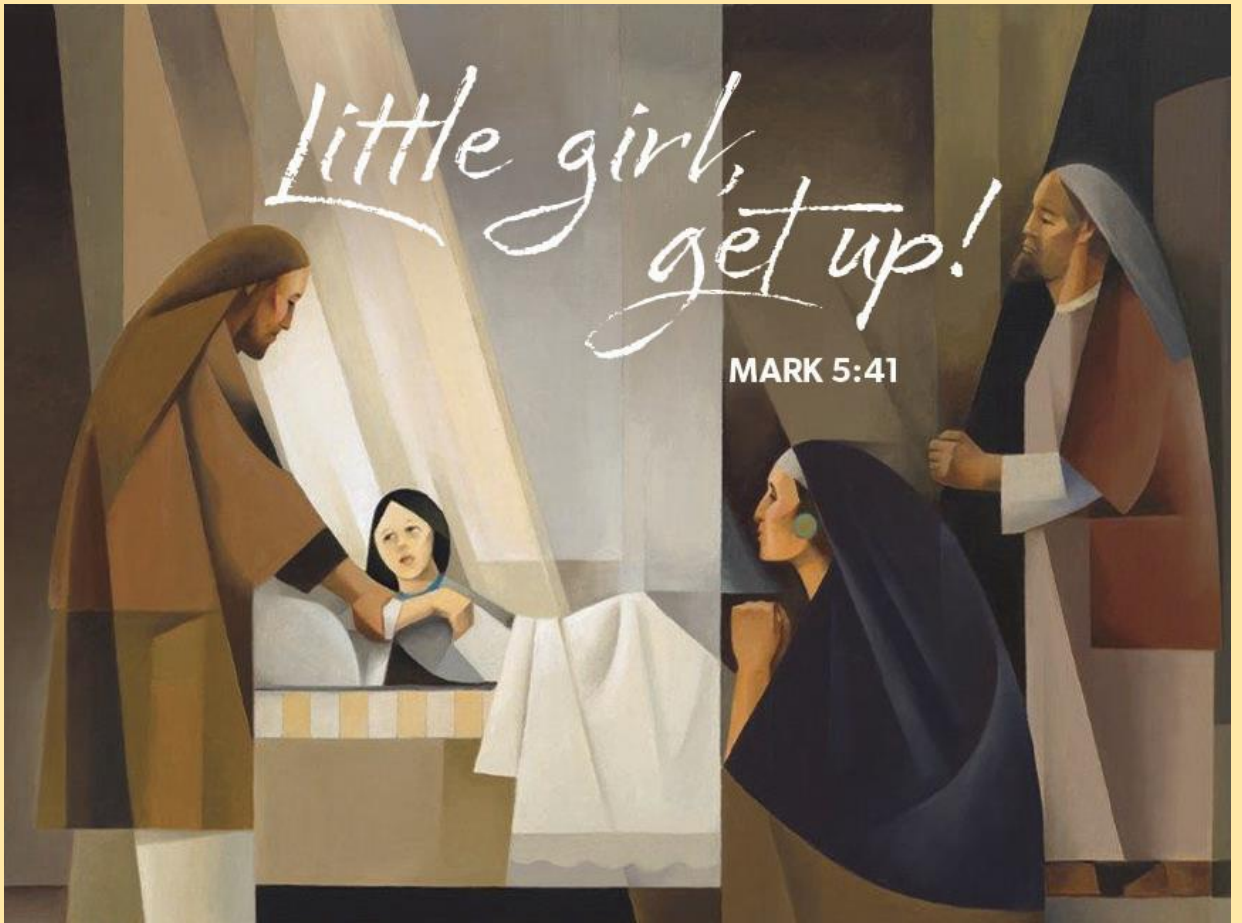


*Little girl,
get up!*

MARK 5:41



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Gloria Dei Lutheran Church

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A WOMAN FINDS HEALING BY TOUCHING JESUS' CLOAK, AND A GIRL IS RESTORED TO LIFE WHEN HE TAKES HER BY THE HAND. IN BOTH CASES A BOUNDARY IS CROSSED: IN JESUS' TIME THE HEMORRHAGING WOMAN WAS CONSIDERED RITUALLY UNCLEAN, POLLUTING OTHERS BY HER TOUCH, AND ANYONE WHO TOUCHED A CORPSE ALSO BECAME UNCLEAN. IN MARK'S GOSPEL JESUS BREAKS DOWN BARRIERS, FROM HIS FIRST MEAL AT A TAX COLLECTOR'S HOUSE TO HIS LAST BREATH ON THE CROSS AS THE TEMPLE CURTAIN IS TORN IN TWO. WE DARE TO TOUCH JESUS IN OUR "UNCLEANNES" AND TO LIVE AS A COMMUNITY THAT DEFINES NO ONE AS AN OUTSIDER.

Prelude

Welcome

Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, - the Father, † the Son and the Holy Spirit – the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

C Amen.

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

SILENCE IS KEPT FOR REFLECTION.

P God, our provider, **help us.**

C 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.

P 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.

C Amen.

PLEASE STAND FOR THE GATHERING HYMN AS YOU ARE ABLE.

Gathering Hymn

We Come to You for Healing, Lord



1 We come to you for heal - ing, Lord, of
2 As once you walked through an - cient streets and
3 You touch us through phy - si - cians' skills, through
4 When nights are long with wake - ful - ness, through
5 We come to you, O lov - ing Lord, in



bod - y, mind, and soul, and pray that by your
reached toward those in pain, come, ris - en Christ, a -
nurs - es' gifts of care, and through the love of
days when strength runs low, grant us your gift of
our dis - tress and pain, in trust that through our



Spir - it's touch we may a - gain be whole.
mong us still with pow'r to heal a - gain.
faith - ful friends who lift our lives in prayer.
pa - tience, Lord, your calm - ing peace to know.
nights and days your grace will heal, sus - tain.

Prayer of the Day

P We pray together.

C Almighty and merciful God, we implore you to hear the prayers of your people. Be our strong defense against all harm and danger, that we may live and grow in faith and hope, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

