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Have Courage, Take Heart

By the time he pulled together his disciples and spelled out the mission he had for them, Jesus had become rather famous. His exciting tour throughout the villages and countryside of Galilee drew huge crowds eager to hear any good news that mattered in their burdened lives. He attracted staggering parades of people offering him their pain and long-lost hopes. By most any standard his mission looked immensely successful and wildly popular. Who would not want to ride the thrilling wave of a movement so promising? Imagine, then, how shocking his instructions to the disciples must have sounded when he told them what to expect in the future. Suddenly Jesus exposed their need for courage!

The English word *courage* comes from the old Norman French word *coeur*, meaning “heart.” Courage to go where Jesus leads is a matter of the heart. It is beautiful, holy, courage that not only proclaims the good news but, yes, does the good news! Impart wholeness to the afflicted; unearth life where it is buried; expose the beauty in the untouchables; embrace the despised outcasts; and defy the faces and fists of evil. Jesus’ courage takes heart!

Jesus gives instructions and Jesus makes promises, both unnerving and inspiring. Listen. Take heart. Have courage. Disciples, the center and the cause of discord, will be like sheep in the midst of wolves, rejected, abused, hated, and punished when the compassion of Jesus collides with a world of resistance. Listen. Take heart. Have courage. Disciples have authority from Jesus, are shown the way, receive all that they need, and are given the Spirit of God.

Jesus’ way of grace breaks hearts open to receive and give peace and to embrace a new future where the kingdom of heaven stuns the world with compassion.

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2nd Sunday after Pentecost

June 18, 2017

Pentecost is a season for growing represented by the color green. We celebrate the founding of the church and the fruits of the Spirit.

Holy Silence is observed as we enter to worship.

Pre-Service Music

Welcome/Worship Instructions

Temple Talk

Stand as you are able

Gathering Music

Great is Thy Faithfulness

Breakfast Ministry Team

WOV 771 (blue book)

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 . . . 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.**

Sit

First Reading

Exodus 19:2-8a

At Sinai God assured Israel, "You shall be my treasured possession," and commissioned them to serve as mediating priests for the nations. The people commit themselves completely to God's will.

☐ A reading from **Exodus:**

²[The Israelites] had journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain.³Then Moses went up to God; the LORD called to him from the mountain, saying, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the Israelites: ⁴You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. ⁵Now therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, ⁶but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites."

⁷So Moses came, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the LORD had commanded him. ^{8a}The people all answered as one: “Everything that the LORD has spoken we will do.”

☐ The word of the Lord.

☑ **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 100



We are God's peo - ple and the sheep of God's pas - ture.



¹Make a joyful noise to the LORD, | all you lands!

²Serve the LORD with gladness; come into God's presence | with a song.

³**Know that the LORD is God, our maker to whom | we belong;**

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

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

⁵**Good indeed is the LORD, whose steadfast love is | everlasting,
whose faithfulness endures from | age to age.** ☒

Second Reading

Romans 5:1-8

We are no longer God's enemies but have peace with God, because we were brought into a right relationship with God through Christ's death. A tested character has been forged for us which empowers endurance in the midst of suffering and hope for final salvation.

☐ A reading from **Romans**:

¹Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ²through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and 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.

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

☐ The word of the Lord.

☑ **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

Gospel Acclamation

A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya,
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

a - le - lu - ya! A - le - lu - ya!
al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Gospel Reading

Matthew 9:35-10:8-23

The mission of Jesus' followers is to continue the mission of Jesus himself. Here, he instructs his first disciples how they might proclaim the gospel through their words and deeds.

☐ The Holy Gospel, according to **Matthew**.

