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GOD
REAL

8:30 ~ September 30, 2018

PRELUDE “From All That Dwell Below the Skies”

arr. Charles Callahan

WELCOME and RELATIONSHIPS of PEACE

OPENING HYMN “From All That Dwell Below the Skies” [LW 440]

OPENING LITURGY

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON **Leviticus 26:2, 9-13** [NIV]

²“Observe my Sabbaths and have reverence for my sanctuary. I am the LORD.

⁹“I will look on you with favor and make you fruitful and increase your numbers, and I will keep my covenant with you. ¹⁰You will still be eating last year’s harvest when you will have to move it out to make room for the new. ¹¹I will put my dwelling place among you, and I will not abhor you. ¹²I will walk among you and be your God, and you will be my people. ¹³I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of Egypt so that you would no longer be slaves to the Egyptians; I broke the bars of your yoke and enabled you to walk with heads held high.

R: This is the Word of the LORD.

C: Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL VERSE “Thy Strong Word” [LW 328, v. 3]

HOLY GOSPEL **Mark 9:30-37** [NIV]

³⁰They left that place and passed through Galilee. Jesus did not want anyone to know where they were, ³¹because he was teaching his disciples. He said to them, “The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men. They will kill him, and after three days he will rise.”

³²But they did not understand what he meant and were afraid to ask him about it.

³³They came to Capernaum. When he was in the house, he asked them, “What were you arguing about on the road?” ³⁴But they kept quiet because on the way they had argued about who was the greatest. ³⁵Sitting down, Jesus called the Twelve and said, “Anyone who wants to be first must be the very last, and the servant of all.” ³⁶He took a little child whom he placed among them. Taking the child in his arms, he said to them, ³⁷“Whoever welcomes one of these little children in my name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me does not welcome me but the one who sent me.”

P: This is the Gospel of the LORD.

C: Thanks be to God!

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HYMN of PRAISE “How Great Thou Art” [LW 519]

SERMON “RELIGION”

PEOPLE of PEACE in PRAYER

Father in Heaven:

•**Praise and Thanksgiving: Ila Belle Bishop** (daughter of Candice and Josh; granddaughter of Cliff and Linda Steinsultz)-born Sept. 18; **Madison Lallande** (daughter of James)-celebrating her 16th birthday today, Sept. 30; **Horace Phillips’ friends** in Atlanta, GA-on their upcoming wedding.

THE LORD’S PRAYER *The Family Prayer of the People of God*

WORDS of INSTITUTION

THE PEACE

AGNUS DEI “My Faith Looks Up to Thee” [LSB 702, v. 1]

DISTRIBUTION MUSIC

“Children of the Heavenly Father”

arr. John Behnke

Organ

“Children of the Heavenly Father” [LSB 725]

BENEDICTION

CLOSING RESPONSE “Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”

POSTLUDE “From All That Dwell Below the Skies”

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SERMON: *Rev. James Mueller*
LITURGIST: *Rev. Morgan Hamilton*

CONNECT *Mark your calendars!*

ADULTS

- **Northeast Orchestra Concert | Friday, October 12 | 7:30pm | Sanctuary**

WOMEN

- **Moxie Matters: Jen Hatmaker & Nichole Nordeman | Wednesday, November 7**
 - Additional Tickets available | Register Online
 - Cost: \$35 – **Deadline to Reserve Tickets: October 8**

YOUTH

- **NYG Info Meeting | Sunday, September 30 | Noon | 8th-12th grade | Youth Rec**
- **Cooking for Christ | Saturday, October 6 | 10am-3pm | Briarwood Retreat Center**
 - Tickets available in the Foyer | Sunday, September 23 & 30
 - Benefitting National Youth Gathering
- **Quilt Raffle | Benefitting National Youth Gathering**
 - Tickets may be purchased in the Church Office | M-F | 9am-3pm
 - Tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5 | Winner announced at Oktoberfest

CHILDREN

- **Trunk or Treat | Saturday, October 27 | 5:30-8:30pm | Invite your friends!**
- **Trunk or Treat Volunteers Needed! | Register to Volunteer Online Today**
 - *Not able to volunteer? Consider donating candy for this event.*
Candy donations can be dropped off at the Nursery desk during October.

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED | Thursday October 4- Friday, October 5

