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***Our Mission: Boldly and Joyfully Sharing
The Good News of **Jesus' Love** and Forgiveness.***

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(rise and sing)

Hymn: *Father, We Praise You*..... CW # 581

1 Fa - ther, we praise you, now the night is o - ver. Ac - tive and
2 Mon - arch of all things, fit us for your man - sions; Ban - ish our
3 All - ho - ly Fa - ther, Son, and e - qual Spir - it, Trin - i - ty

watch - ful, stand - ing now be - fore you, Sing - ing, we of - fer
weak - ness, health and whole - ness send - ing. Bring us to heav - en,
bless - ed, send us your sal - va - tion; Yours is the glo - ry,

prayer and med - i - ta - tion; Thus we a - dore you.
where your saints u - nit - ed Joy with - out end - ing.
gleam - ing and re - sound - ing Through all cre - a - tion.

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Confession and Absolution

L: The Grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also, with you.

L: We pray, O Lord, open my lips

C: And my mouth shall declare your praise.

L: Hasten to save me, O God.

C: O Lord, come quickly to help me.

L: You are the King of heaven and earth.

C: We give you praise and thanks. Alleluia!

L: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray; Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

L: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: AMEN

L: Come, let us sing to the Lord,

C: Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.

L: Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving,

C: Let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise.

L: For the Lord is a great God and a great King above all gods. The deep places of the earth are in his hand;

C: The heights of the hills are also his,

L: The sea is his, for he made it, and his hand formed the dry land. Come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord our maker. For he is our God,

C: We are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. AMEN

Prayer of the Day

L: Lord God, through your Son you made the heavens and the earth and you continue to rule over all things. As your chosen people, you have made us witnesses of your power and heralds of your glory. Continue to guide us by your word so that we joyfully praise and proclaim the praise of your unfailing love; for you live and reign with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.

C: Amen. *(seated)*

First Lesson:

Lamentation 19:1-4, 11-18

The LORD said to Moses, ² "Speak to the entire assembly of Israel and say to them: 'Be holy because I, the LORD your God, am holy. ³' Each of you must respect his mother and father, and you must observe my Sabbaths. I am the LORD your God. ⁴ "Do not turn to idols or make gods of cast metal for yourselves. I am the LORD your God...

¹¹ "Do not steal. "Do not lie. "Do not deceive one another. ¹² "Do not swear falsely by my name and so profane the name of your God. I am the LORD.

¹³ "Do not defraud your neighbor or rob him. "Do not hold back the wages of a hired man overnight. ¹⁴ "Do not curse the deaf or put a stumbling block in front of the blind, but fear your God. I am the LORD.

¹⁵ "Do not pervert justice; do not show partiality to the poor or favoritism to the great, but judge your neighbor fairly. ¹⁶ "Do not go about spreading slander among your people. "Do not do anything that endangers your neighbor's life. I am the LORD.

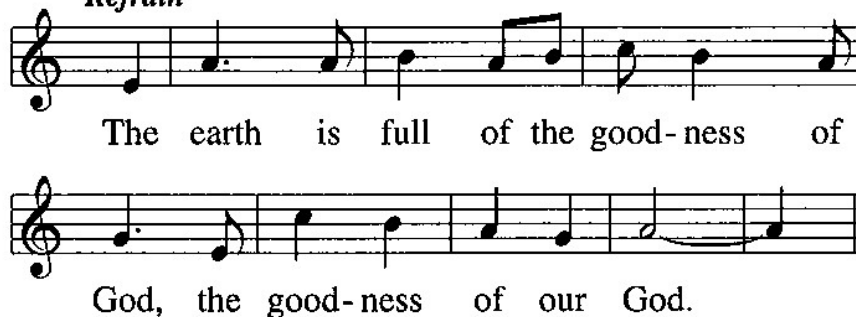
¹⁷ "Do not hate your brother in your heart. Rebuke your neighbor frankly so you will not share in his guilt. ¹⁸ "Do not seek revenge or bear a grudge against one of your people, but love your neighbor as yourself. I am the LORD.

(The Word of our God)

Psalm 33

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Refrain



The earth is full of the good-ness of
God, the good-ness of our God.

Psalm tone



Sing joyfully to the LORD, you ríghteous;*
it is fitting for the upright to práise him.

For the Word of the LORD is ríght and true;*
he is faithful in áll he does.

By the word of the LORD were the héavens made,*
their starry host by the breath óf his mouth.

For he spoke, and it cáme to be;*
he commanded, and it stood firm.

Refrain

The LORD foils the plans of the nátions;*
he thwarts the purposes of the péoples.

But the plans of the LORD stand firm foréver,*
the purposes of his heart through all generátions.