☑ **Glory to you, O Lord.**

³⁵Jesus 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. ³⁶When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; ³⁸therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

^{10:1}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. ²These 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; ³Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; ⁴Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

⁵These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, ⁶but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. ⁷As you go, proclaim the good news, 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' ⁸Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment. [⁹Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts, ¹⁰no bag for your journey, or

two tunics, or sandals, or a staff; for laborers deserve their food. ¹¹Whatever town or village you enter, find out who in it is worthy, and stay there until you leave. ¹²As you enter the house, greet it. ¹³If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it; but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. ¹⁴If anyone will not welcome you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet as you leave that house or town. ¹⁵Truly I tell you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgment than for that town.

¹⁶“See, I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. ¹⁷Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues; ¹⁸and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the Gentiles. ¹⁹When 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; ²⁰for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. ²¹Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death; ²²and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. ²³When 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.**

Sit

Children’s Message

All children [including infants] and youth who desire to come forward for the children’s sermon are welcomed and encouraged to do so. Parents/caregivers are welcome to accompany their child during the children’s message.

Message

Silence for reflection

Song of the Day

We All Are One in Mission

WOV 755 (blue book)

Kneel or sit as able.

Prayers

☐ Called together in the Spirit’s embrace, let us pray for the mending of God’s world.

A brief silence.

☐ Steadfast God, you send your church as laborers into your harvest. Heal our divisions and unite us in mission. Make us one at your table. Empower and guide the faith of our bishops and congregations and all the servants of your church, especially *Bishops Elizabeth and Craig, Assistants David, Chrysanne and Sarah; our synod companion churches, St Luke’s Lutheran Church in Grand Rapids, Kilpatrick United Brethren Church in Woodland; Minister of Music Cindy and Pastor Paul.* Lord in your mercy,

☑ **hear our prayer.**

A Faithful Creator, protect your earth and breathe life into its future. Stir our hearts to compassion, that we become healers for the sake of your whole creation as it is made new. Lord in your mercy,

C **hear our prayers.**

A Holy One, you desire peace for all nations. Give rulers and citizens wisdom in the use of power, that wars may cease and all who suffer exile, hunger, and terror find safe haven. Protect the lives of those who serve in the military, especially *Myrina Clements, Lance and Kayla Champaco, Joshua Wright, Tim Krewson and Tyler Van Houten*. Lord in your mercy,

C **hear our prayers.**

A Compassionate One, you have brought us to yourself. Stay near to all who suffer broken hearts, fearful spirits, and disruptive illness. Bring healing and hope to your people. Comfort the sick and their caregivers, especially *Victoria Steadman, Danny Gillons, and Sharon Duits*. Lord in your mercy,

C **hear our prayers.**

A Abba, Father, your love for your children is boundless. Bless all who father among us and all who yearn for a protective father. Grant wisdom, patience, and good humor. Thank you for those who have shown us fatherly care. *We ask your blessing of discernment upon our Call Committee, and bless our congregation with endurance while we wait for our next Pastor. Pour out your spirit of courage and faith upon the leader who will receive your call of service to Grace, and let your will be heard clearly by all involved in this process.* Lord in your mercy,

C **hear our prayers.**

A Be attentive, gracious God, to the individual petitions we lift to you in loud voice or in the silence of our hearts.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

A Lord in your mercy,

C **hear our prayers.**

A Living Lord, all who live and all who die belong to you. Thank you for all whose lives have witnessed to your glory. Comfort all who mourn. Lord in your mercy,

C **hear our prayers.**

P All these things, and whatever else you see that we need, we entrust to your care through Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

Stand as you are able

Sharing the Peace of God

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

(We share the peace of Christ with one another.)

Sit

Offering of Gifts and Music

Everyone at worship is encouraged to fill out a Participation card and place it in the offering plate every Sunday morning.

Stand as you are able.

Offering Song

God Extends an Invitation

ELW 486 (red book)



Nues-tro Pa - dre nos in - vi - ta a la me - sa de la
God ex - tends an in - vi - ta - tion to the ta - ble of cre -



vi - da, don - de hay vi - no, luz y pan; y no -
a - tion, where there's wine and light and bread. Here we



so - tros nos reu - ni - mos, y lo nues - tro com - par - ti - mos, pues a -
gath - er in thanks - giv - ing and we of - fer all our liv - ing. Here the



sí es la co - mu - ni - ón; pues a - sí es la co - mu - ni - ón.
feast of life is spread; here the feast of life is spread.

