

# THERE'S AN APP FOR THAT

# 11:00 ~ SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

#### WELCOME and RELATIONSHIPS of PEACE

**OPENING HYMN** "A Mighty Fortress is Our God" [LW 297]

**OPENING LITURGY** "Lord Jesus, Think On Me"

#### OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Joel 2:18-32 [NIV]

<sup>18</sup>Then the LORD was jealous for his land and took pity on his people. <sup>19</sup>The LORD replied to them: "I am sending you grain, new wine and olive oil, enough to satisfy you fully; never again will I make you an object of scorn to the nations. <sup>20</sup>"I will drive the northern horde far from you, pushing it into a parched and barren land; its eastern ranks will drown in the Dead Sea and its western ranks in the Mediterranean Sea. And its stench will go up; its smell will rise." Surely he has done great things!

<sup>21</sup>Do not be afraid, land of Judah; be glad and rejoice. Surely the LORD has done great things! <sup>22</sup>Do not be afraid, you wild animals, for the pastures in the wilderness are becoming green. The trees are bearing their fruit; the fig tree and the vine yield their riches. <sup>23</sup>Be glad, people of Zion, rejoice in the LORD your God, for he has given you the autumn rains because he is faithful. He sends you abundant showers, both autumn and spring rains, as before.

<sup>24</sup>The threshing floors will be filled with grain; the vats will overflow with new wine and oil. <sup>25</sup>"I will repay you for the years the locusts have eaten—the great locust and the young locust, the other locusts and the locust swarm—my great army that I sent among you. <sup>26</sup>You will have plenty to eat, until you are full, and you will praise the name of the LORD your God, who has worked wonders for you; never again will my people be shamed.

<sup>27</sup>Then you will know that I am in Israel, that I am the LORD your God, and that there is no other; never again will my people be shamed. <sup>28</sup>"And afterward, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions. <sup>29</sup>Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days.

<sup>30</sup>I will show wonders in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and billows of smoke. <sup>31</sup>The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD. <sup>32</sup>And everyone who calls on the name of the LORD will be saved; for on Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there will be deliverance, as the LORD has said, even among the survivors whom the LORD calls.

- R: This is the Word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God!

#### HOLY GOSPEL Luke 16:1-13 [NIV 84]

<sup>1</sup>Jesus told his disciples: "There was a rich man whose manager was accused of wasting his possessions. <sup>2</sup>So he called him in and asked him, 'What is this I hear about you? Give an account of your management, because you cannot be manager any longer.'

<sup>3</sup>"The manager said to himself, 'What shall I do now? My master is taking away my job. I'm not strong enough to dig, and I'm ashamed to beg— <sup>4</sup>I know what I'll do so that, when I lose my job here, people will welcome me into their houses.'

<sup>5</sup>"So he called in each one of his master's debtors. He asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' <sup>6</sup>" 'Nine hundred gallons of olive oil,' he replied.

"The manager told him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it four hundred and fifty.'<sup>7</sup>"Then he asked the second, 'And how much do you owe?" 'A thousand bushels of wheat,' he replied. "He told him, 'Take your bill and make it eight hundred.'

<sup>8</sup>"The master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly. For the people of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own kind than are the people of the light. <sup>9</sup>I tell you, use worldly wealth to gain friends for yourselves, so that when it is gone, you will be welcomed into eternal dwellings.

<sup>10</sup>"Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much. <sup>11</sup>So if you have not been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth, who will trust you with true riches? <sup>12</sup>And if you have not been trustworthy with someone else's property, who will give you property of your own?

<sup>13</sup>"No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money."

- P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God!

#### THE APOSTLES' CREED

# SERMON SONG "Good, Good Father"

SERMON "WORK"

# SERMON RESPONSE "God of Grace and God of Glory" [LW 398, v. 1-2]

# **PEOPLE of PEACE in PRAYER**

#### Father in Heaven:

•*Peace, comfort and healing* •*Peace, comfort and healing* for <u>Grace White</u>-recovering from eye surgery; <u>Campbell Bobbitt</u> (parents: John and Kaylan Bobbitt)-recovering from an infectious virus; <u>Haltom Middle School and SALI Program</u>-God's peace, and for children's lives to be touched.

•*Praise and Thanksgiving for* <u>Kaelyn Hewett and James Shelton</u>-altar flowers are in honor of their marriage September 3.

•Wisdom and courage for our <u>Red Apple Staff</u> and <u>Church Leaders</u>.

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

#### WORDS of INSTITUTION

#### THE PEACE

#### OFFERING

(Before Communing, please take time to read our statement of faith found in the pew rack in front of you; fill out and place your attendance card and offering in the basket as you come forward.)

#### DISTRIBUTION MUSIC "Behold the Lamb"

"Selected Pieces for Classical Guitar"

Mat Trammell

### CLOSING HYMN "God of Grace and God of Glory" [LW 398, v. 3-4]

#### CONNECT

- Confirmation Info Meeting | Wednesday, Sept. 7 | 7:00pm
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Bibles | Presented in Worship on Sunday, Sept. 11
- High School Bowling | Sunday, Sept. 18 | RSVP by Sept. 12 | Register Online
- Men's College Football Kickoff Event | Saturday, Sept. 17 | Register Online
- Ladies' Night | Friday, Sept. 23 | 6:30-8:30p | Register Online
- Looking for a place to serve? Volunteer Today!

#### **BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE** "Fanfare-Trumpet Tune"

Franklin Ashdown

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