

## **BENEDICTION**

### **Scattering Proclamation** (Reverend Nicole Collins)

Leader: Gracious God, may we Know we can be “Salty Christians” shining the light of Your Gospel to the world! May You continue to guide our hearts, guard our steps as we go forth with the Good News!

In the name of the Father, † Son & Holy Spirit

ALL AMEN *(Please make the sign of the Cross)*

POSTLUDE HYMN ‘IN THE MORNING WHEN I RISE’ #777 WOV

† Thank you for worshiping with us! †

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### Up & Coming Announcements

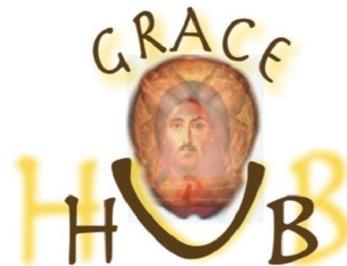
Our Lessons this evening were from: *Psalm 15; Micah 6:1-8; 1 Corinthians 1:18-31; Matthew 5:1-12*

- ◆ Our 8am service will officially be our LBW Traditional service
- ◆ ‘Original Self; Living with Paradox and Originality.’ by Thomas Moore. This is a multi-dimensional, devotional of sorts with Christian Existentialist motifs. It’s a very easy read as well as readily available on Amazon from \$4 and up. Please feel free to ask for more details. This study will be held one hour before the 5pm Blended service
- ◆ All hymns will either be from the LBW or the With One Voice. A Special heartfelt thank you to First & Santa Cruz Lutheran church for their recent donation of 12 WOVs!

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**(& the Grace Hub!)**



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## *The Grace Hub*

† Sunday Evening Worship †  
February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY  
PRELUDE MUSIC**

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OPENING HYMN** “BRING FORTH THE KINGDOM” PLEASE SEE HANDOUT  
**WE REFLECT & REJOICE**

(inspired from 1 Corinthians from Epistles Now! , & Psalm 112 from Psalms Now! Jesus Now! And ; Reverend Collins; & Setting 2 from the LCMS hymnal)  
*(Please stand if able)*

**Leader:** What about the person who trusts in God and is committed to His Will and Purposes? They are someone who knows true Happiness.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

**ALL:** *What we must realize is that all of us are ministers of the Gospel. We have all been called or gifted to be teachers or proclaimers. What God has revealed through Christ and through His Spirit is wisdom of eternal value that far surpasses the temporal and fallible ideals concocted by His creatures upon this world.*

**Leader:** The Law that God gave His chosen people was important... it does not however, effect a right relationship with God, yet alone reveal His saving Love when we make vain attempts to live by the Law. We must realize that Christ came to do what the Law cannot do reveal God’s love, redeem and reconcile us to Him. We must learn and live into God’s Grace by our faith.

**ALL:** *Yes, we can indeed, learn much from one another and from the gifts and insights that God gives to us and our world about us. Our shining light in the world, Jesus, revealed through His Word, Spirit and Grace—a wisdom to keep our faith and to promote God’s purposes in the world about us.*

*Please observe a moment of silence for reflection*

**Leader:** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a servant of the Word, announce the Grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

**ALL:** AMEN *(Please make the sign of the Cross) †*

Scripture Lessons for the Evening *(please be seated)*

### **A Reading from The Prophet Isaiah**

<sup>3</sup>“Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?” Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day, and oppress all your workers. <sup>4</sup>Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. <sup>5</sup>Is such the

fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the Lord? <sup>6</sup>Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? <sup>7</sup>Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin?

<sup>8</sup>Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard. <sup>9</sup>Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

**Leader: The Word of the Lord**                      **ALL: Thanks Be to God**

**A Reading from St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians**

<sup>1</sup>When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. <sup>2</sup>For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. <sup>3</sup>And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. <sup>4</sup>My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, <sup>5</sup>so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

<sup>6</sup>Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. <sup>7</sup>But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. <sup>8</sup>None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. <sup>9</sup>But, as it is written, "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him"— <sup>10</sup>these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. <sup>11</sup>For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. <sup>12</sup>Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. <sup>13</sup>And we speak of these things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual. <sup>14</sup>Those who are unspiritual do not receive the gifts of God's Spirit, for they are foolishness to them, and they are unable to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. <sup>15</sup>Those who are spiritual discern all things, and they are themselves subject to no one else's scrutiny. <sup>16</sup>"For who has known the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?" But we have the mind of Christ.

**Leader: The Word of the Lord**                      **ALL: Thanks Be to God**

**A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew**

***Please Stand***

**Leader: A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew**

**ALL: Glory to You, O Lord**

<sup>13</sup>"You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled underfoot. <sup>14</sup>"You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. <sup>15</sup>No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it

gives light to all in the house. <sup>16</sup>In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

<sup>17</sup>"Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. <sup>18</sup>For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. <sup>19</sup>Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. <sup>20</sup>For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

**Leader: The Word of the Lord**                      **ALL: Praise to You, O Christ**

**Sermon by Reverend Nicole Collins: "A New Landscape"**

**HYMN OF THE DAY**                      "GIVE ME OIL IN MY LAMP"                      PLEASE SEE HANDOUT

✠ **PEACE & PRAYER CIRCLE** ✠

**HOLY COMMUNION**

***Please take this opportunity to reflect in your heart how this Means of Grace—Christ actual presence feeds and restores your soul. As St. Paul would say: Listen with your heart wide open. Then, TASTE, SEE & DELIGHT that the Lord is Good!***

**LORD'S PRAYER: Please recite what version is comfortable for you.**  
*(Please be seated)*

**The Augsburg Confession; Article III: Of the Son of God**  
*(Please be seated)*

**ALL:** The Word, that is, the Son of God, did assume the human nature in the womb of the blessed virgin Mary, so that there are two natures, the divine and the human, inseparably enjoined in one Person, one Christ, true God and true man, who was born of the virgin Mary, truly suffered, was crucified, dead, and buried, that He might reconcile the Father unto us, and be a sacrifice, not only for original guilt, but also for all actual sins of humans. He also descended into hell, and truly rose again the third day; afterward He ascended into heaven that He might sit on the right hand of the Father, and forever reign and have dominion over all creatures, and sanctify them that believe in Him, by sending the Holy Ghost into their hearts, to rule, comfort, and quicken them, and to defend them against the devil and the power of sin. AMEN

**Prayer for Spiritual Formation** *(Reverend Nicole Collins)*

**Leader:** Gracious and Loving Teacher—Lord Jesus,

You have given us Grace upon Grace

Revealed Your light to us and gave our hearts that Cross shaped goal

May we continue to hang on to the ride

This wonderful journey of faith, that continues to teach and challenge us with

May our faith keep on burning, shining, praising and serving till our final days

When we serve alongside You in the Kingdom of Heaven —

*(Please observe a moment of Silence)*

**ALL: AMEN**