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5th Sunday after Epiphany and World Interfaith Harmony Week

February 7, 2021

In Isaiah, the one God who sits above the earth and numbers the stars, also strengthens the powerless. So in Jesus' healing work we see the hand of the creator God, lifting up the sick woman to health and service (diakonia). Like Simon's mother-in-law, we are lifted up and healed to serve. Following Jesus, we strengthen the powerless; like Jesus, we seek to renew our own strength in quiet times of prayer.

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

WELCOME

PRAYER

PRELUDE

"Children of Light" by Eugene O'Reilly

INTERFAITH MESSAGE

Mashaal Saeed

WORD

God speaks to us in word and music

GOSPEL

Mark 1: 29 - 39

Everywhere Jesus goes, many people expect him to set them free from oppression. Everywhere he goes, he heals people and sets them free. Disease, devils, and death are running for their lives. The forces that diminish human life are rendered powerless by Jesus.

²⁹As soon as [Jesus and the disciples] left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. ³⁰Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. ³¹He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them. ³²That evening, at sunset, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. ³³And the whole city was gathered around the door. ³⁴And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. ³⁵In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. ³⁶And Simon and his companions hunted for him. ³⁷When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." ³⁸He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is



what I came out to do." ³⁹And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

"All are Welcome" by Alexandra Penfold (Author), Suzanne Kaufman (Illustrator)

INTERFAITH MESSAGE

Imam Syed Soharwardy

REFLECTION

"Taking Care of Your Spiritual Health"

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Dona Nobis Pacem" (Give us Peace)

arranged by Larry Sue

INTERFAITH MESSAGE

Shaila Carter

THANKSGIVING

In everything
Give
Thanks.
1 Thessalonians
5:18

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

INTERFAITH

Excerpts from Award Ceremony for Sid Ikeda

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER

SENDING

We are blessed sent in mission into the world.

BLESSING

DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE

Haydn's Sonata no. 14 in C Major

SENDING

St. Philip's Lutheran Church SERVING TODAY

Rev. Tuula Van Gaasbeek Pastor

Chris Ritcey-Conrad Music Director

Dave Pascoe Videographer

No Fixed Address Prelude

Dylan Dash Reader

Melissa Noble Children's Story Reader

Marcia Powers-Dunlop Preacher

Handbells Duet Hymn of the Day

Olivia Holt Prayers of the People

Olivia Holt The Lord's Prayer

Petya Stavreva Postlude

IN OUR PRAYERS

John Suknundun, Gus Berndt, Rodney Erlandson, Mary Hanslep, Al Jacksteit, Mark Kieswetter, Fran Moore, Marion Morningstar, Pat Penney, Julie Potocny, Lesley Powell, Sydney Ross, Helen Scollnik, and Elga Smidt.

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Thanks for giving your offering regularly. Even while our doors are closed, our hearts and hands are open and busy. Our ministries need your support. Details for how to give are on stphilipstoronto.com/donate-now/.

WAYS TO BE INVOLVED

While we can't be in the building, there are still ways to stay involved and in community with others. Here are a few:

- Add your name to the readers for worship services: contact Pastor Tuula.
- Tuesday Bible Study via Zoom @ 7:00 pm Feb. 9th only;
- Participate in Lenten Soup Supper and Service starting Feb. 24 @ 6:00 pm.
- Join in the Virtual Coffee Hour @ 11:00 am on Sunday mornings.
- Join in the Congregational Annual Meeting on Sunday, February 21st @ 11:00 am.
- 50+ connecting in new ways in 2021! Next event: February 11th @ 2:00 pm. Theme: Bucket List.
- Starting on February 18: Deliver Good Food Boxes for 6 weeks to 45 families and 25 seniors.
- Participate in the Virtual Worship: play an instrument or sing, read the Gospel, provide a Children's Message, lead the prayers, or tell a Faith Story. Or something else? Please contact Pastor Tuula.