The LORD loves righteousness and jústice;*
the earth is full of his unfailing love.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son*
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning,*
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Refrain

2nd Lesson:

Romans 13:8-10

⁸ Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to love one another, for he who loves his fellowman has fulfilled the law. ⁹ The commandments, "Do not commit adultery," "Do not murder," "Do not steal," "Do not covet," and whatever other commandment there may be, are summed up in this one rule: "Love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁰ Love does no harm to its neighbor. Therefore love is the fulfillment of the law. (The word of the Lord)

Hymn: *We Have a Sure Prophetic Word*..... CW # 291

1 We have a sure pro - phet - ic Word By in - spi -
 2 By pow'rs of em - pire banned and burned, By pa - gan
 3 What - e'er the Word in times of old Of fu - ture
 4 A - bid - ing, stead - fast, firm, and sure, The teach - ings

ra - tion of the Lord, And, though as - sailed on ev -
 pride re - ject - ed, spurned, The Word still stands, the Chris -
 days and deeds fore - told Is all ful - filled while a -
 of the Word en - dure. Blest all who trust this stead -

'ry hand, Je - ho - vah's Word shall ev - er stand.
 tian's trust, While haugh - ty em - pires lie in dust.
 ges roll, As traced on the pro - phet - ic scroll.
 fast Word; Their an - chor holds in Christ, the Lord.

Gospel: *(rise)*

Matthew 22:34 –40

L: ³⁴ Hearing that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, the Pharisees got together.

³⁵ One of them, an expert in the law, tested him with this question:

C: ³⁶ **“Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?”**

L: ³⁷ Jesus replied: “Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’ ³⁸ This is the first and greatest commandment.

³⁹ And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ ⁴⁰ All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments.”

⁴¹ While the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them, ⁴² “What do you think about the Christ? Whose son is he?”

C: **“The son of David,”**

L: ⁴³ Jesus said to them, “How is it then that David, speaking by the Spirit, calls him ‘Lord’? For he says, ⁴⁴ “The Lord said to my Lord: “Sit at my right hand until I put your enemies under your feet.” ⁴⁵ If then David calls him ‘Lord,’ how can he be his son?”

⁴⁶ No one could say a word in reply, and from that day on no one dared to ask him any more questions.

This is the Gospel of our Lord

C: ***Praise be to you, O Christ!*** *(seated)*

Hymn: *All Depends on Our Possessing*..... **CW # 421 Stz 1–4**

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1 All de - pends on our pos - sess - ing God's a - bun - dant
 2 He who to this day has fed me And to man - y
 3 Man - y spend their lives in fret - ting O - ver tri - fles
 4 Well he knows what best to grant me; All the long - ing

grace and bless - ing, Though all earth - ly wealth de - part.
 joys has led me Is and ev - er shall be mine.
 and in get - ting Things that have no sol - id ground.
 hopes that haunt me, Joy and sor - row, have their day.

They who trust with faith un - shak - en In their God are
 He who ev - er gent - ly schools me, He who dai - ly
 I shall strive to win a trea - sure That will bring me
 I shall doubt his wis - dom nev - er — As God wills, so

not for - sak - en And e'er keep a daunt - less heart.
 guides and rules me, Will re - main my help di - vine.
 last - ing plea - sure And that now is sel - dom found.
 be it ev - er — I to him com - mit my way.

Sermon:

Romans 13:8–10 (Pg 6)

Love Is The Fulfillment Of The Law



Apostles' Creed: *(Rise) (together we confess)*

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

***I believe 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 is seated 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***

Prayer: Lord God, forgive the wrongdoings of your people and be gentle with us in our weakness. Deliver us from the bondage of our sin and direct us to the path of righteousness. Enable us to love as you love and to forgive as you have forgiven us; this we ask in Jesus' name, who taught us to pray...

Lord's Prayer: *(traditional)*

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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!

L: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.

C: Amen

Hymn: *God's Word Is Our Great Heritage* **CW # 293**

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God's Word is our great her - i - tage And shall be ours for-

ev - er; To spread its light from age to age Shall be our

chief en - deav - or. Through life it guides our way; In death it

is our stay. Lord, grant, while worlds en - dure, We keep its

teach - ings pure Through - out all gen - er - a - tions.

October Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 26 Kathy Potter
- 26 Rowan Norman
- 31 Matthew Wolf

November Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 3 Bruce & Penny Gerlach
- 3 Mark Fostervold
- 4 Daniel Freeman
- 7 Jason Carne
- 13 Isabel Wittmershause
- 14 Mary Quesenberry
- 17 Jim Cammarata
- 21 Ben Meister
- 25 Annah Kambo

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