

## **ONLINE WORSHIP - August 16, 2020**

### **SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK – Matthew 15:25-27**

<sup>25</sup> But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.” <sup>26</sup> He answered, “It is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” <sup>27</sup> She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.”

### **WELCOME/CHECKING IN**

**Where do you... see God? Need God? Feel Joy? Feel Gratitude?**

### **RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: Welcome today to a celebration of God’s love!

**P: We are grateful for this welcome.**

L: Feel the loving power of God flow into your lives.

**P: We open our hearts and lives to receive God’s blessings.**

L: Come, let us worship God who is always with us.

**A: Lord, be with us today as we listen for your words of hope. AMEN**

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### **GATHERING UNISON PRAYER**

**With open arms You welcome all who call on Your name—  
who acknowledge You as Lord, and look to You in faith.**

**No one stands outside the circle of Your mercy and love.**

**And so we come to offer You our worship—**

**to declare that You are our God, and that we are Your people,  
called and chosen by You from the very beginning.**

**Through the presence of Your Holy Spirit**

**open our eyes to see You here;**

**open our minds to receive Your truth,**

**and our mouths to speak and sing Your praise.**

**For You alone are God—worthy of all praise and worship,  
now and to the end of time. AMEN.**

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**HYMN – “I Sing Praises to Your Name” FWS #2037 vs. 1,2**

### **KINGDOM TIME**

#### **SPECIAL MUSIC – “Precious Lord Take My Hand”**

Sung by Amanda Zbacnik, Northwood UMC

Accompanied by Phyllis Kruell, Asbury UMC

## **SCRIPTURE LESSONS**

### **Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32**

#### **Israel's Rejection Is Not Final**

<sup>1</sup> I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. <sup>2</sup> God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

<sup>29</sup> for the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. <sup>30</sup> Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, <sup>31</sup> so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. <sup>32</sup> For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

### **Matthew 15:21-28**

#### **The Canaanite Woman's Faith**

<sup>21</sup> Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. <sup>22</sup> Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." <sup>23</sup> But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." <sup>24</sup> He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." <sup>25</sup> But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." <sup>26</sup> He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." <sup>27</sup> She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." <sup>28</sup> Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

### **MESSAGE - "The Dogs Under the Table"**

### **INVITATION TO GIVE TO THE LIVING CHRIST, OURSELVES, OUR LOVE AND OUR GIFTS**

Presentation of our Gifts and Offerings:

Mail your offering to:

Northwood UMC, P.O. Box 295, Esko, MN 55733

### **DOXOLOGY – "We Are So Blessed" Celebration Hymnal #795**

### **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – UMH #887**

### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD'S PRAYER**

### **HYMN – "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" UMH #452 vs. 1,2,3**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**BENEDICTION/DISMISSAL**

**DISMISSAL HYMN - "Song of Hope" FWS #2186**