Offering Prayer

A Let us pray . . . Merciful God, you open wide your hand and satisfy the need of every living thing.

G You have set this feast before us. Open our hands to receive it. Open our hearts to embrace it. Open our lives to live it. We pray this through Christ our Lord. Amen

Great Thanksgiving

☐ The Lord be with you.

☑ **And also with you.**

☐ Lift up your hearts.

☑ **We lift them to the Lord.**

☐ Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

☑ **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

☐ It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



San - to, san - to, san - to, es el Se - ñor,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord . . . God,



Dios del u - ni - ver - so; san - to, es el Se - ñor.
God of might and pow - er; ho - ly is the Lord.



San - to, san - to, san - to, san - to, es el Se - ñor,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord . . . God,



Dios del u - ni - ver - so; san - to, es el Se - ñor.
God of might and pow - er; ho - ly is the Lord.



Ho - san - na en el cie - lo, ho - san - na en la
Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na here on



tie - rra. Ben - di - to el que vie - ne en el
 earth. Blest is he who comes in the



nom - bre del Se - ñor. Ho - san - na en el
 name . . . of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the



cie - lo, ho - san - na en la tie - rra. Ben -
 high - est, ho - san - na here on earth.



di - to el que vie - ne en el nom - bre del Se - ñor.
 Blest is he who comes in the name . . . of the Lord.

Eucharistic Prayer

- Ⓟ Holy God, our Maker, Redeemer, and Healer, in the harmonious world of your creation everything was whole and well in your praise.
- ☑ **When sin had scarred the world, you sent your Son to heal our ills and to form us again into one.**
- Ⓟ In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; He broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.
 Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.
 Remembering, therefore, his acts of healing, his body given up, and his victory over death,
- ☑ **we await that day when all the people of the earth will come to the river to enjoy the tree of life.**
- Ⓟ Send your Spirit upon us and this meal: as grains scattered on the hillside become one bread,
- ☑ **let your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth, that all may be fed with the Bread of life, your Son.**
- Ⓟ Through him all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church,
- ☑ **both now and forever. Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

☐ Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us always to pray:

☑ **Our Father in heaven, holy be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

Invitation to Communion

☐ Taste and see that the Lord is good.

Communion at Grace

All who are present are invited to receive Holy Communion. This sacrament is a gift to all who come with open hands and open hearts to the presence of Jesus.

✠ **Bread** is served by the Pastor. **Wine** is served from a *common cup* by the Assisting Minister.

✠ If you need gluten free bread, please let the Pastor know when you come forward.

✠ If you prefer wine from the *pouring chalice* in an **individual cup**, take an empty cup from the tray and have it filled by the Worship Assistant. Return the individual chalice/cup to the basket provided.

✠ **Grape Juice** is provided in the pre-filled cups in the center of the serving tray.

✠ A **Verbal Blessing** may be given by the Pastor, if you do not wish to commune.

✠ If you wish **communion brought to you** in the pew, please notify the usher.

Sit

Lamb of God



Cor - de - ro de Dios, tú que qui-tas el pe-ca-do del mun-do;
O Lamb of . . God, you . . take a-way the sin of the world; . .



ten pie-dad de no - so - tros, ten pie - dad de no - so - tros.
have . . mer-cy up - on us, have . . mer-cy up - on us.



Cor-de - ro de Dios, tú que qui-tas el pe-ca-do del mun-do;
O Lamb of . . God, you . . take a-way the sin of the world; . .



ten pie-dad de no - so-tros, ten pie-dad de no - so-tros.
have . . mer-cy up - on us, have . . mer-cy up - on us.