²² The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; ²³ they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. ²⁴ “The LORD is my portion,” says my soul, “therefore I will hope in him.” ²⁵ The LORD is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him. ²⁶ It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD. ²⁷ It is good for one to bear the yoke in youth, ²⁸ to sit alone in silence when the Lord has imposed it, ²⁹ to put one’s mouth to the dust (there may yet be hope), ³⁰ to give one’s cheek to the smiter, and be filled with insults. ³¹ For the Lord will not reject forever. ³² Although he causes grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love; ³³ for he does not willingly afflict or grieve anyone.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalmody

Psalm 30

⁰A Psalm. A Song at the dedication of the temple. Of David.

**¹I will extol you, O LORD, for you have drawn me up,
and did not let my foes rejoice over me.**

²O LORD my God, I cried to you for help,
and you have healed me.

**³O LORD, you brought up my soul from Sheol,
restored me to life from among those gone down to the Pit.**

⁴Sing praises to the LORD, O you his faithful ones,
and give thanks to his holy name.

**⁵For his anger is but for a moment; his favor is for a lifetime.
Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.**

⁶As for me, I said in my prosperity,
"I shall never be moved."

**⁷By your favor, O LORD, you had established me as a strong mountain;
you hid your face; I was dismayed.**

⁸To you, O LORD, I cried,
and to the LORD I made supplication:

**⁹"What profit is there in my death, if I go down to the Pit?
Will the dust praise you? Will it tell of your faithfulness?**

¹⁰Hear, O LORD, and be gracious to me!
O LORD, be my helper!"

**¹¹You have turned my mourning into dancing;
you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy,**

¹²so that my soul may praise you and not be silent.

O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever.

Second Lesson

2 Corinthians 8:7-15

⁷ Now as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you—so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking. ⁸ I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. ⁹ For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. ¹⁰ And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something—¹¹ now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. ¹² For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has—not according to what one does not have. ¹³ I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between ¹⁴ your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. ¹⁵ As it is written, “The one who had much did not have too much, and the one who had little did not have too little.”

