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## INTRODUCTION

Jesus does great deeds of power and gives his disciples authority over demons. Yet none of this power is unilateral; it all must be received by faith. Jesus asks his disciples to go out without money or supplies, so that they will be dependent on how others receive them. When we are sent from the assembly to witness and to heal, we are asked to be vulnerable, to be dependent on the reception of others. The Spirit always operates in the "between": between Jesus and his Abba, between Jesus and us, between you and me, between us and those to whom we are sent.

#### Abide

Verse 1
For my waking breath
For my daily bread
I depend on You
I depend on You
For the sun to rise
For my sleep at night
I depend on You
I depend on You

#### Chorus 1

You're the way the truth and the life You're the well that never runs dry I'm the branch and You are the vine Draw me close and teach me to abide

Verse 2
Where the Spirit leads
As I'm following
I depend on You
I depend on You
For the victories
Still in front of me
I depend on You
I depend on You

## Chorus 2

You're the way the truth and the life You're the well that never runs dry I'm the branch and You are the vine Draw me close and teach me to abide Be my strength my song in the night Be my all my treasure my prize I am Yours forever You're mine Draw me close and teach me to abide Verse 3
When I pass through death
As I enter rest
I depend on You
I depend on You
For eternal life
To be raised with Christ
I depend on You
I depend on You

## Chorus 2

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# For By Grace You Have Been Saved



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# Be Bold, Be Strong



#### **PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRAYERS

#### **KYRIE**

# Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all; for this holy house, for all who worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

# Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor; that we may live out truth and justice and grace, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

# Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes, for friends and family; for life and for love, for our work and our play, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

# Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

For your Spirit to guide; that you center our lives in the water and the Word; that you nourish our souls with your body and blood, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

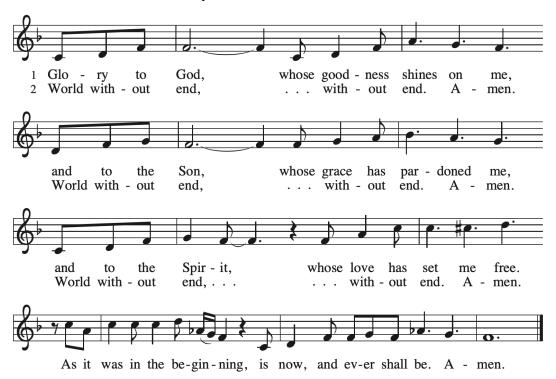
Let us pray.

God of the covenant, in our baptism you call us to proclaim the coming of your kingdom. Give us the courage you gave the apostles, that we may faithfully witness to your love and peace in every circumstance of life, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.** 

## **CHILDREN'S SERMON**

# **HYMN OF PRAISE**

# Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines



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#### A READING

**2 Corinthians 12:2-10** 

A reading from 2 Corinthians.

Christians do not boast of their own accomplishments. Rather, Christian boasting focuses attention on how the power of Christ is present in our lives, especially in times of weakness and vulnerability. No matter what our circumstances in life, Christ's grace is sufficient for us.

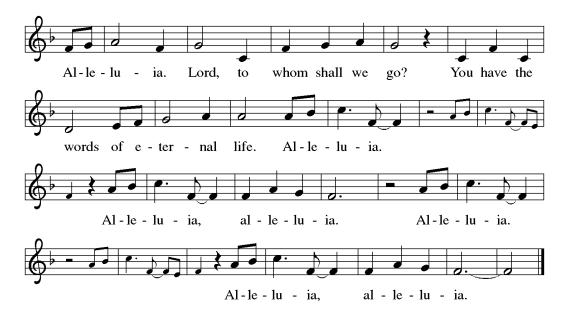
<sup>2</sup>I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. <sup>3</sup>And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows—<sup>4</sup>was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. <sup>5</sup>On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. <sup>6</sup>But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, <sup>7</sup>even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. <sup>8</sup>Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me,

<sup>9</sup>but he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness." So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. <sup>10</sup>Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

The word of the Lord.

#### Thanks be to God.

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



GOSPEL Mark 6:1-13

The Holy Gospel according to Mark.

# Glory to you, O Lord.

At home and abroad, Jesus and his disciples encounter resistance as they seek to proclaim God's word and relieve affliction.

