

**Announcements, Concerns, Joys**

**Call to Worship, Psalm 85:8-13** (read responsively)

P: I will listen to what God the Lord will say; he promises peace to his people, his saints—but let them not return to folly.

**C: Surely his salvation is near those who fear him, so that his glory may dwell in our land.**

P: Love and faithfulness meet together; righteousness and peace kiss each other.

**C: Faithfulness springs forth from the earth, and righteousness looks down from heaven.**

P: The Lord will indeed give what is good, and our land will yield its harvest.

**C: Righteousness goes before him and prepares the way for his steps.**

**\*Confession and Forgiveness** (from *Sundays & Seasons*, 2020 Augsburg Fortress, p. 198)

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. **Amen.**

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.**

**\*Gathering Hymn**      *Whatever God Ordains Is Right* (vv. 1, 3, 4)      LBW 446, HP 1790

**\*The Kyrie**

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **Amen.**

**\*Prayer of the Day** O God, from you come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, so that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments; and also so that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

### **Children's Message**

**A reading from Amos, the 7<sup>th</sup> chapter (7:7-15)** Amos is not the kind of prophet attached to temples or royal courts. Rather, he is an ordinary farmer from Judah (the southern kingdom) called by God to speak to Israel (the northern kingdom). God's word of judgment through Amos conflicts with the king's court prophet Amaziah, whom Amos encounters at Bethel (from *Sundays & Seasons*, 2020, p. 223, Augsburg Fortress).

[After each reading the response is, "The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**"]

### **A reading from Ephesians, the 1<sup>st</sup> chapter (1:3-14)** from *The Message*, Eugene Peterson

In Jesus, all of God's plans and purposes have been made known as heaven and earth are united in Christ. Through Jesus, we have been chosen as God's children and have been promised eternal salvation (from *Sundays & Seasons*, 2020, p. 223, Augsburg Fortress).

**\*Alleluia!**

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**\*Gospel**

**Mark 6:14-29**

Before the gospel: ***Glory to you, O Lord!***

After the gospel: ***Praise to you, O Christ!***

### **Sermon**

**\*Hymn of the Day** *Faith of Our Fathers*

LBW 500, HP 352

**\*The Apostles' Creed**

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**\*The Prayers of the Church** (Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**)

**\*The Lord's Prayer** (*Our Father, who art*)

**\*Benediction**

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

**\*Sending Hymn** *Children of the Heavenly Father*

LBW 474, HP 55

**\*Dismissal**

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ!

**Thanks be to God!**