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Prelude

"Healer of Our Every III" Mai Alex Tragert, Piano Text, Tune and streaming One License #A-701445, expires 04/01/2021.

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Welcome and Announcements

# Confession

As church, we confess the sin of racism and condemn racist rhetoric and the ideology of white supremacy. God, have mercy. **God**, have mercy.

As church, we confess, repent, and repudiate the times when this church has been silent in the face of racial injustice. God, have mercy. **God, have mercy.** 

We repent of the racism that is deeply ingrained within the ELCA, a predominantly white church. It is deeply embedded within individual congregations whose members continue to foster stereotypes and support policies that actively hurt people of color—of this we repent. God, have mercy. **God, have mercy.** 

As Church we repent of the enslavement of black bodies and the removal of indigenous peoples which helped establish racism in our nation. Move us to confront these truths. God, have mercy. **God, have mercy.** 

We confess that rooted in slavery, racism is manifested through the oppression of Jim Crow policies, racial segregation, the terror of lynching, voter suppression, extrajudicial killings by law enforcement, and the disproportionate incarceration of people of color. God, have mercy. **God, have mercy.** 

As Church we lament the institutional racism of discriminatory treatment within the ELCA's process to call rostered leaders, pastors and deacons, to ministry. We confess inequitable compensation of clergy of color, racial segregation, divestment from black communities and congregations, systemic policies and organizational practices, and a failure to fully include the gifts of leadership and worship styles of black people, indigenous people and people of color. God, have mercy. **God, have mercy.** 

We pray that these confessions are not empty promises but that Your Spirit of life will lead us into sincere repentance, meaningful action grounded in prayer, education and continuation of the unlearning of our racist heritage resulting in a more just and peaceful society. God, have mercy. **God, have mercy.** 

Hear this Good News! God forgives you all your sins. May the God of Steadfast Grace continue to empower us on our journey of healing, rejecting racism, dismantling systems of injustice, seeking reconciliation and loving our neighbors as ourselves. We trust that God can make all things new. We trust that God can make all things new. Amen



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### 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 together. God of compassion, you have opened the way for us and brought us to yourself. Pour your love into our hearts, that, overflowing with joy, we may freely share the blessings of your realm and faithfully proclaim the good news of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.



## **Reading** Romans 5:1-8

<sup>1</sup>Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>2</sup>through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. <sup>3</sup>And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, <sup>4</sup>and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup>and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

<sup>6</sup>For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup>Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. <sup>8</sup>But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

Word of God, Word of Life

Thanks be to God

Psalm Psalm 100

<sup>1</sup>Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all you lands!

<sup>2</sup>Serve the LORD with gladness; come into God's presence with a song.

<sup>3</sup>Know that the LORD is God, our maker to whom we belong;

we are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture.

<sup>4</sup>Enter the gates of the LORD with thanksgiving and the courts with praise; give thanks and bless God's holy name.

<sup>5</sup>Good indeed is the LORD, whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from age to age.

Gospel Mathew 9:35-10:23

The Gospel according to Matthew. Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>35</sup>Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. <sup>36</sup>When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. <sup>37</sup>Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; <sup>38</sup>therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

<sup>10:1</sup>Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. <sup>2</sup>These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; <sup>3</sup>Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; <sup>4</sup>Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

<sup>5</sup>These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, <sup>6</sup>but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. <sup>7</sup>As you go, proclaim the good news, 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' <sup>8</sup>Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment. <sup>9</sup>Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts, <sup>10</sup>no bag for your journey, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff; for laborers deserve their food. <sup>11</sup>Whatever town or village you enter, find out who in it is worthy, and stay there until you leave. <sup>12</sup>As you enter the house, greet it. <sup>13</sup>If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it; but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. <sup>14</sup>If anyone will not welcome you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet as you leave that house or town. <sup>15</sup>Truly I tell you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgment than for that town.

<sup>16</sup>"See, I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. <sup>17</sup>Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues; <sup>18</sup>and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the Gentiles. <sup>19</sup>When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you at that time; <sup>20</sup> for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. <sup>21</sup>Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death; <sup>22</sup> and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. <sup>23</sup>When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next; for truly I tell you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes."

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ

#### Children's Message Lizzy Fitch

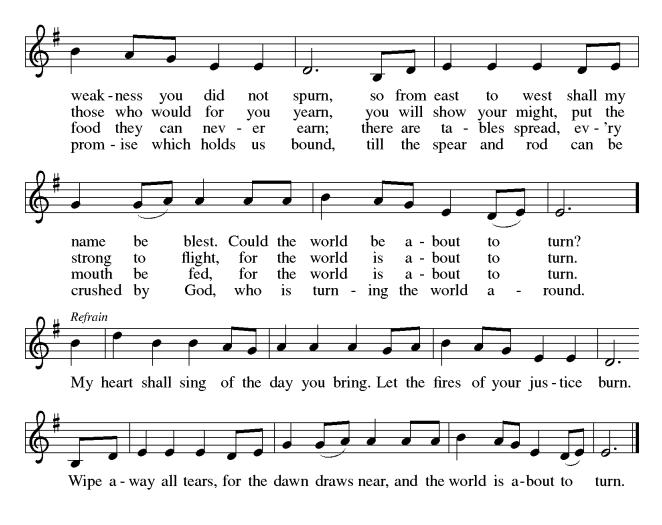
Sermon

Pastor Sarah Garrett Krey

Hymn of the Day

"Canticle of the Turning"





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Prayers of the People

'Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**"

Peace

- Offering
- Offertory

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**Offering Prayer** 

- Lord's Prayer
- Benediction



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Postlude