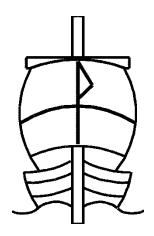
Pinawa Lutheran Church Pinawa Christian Fellowship

August 11, 2024 12th Sunday After Pentecost

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GATHERING SONG WOV 741 – Thy Holy Wings

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PRAYER OF THE DAY: Gracious God, your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Give us this bread always, that he may live in us and we in him, and that, strengthened by this food, we may live as his body in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

FIRST READING: 1 Kings 19:4-8

First Kings chapter 18 describes the contest between Elijah and the prophets of Baal. The contest proves that the LORD is God, and afterward Elijah orders the killing of the Baal prophets. Angered by the deaths of her prophets, Queen Jezebel threatens to kill Elijah. This reading finds Elijah fleeing, fatigued, and in utter despair.

⁴[Elijah] went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." ⁵Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." ⁶He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. ⁷The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." ⁸He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

PSALM 34:1-8

- ¹I will bless the LORD at all times; the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.
- ²I will glory in the LORD; let the lowly hear and rejoice.
- ³Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD; let us exalt God's name together.
- ⁴I sought the LORD, who answered me and delivered me from all my terrors.
- ⁵Look upon the LORD and be radiant, and let not your faces be ashamed.
- ⁶I called in my affliction, and the LORD heard me and saved me from all my troubles.
- ⁷The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear the LORD and delivers them.

⁸Taste and see that the LORD is good; happy are they who take refuge in God!

SECOND READING: Ephesians 4:25—5:2

Christians are called to be imitators of God. This does not mean Christians are perfect. Rather, the Spirit is at work in our lives so that our actions and attitudes genuinely reflect the love and forgiveness we have received through Christ and his death.

²⁵So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. ²⁶Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷and do not make room for the devil. ²⁸Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. ²⁹Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. ³⁰And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. ³¹Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, ³²and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. ^{5:1}Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, ²and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

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GOSPEL: Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

Jesus demonstrates God's mercy and power, accepting the unacceptable and curing the incurable. Even the dead receive new life.

⁹As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him.

¹⁰And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. ¹¹When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" ¹²But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners."

¹⁸While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." ¹⁹And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. ²⁰Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, ²¹for she said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." ²²Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well. ²³When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, ²⁴he said, "Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. ²⁵But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. ²⁶And the report of this spread throughout that district.

SERMON

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OFFERING: The offering plate is on the table at the church entrance.

OFFERTORY

What Have We to Offer? What have we to share?

Coins from the coffer, hearts filled with care.

God will not falter; so let us dare lay it at the altar there.

What have we to offer? What have we to bring? Love, ripe with laughter; hope that we can sing; dreams of what we're after; promises of when. Lay it at the altar then. What have we to offer? What have we to give? Eyes that are wide open; lies that we won't live; truth that must be spoken; justice somehow. Lay it at the altar now.

What have we to offer? What have we to give? Lives we will live.

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SENDING SONG – God on the Mountain

Life is easy, when you're up on the mountain And you've got peace of mind, like you've never known But things change when you're down in the valley Don't lose faith, for you're never alone

For the God on the mountain, is still God in the valley When things go wrong, He'll make them right And the God of the good times, is still God in the bad times The God of the day is still God in the night

You talk of faith when you're up on the mountain But talk comes so easy when life's at it's best Now it's down in the valleys, of trials and temptations That's where your faith, is really put to the test

For the God on the mountain is still God in the valley When things go wrong, He'll make them right And the God of the good times, is still God in the bad times The God of the day, is still God in the night The God of the day, is still God in the night

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IRONWOOD SERVICE: 4th Sunday of the month – 1:30pm.

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