If the two of you agree on earth about anything you ask,
it will be done for you by my Father in heaven.

Matthew 18:19
O Lord God, enliven and preserve your church with your perpetual mercy. Without your help, we mortals will fail; remove far from us everything that is harmful, and lead us toward all that gives life and salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
WE HEAR GOD’S WORD
READING: Ezekiel 33:7-11
God appointed Ezekiel as a sentinel for the house of Israel. Ezekiel must faithfully convey God’s warnings to the people. Remarkably, God—who is about to attack Jerusalem—gives a warning with the hope that repentance will make the attack unnecessary.

7 So you, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. 8 If I say to the wicked, “O wicked ones, you shall surely die,” and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. 9 But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life. 10 Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: “Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?” 11 Say to them, As I live, says the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel?

Special Music:
"Fill the Well within"  Sally DeFord
Duet By Marlys Jungroth and Vicki Hanson

1. In each passing mortal hour, All around me there is need,
There are hearts that yearn and tears that fall, and hungry souls to feed,
I must seek the Spirit’s wisdom, Learn compassion’s gentle art,
For I cannot give with empty hands, nor love with barren heart.

CHORUS
If I would bear my brother’s burden, If I would share my sister’s grief,
Extend the hand of sweet compassion, Offer the weary ones relief,
If I would ease the thirst of strangers, and serve His children heart and hand,
I must drink of heaven’s wells o’er-flowing, I must learn to fill the well within.

2. I will serve my Savior gladly, Seek his little lambs who stray,
But if I would lead them safely home, I must know the way.
I must seek for understanding, That I may teach His children well,
If I seek to fill the soul a-thirst, I must first be filled.

CHORUS.

Children’s Message

Anthem:

The Sermon “God’s Justice in the Form of God’s Mercy”  Pastor Dan Severson
1 Lord, whose love in humble service bore the weight of human need,
   who upon the cross, forsook, worked your mercy's perfect deed:
   we, your servants, bring the worship not of voice alone, but heart;
   consecrating to your purpose every gift which you impart.

2 Still your children wander home-less; still the hungry cry for bread;
   still the captives long for freedom; still in grief we mourn our dead.
   As you, Lord, in deep compassion healed the sick and freed the soul,
   by your Spirit send your power to our world to make it whole.

3 As we worship, grant us vision, till your love's revealing light
   in its height and depth and greatness dawns upon our quickened sight.
   making known the needs and burdens your compassion bids us bear,
   stirring us to ardent service, your abundant life to share.

4 Called by worship to your service, forth in your dear name we go,
   to the child, the youth, the aged, love in living deeds to show:
   that your servants, Lord, in freedom may your mercy know and live.
**WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORK**
Prayers of the Church
Lord’s Prayer
Benediction

_Hymn “There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy_  

**There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy**

There’s a w-i-d-e-ness in God’s m-e-r-c-y, like the w-i-d-e-ness of the sea;
for the l-o-v-e of G-o-d is b-r-o-a-d-e-r than the m-e-a-s-u-res of our m-i-n-d;
Tis not all we owe to J-e-s-u-s; it is s-o-m-e-t-h-i-n-g more than al-l;

There’s a k-i-n-d-n-e-s-s in God’s j-u-s-t-i-c-e which is m-o-r-e than l-i-b-e-r-t-y.
and the h-e-a-r-t of the E-v-i-l, l-a-r-g-e-r m-e-r-c-y through the f-a-l-l.

There is no p-l-a-c-e where earth’s s-o-r-r-o-ws are m-o-r-e felt than u-p in h-e-a-v’n.
There is g-r-a-c-e e-n-o-u-g-h for thou-s-a-n-ds of n-e-w w-o-r-l-ds as g-r-e-a-t as this;
M-a-k-e our l-o-v-e, O G-o-d, m-o-r-e f-a-i-th-f-u-l; l-e-t u-s t-a-k-e you a-t y-o-u r w-o-r-d,

There is no p-l-a-c-e where earth’s fa-i-l-i-n-gs have s-u-c-h k-i-n-d-l-y j-u-d-g-m-e-n-t g-i-v’n.
and we m-a-g-n-i-f-y its s-t-r-i-c-t-n-e-s-s with a z-e-a-l G-o-d will not o-w-n.

Dismissal:
Organ Postlude: “Two Old English Hornpipes”  

arr. Gordon Young

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