

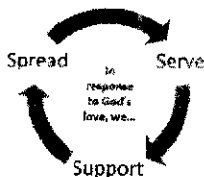
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*In response to God's love for us, we SERVE God,  
SUPPORT Christian fellowship,  
And SPREAD the Good News of Jesus Christ to all people*

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## SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Order of Worship –9 AM

**AS WE GATHER** – *The new life in Christ we have been given is full of blessings, peace, and joy. But this new life is not without its challenges to be lived out in this world. Today we hear two of the seemingly impossible commands of our Lord: "Love your enemies" and "Judge not." Left on our own, we think enemies deserve retaliation and words of judgment. But in Christ we have been given a new heart and spirit. It was, after all, while we were yet sinners that Christ died for us. That's the same self-giving love that we now show to others because we are witnesses to the Lord's great and abundant mercy for all sinners. Having received such grace and mercy from God for ourselves, we are set free to bring that same grace and mercy to others.*

### PRESERVICE MUSIC

*"Be Thou My Vision"*

by Paul Manz

### WELCOME

*[Please fill out prayer request cards.]*

[♯] Means please stand; [♮] Means please be seated]

### ♯ OPENING HYMN

*O Bless the Lord, My Soul*



1 O bless the Lord, my soul! Let all with - in me join  
2 O bless the Lord, my soul, Nor let His mer - cies lie  
3 'Tis He for - gives thy sins; 'Tis He re - lieves thy pain;  
4 He crowns thy life with love When ran - somed from the grave;



And aid my tongue to bless His name Whose fa - vors are di - vine.  
For - got - ten in un - thank - ful - ness And with - out prais - es die!  
'Tis He that heals thy sick - ness - es And makes thee young a - gain.  
He that re - deemed my soul from hell Hath sov - 'reign pow'r to save.

5. He fills the poor with good;  
He gives the suff'ers rest.  
The Lord hath judgments for the proud  
And justice for the oppressed.

6. His wondrous works and ways  
He made by Moses known,  
But sent the world His truth and grace  
By His beloved Son.

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## INVOCATION & OPENING SENTENCES

Psalm 37:4; 103:13

- P** *In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.*      **G** **Amen.**  
**P** *Delight yourself in the Lord, and He will give you the desires of your heart.*  
**G** **As a father shows compassion to his children, so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear Him.**

## CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

- P** *As the patriarch Joseph received his brothers in spite of their sin because of God's gracious providence, so we are called this day to be renewed by the forgiveness of our sins. Let us then confess our sins to God our gracious Father.*  
**G** **Almighty God, we confess that we have sinned against You and against one another by our thoughts, words, and deeds, by what we have done and by what we have failed to do. We have not loved You with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. By Your grace revealed to us in Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, grant us Your deliverance and forgiveness. Renew a right heart within us by Your love and mercy. Amen.**  
**P** *Upon this your confession, as a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.*  
**G** **Amen.**

## INTROIT [Verses: Choir; Antiphon: Congregation]

Psalm 103

Antiphon: Praise the LORD, O my soul;

All my inmost being, praise His holy, His holy name.

Verse 1: Praise the LORD, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise His holy name.

Verse 2: Praise the LORD, O my soul; and forget not all His benefits.

Antiphon: [congregation]

Verse 3: He forgives all my sins and heals all of my diseases.

Verse 4: He redeems my life from the pit and crowns me with love and compassion.

Verse 5: He satisfies my desires with good things so that my youth is renewed like the eagle's. Antiphon: [congregation]

Verse 6: The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in love.

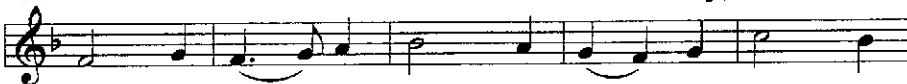
Verse 7: For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His love for those who fear Him.

Verse 8: As far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us.

Verse 9: As a father has compassion on his children, so the LORD has compassion on those who fear Him. Antiphon: [congregation]

## HYMN OF PRAISE

Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us



1 Lord of glo - ry, You have bought us With Your  
2 Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give You Glad - ly,  
3 Won - drous hon - or You have giv - en To our  
4 Lord of glo - ry, You have bought us With Your

life - blood as the price, Nev - er grudg - ing for the  
 free - ly of Your own. With the sun - shine of Your  
 hum - blest char - i - ty In Your own mys - te - rious  
 life - blood as the price, Nev - er grudg - ing for the

lost ones That tre - men - dous sac - ri - fice;  
 good - ness Melt our thank - less hearts of stone  
 sen - tence, "You have done it all to Me."  
 lost ones That tre - men - dous sac - ri - fice.

