

Organ Prelude
Ringing of the Bell

***Call to Worship**

We gather in the presence of Christ, who is our healer.

We have entered here yearning for hope and comfort.

Let us reach to the heart of Jesus, who is our life.

We encounter our Lord, who makes us whole.

Here we are welcome and loved and cherished.

We are the people of God. Let us rejoice and give God praise.

Amen

***Hymn** *You are Welcome Here* *see insert*

***Prayer of Confession (In Unison)**

God of Mercy, we are so fearful these days. We encounter economic situations which threaten to destroy our lives; we encounter anger, fear and hostility, and we feel as though we are about to drown. We want to place our trust in you, but so many times before, when we have trusted others, we have been let down. Help us to truly trust your mercy and love. Heal and forgive our fears and sins. Open our hearts to receive your grace. Amen.

***Words of Assurance**

Feel the touch of Christ on your heart! You are healed and forgiven! Rejoice! God is with you now and always! Amen

***Gloria Patri**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be; world without end. Amen.

***Welcome and Announcements**

Scripture Reading Mark 5:21-43 *see insert*

Sermon The Power of Touch
Hymn *He Touched Me* *see insert*

Prayers of the People

Pastoral - Silent - Lord's Prayer – *Cares Chorus*

I cast all my cares upon you, I lay all of my burdens down at your feet, and anytime that I don't know what to do, I'll cast all my cares upon you.

Offering our Gifts

Invitation

Offertory Music

***Doxology**

Praise God from who all blessings flow, Praise God all creatures here below, Praise God above ye heavenly hosts, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

***Offering Prayer**

As you have touched us with your love, let these offerings be used to reach out and touch others with your message hope.

***Hymn** *What a Friend we Have in Jesus* #289

***Benediction**

***Postlude**



***St Paul's United Church of Christ
Henderson, Minnesota
June 27, 2021 at 9:30am***

Mark 5:21-43

²¹ Once again Jesus got into the boat and crossed Lake Galilee. Then as he stood on the shore, a large crowd gathered around him. ²² The person in charge of the Jewish meeting place was also there. His name was Jairus, and when he saw Jesus, he went over to him. He knelt at Jesus' feet ²³ and started begging him for help. He said, "My daughter is about to die! Please come and touch her, so she will get well and live." ²⁴ Jesus went with Jairus. Many people followed along and kept crowding around.

²⁵ In the crowd was a woman who had been bleeding for twelve years. ²⁶ She had gone to many doctors, and they had not done anything except cause her a lot of pain. She had paid them all the money she had. But instead of getting better, she only got worse.

²⁷ The woman had heard about Jesus, so she came up behind him in the crowd and barely touched his clothes. ²⁸ She had said to herself, "If I can just touch his clothes, I will get well." ²⁹ As soon as she touched them, her bleeding stopped, and she knew she was well.

³⁰ At that moment Jesus felt power go out from him. He turned to the crowd and asked, "Who touched my clothes?"

³¹ His disciples said to him, "Look at all these people crowding around you! How can you ask who touched you?" ³² But Jesus turned to see who had touched him.

³³ The woman knew what had happened to her. She came shaking with fear and knelt down in front of Jesus. Then she told him the whole story.

³⁶ Jesus heard^[b] what they said, and he said to Jairus, "Don't worry. Just have faith!"

³⁷ Jesus did not let anyone go with him except Peter and the two brothers, James and John. ³⁸ They went home with Jairus and saw the people crying and making a lot of noise. ³⁹ Then Jesus went inside and said to them, "Why are you crying and carrying on like this? The child isn't dead. She is just asleep." ⁴⁰ But the people laughed at him.

After Jesus had sent them all out of the house, he took the girl's father and mother and his three disciples and went to where she was. ⁴¹⁻⁴² He took the twelve-year-old girl by the hand and said, "Talitha, koum!" which means, "Little girl, get up!" The girl got right up and started walking around.

Everyone was greatly surprised. ⁴³ But Jesus ordered them not to tell anyone what had happened. Then he said, "Give her something to eat."