Cor-de - ro de Dios, tú que qui-tas el pe-ca-do del mun-do;
O Lamb of . . God, you . . take a-way the sin of the world; . .



da - nos tu paz, da - nos tu paz.
grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup
Bread of Life, Our Host and Meal
We Come to the Hungry Feast

ELW 492 (red book)
ELW 464
ELW 479

Stand as you are able.

Prayer after Communion

A Let us pray . . . Jesus Christ, host of this meal, you have given us not only this bread and cup, but your very self, that we may feast on your great love.

G Filled again by these signs of your grace, may we hunger for your reign of justice, may we thirst for your way of peace, for you are Lord forevermore. Amen.

Sit

Congregational Announcements

Stand as you are able.

Blessing

☞ May God, whose power working in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine, grant you the gifts of faith and hope. Almighty God, Father, † Son,

☞ **Amen.**

All children and youth, as well as the young at heart and playful spirits, are invited to come forward to make music and dance during the Sending Hymn. Please choose one instrument to play or one scarf to use for waving and dancing.

Sending Song

I Love to Tell the Story

ELW 661 (red book)

Dismissal

☞ Go in peace. The Spirit sends us forth to serve.

☞ **Thanks be to God.**

Stewardship Information

Worshippers last week:

Weekly Giving: \$

Budget Amount: \$4,226.98

The local **Food Pantry** located at the Methodist Church on Green Street is currently in need of sugar, saltine crackers, instant mashed potatoes.

Temple Talk today—Grace will be invited to participate in an on-going ministry begun by Emmanuel Episcopal Church of Hastings—**Community Breakfast Ministry**. Those interested in helping with this new ministry, once a month, will have an opportunity to ask more questions in informational meetings after each of the services.

Outdoor service & 3rd annual Grace Car Show on **July 30** will be a one service Sunday, worship at 10:00 am, with a luncheon to follow at 11:30. The luncheon is provided by Thrivent and the Social Activities Committee. Car Show will follow lunch. We are worshipping outdoors so bring lawn chairs for your comfort.

Brothers of Grace End of Year Fish Fry We invite all men & boys 18 years and older to join us in the fellowship hall on Tuesday **June 13**, 2017 starting at 6:30 p.m. Fish and drinks will be furnished, BOG members are asked to bring a dish to pass. Please see the sign-up sheet located in the gathering area, so we know how many fish to catch.

THIS WEEK AT GRACE

Today, June 18

Worship 8:00 & 10:00 am
Temple Talk

Tuesday, June 20

Breakfast Ministry Team 9:00 & 11:00 am
Council meeting 6:00 pm
Annual Reports due

Saturday, June 24

Breakfast Ministry Team 8:00 am

Today's Worship Leaders

	<u>8:00 am</u>	<u>10:00 am</u>
Assisting Ministers	Randy Teegardin	Phil Poholski
Cantor	Mark Anton	Vickey Argo
Lector	John Burdick	Victoria Steadman
Communion Server	Melissa Patton	Mark Anton
Acolyte/Crucifer	Grayson Patton	Clyde Watson
Usher	Dan & Gavin Patton	Mark Anton, Gwen Hansen Sandy Mosteller, Joe Longcor
Greeter/Coffee Hr.	Tom/Cheryl Drumm	John/Mary Kleinbrink
Chancel Team	Jeanette Ulrich	Mary Kleinbrink

Next Sunday's Worship Leaders, June 25, 2017

Assisting Ministers	Chris Bush	Mark Anton
Cantor	Jack Vos	Kate Watson
Lector	Steve Kaiser	Gwen Hansen
Communion Server	Jana Bishop	Diane Neeb
Acolyte/Crucifer	Gavin Patton	Hope Peck
Usher	Mark/Jana Bishop	Gary/Lisa Golnek Doug/Diane Neeb
Greeter/Coffee Hr.	Lyle/Joyce Proksch	Carl Neil, Kristi Winick
Chancel Team	Jeanette Ulrich	Mary Kleinbrink