And with that have free - ly giv - en Bless - ings  
 Till our cold and self - ish na - tures, Warmed by  
 Can it be, O gra - cious Mas - ter, That You  
 Give us faith to trust You bold - ly, Hope, to

count - less as the sand To the un - thank - ful  
 You, at length be - lieve That more hap - py  
 deign for alms to sue, Say - ing by Your  
 stay our souls on You; But, oh, best of

and the e - vil With Your own un - spar - ing hand.  
 and more bless - ed 'Tis to give than to re - ceive.  
 poor and need - y, "Give as I have giv'n to you?"  
 all Your grac - es, With Your love our love re - new.

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**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**P** *The Lord be with you.*      **C** **And also with you.**

**All:** O Lord, make us instruments of Your peace that we share with all other people the gift of Your love and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever. Amen.

**SHARING OF THE PEACE**

**P** *The peace of the Lord be with you always.*      **C** **And also with you.**

**P** *Let us share this peace with one another.*  
 (People greet one another saying: "Peace be with you. And also with you.")

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON**

**Genesis 45:3-15**

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

**L** *This is the Word of the Lord.*

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

# EPISTLE LESSON

1 Corinthians 15:21-26, 30-42

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## ALLELUIA VERSE

Luke 6:36

All: Alleluia. Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful. Alleluia.

## HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 6:27-38

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the sixth chapter.

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

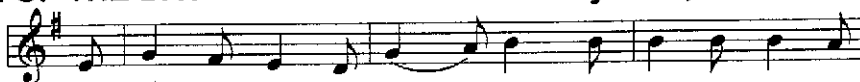
**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

[Prayer requests will be collected at this time.]

### HYMN OF THE DAY

### My Soul, Now Praise Your Maker



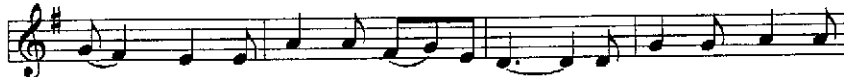
1 My soul, now praise your Mak - er! Let all with - in me  
 2 He of - fers all His trea - sure Of jus - tice, truth, and  
 3 For as a ten - der fa - ther Has pit - y on His  
 4 His grace re - mains for - ev - er, And chil - dren's chil - dren



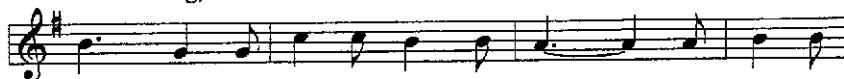
bless His name Who makes you full par - tak - er Of  
 righ - teous - ness, His love be - yond all mea - sure, His  
 chil - dren here, God in His arms will gath - er All  
 yet shall prove That God for - sakes them nev - er Who



mer - cies more than you dare claim. For - get Him not whose  
 yearn - ing pit - y o'er dis - tress; Nor treats us as we  
 who are His in child - like fear. He knows how frail our  
 in true fear shall seek His love. In heav'n is fixed His



meek - ness Still bears with all your sin, Who heals your ev - 'ry  
 mer - it But sets His an - ger by. The poor and con - trite  
 pow - ers, Who but from dust are made. We flour - ish like the  
 dwell - ing, His rule is o - ver all; O hosts with might ex -



weak - ness, Re - news your life with - in; Whose grace and  
 spir - it Finds His com - pas - sion nigh; And high as  
 flow - ers, And e - ven so we fade; The wind but  
 cel - ling, With praise be - fore Him fall. Praise Him for -

care are end - less And saved you through the past; Who  
 heav'n a - bove us, As dawn from close of day, So  
 through them pass - es, And all their bloom is o'er. We  
 ev - er reign - ing, All you who hear His Word— Our

leaves no suf - f'rer friend - less But rights the wronged at last.  
 far, since He has loved us, He puts our sins a - way.  
 with - er like the grass - es; Our place knows us no more.  
 life and all sus - tain - ing. My soul, O praise the Lord!

