Gospel Acclamation: "Hallelujah, Hallelujah" 2X (stand as you are able) Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah

The Gospel: Matthew 10:40-42

⁴⁰ "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. ⁴¹Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward, and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous, ⁴² and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple-truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

P: This is the Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

Children's Sermon: Pastor Eric Hanson (you may be seated)

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Hymn of the Day: "There Is A Longing In My Heart"

Offerings will be collected during the hymn of the day. Thank you also to those who give online. If you'd like to sign up for online giving please visit www.stlukegoodhue.org/online-giving. Children's coin offering will go toward ELCA Good Gifts serving communities in need around the world at the end of the Sunday School year.

Refrain: There is a longing in our hearts, O Lord, for you to reveal yourself to us. There is a longing in our hearts for love we only find in you, our God.

- Vs 1: For justice, for freedom, for mercy: hear our prayer. In sorrow, in grief: be near; hear our prayer, O God. [Refrain]
- Vs 2: For wisdom, for courage, for comfort: hear our prayer. In weakness, in fear: be near; hear our prayer, O God. [Refrain]
- Vs 3: For healing, for wholeness, for new life: hear our prayer. In sickness, in death: be near; hear our prayer, O God. [Refrain]
- Vs 4: Lord, save us, take pity, light in our deepest night. We call you; we wait: be near; hear our prayer, O God. [Refrain]

Offertory Response: "Give Thanks"

Give thanks with a grateful heart. Give thanks to the Holy One. Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son.

And now let the weak say, "I am strong". Let the poor say, "I am rich Because of what the Lord has done for us". Give thanks.

Offering Prayer:

P: Let us pray.

C: God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Apostles' Creed: (please stand as you are able)

I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven & earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.

The Prayers: (call and response)

Trusting in God's abundant mercy, let us offer our prayers for a world in need. A brief silence. We pray for the church. For wisdom to heed the voices of prophets in our midst who cast a vision of God's promised future. For courage to welcome people whom society rejects. For resolve to serve all in need. God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for creation. For all rivers, lakes, oceans, and streams. For lands experiencing scorching heat, drought, or wildfires. For conservation organizations and environmental activists. For scientists working on clean energy solutions. God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for this nation and all nations. For presidents, governors, and legislators. For judges, juries, district attorneys, and public defenders. For military personnel. For those who are incarcerated. Guide us in ways of freedom that promote the common good. God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for those in need. For exiles, immigrants, refugees, and those seeking asylum. For victims of harassment, torture, or abuse. For those who are ill especially; Keith Brown, Dolly Mensink, Judy Carpenter, Larry Reese, Jan Benidt, Dave (Pud) Gnotke, Jen Berg, Marilyn O'Brien, Kellie Peterson, Shawn Frederixon, Pete Poncelet, Sue Majerus, Neil Stehr, the Bremer family, and Donald & Marcy Jonas. For any near death and for all who grieve. God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for children. For their safety at home and in childcare settings. For their flourishing at summer programs and camps. For the many people who care for them including parents and grandparents; childcare workers and teachers; coaches, counselors, and mentors; pediatricians and psychologists. God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We give thanks for all the saints and prophets who have received the free gift of God, which is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. May their lives of humble service inspire us in faith. God, in your mercy, hear our prayer. Receive our prayers and answer us, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Sharing the Peace:

P: The peace of Christ be with you always. C: And also with you.

The Great Thanksgiving:

P: The Lord be with you C: And also with you P: Lift up your hearts. C: We lift them to the Lord. P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. C: It is right to give Him thanks & praise.

The Words of Institution

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.

The Meal & Hymns: (you may be seated)

All are welcome at this meal. We believe in the saving power of Jesus Christ through the gift of his life, death, and resurrection experienced in bread and wine.

Please move forward via the center aisle. Bread is received in the hands. Wine is received by dipping the bread into the wine chalice and consuming both together. All ages are welcome to commune. Those not communing may receive a blessing by simply keeping your hands folded or extending your arms over your chest in the sign of a cross inviting blessing. For those unable to consume either wine or bread, communion is received fully in either element alone, for Christ is fully present in the meal. You may return to your seats via the side aisles after communing. Gluten-free is available, simply make the server aware of your need. Also, if you cannot come forward, but wish for communion or blessing, let the usher know it will come to you at the end.

