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**9:30**

Sunday, November 22, 2015

**PRELUDE**    *The Solid Rock – Cindy Berry*

**THE GATHERING**

**Welcome/Announcements/Meet and Greet**

**Invocation**

**Gathering Song      He's Got the Whole World in His Hands**

**He's got you and me, brother, in His hands**

**He's got you and me, sister, in His hands**

**He's got you and me, brother, in His hands**

**He's got the whole world in His hands**

**He's got the little bitty baby in His hands**

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**He's got the whole world in His hands**

**Offering: *Amazing Grace, My Chains are Gone***

**Amazing grace how sweet the sound**

**That saved a wretch like me.**

**I once was lost, but now I'm found,**

**Was blind but now I see.**

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
And grace my fears relieved.  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed.

My chains are gone, I've been set free.  
My God, my Savior has ransomed me.  
And like a flood His mercy reigns,  
Unending love, amazing grace.

The Lord has promised good to me,  
His word my hope secures.  
He will my shield and portion be  
As long as life endures.

My chains are gone, I've been set free.  
My God, my Savior has ransomed me.  
And like a flood His mercy reigns,  
Unending love, amazing grace.  
(repeat)

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow,  
The sun forbear to shine.  
But God Who called me here below  
Will be forever mine.  
Will be forever mine.  
Will be forever mine.

## **Prayer and Dismissal of Children**

### **Gathering Song   *Only By Grace***

**Only by grace can we enter, only by grace can we stand;  
Not by our human endeavor, but by the blood of the Lamb.  
Into your presence you call us, you call us to come.  
Into your presence you draw us,  
and now by your grace we come,  
Now by your grace we come.**

**Lord, if you mark our transgressions, who would stand?  
Thanks to your grace we are cleansed by the blood of the  
Lamb.**

**Only by grace can we enter, only by grace can we stand;  
Not by our human endeavor, but by the blood of the Lamb.  
Into your presence you call us, you call us to come.  
Into your presence you draw us, and now by your grace we  
come,  
Now by your grace we come.**

**Song of Thanksgiving**      *Amazing Love*

**My Lord, what love is this that pays so dearly,  
That I, the guilty one may go free?**

**Refrain:**

**Amazing love, oh, what sacrifice,  
The Son of God giv'n for me;  
My debt he pays and my death he dies,  
That I might live, that I might live.**

**And so they watched him die, despised, rejected;  
But, oh, the blood he shed, flowed for me.  
(refrain)**

**And now this love of Christ shall flow like rivers;  
Come, wash your guilt away, live again.  
(refrain)**

## **THE WORD PROCLAIMED**

### **Prayer of the Day**

**Leader:**                    The Lord be with you.

**Congregation:**        And also with you.

**L:**      Let us pray. . . .

**C:**      Amen.

**Response**      *Holy Ground*

**We are standing on holy ground,  
And I know that there are angels all around.  
Let us praise Jesus now.  
We are standing in his presence on holy ground.  
(repeat)**

**READING: Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16**

L:      A reading from the 11th chapter of Hebrews.

<sup>1</sup>Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. <sup>2</sup>Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. <sup>3</sup>By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

<sup>8</sup>By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. <sup>9</sup>By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise.

<sup>10</sup>For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. <sup>11</sup>By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old — and Sarah herself was barren — because he considered him faithful who had promised.

<sup>12</sup>Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore."

<sup>13</sup>All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, <sup>14</sup>for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. <sup>15</sup>If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. <sup>16</sup>But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

L:      The word of the Lord.

C:      **Thanks be to God.**

(Today's readings: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14, Psalm 93, Hebrews 11:1-3,8-16, John 18:33-37)

## Message

### OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD

**Special Music**     *Crown Him King of Kings - Sharon Damazio*

#### Intercessory Prayers

**L:**     Lord, in your mercy,

**C:**     **hear our prayer.**

#### The Prayer of Confession

**C:**     **Gracious God in Heaven, we bow before You to confess to You that we have sinned and done that which is evil in Your sight. We have walked in pride, we have not been as thankful, or forgiving as You would like us to be. Help us to show forth the fruits of Your Spirit, the love, joy and peace that You have shown to us. And forgive us for all our wrong doing, even those stubborn habits that we struggle with, for we pray this in the Name of Jesus our Lord, Amen.**

**L:**     In the mercy of almighty God,  
Jesus Christ was given to die for us,  
and for his sake God forgives us all our sins.  
To those who believe in Jesus Christ  
he gives the power to become the children of God  
and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.

**C:**     **Amen**

#### PEACE

**L:** The Peace of the Lord be with you,

**C: and also with you.**

## **PREFACE**

**L:** The Lord be with you.

**C:** **And also with you.**

**L:** Lift up your hearts.

**C:** **We lift them to the Lord.**

**L:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C:** **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

## **THANKSGIVING**

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
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.

### **The Lord's Prayer**

**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.**

**Communion *Wonderful, Merciful Savior***

**Wonderful, merciful Savior,  
Precious Redeemer and Friend;  
Who would have thought that a Lamb could  
Rescue the souls of men?  
O You rescue the souls of men.**

**Counselor, Comforter, Keeper,  
Spirit we long to embrace;  
You offer hope when our hearts have  
Hopelessly lost our way.  
O we've hopelessly lost our way.**

**You are the One that we praise.  
You are the One we adore.  
You give us healing and grace our  
Hearts always hunger for,  
O our hearts always hunger for.**

**Almighty, infinite Father,  
Faithfully loving Your own.  
Here in our weakness You find us  
Falling before Your throne,  
O we're falling before Your throne.**

**You are the One that we praise.  
You are the One we adore.  
You give us healing and grace our  
Hearts always hunger for,  
O our hearts always hunger for.**

**BLESSING**

**P:** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.  
In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,  
**C: Amen.**

**Closing Song**

*All Hail the Power of Jesus Name*

**All hail the pow'r of Jesus' Name! Let angels prostrate fall.  
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all.  
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all.**

**Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, Ye ransomed from the fall.  
Hail Him who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of  
all.  
Hail Him who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of  
all.**

**Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe on this terrestrial ball  
To Him all majesty ascribe, and crown Him Lord of all.  
To Him all majesty ascribe, and crown Him Lord of all.**

**O that with yonder sacred throng we at His feet may fall!  
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown Him Lord of all.  
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown Him Lord of all.**

**Dismissal**

**L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.**

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**

*Now Thank We All Our God – Cindy Berry*

*Welcome!*

*Please complete the pew card before you leave worship this day.*

*Pastor Keller would be happy to visit with you at the time and  
place of your choosing to answer questions about membership.*

*Simply call the church office at 724-352-2333 to make an  
appointment.*

**PREPARING FOR NEXT WEEK:** *Genesis 2:18-24, Psalm 8,  
Hebrews 1:1-4;2:5-12, Mark 10:2-6*

Attendance on Sunday, November 15, 2015

8:15	39	St. Luke's Lutheran Church
9:30	13	310 West Main Street
10:45	71	Saxonburg, PA 16056 724-352-2333
Nursery	2	<a href="mailto:stlukechurch@consolidated.net">stlukechurch@consolidated.net</a>
<u>Kings Kids</u>	<u>5</u>	
Total	130	
Sunday School	49	

**THIS MORNING'S WORSHIP MINISTRY TEAM INCLUDES:**

**Praise Team**

**Chris Savannah  
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# THANKSGIVING SERVICE

*O give thanks to the Lord  
for he is good . . . Psalm 107*

*Saxonburg Memorial Church  
November 25, 2015 at 7:00 pm*