

Organ Prelude
Ring of the Bell

***Call to Worship**

We gather as God's people, inspired by the Spirit
to listen more deeply,
to speak more truthfully,
to live more peacefully,
to love more energetically,
to pray more sincerely,
to worship more enthusiastically,
to celebrate more joyfully,
to give more generously
and to serve more compassionately. Amen

***Hymn** *Lord, I want to be a Christian* *see insert*

***Opening Prayer**

Holy God, help us to be like Jesus who can look in a pained face and not turn away, who can look at bruises and scars and not pull back, who can hear anger and rage and not run away, who can touch a fragile body with tenderness and not pity, who can stay through the dark nights and shadowed days. Holy God, touch us and use us to be the neighbor, the friend to those in need. 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 6:30-34, 53-56

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns

and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

Sermon Ministry of Compassion

Hymn Lord, Speak to Me that I may Speak *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**

We dedicate these gifts to the compassionate ministry of your church. May they be used to bring hope and healing to a hurting world. Amen.

***Hymn** *They'll Know we are Christians by our love* *see insert*

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

Prayer Corner

Hospitalized: Sharon Nagel

In Our Prayers: Karla Maurer, Lucy Reiman, Terri Kroehler, JoAnne Martens, Mary Martens

Homebound:

St. Peter

Marlene Nye - Benedictine

Gaylord

Pauline Woehler – Oak Terrace Nursing Home

Le Sueur

Ed Nye – Ridgeview Le Sueur Nursing Home

Carmen Wigand—Oak Terrace

Arline Karels—Oak Terrace

At Home

Anita Tiegs

If you know of someone in the hospital, scheduled for surgery, recently hospitalized or in need of a pastoral visit, please call Pastor Deb or the church office.

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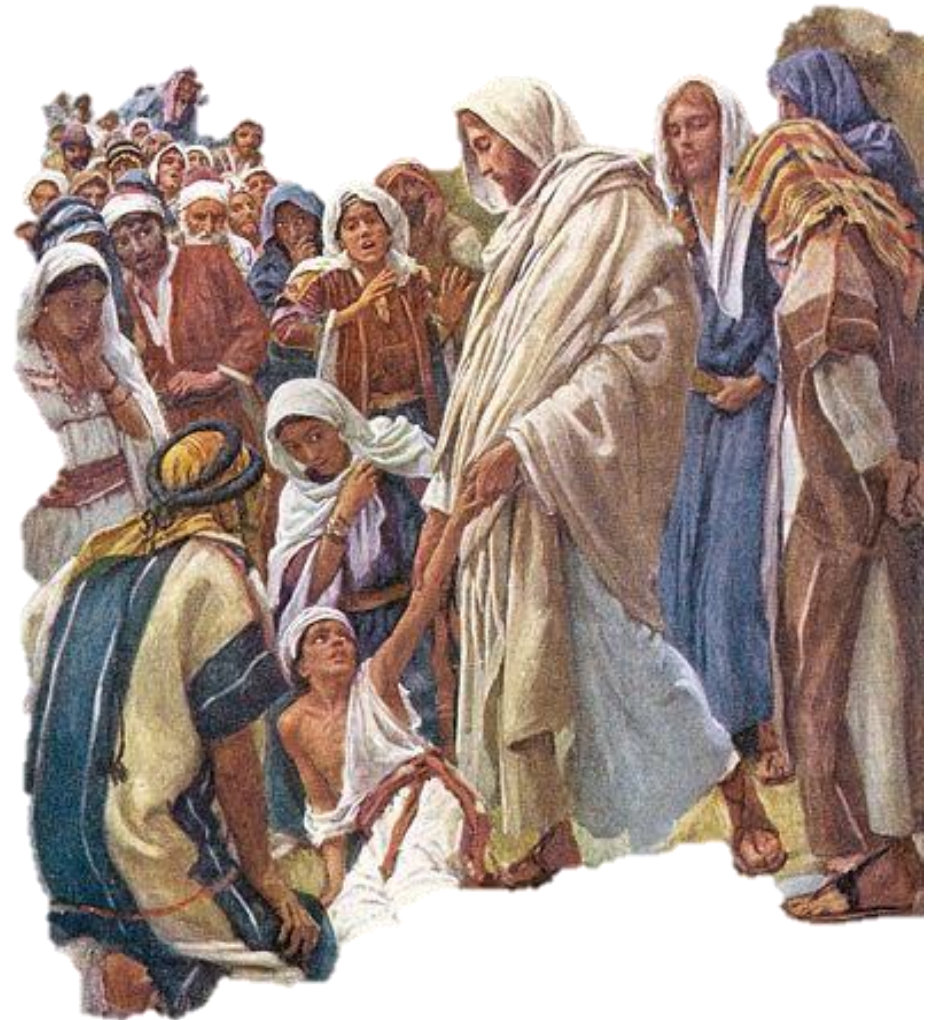
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The Compassion of Jesus



***St Paul's United Church of Christ
Henderson, Minnesota***

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