"No Not One"

- Vs 1: There's not a friend like the lowly Jesus. No, not one! no, not one! None else could heal all our soul's diseases. No, not one! no, not one!
- Vs 2: No friend like Him is so high and holy. No, not one! no, not one! And yet no friend is so meek and lowly. No, not one! no, not one!
- Vs 3: There's not an hour that He is not near us. No, not one! no, not one! No night so dark but His love can cheer us. No, not one! no, not one!
- Vs 4: Was e'er a gift like the Savior given? No, not one! no, not one! Will he refuse us a home in heaven? No, not one! no, not one!

"Nothing But The Blood"

- Vs 1: What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus; What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.
- Chorus: Oh! precious is the flow That makes me white as snow; No other fount I know, Nothing but the blood of Jesus.
- Vs 2: For my pardon, this I see, Nothing but the blood of Jesus; For my cleansing this my plea, Nothing but the blood of Jesus. [Chorus]
- Vs 3: Nothing can for sin atone, Nothing but the blood of Jesus; Naught of good that I have done, Nothing but the blood of Jesus. [Chorus]
- Vs 4: This is all my hope and peace, Nothing but the blood of Jesus; This is all my righteousness, Nothing but the blood of Jesus. [Chorus]

Communion Prayer: (stand as you are able)

P: Let us pray.

C: We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Blessing:

P: The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed + bless, keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age.

C: Amen.

Sending Hymn: "My Country 'Tis Of Thee"

Vs 1: My country, 'tis of thee, sweet land of liberty, of thee I sing: land where my fathers died, land of the pilgrims' pride, from ev'ry mountainside let freedom ring.

- Vs 2: My native country, thee, land of the noble free, thy name I love; I love thy rocks and rills, thy woods and templed hills; my heart with rapture thrills like that above.
- Vs 3: Let music swell the breeze, and ring from all the trees sweet freedom's song; let mortal tongues awake; let all that breathe partake; let rocks their silence break, the sound prolong.
- Vs 4: Our fathers' God, to thee, author of liberty, to thee we sing: long may our land be bright with freedom's holy light. Protect us by thy might, great God, our king.
- **Dismissal:** P: Go in peace. Share the harvest.

C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

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Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Greeting: (please stand as you are able)

P: The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God. C: Come Holy Spirit, Come!

Confession and Forgiveness:

P: We confess our sins together, in the name of the Father, and of the Son +, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

- Gathering Hymn: "O Beautiful For Spacious Skies" #888
 - fruited plain! America! America! God shed His grace on thee, And crown thy good with brotherhood, From sea to shining sea!
 - And mercy more than life! America! America! May God thy gold refine, Till all success be nobleness And ev'ry gain divine!
 - Vs 3: O beautiful for patriot dream That sees beyond the years Thine alabaster cities gleam, Undimmed by human tears! America! America! God mend thine ev'ry flaw, confirm thy soul in selfcontrol, thy liberty in law!

Prayer of the Day: (you may be seated)

- P: Let us pray.

The First Reading: Romans 6:15-23

¹⁵What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! ¹⁶Do you not know that, if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? ¹⁷ But thanks be to God that you who were slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted ¹⁸ and that you, having been set free from sin, have become enslaved to righteousness. ¹⁹I am speaking in human terms because of your limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and lawlessness, leading to even more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness, leading to sanctification. ²⁰When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. ²¹So what fruit did you then gain from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. ²² But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the fruit you have leads to sanctification, and the end is eternal life. ²³ For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

P: This is the Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

C: God of all Mercy, come to our aid. When we hide brokenness and only show you wholeness, forgive us. When we cover shame and guilt with pride and pretense, forgive us. When we point out the speck in our neighbor's eye but ignore the log in our own eye, forgive us. When we choose old, harmful ways of living over new, life-giving ways, forgive us. Transform us by the power of your Spirit, Lord God, and make us New.

P: Children of God, God loved us even when we were dead in sin, and makes us new through Jesus Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Live as people set free.

Vs 1: O beautiful for spacious skies, For amber waves of grain, For purple mountain majesties Above the

Vs 2: O beautiful for heroes proved In liberating strife, Who more than self their country loved,

C: O God, you direct our lives by your grace, and your words of justice and mercy reshape the world. Mold us into a people who welcome your word & serve one another, through Jesus Christ, our Savior & Lord. Amen.