Healing of Human Hurts May 7, 2023

Prelude

Welcome / Call to Worship (see back page) Pastor Nathan

Congregational Songs "Rattle" Worship Team

"By His Wounds"
"Holy Spirit"

Anthem "The Earth is the Lord's" Sanctuary Choir

Invitation to Healing Mark 2:1-5 Pastor Nathan

Special Music "Hymn of Heaven" Kelsey Moody

Anointing and Prayer

Holy Communion

Closing Song "Thank You Lord" #513

Benediction Pastor Nathan

Those who will anoint and pray for the seekers this morning: Pastor Nathan, Liz Brooks & Dennis Kutch

We acknowledge that doctors, medicines, godly counselors, nurses, therapists, nutritionists, and hospitals are also God's instruments for healing. These are not substitutes for our prayers and faith, but are also used by God in His will and way.

The offering plate will not be passed this morning, but you are welcome to leave your gift to the Lord on the table by the stained glass display in the Narthex.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THOSE SEEKING HEALING:

- Ask the Lord to help you examine your heart and your relationship with Him. If
 the Holy Spirit brings something to mind that requires repentance and
 forgiveness, address this need before asking for healing. As far as you are able,
 make sure that your heart is clear before God.
- Take a green card from one of the tables or your bulletin and put on it your first name and the one thing for which you are asking. Your need will be kept confidential unless you circle "no" on the card.
- Approach one of the prayers for anointing and prayer. Come humbly, yet with confidence that Christ can heal. You may kneel or sit as is comfortable for you.
- If you are unable to come forward, raise your hand and we will come to you.
- Visualize yourself in the presence of Christ, for He is present with you. Reach out to Him in heart and spirit - believe in His ability to heal.
- After your anointing, give thanks to God for hearing your prayers, and express your confidence in Him and in His timing in all things.
- Arise in faith and return to your seat to reflect upon the Lord's love for you and what you have just experienced and join in with the prayers of the congregation for other seekers.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE CONGREGATION:

- Ask the Lord to help you examine your heart and your relationship with Him. If
 the Holy Spirit brings something to mind that requires repentance and
 forgiveness, address this need before asking for healing. As far as you are able,
 make sure that your heart is clear before God.
- Pray for the Holy Spirit to give you wisdom in discerning how to pray.
- As the seekers come forward, focus your prayers on each one. Pray for their healing, for their faith, for their trust in Christ.
- Pray that the Lord would meet and touch each seeker, that He would lift their burden or give them the strength to bear it.
- Pray for the family of the seeker.

SCRIPTURES FOR REFLECTION:

Gen 18:13-14	2 Kings 5:10-14	Ps 103:1-5
Ps 107:1-32	Isa 53:4-5	Isa 58:6-9
Jer 32:26-27	Matt 8:5-13	Matt 15:21-28
Matt 19:16-26	Luke 1:26-37	John 6:8-13
James 5:13-16	Heb 6:9-12	Heb 11:1-2
Rev 21:1-5		

Call to Worship

LEADER: The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to release the oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.

PEOPLE: Lord, we know that even now you will give us whatever we ask.

LEADER: Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.

PEOPLE: Lord, we believe! Help our unbelief!

LEADER: According to your faith it will be done to you.

PEOPLE: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

Readings adapted from Luke 4:18-19; John 11:22; John 20:29; Mark 9:24; Matthew 9:29; Revelation 22:20.

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"RISE AND GO YOUR WAY;

YOUR FAITH HAS MADE YOU WELL."

LUKE 17:19 ESV



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