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**SERMON "YOU WANT ME TO DO WHAT FOR MY ENEMY?" Luke 6:27-38**

- I. Our world teaches us to get revenge on our enemies.
- II. Jesus teaches us to love our enemies, as He died for us while we were enemies of God.

**APOSTLE'S CREED**

**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His 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. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

**OFFERING / CHORAL SELECTIONS**

*Lutheran High Jubilate Choir*

**OFFERTORY**

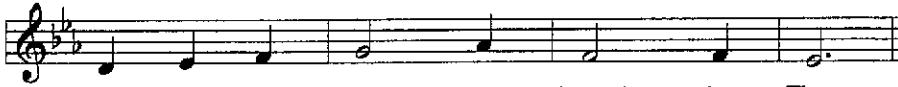
*Lord of All Nations, Grant Me Grace*

1 Lord of all na - tions, grant me grace  
 2 Break down the wall that would di - vide  
 3 For - give me, Lord, where I have erred  
 4 Give me Thy cour - age, Lord, to speak

To love all peo - ple, ev - 'ry race;  
 Thy chil - dren, Lord, on ev - 'ry side.  
 By love - less act and thought - less word.  
 When - ev - er strong op - press the weak.

And in each per - son may I see  
 My neigh - bor's good let me pur - sue;  
 Make me to see the wrong I do  
 Should I my - self the vic - tim be,

(continued)



My kin - dred, loved, re - deemed by Thee.  
Let Chris - tian love bind warm and true.  
Will grieve my wound - ed Lord a - new.  
Help me for - give, re - mem - b'ring Thee.

5. With Thine own love may I be filled  
And by Thy Holy Spirit willed,  
That all I touch, where'er I be,  
May be divinely touched by Thee.

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## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P** *In peace, let us pray to the Lord.*      **C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** *For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord.*      **C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** *For the Holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord.*
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** *For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord.*      **C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** *For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.*
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** *For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord.*      **C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** *For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord.*      **C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** *For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord.*
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** *Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord.*
- C** **Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Amen.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

- P** *O Lord Jesus Christ, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:*
- C** **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.**

## BENEDICTION

Psalm 67:1, 6-7; Numbers 6:24-26

- P** *May God be gracious to us and bless us and make His face to shine upon us. God, our God, shall bless us.*
- C** **God shall bless us; let all the ends of the earth fear Him!**
- 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 His peace.*
- C** **Amen.**

# CLOSING HYMN

# Gather Your Children, Dear Savior, in Peace

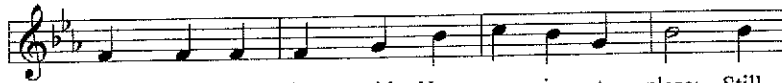
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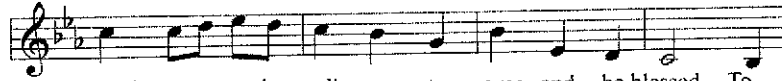
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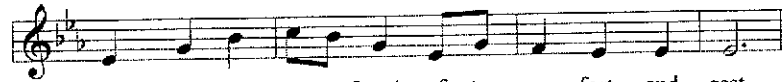
1 Gath - er Your chil - dren, dear Sav - ior, in peace. And  
2 Know - ing You, lov - ing You, nam - ing You Lord, We  
3 Love be our ban - ner, for - give - ness our theme, Com -  
4 Host at our ta - ble in our house and Yours, Here



draw us to You with Your pas - sion - ate pleas; Still  
clus - ter a - round You and grow by Your Word, One  
pas - sion our na - ture, Your vi - sion our dream; Who  
bind us to - geth - er with love that en - dures; Like



seek us and call us to come and be blessed, To  
day to re - mem - ber these mo - ments so rare, Of  
knows what the Spir - it of God yet can do, What  
par - ents, like chil - dren, let this be our fame: That,



find in Your arms, Lord, safe - ty, com - fort, and rest.  
car - ing and close - ness, just be - cause You are there.  
joy may be tast - ed, or what prom - ise come true?  
blest, we bless man - y, to the praise of Your name.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS POSTLUDE

### "Jubilation March"

by Norwood Dale

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## THE LUTHERAN HOUR MESSAGE KOA 850 AM: Sunday @ 6:00 AM

March 3: "Is God Everybody's Father?"; Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, Speaker  
A Christian can say, "I am not Jesus, but we have the same Father." (John 8)