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PLEASE STAND FOR THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION AS YOU ARE ABLE.

Gospel Acclamation

P Alleluia. Your word, O Lord, is truth;

C **sanctify us in the truth. Alleluia.**

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 5th chapter.

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

Holy Gospel

Mark 5:21-43

²¹ When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. ²² Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet ²³ and begged him repeatedly, “My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live.” ²⁴ So he went with him. And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. ²⁵ Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. ²⁶ She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had;

and she was no better, but rather grew worse. ²⁷ She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, ²⁸ for she said, "If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well." ²⁹ Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. ³⁰ Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my clothes?" ³¹ And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, 'Who touched me?' " ³² He looked all around to see who had done it. ³³ But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. ³⁴ He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease." ³⁵ While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?" ³⁶ But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." ³⁷ He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. ³⁸ When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. ³⁹ When he had entered, he said to them, "Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping." ⁴⁰ And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. ⁴¹ He took her by the hand and said to her, "Talitha cum," which means, "Little girl, get up!" ⁴² And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. ⁴³ He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

L The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

PLEASE BE SEATED FOR THE SERMON.

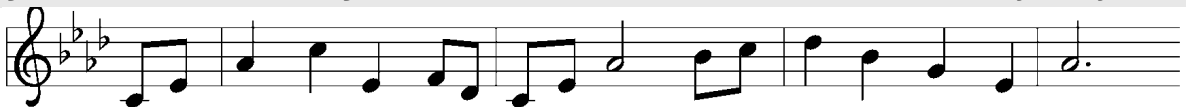
Sermon

Pastor John Schier-Hanson

PLEASE STAND FOR THE HYMN OF THE DAY AS YOU ARE ABLE.

Hymn of the Day

Thy Holy Wings



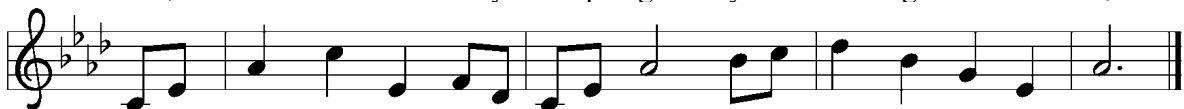
1 Thy ho - ly wings, O Sav - ior, spread gent - ly o - ver me,
 2 Oh, let me nes - tle near thee, with - in thy down - y breast
 3 Oh, wash me in the wa - ters of No - ah's cleans - ing flood.



and let me rest se - cure - ly through good and ill in thee.
where I will find sweet com - fort and peace with - in thy nest.
Give me a will - ing spir - it, a heart both clean and good.



Oh, be my strength and por - tion, my rock and hid - ing place,
Oh, close thy wings a - round me and keep me safe - ly there,
Oh, take in - to thy keep - ing thy chil - dren great and small,



and let my ev - 'ry mo - ment be lived with - in thy grace.
for I am but a new - born and need thy ten - der care.
and while we sweet - ly slum - ber, en - fold us one and all.

The Apostles' Creed

P With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He 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,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again 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.**

PLEASE BE SEATED FOR THE PRAYERS.

The Prayers of Intercession

L One in the communion of saints and in the power of the Holy Spirit, we join our voices in prayer.

A BRIEF SILENCE.

God of abundance, you fill your church with a multitude of gifts. Sustain those among us who feel they are not valued. Open our hearts to the wondrous breadth of all who call upon your name. In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of creation, your goodness abounds. Multiply the fruits of the earth and rescue it from our wastefulness. In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of justice, you reign in steadfast love. Bring peace between nations ravaged by war or strife (*nations and places may be named*) and illumine paths of justice and freedom for those who lead them.

