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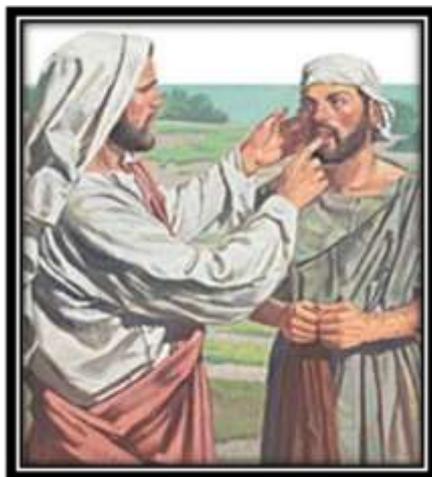
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Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost



Mark 7:32-33

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Thank you for joining our service today.

*This worship we will be using ELW Setting 10.
You may stand during worship with asterisk (*) in this bulletin*

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Prelude

Karen Niemeier

Welcome

Confession and Forgiveness

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We will use the left side column.

*** Gathering Hymn “Word of God, Come Down on Earth”**

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***Greeting**

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***Kyrie**

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***Hymn of Praise “Glory be to God in Heaven”**

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*** Prayer of the Day**

Gracious God, throughout the ages you transform sickness into health and death into life. Open us to the power of your presence, and make us a people ready to proclaim your promises to the whole world, through Jesus Christ, our healer and Lord. Amen.

Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

Children’s Message

1st Reading: Isaiah 35:4-7a

2nd Reading: James 2:1-17

***Gospel Acclamation**

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***Gospel Reading: Mark 7:24-37**

The Holy gospel according to Mark. **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**
⁴[Jesus] set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, ²⁵but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. ²⁶Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter.

²⁷He said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." ²⁸But she answered him, "Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." ²⁹Then he said to her, "For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter." ³⁰So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone. ³¹Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. ³²They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. ³³He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. ³⁴Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." ³⁵And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. ³⁶Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. ³⁷They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

P: the gospel of the Lord. C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Message

Hymn of the Day "Oh, For A Thousand Tongues to Sing"
Verses 1-4, ELW #886

Apostles' Creed *you will find the Apostles' Creed on page 105*

Prayer

L: The Lord be with you. C: **And also with you.**

Leader will lead the prayer.

Congregation may respond each petition with the following word:

L: Lord, in your mercy, C: **Hear our prayer.**

We lift our prayers for

Lynn Lyvers, Dick Johnson, Jerry, Sheridan Brinker, Fern Harnish, Lois Paulsen, Taylor B., Rene Johnson, Nina Muller, Curt, Connor Stadermann, Jaden, Brooke, Jon Forsythe, Diane, Randy, Brian, Deb Lindeman Harder, Paul Heller, Dave Heinkel, Janet, Ryse Stone, Harry Perra Jr, Nicole, Meghan, Tom, Brian Gobeli, John, Chuck, Joyce, Terri, Tina, Julie, J.T., Jamie, Crystal, Katie, Christian, Anna, Abby, Karla, Jacob and his family, Jim DeMontigny, Richard Gordon, Bonnie W, David Gray, Kay, Sue, Shanna, Kathy, Charlie, Brad, Jonathan, Cindy, Amber, Chris, Ron, Vicki, and works of the Lutheran Social Services of Illinois.

Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts. **C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed.....and join their unending hymn.

Holy Holy Holy

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Thanksgiving at the Table

Lord's Prayer

Lamb of God

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Communion

P: The body of Christ given for you. (*eat the body of Christ*)

The blood of Christ shed for you. (*drink the blood of Christ*)

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Announcements

Blessing and Dismissal

P: People of God, you are Christ's body, bringing new life to a suffering world. The holy Trinity, ☩ one God, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you.

Thanks be to God.

***Sending Hymn "All People That on Earth do Dwell" ELW #883**

Postlude

Karen Niemeier

Attendance August 22nd

In-person—26

Online – 33

On-line attendance includes Facebook and YouTube video views from the last 7 days.

Announcements

Choir rehearsal and Chime practice today after worship service today. Choir will practice after worship service on Sunday, Chimes will practice at 5:00pm on Sunday.



Monday, September 6th.

1:30pm, work day, Fall Festival Float at Donna's garage

A float will be put together for the parade. If you're interested in helping put this float together, please contact Tim Gordon at 815-766-1147.



Lena Fall Festival

Friday, September 10th & Saturday, September 11th.

Our Hospitality Tent will be open Friday evening and Saturday after the parade. Stop by the Good Shepherd Hospitality Tent this year, we will be accepting donations of non-perishable food items and personal hygiene items (toilet paper and paper towels are especially appreciated) for the Le-Win Food Pantry and school supplies for the area students.

A volunteer sign-up sheet for the Hospitality Tent will be posted on the board by Fellowship Hall.

Bible Study Group

We meet on Tuesdays at 10am at the church. Just show up with your curiosity! And if you'd like, bring your Bible. We are starting from stories in Genesis.

Questions? Contact the church office. Hope to see you this Tuesday, at 10am!

Thursday, September 9th

Friendship Club will meet at 1:00pm. Entertainment provided by Glenda Linneman

Monday, September 13th

Finance Committee will meet at 6:30pm.

Thursday, September 16th

Church Council will meet at 6:30pm.

*All are invited to our
Annual Wine and Cheese Evening
Saturday, September 25th at 6:00pm
at Donna Gullickson's home.*

Please bring your favorite wine, pop or lemonade as well as some cheese or other finger foods. Everyone is welcome to come and enjoy the evening.

September Postcards—Saying Thanks

Use the Post Cards to say thanks to our favorite quilters, farmers, children and healthcare workers for all they do.

These thank you cards are available in the magazine rack by the Washington Street Entrance. Take one and send it to your family members, friends, neighbors, or strangers because small acts of kindness can make a big impact!