

Order of Worship ~ 8:00 a.m.

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

P: Jesus said, Let the little children come to me...

**C: We come, each of us a child of God.**

P: Jesus said, Do not stop them.

**C: We come to remove obstacles before children.**

P: Jesus said, It is to such as these that the reign of God belongs.

**C: We come to recognize that each child is already part of God's realm.**

P: Jesus said, Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the reign of God as a little child will never enter it.

**C: We come to worship with the trust and vulnerability and dependence of a child.**

P: Come, let us worship God.

HYMN #526 "Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise"

Confession & Forgiveness pg 56

Prayer of the Day

***O God, help us to recover our hope for our children's sake. Help us to recover our courage for our children's sake. Help us to recover our discipline for our children's sake. Help us to recover our ability to work together for our children's sake. Help us to recover our values for our children's sake. Help us to recover our faith in Thee for our children's sake. AMEN.***

First Lesson Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22

Psalms 84 pg. 253

Second Lesson 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

"Alleluia..." pg. 62

Gospel Lesson Luke 18:9-14

**Children's Message** Elayne Werges

**Message** Guest Panel

Hymn #423 "Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service"

Offering / Offertory

Prayers of the People

P: Let us join our hearts in prayer, responding in song: Thank you, Lord. Thank you, Lord. Thank you Lord, I just want to thank you, Lord.

P: For the blessing of children—from newborn to almost grown, and for the sacred charge to nurture and protect them, let us lift our hearts to God:

**C: Thank you, Lord. Thank you, Lord. Thank you, Lord, I just want to thank you, Lord.**



P: For the love of parents, a love shown in its perfect form in God, let us pray:

**C: Thank you, Lord. Thank you, Lord. Thank you, Lord, I just want to thank you, Lord.**

P: For the families who work hard yet struggle every day to make ends meet and provide for their families, let us pray:

**C: Bless them, Lord. Bless them, Lord. Bless them, Lord. Help us be a blessing too.**

P: For the children who are beaten down by poverty and homelessness and hunger and who suffer in innumerable ways, let us pray:

**C: Bless them, Lord. Bless them, Lord. Bless them, Lord. Help us be a blessing too.**

P: For the children who are abused and neglected, for those who are shuffled through the foster care system and those who wait longingly for permanent families, let us pray:

**C: Love them, Lord. Love them, Lord. Love them, Lord. Help us to love all of them, too.**

P: For the children who are victims of violence and for the children who turn to the violence they see glorified in our culture, let us pray:

**C: Love them, Lord. Love them, Lord. Love them, Lord. Help us to love all of them, too.**

P: For the P's of our nation who have the choice to stand for the powerful or the powerless, the rich or the poor, the corporations or the children, let us pray:

**C: Guide them, Lord. Guide them, Lord. Guide them, Lord. Help us work to guide them too.**

P: For ourselves, that we find the vision, commitment, skills, and persistence to work for justice in our nation so that we truly leave no child behind.

**C: Guide us, Lord. Guide us, Lord. Guide us, Lord. Help sustain and guide us now.**

Lord's Prayer: (Unison) ***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.***

Sending & Blessing

P: Go Forth recognizing each child as a blessing from God. Go forth knowing yourself to be blessed by God. Go forth to be a blessing in God's name. AMEN.

HYMN #419 "Lord of All Nations, Grant Me Grace"

**FIRST LESSON: Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22**


Although our iniquities testify against us, act, O LORD, for your name's sake; our apostasies indeed are many, and we have sinned against you. O hope of Israel, its savior in time of trouble, why should you be like a stranger in the land, like a traveler turning aside for the night? Why should you be like someone confused, like a mighty warrior who cannot give help? Yet you, O LORD, are in the midst of us, and we are called by your name; do not forsake us! Thus says the LORD concerning this C: Truly they have loved to wander, they have not restrained their feet; therefore the LORD does not accept them, now he will remember their iniquity and punish their sins. Have you completely rejected Judah? Does your heart loathe Zion? Why have you struck us down so that there is no healing for us? We look for peace, but find no good; for a time of healing, but there is terror instead. We acknowledge our wickedness, O LORD, the iniquity of our ancestors, for we have sinned against you. Do not spurn us, for your name's sake; do not dishonor your glorious throne; remember and do not break your covenant with us. Can any idols of the nations bring rain? Or can the heavens give showers? Is it not you, O LORD our God? We set our hope on you, for it is you who do all this.

**SECOND LESSON: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18**

As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing. At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

**GOSPEL: Luke 18:9-14**

He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

<b><i>This Week's Servants</i></b> <b>October 24<sup>th</sup></b>	<b><i>8:00</i></b>	<b><i>10:30</i></b>
<i>Head Usher</i>	LeeRoy Reuscher	Tim Liddle
<i>Greeters</i>	Darin & Angie Dietz Family	King's Kids
<i>Ushers</i>	Larry & Linda Groen	King's Kids
<i>Lector</i>	Kristi Hanneman	Todd Greer
<i>Sound Board</i>	Pat Roach	Greg & Brady Henn
<i>Pianist/Organist</i>	Lisa Wiebke	JUBILEE
<i>Computer</i>		
<i>Video</i>		Kennedy Haut
<i>Video Sound</i>		Nancy Poppe

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**CHILDREN'S SABBATH**

**Sunday, October 24, 2010**  
 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

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