³¹And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, 'Who touched me?' " ³²He looked all around to see who had done it. ³³But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. ³⁴He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease."

³⁵While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?" ³⁶But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." ³⁷He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. ³⁸When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. ³⁹When he had entered, he said to them, "Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping." ⁴⁰And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. ⁴¹He took her by the hand and said to her, "Talitha cum," which means, "Little girl, get up!" ⁴²And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. ⁴³He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

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SERMON HYMN: #771 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father; There is no shadow of turning with thee; Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not; As thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.

REFRAIN Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see; All I have needed thy hand hath provided; Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above Join with all nature in manifold witness To thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. **REFRAIN**

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide; Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! **REFRAIN**

CONFESSION OF FAITH

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day, he rose again. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

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

OFFERTORY PRAYER -Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P: Let us come before the triune God in prayer.

A brief silence

God of hope, the ministry of your church extends across borders, from nearby neighbors to far and distant countries. Accompany all those who labor eagerly in service of the gospel, that through your good news all might experience transformation. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: Almighty God, we give you thanks for the air we breathe, the water we drink, the land that provides our food. Guard all species of plants and animals from harsh changes in climate and empower us to protect all you have made Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: Righteous God, we pray for nations and their leaders. Give them a spirit of compassion and steer them towards a fair distribution of resources; that none among us would have too much or too little. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: God of healing, your touch has the power to make us whole. We pray for those suffering from physical or mental illness. Embrace those who are sick (*especially*). Surround them with your unwavering presence. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: We pray for this assembly and all those gathered together in worship. Revive our spirits, renew our relationships, and rekindle our faith, that we might experience resurrection in this community. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

- P: We give thanks for the faithful ancestors in every age whose lives have pointed us towards you. Continue to hold them in your love, that we may be reunited with one another in the last days. Lord, in your mercy,
- C: Hear our prayer.
- P: We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace.
- C: Amen.

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. 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.

BENEDICTION May the blessing of God our creator, the love of Jesus Christ our redeemer, and the presence of the Holy Spirit the comforter, surround you and sustain you until we gather again. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN: #559 Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing My great Redeemer's praise, The glories of my God and King, The triumphs of his grace!

My gracious Master and my God, Assist me to proclaim, To spread through all the earth abroad The honors of your name.

The name of Jesus charms our fears And bids our sorrows cease, Sings music in the sinner's ears, Brings life and health and peace.

He breaks the pow'r of canceled sin; He sets the pris'ner free. His blood can make the foulest clean; His blood avails for me.

To God all glory, praise, and love Be now and ever giv'n By saints below and saints above, The church in earth and heav'n.

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OUR SYMPATHIES & PRAYERS are with

- Nancy Breed & family. Nancy's son, Randall, recently passed away.
- Shannon Hadac & Mikaela Sherven & families. Their father, Doug Knutson passed away on June 23.

ELC 'COFFEE TIME' Coffee Time meets on Wednesday at 10:00am AND we meet "in person". Join us at ELC for time to gather and catch up with our church family.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED on TUESDAY, June 29 at 9:00am to help assemble the July / August newsletter. *Newcomers are welcome*. The assembly process usually takes about 2 hours, but no one needs to stay for the whole time. Please, come and enjoy the fellowship.

ELC T-SHIRTS AVAILABLE We have new ELC t-shirts available for purchase. They are a dark green t-shirt with our ELC logo. \$5.00 per shirt, payable to ELC.

OFFICE MANAGER JOB POSTING Evangelical Lutheran Church of Mt Horeb is seeking an office manager to perform day-to-day administrative activities in the operation of the church and be the first-line contact for congregation members as well as the public. This person should understand the mission of the church (but does not need to be a member), have excellent interpersonal skills and should be proficient in word processing, bookkeeping, data base, web maintenance and working with spreadsheet programs. They should have strong organizational skills with the ability to multi-task and ideally have a minimum of 2 years of office management, administrative support, or secretarial experience, but not required. The position includes PTO days and is somewhat flexible up to 30 hours a week. Pay will be partially determined by experience. Training will be available.

THANK YOU FROM THE RED CROSS "Thank you so much for partnering with the American Red Cross. We are truly grateful for your commitment of time and support. The work you do makes a difference to so many in need. The blood drive you held resulted in 68 pints of blood from 74 people, 56 whole blood and 12 power reds with 4 first time donors. Your efforts have helped boost the community blood supply and ensure hospital patients have the lifesaving blood they depend on. The Red Cross depends on the important work that volunteers like you do. Your support does not go unnoticed and we hope to build on this partnership with you."

YOUTH NEWS



2021 ELC SUMMER FUN Save the dates)

- VBS/DAY CAMP 2021 JULY 12 15th 9:30 11:30 am (Youth ages 3 5th grade)

 ONLINE SIGN UP LINK: https://forms.gle/3FCz1yfrYqQEkxph6 A time to be together outside in God's creation.
- EXPLORER DAY AT SUGAR CREEK July 26th, 9 am 3 pm (Children entering 1st 5th grade in fall 2021) Email Brenda to sign up.
- CONFIRMATION CAMP AT SUGAR CREEK July 25 30th, (7th & 8th) Register online at www.sugarcreekbiblecamp.org
- GIVE/LOVE/SERVE (Service days) New for 2021 Middle High school youth may join us on Thursdays, throughout the summer, to help in various local service opportunities. This provides us with helping our neighbors all summer, and allowing flexibility for our youths with their summer schedules. REGISTER online: (Link can be emailed as well) https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4daea929a5ffc70-giveloveservice

SUGAR CREEK "BACK IN THE SADDLE" – Online Registrations are now available for Sugar Creek Bible Camp Summer programs. They have a variety of programs (new & favorites) listed on their website, http://wp.sugarcreek bible camp.org, for youth and families. Come and see in 2021!



DEVOTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 27, 2021

SHARE: What was a high point of your day? What was a low point?

READ: Read the following daily readings to deepen your understanding

Monday, Psalm 88, Prayer for Help

Tuesday, John 21:15-19, Jesus and Peter

Wednesday, 2 Kings 20:1-11, Hezekiah's Illness

Thursday, Psalm 123, Supplication for Mercy

Friday, 2 Corinthians 10:7-11, Paul Defends His Ministry

Saturday, John 14:1-7, Jesus the Way to the Father

TALK: Consider some of these ideas: "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live." ²⁴So he went with him." Mark 5:23-24 Jairus, a respected leader, begs Jesus to heal his daughter. A woman with a hemorrhage was considered ritually unclean and treated as an outcast. Both Jairus and the unnamed woman come to Jesus in faith, believing in his power to heal and bring life out of death.

- Notice how Jesus responds to all who need him, regardless of their status in society. Are we as open to helping all who need Jesus' compassion?
- Both the woman's chronic illness, and the critical need of Jairus' daughter seem nearly beyond help. How do we continue praying, even when healing seems far away?
- How can our prayers support those who have suffered for a long time?

PRAY: Almighty and merciful God, we implore you to hear the prayers of your people. Be our strong defense against all harm and danger, that we may live and grow in faith and hope, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

BLESS: May our glorious God grant you a spirit of wisdom to know and to love the risen Lord Jesus.