P: This is the Word of the Lord,

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation: (please stand as you are able) "You Are Holy"

Chorus: You are holy oh so holy. You are holy Lord of all. You are holy oh so holy. You are holy Lord of all.

## The Gospel: Mark 3:20-35

<sup>20</sup>Then Jesus entered a house, and again a crowd gathered, so that he and his disciples were not even able to eat. <sup>21</sup>When his family heard about this, they went to take charge of him, for they said, "He is out of his mind." <sup>22</sup> And the teachers of the law who came down from Jerusalem said, "He is possessed by Beelzebul! By the prince of demons he is driving out demons." <sup>23</sup> So Jesus called them over to him and began to speak to them in parables: "How can Satan drive out Satan? <sup>24</sup> If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. <sup>25</sup> If a house is divided against itself, that house cannot stand. <sup>26</sup> And if Satan opposes himself and is divided, he cannot stand; his end has come. <sup>27</sup> In fact, no one can enter a strong man's house without first tying him up. Then he can plunder the strong man's house. <sup>28</sup> Truly I tell you, people can be forgiven all their sins and every slander they utter, <sup>29</sup> but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will never be forgiven; they are guilty of an eternal sin." <sup>30</sup> He said this because they were saying, "He has an impure spirit." <sup>31</sup> Then Jesus' mother and brothers arrived. Standing outside, they sent someone in to call him. <sup>32</sup> A crowd was sitting around him, and they told him, "Your mother and brothers are outside looking for you." <sup>33</sup> "Who are my mother and my brothers?" he asked. <sup>34</sup> Then he looked at those seated in a circle around him and said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! <sup>35</sup> Whoever does God's will is my brother and sister and mother."

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

Sermon: Pastor Eric Hanson

# Hymn of the Day & Offering:

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 http://www.stlukegoodhue.org/online-giving.html. Children's coin offering will go toward ELCA Good Gifts serving communities in need around the world.

#### "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" #504

- Vs 1: A mighty fortress is our God, a sword & shield victorious; he breaks the cruel oppressor's rod & wins salvation glorious. The old satanic foe has sworn to work us woe!

  With craft and dreadful might he arms himself to fight. On earth he has no equal.
- Vs. 2: No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, rejected. But now a champion comes to fight, whom God himself elected. You ask who this may be? The Lord of hosts is he!

  Christ Jesus, mighty Lord, God's only Son, adored. He holds the field victorious.
- Vs 3: Though hordes of devils fill the land all threat'ning to devour us, we tremble not, unmoved we stand; they cannot over pow'r us. Let this world's tyrant rage; in battle we'll engage!
  His might is doomed to fail; God's judgment must prevail! One little word subdues him.
- Vs 4: God's Word forever shall abide, no thanks to foes, who fear it; for God himself fights by our side with weapons of the Spirit. Were they to take our house, goods, honor, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched away, they cannot win the day. The kingdom's ours forever!

**Offertory Response:** "Give Thanks" (ushers bring offerings forward)

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.

## **Offertory Prayer:**

P: Let us pray together,

C: God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

## **Baptism of Brandt Steven Dankers**

The Prayers: (call and response)

We come before the triune God to pray for our communities, ourselves, and our world. *A brief silence*. You reawaken our hearts to your mercy. We give you thanks for renewers of the church in every age. Enliven the creativity and persistence of all seeking to transform the church into a closer vision of your beloved community. Merciful God, **receive our prayer**.

Your presence is revealed in the shade of trees, the growth of seeds into flowers, and in the blessing of plants granting food in their right season. Heal lands scarred by deforestation, pollution, or infestation. Teach us to cultivate the earth with respect and reverence. Merciful God, **receive our prayer**.

Our nations and communities are divided, O God. Teach us again to listen with curiosity and mercy, even in disagreement. Grant us the humility to acknowledge our hardness of heart and make us bold in modeling cooperation for the sake of the common good. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** 

Hear the prayers of all who cry out to you from the depths of fear, despair, or hopelessness especially Keith Brown, Judy Carpenter, Jan Benidt, Dave (Pud) Gnotke, Shawn Fredrixon, Marc Bode, Julie Marklevits, Harlan Reese, Beth Carlson, Gage Miller, Elaine Thorland, Alex Stehr, Maria Starr Quiggle, Perry Fitzgerald, Marlowe Ronke, Linda Quade, and Kay Kurtti. With haste, rescue victims of trafficking, exploitation, and abuse, and bless organizations and individuals who work on their behalf. Merciful God, receive our prayer.