<sup>1</sup>[Jesus] came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. <sup>2</sup>On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! <sup>3</sup>Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. <sup>4</sup>Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." <sup>5</sup>And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. <sup>6</sup>And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. <sup>7</sup>He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. <sup>8</sup>He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; <sup>9</sup>but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. <sup>10</sup>He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. <sup>11</sup>If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." <sup>12</sup>So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. <sup>13</sup>They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** 

SERMON Pastor Wade Roof

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#### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

God, our provider, 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.

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. **Amen.** 

# **OFFERTORY**

# Give Thanks



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#### **OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray.

Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever. **Amen.** 

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

# LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

#### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come and know Christ, broken and poured out for you.

#### **COMMUNION**

#### **COMMUNION HYMN**

# Spirit of Gentleness



when you blew through your peo - ple on the rush of the wind. With . . . bold new de - ci - sions your peo-ple a - rise.

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## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

O God, our life, our strength, our food, we give you thanks for sustaining us with the body and blood of your Son. By your Holy Spirit, enliven us to be his body in the world, that more and more we will give you praise and serve your earth and its many peoples, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.** 

## **BLESSING**

Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. Amen.



Thu-ma mi-na. Send me, Je-sus.

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DISMISSAL POSTLUDE

# **ALIVE!** Musicians

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Today's Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God by Foster McLeod, Summer Chris, Alex, Tyler & Thomas Tuten and Elizabeth, Jeremy, Paxton & Blakely Goings and in honor of Debbie McLeod, who celebrated her birthday on July 6<sup>th</sup>. We love you and appreciate all you do for us!

Today's Bulletin Covers are given to the glory of God by Patsy Hutto and in honor of Paul Hutto and Janet Smith, who both celebrated birthdays on July 6<sup>th</sup>. Each of you are blessings to all who know you.

Today's Baptismal Font Flowers are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the 70th Wedding Anniversary of Pastor Lavaughn and Betty Keisler, which was on July 4<sup>th</sup>, by their children.

# FOR FURTHER STUDY

#### **Ezekiel 2:1-5**

A reading from Ezekiel.

In 597 BCE, the priest Ezekiel was removed into exile in Babylon. While there, he received a vision of God appearing majestically on a chariot throne. Today's reading recounts God's commissioning of Ezekiel during this vision. The prophet is to speak God's word to a people unwilling to hear.

<sup>1</sup>[A voice] said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you. <sup>2</sup>And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. <sup>3</sup>He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. <sup>4</sup>The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, "Thus says the Lord God." <sup>5</sup>Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

## Psalm 123

<sup>1</sup>To you I lift up my eyes,

to you enthroned in the heavens.

<sup>2</sup>As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,

so our eyes look to you, O LORD our God, until you show us your mercy.

<sup>3</sup>Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy,

for we have had more than enough of contempt,

<sup>4</sup>too much of the scorn of the indolent rich, and of the derision of the proud.

Welcome to Mt. Tabor. We are glad that you have chosen to worship with us today! If you are a visitor, please fill out and return the attendance card in your pew rack so we may have a record of your attendance. Our ushers and greeters will be glad to answer any questions you may have about our worship service. We hope that you will experience the presence of the Risen Christ today!

# **Lord Teach Us To Pray:**

As God's people called to love one another, let us pray for the following members of our church family, who celebrate the anniversary of their baptism this week: Sarah Whitehead Tristan Spainhour, Jon Thomas, Gordon Jeffcoat, Carol Busbee, Madison Gable, Brad Pittman Donna Smith, Ernie Areheart, Ginette Boone, Brandon Payne, Caleigh Taylor.

# **Most Recent Prayer Concerns:**

Victoria Marchant, Jeanie Jacobs, Lauren Addy, Lib Manus, Dennis Rybicki, Sr. Ron Hutto, Bruce Merchant, Ann Crout, Al & Judy Jordan

# **Ongoing Prayer Concerns:**

Sandra Baker, Drewby McQuillen, Mary Davis, Alice Pollock, Jimmy Williams Mona Myers, Sadie Howard, Elmer Sundlie, Robert Cromer, Dennis Rybicki, Jr. Emma Lou Easley, Paul Addy, Paul Jacobs, Barbara Bradshaw, Betty Wise Herman Bouknight, Jane & Gene Sexton, Pastor Jerry & Janice Livingston

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