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“Whoever gathered much  
had nothing left over,  
and whoever gathered little  
had no lack.”

2 Corinthians 8:15

### Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 AM Service

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## Welcome to Worship / Announcements

### Opening Song

### First Reading

### Lamentations 3:22-33

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases;  
his mercies never come to an end;  
they are new every morning;  
great is your faithfulness.  
“The Lord is my portion,” says my soul,  
“therefore I will hope in him.”

The Lord is good to those who wait for him,  
to the soul who seeks him.  
It is good that one should wait quietly  
for the salvation of the Lord.  
It is good for a man that he bear  
the yoke in his youth.

Let him sit alone in silence  
when it is laid on him;  
let him put his mouth in the dust—  
there may yet be hope;  
let him give his cheek to the one who strikes,  
and let him be filled with insults.

For the Lord will not  
cast off forever,  
but, though he cause grief, he will have compassion  
according to the abundance of his steadfast love;  
for he does not afflict from his heart  
or grieve the children of men.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## Epistle Reading

## 2 Corinthians 8:1-9, 13-15

We want you to know, brothers, about the grace of God that has been given among the churches of Macedonia, for in a severe test of affliction, their abundance of joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part. For they have according to their means, as I can testify, and beyond their means, of their own accord, begging us earnestly for the favor of taking part in the relief of the saints—and this, not as we expected, but they gave themselves first to the Lord and then by the will of God to us.

Accordingly, we urged Titus that as he had started, so he should complete among you this act of grace. But as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in all earnestness, and in our love for you—see that you excel in this act of grace also.

I say this not as a command, but to prove by the earnestness of others that your love also is genuine. For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich

For I do not mean that others should be eased and you burdened, but that as a matter of fairness your abundance at the present time should supply their need, so that their abundance may supply your need, that there may be fairness. As it is written, “Whoever gathered much had nothing left over, and whoever gathered little had no lack.”

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## Holy Gospel

## Mark 5:21-43

And when Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered about him, and he was beside the sea. Then came one of the rulers of the synagogue, Jairus by name, and seeing him, he fell at his feet and implored him earnestly, saying, “My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well and live.” And he went with him.

And a great crowd followed him and thronged about him. And there was a woman who had had a discharge of blood for twelve years, and who had suffered much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was no better but rather grew worse. She had heard the reports about Jesus and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his garment.

For she said, “If I touch even his garments, I will be made well.” And immediately the flow of blood dried up, and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. And Jesus, perceiving in himself that power had gone out from him, immediately turned about in the crowd and said, “Who touched my garments?” And his disciples said to him, “You see the crowd pressing around you, and yet you say, ‘Who touched me?’

” And he looked around to see who had done it. But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling and fell down before him and told him the whole truth. And he said to her, “Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.”

While he was still speaking, there came from the ruler's house some who said, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the Teacher any further?" But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the ruler of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." And he allowed no one to follow him except Peter and James and John the brother of James.

They came to the house of the ruler of the synagogue, and Jesus saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. And when he had entered, he said to them, "Why are you making a commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him.

But he put them all outside and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him and went in where the child was. Taking her by the hand he said to her, "Talitha cumi," which means, "Little girl, I say to you, arise." And immediately the girl got up and began walking (for she was twelve years of age), and they were immediately overcome with amazement.

And he strictly charged them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

## Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ,  
his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
He descended into hell.  
The third day, he rose again from the dead,  
he ascended into heaven and  
sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence he will come to judge the  
living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.

Amen

*You may be seated*

## Sermon Song

**Sermon** - Pastor Carey P. Elam

*“By His Poverty... We Are Made Rich”*

2 Corinthians 8:1-9, 13-15

Notes

## Offering

### Confession and Forgiveness

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C: Most merciful God,  
we confess that we are  
by nature sinful and unclean.  
We have sinned against You  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done and  
by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved You with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors  
as ourselves.  
We justly deserve  
Your present and eternal punishment.  
For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us.  
Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,  
so that we may delight in Your will  
and walk in Your ways  
to the glory of Your holy name.**

**Amen.**

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C. Amen.

## Prayers of the People

### The Words of Our Lord

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said:

*“Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”*

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying:

*“Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”*

### The Lord's Prayer

Matt 6:9-13

Our Father who art in heaven,  
hallowed be Thy name.

Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done on earth  
as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power  
and the glory forever and ever  
Amen.

### Passing of the Peace Distribution/Communion

## Post-Communion Blessing

### Benediction

P: May the Lord bless you and keep you.  
May the Lord make His face shine on you  
and be gracious to you.  
May the Lord look upon you with favor  
and ☩ give you peace.

C: Amen.

### Closing Song

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

God's Blessings  
on your homeward way

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### **Youth Group Yard Sale—July 10, Sat 7:00 a.m.**

Fundraiser to help make their way to the  
the National Youth Gathering.

Please bring your gently used items to the  
Fellowship hall

Weekday drop off times are being coordinated.  
Keep an eye on your email for more info.

Check out the Calendar:

<https://www.stpaulmontgomery.org/calendar>