Grant wisdom and clarity to all who are in seasons of discernment and transition: high school graduates preparing for first jobs or new educational journeys, those who are shifting careers, and those who are navigating changes in their relationships. Accompany them with your peace. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** 

Praise to you for our ancestors in faith who believed, spoke, and lived in you. Give us confidence that as Jesus was raised, so we too will be raised, with all the saints, into your everlasting presence. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** 

Receive our prayers, O God, and come quickly to our aid, through the power of the Spirit and the love 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: Lift up your hearts. **C: We lift them to the Lord.** 

#### 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.

**Meal and 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.

## "Come To The Table" 2X #481

Come to the table of mercy, prepared with the wine and the bread. All who are hungry and thirsty, come, and your souls will be fed. Come at the Lord's invitation; receive from his nail scarred hand. Eat of the bread of salvation; drink of the blood of the Lamb.

#### "When Peace Like A River" #785

Vs 1: When peace like a river attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll; whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say, "It is well, it is well with my soul."

Refrain: It is well with my soul; it is well, it is well with my soul.

- Vs 2: Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come, let this blest assurance control: that Christ has regarded my helpless estate, and has shed his own blood for my soul. [Refrain]
- Vs3: He lives oh, the bliss of this glorious thought! my sin, not in part, but the whole, is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more; praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! [Refrain]
- Vs 4: Lord, hasten the day when my faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled back as a scroll; the trumpet shall sound and the Lord shall descend; even so, it is well with my soul. [Refrain]

"Jesus Name Above All Names"

- Vs. 1: Jesus, name above all names, beautiful Savior, glorious Lord. Emmanuel, God is with us, blessed Redeemer, Living Word.
- Vs. 2: Jesus, loving Shepherd, Vine of the branches, Son of God.
  Prince of Peace, Wonderful Counselor, Lord of the universe, Light of the world.
- Vs. 3: Jesus, way of salvation King of Kings, Lord of Lords.

  The Way, the truth, and the life Mighty Creator, My Savior and Friend.

**Communion Prayer:** (please stand as you are able)

P: Let us pray together,

C: God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

## The Blessing:

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. **C: Amen.** 

Sending Hymn: "On Our Way Rejoicing" #537

Vs. 1: On our way rejoicing gladly let us go. Christ our Lord has conquered; vanquished is the foe, Christ without, our safety; Christ within, our joy; who, if we be faithful, can our hope destroy?

Refrain: On our way rejoicing; as we forward move, hearken to our praises, O blest God of love!

Vs 2: Unto God the Father joyful songs we sing; unto God the Savior thankful hearts we bring; unto God the Spirit bow we and adore, on our way rejoicing now and ever-more. [Refrain]

**Dismissal:** P: Go in peace to love the Lord and serve your neighbor.

C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

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Prelude

#### Welcome & Announcements

**Greeting:** (stand as you are able)

## **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: 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. **C: Amen**

Gathering Hymn: "God Of Grace And God Of Glory" #705

- Vs 1: God of grace and God of glory, on your people pour your pow'r; crown your ancient church's story; bring its bud to glorious flow'r. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage for the facing of this hour, for the facing of this hour.
- Vs 2: Lo! the hosts of evil round us scorn the Christ, assail his ways!

  From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise.

  Grant us wisdom, grant us courage for the living of these days, for the living of these days.
- Vs 3: Cure your children's warring madness; bend our pride to your control; shame our wanton, selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in soul.

  Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, lest we miss your kingdom's goal, lest we miss your kingdom's goal.
- Vs 4: Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore; let the gift of your salvation be our glory evermore. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, serving you whom we adore, serving you whom we adore.

**Prayer of the Day:** (you may be seated) P: Let us pray together

C: All-powerful God, in Jesus Christ you turned death into life and defeat into victory. Increase our faith and trust in him, that we may triumph over all evil in the strength of the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

#### The First Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:13 – 5:1

<sup>13</sup> It is written: "I believed; therefore I have spoken." Since we have that same spirit of faith, we also believe and therefore speak, <sup>14</sup> because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus from the dead will also raise us with Jesus and present us with you to himself. <sup>15</sup> All this is for your benefit, so that the grace that is reaching more and more people may cause thanksgiving to overflow to the glory of God. <sup>16</sup> Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. <sup>17</sup> For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. <sup>18</sup> So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal. <sup>5:1</sup> For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, an eternal house in heaven, not built by human hands.