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Inviting all people to a life in Christ

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

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Perhaps the church, at its best, is "all ears." Almighty God urges the faithful, again and again, to "listen up!"—to heed the word from above. So it was with Abraham and Sarah, with Mary and Martha, and the early church at Colossae. So it is today as we join the assembly to hear the word of God, the words of life.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRINITY CHIMES

‡ Worship begins on page 2 of “Now the Feast and Celebration” booklet

HYMNS

GATHERING SONG: *All Are Welcome (1,3,5)*.....ELW 641

HYMN OF THE DAY: *Dearest Jesus (1,2,4)*ELW 520

COMMUNION HYMN: *Be Thou My Vision (1,3,4)**.....ELW 793

**Verse 2 will be sung a cappella by the Men’s Gospel Quartet*

SENDING SONG: *Evening and Morning (1,3,4)*.....ELW 761

OFFERING MUSIC

Men’s Gospel Quartet

Precious Memories J.B.F. Wright

OLD TESTAMENT READING: GENESIS 18:1–10A

The Lord visits Abraham and Sarah to tell them that the long—awaited promise of the birth of a child will be fulfilled for them in their old age.

R: A reading from the Book of Genesis, the 18th Chapter.

The LORD appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. ²He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. ³He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. ⁴Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. ⁵Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on — since you have come to your servant."

So they said, "Do as you have said." ⁶And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." ⁷Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. ⁸Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

⁹They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." ¹⁰Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son."

R: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

NEW TESTAMENT READING: COLOSSIANS 1:15–28

Sometimes Paul preaches with great attention to theological concepts. Here, however, Paul offers a mystical teaching, that the great mystery of God is "Christ in you." Because Christ is present in the church, Christians share in his life, suffering, and glory.

R: A reading from Paul's letter to the Colossians, the 1st Chapter.

¹⁵He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; ¹⁶for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers — all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

²¹And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, ²²he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him — ²³provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel.

²⁴I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of

his body, that is, the church. ²⁵I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, ²⁶the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. ²⁷To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. ²⁸It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

R: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

‡ **GOSPEL: LUKE 10:38–42**

Jesus uses his visit to two sisters as an occasion to remind disciples that an important aspect of obedience is singleminded devotion to Jesus and his word.

P: The holy gospel according to St. Luke, the 10th Chapter.

³⁸Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. ³⁹She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. ⁴⁰But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." ⁴¹But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; ⁴²there is need of only one thing.

Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

DIAMOND LAKE MINISTERS

Senior Pastor *Rev. Mark N. Orvick*
 Associate Pastor *Rev. Amy C. Thoren*
 Organist *Richard Neighbor*
 Senior Choir Director *Dr. Bruce Gleason*
 Youth Choir Director *Paul Batz*
 Spirit & K-3 Choirs Director *Ben Wagner*
 Youth Choir Accompanist *Kevin Hobbs*
 Carillon & Children's Bell Choirs Director *Chuck Linderkamp*

SERVANTS FOR TODAY, SUNDAY, JULY 18, 2010

	9:30a
<i>Acolytes</i>	Tim Eidsmoe, Sarah Miner
<i>Coffee Hosts</i>	Roy Willey
<i>Communion Assistants</i>	Laurie Jacobi, T.R. Mahler
<i>Greeters</i>	Roy & Betsy Willey, Sue Haffield & Family
<i>Musicians</i>	Men's Gospel Quartet: Scott Anderson, Scott Benson, Russ Michaletz, Darrell Williams
<i>Nursery Volunteers*</i>	Carol Vitelli
<i>Pursers</i>	Jon Brunsberg, Mike Eckroth
<i>Reader</i>	Bonnie Graves
<i>Ushers</i>	Ron Youngquist , Diane Kornman, Jon Brunsberg, Drew Klevin

**SERVANTS FOR NEXT SUNDAY'S
 OUTDOOR WORSHIP SERVICE, JULY 25, 2010**

	9:30a
<i>Acolytes</i>	Hannah D'Cunha
<i>Baptisms</i>	Haakon Andrew Kleven, Heidi Lane Grady
<i>Children's Message</i>	Ed Rousseau
<i>Coffee Hosts</i>	Laurie Jacobi & Cotty Lowry
<i>Greeters</i>	Matt & Stacy Klage, Darin & Laura Nelson
<i>Musicians</i>	Outdoor Worship Leaders
<i>Nursery Volunteers*</i>	Lisa & Jim Wombacher
<i>Pursers</i>	Graydon Royce, Julie Schmidt
<i>Reader</i>	Robb Bass
<i>Ushers</i>	Robb Bass , Connor Bass, Ransom Williams, Julie Schmidt

**Nursery Volunteers assist the permanent Nursery Staff.*