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Healing on the Sabbath January 31, 2021

Prelude "Jesus is Lord of All; Beautiful Sunshine; Peace Like a River; Drink and Thirst No More" Roxanne Groff

- Office of the Acolyte and Ringing of the Bell
- Welcome

Pr Mel

* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: We confess our sins before God and one another.

Pause for silence and reflection.

- P: God of light,
- C: You light a fire within us and ask us to shine, but we are quick to hide and make excuses. We shrink from challenges, avoid responsibility, and deny the goodness of your creation. We seek hollow praise and then don't believe it. Forgive us for hiding our God-given light and remaining self-absorbed.
- P: Children of God, never fear, for you have always lived in the mercy of your creator. Hear the words of absolution and believe them: you are forgiven, you are made whole, you are restored to God. Hallelujah!
- C: Amen.

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

^{*} Please stand if able



* GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

* PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Mighty God, You gave the law to free your people, not sink us further into bondage. May we seek your Spirit of truth in all that we do, that our lives may glorify you always, for the sake of Jesus our Lord.

C: Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING: Luke 6:1-16

P: Our scripture reading for this morning is from Luke, Chapter 6.

C: Glory to you O Lord.

* Please stand if able

6 One sabbath while Jesus was going through the grainfields, his disciples plucked some heads of grain, rubbed them in their hands, and ate them. ²But some of the

Pharisees said, "Why are you doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?" ³Jesus answered, "Have you not read what David did when he and his companions were hungry? ⁴He entered the house of God and took and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and gave some to his companions?" ⁵Then he said to them, "The Son of Man is lord of the sabbath." ⁶On another sabbath he entered the synagogue and taught, and there was a man there whose right hand was withered. ⁷The scribes and the Pharisees watched him to see whether he would cure on the sabbath, so that they might find an accusation against him. ⁸Even though he knew what they were thinking, he said to the man who had the withered hand, "Come and stand here." He got up and stood there. ⁹Then Jesus said to them, "I ask you, is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to destroy it?" ¹⁰After looking around at all of them, he said to him, "Stretch out your hand." He did so, and his hand was restored. ¹¹But they were filled with fury and discussed with one another what they might do to Jesus.

¹²Now during those days he went out to the mountain to pray; and he spent the night in prayer to God. ¹³And when day came, he called his disciples and chose twelve of them, whom he also named apostles: ¹⁴Simon, whom he named Peter, and his brother Andrew, and James, and John, and Philip, and Bartholomew, ¹⁵and Matthew, and Thomas, and James son of Alphaeus, and Simon, who was called the Zealot, ¹⁶and Judas son of James, and Judas Iscariot, who became a traitor.

- P: This is the Word of the Lord.
- C: Praise to You, O Christ (Spoken)

• SERMON

Pr Mel Musser

Silence for reflection may follow

• SPECIAL MUSIC

* APOSTLES' CREED

C: 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.

* Please stand if able

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.

• Or, He descended to the dead.

* PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P: We pray for the church, the world, and all those in need...

A brief silence.

L: Loosen our grip on the letter of the law and how we can use it against others. Instead, open us to the spirit of your law of love, which knows when and how to act on behalf of justice. God of truth,

C: Hear our prayer.

L: Reform unjust systems and shatter structures of power which trample upon the people they were intended to serve. May your ways be our ways, and may we find new paths forward by your power. God of truth,

C: Hear our prayer.

L: As grain provided for the needs of the disciples, so have you provided all that we truly need for life. Join us with the land and creatures who exist alongside us and free us to live in harmony with them. God of truth,

C: Hear our prayer.

L: Be with those who have lost jobs and other sources of livelihood, assuring them that their needs will be provided. Send your Spirit of healing to all those who we know need it, especially... God of truth,

C: Hear our prayer.

L: Our true home lies in heaven with you, where all the saints of all the ages glorify you eternally. Inspire us to live each day fully here on earth, in assurance of that time when all will be reunited in your love. God of truth,

C: Hear our prayer.

- * Please stand if able
- Please be seated

Here other petitions may be offered.

L: Receive our prayers and shed light on our path as we seek to walk in your ways and bring glory to you through your son Jesus, our Lord.

C: Amen.

* OFFERING PRAYER

P: You desire offerings of gratitude, O God, but you desire honest hearts even more. Bless these gifts and turn us toward your mercy, that our lives might reflect it as we head into the world in the power of your Spirit,

C: Amen.

* SHARING OF THE PEACE

(The Sharing of the Peace that began when the congregation arrived is now shared with the Pastor at this time...)

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

* THE LORD'S PRAYER

- P: Jesus is the "tie that Binds us together", let us pray as Jesus taught...
- C: 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.

• ANNOUNCEMENTS

* SENDING BLESSING

P: God the creator strengthen you; Jesus the beloved fill you; and the Holy Spirit the comforter + keep you in peace.

C: Amen.

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- * DISMISSAL
- P: Depart in Christ's Love.
- C: Seeking, welcoming, and serving all. Amen!

Postlude "I Just Keep Trusting the Lord" Roxanne Groff

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Health Tips for the Week BODY: Try a Yoga stretch MIND: Write a thank you note SPIRIT: Learn a new prayer



Scripture readings for next Sunday, February 7th Luke 7:1-17

Trinity is on the Air at FM 88.3

If you are near the Church on Sunday morning, you can tune in to FM 88.3 at 10:30 AM and hear the sermon from your car.

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This Week @ Trinity –January 31 thru February 7, 2021

Sun, January 31 10:30 amWorship Service

Tues, February 2 Groundhog Day

Wed, February 3 6:30 pm WELCA Meeting

Thurs, February 4

7:00 pmTrinity Bible/Book Club

Fri, February 5

3:30 pmFISH Choice Food Pantry

Sun, February 7

10:30 amWorship Service w/Holy Communion

Holy Communion Delivery Available to ALL:

If you or anyone you know would like to have Holy Communion delivered to a home or place of business, please call Pastor Mel at 937-626-7100. He will bring prefilled communion chalice including both sanctified wine and a morsel of bread all prepackaged from the Concordia True Vine company. This is a safe way to stay connected to your brothers and sisters in Christ.

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