In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of compassion, your touch brings healing and your word revives us for life. Hear our prayers for (*names and*) all who are in need, and for doctors, nurses, and health care workers who provide care. Turn wailing into dancing and weeping into joy. In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of community, you gather us at your table of plenty. Where there is hunger among us, open our hands. Where we are indifferent to the needs of others, open our hearts. In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

HERE OTHER INTERCESSIONS MAY BE OFFERED.

God of the ages, great is your faithfulness. We remember in thanksgiving our beloved dead (*especially*) who with all the saints sing without ceasing in your realm of glory. In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

L Holy God, holy and merciful: into your outstretched arms we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in the one who is the way, the truth, and the life, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. **C Amen.**

PLEASE STAND TO SHARE THE PEACE AS YOU ARE ABLE.

The Peace

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

Offertory Prayer

P Let us pray. Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. **C Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

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

P Lift up your hearts. **C We lift them up to the LORD.**

P Let us give thanks to the LORD, our God.

C It is right to give God thanks and praise.

P It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so with the church on earth and the host of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

C Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might: Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

P Blessed are you Lord of heaven and earth. In mercy for our fallen world you sent your only Son so that all those who believe in Him should not perish, but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Send now into our hearts and upon these your own gifts of bread and wine your Holy Spirit so that we may receive our Lord with a living faith.

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.

C Amen.

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

The 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 trespasses 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 forever. Amen.**

P Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

PLEASE BE SEATED FOR COMMUNION.

Blessing after Communion

P The body of our Lord Jesus Christ and His most precious blood strengthen you and keep you in His grace. **C Amen.**

Post Communion Prayer

P Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. **C Amen.**

Benediction

P The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us – the Father, † the Son and the Holy Spirit – be upon you now and forever.

C Amen.

PLEASE STAND FOR THE SENDING HYMN AS YOU ARE ABLE.

Sending Hymn

Great Is Thy Faithfulness



1 Great is thy faith-ful-ness, O God my Fa-ther; there is no
2 Sum-mer and win-ter and spring-time and har-vest, sun, moon, and
3 Par-don for sin and a peace that en-dur-eth, thine own dear



shad-ow of turn-ing with thee; thou chang-est not, thy com-
stars in their cours-es a-bove join with all na-ture in
pres-ence to cheer and to guide; strength for to-day and bright



pas-sions they fail not; as thou hast been, thou for-ev-er wilt be.
man-i-fold wit-ness to thy great faith-ful-ness, mer-cy, and love.
hope for to-mor-row, bless-ings all mine, with ten thou-sand be-side!

Refrain



Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Morn-ing by



morn-ing new mer-cies I see; all I have need-ed thy



hand hath pro-vid-ed; great is thy faith-ful-ness, Lord, un-to me.

Dismissal

P Go in Peace. You are the body of Christ.

C Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude

Jesus' Power Is Enough

Today's story of two healings in a single reading appears to present a horrific choice: should Jesus hurry to the dying daughter of a rich man, or pause to heal an outcast woman? The urgency of both requests before him presents a real dilemma, one we might be tempted to resolve in a variety of either/or ways. Either he keeps his commitment to Jairus, or he pauses to help the woman before him who is so obviously suffering. He either helps an important person who can help him further his ministry, or gives help to someone who has no other resource at all.

We see these apparent zero-sum equations in our ministry all the time. The church council meets over the budget and feels the pull between benevolence outside the congregation and the increasing costs of health care for the church's employees. The building's windows need repair, but we know another congregation across town that can barely pay its pastor. The needs "inside" and the needs "outside" always seem in competition.

Individuals feel these tensions as well: people are sandwiched between the needs of aging parents and the needs of small children; parents feel stretched to meet their vocational obligations and spend time with their families; students want to serve others but feel pressed to just get their own work done.

Of course, in the face of Jesus' power, none of these really are either/or propositions, even though they seem like dead ends. In Mark's gospel, Jesus' power is enough to provide new life for both the rich man's daughter and the poor woman. How often do we assume that God's power is not enough to bring life out of the seemingly impossible choices we make? We are challenged to open up the interruptions and hard choices of our lives to Jesus' power to bring life out of death.