#### **Sunday School Opening**

- +The Invocation
- +The Hymn "We Give Thee But Thine Own"
  - 1. We give Thee but Thine own, whate'er the gift may be; All that we have is Thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from Thee.
  - 6. And we believe Thy Word, though dim our faith may be. Whate'er for Thine, we do, O Lord, we do it unto Thee.

## +The NLSW Hymn "Saints All Around"

- Jesus endured the cross's shame;
   He suffered and took all our blame.
   Now with great joy He calls our name.
   Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 3. The ancient saints and saints today
  Know the Lord Jesus is the Way
  To life eternal as they say,
  "Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!"
  - 4. So let us now cast sins away As our life's race we run today Looking to Jesus as we say, "Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!"
  - 6. Praise to the Father, Spirit, Son, And for God's grace and faith to run Our race in faith, O Three-in-One.
    Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

#### +The Prayer

Lord Jesus, the Founder and Finisher of our faith; You endured the cross scorning its shame and now sit enthroned at God's right hand. Help us, surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses, to run with endurance the race set before us until we too enter into heaven. In Your name we pray. Amen.

### St. Mark 2:23-3:6 Sunday, August 18, 2024

The Memory Review & Assignment

Review: Genesis through Malachi (the O.T.) Assignment: Review the books of the O.T.

#### **Bible Facts**

-The major prophets are only major because they are relatively large books of prophecy. The minor prophets are only minor because they are smaller books of prophecy.

-The prophetic work of the major and minor prophets overlapped. For instance, Isaiah (major prophet) and Micah & Hosea (minor prophets) all prophesied in the 8<sup>th</sup> century B.C.—the 700s B.C.

# St. Mark 2:23-28 "Jesus Is Lord of the Sabbath"

Why was it not lawful to pluck heads of grain on the Sabbath?

Why does Jesus begin His response to the Pharisees with, "Have you never read...?"

What is Jesus getting at when He says, "The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath."

We Christians might say, "Sunday was made for man, not man for Sunday." Explain.

## St. Mark 3:1-6 "A Man with a Withered Hand"

Jesus' question in verse 4 seems like a no brainer. How would you answer it? How does Jesus' summary of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Table of the Law help you answer it?

How might Luther's explanation of the  $5^{\rm th}$  Commandment in the Small Catechism help you answer it?

Why didn't the Pharisees answer it?

What is the source of Jesus' anger and grief in verse 5? Hints:

Genesis 6:5-6, "The LORD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intention of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. And the LORD regretted that He had made man on the earth, and it grieved Him to His heart."

Ephesians 4:30, "And do not **grieve** the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption."

What did Jesus do? What did the Pharisees do?

How does this episode further illustrate Jesus' words at the end of chapter 2, "The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath."

READ THE REMAINDER OF MARK 3 FOR NEXT SUNDAY!