

¹⁷**The LORD is just in all his ways,
and kind in all his doings.**

¹⁸The LORD is near to all who call on him,
to all who call on him in truth.

SECOND READING

Ephesians 3:14-21

Word of God!

Word of life!

Thanks be to God!

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO

John 6:1-21

Glory to you, O Lord.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

SONG OF THE DAY

ELW #775

“Jesus, Priceless Treasure”

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*Rooted in Christ and sustained by the Spirit,
we offer our prayers for the church, the world,
and all of creation.*

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

*We lift these and all our prayers to you, O God,
confident in the promise of your saving love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

Amen.

SHARE THE PEACE

OFFERING/OFFERING PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

MINISTRY NEWS

WE LEAVE TO SERVE

BENEDICTION

SENDING SONG

ELW #674

“Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”

DISMISSAL

Go in Peace.

Serve the Lord.

Remember the poor!

Thanks be to God!

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# **WE GATHER TO WORSHIP**

GATHERING

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

Most merciful God, **we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

***“Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty”***

## GREETING

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

**And also with you.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. . .

**Gracious God, you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth. Grant that we may know your Son to be the true bread of heaven and share this bread with all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**WE HEAR THE WORD**

## FIRST READING

2 Kings 4:42-44

Word of God!

Word of life!

**Thanks be to God!**

## PSALM 145:10-18

Read responsively

<sup>10</sup>All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD,  
and all your faithful shall bless you.

<sup>11</sup>**They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom,  
and tell of your power,**

<sup>12</sup>to make known to all people your mighty deeds,  
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

<sup>13</sup>**Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,  
and your dominion endures throughout  
all generations.**

**The LORD is faithful in all his words,  
and gracious in all his deeds.**

<sup>14</sup>The LORD upholds all who are falling,  
and raises up all who are bowed down.

<sup>15</sup>**The eyes of all look to you,  
and you give them their food in due season.**

<sup>16</sup>You open your hand,  
satisfying the desire of every living thing.