



THE SERMON ON THE  
**MOUNT**

MATTHEW 5-7

11:00 a.m. ~ February 12, 2017

**WELCOME and RELATIONSHIPS of PEACE**

**OPENING SONG** “Hosanna”

**OPENING LITURGY**

P: We begin in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

P: Let us confess our sins to God, our Father:

**C: Lord Jesus Christ, we see our failure to trust your ways, obey your will, and our need for a greater poverty of spirit. As we lose our saltiness and hide your light under a bowl, have mercy on us, so that we might show mercy. Give us your purity to have pure hearts and bring us peace so that we might be peacemakers. Let us be glad and rejoice in you, our great God and Savior, Amen.**

P: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. God freely gives His grace to you through Jesus. Your sins are forgiven. Be salt and light for the world. Amen.

**NEW TESTAMENT LESSON I Corinthians 2:1-5 [NIV]**

<sup>1</sup>And so it was with me, brothers and sisters. When I came to you, I did not come with eloquence or human wisdom as I proclaimed to you the testimony about God. <sup>2</sup>For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. <sup>3</sup>I came to you in weakness with great fear and trembling. <sup>4</sup>My message and my preaching were not with wise and persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the Spirit’s power, <sup>5</sup>so that your faith might not rest on human wisdom, but on God’s power.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

**GOSPEL VERSE** “Ancient Words”

**HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 5:13-20 [NIV]**

<sup>13</sup>“You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.

<sup>14</sup>“You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. <sup>15</sup>Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl.

Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. <sup>16</sup>In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

<sup>17</sup>“Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. <sup>18</sup>For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth disappear, not the smallest letter, not the least stroke of a pen, will by any means disappear from the Law until everything is accomplished. <sup>19</sup>Therefore anyone who sets aside one of the least of these commands and teaches others accordingly will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever practices and teaches these commands will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. <sup>20</sup>For I tell you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the Pharisees and the teachers of the law, you will certainly not enter the kingdom of heaven.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God!**

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

## SERMON SONG “Kyrie Eleison”

## SERMON “SALT AND LIGHT”

## OFFERING

“Abide With Me”

arr. Stephenson

*Living Faith*

## PEOPLE of PEACE in PRAYER

*Father in Heaven:*

•**Peace, Comfort, and Healing** for for Janet (Bev Smedley’s sister-in-law)-suffering with Guillian-Barre Syndrome; Geraldine (Richard Verdier’s mother) and Chelsea (daughter-in-law of Verdiers) both recovering from surgery.

•**Wisdom** and **Courage** to our Red Apple School and College Students.

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

## CLOSING SONG “Mighty to Save”

## BENEDICTION

**POSTLUDE** “Toccatà”

Dietrich Buxtehude

SERMON: *Rev. Yohannes Mengsteab*  
LITURGIST: *Rev. Morgan Hamilton*

