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Come and Worship the Lord

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Today's Lay Reader: Carol McMahon

Welcome

Call to Worship

Leader:	Come! Come from our sanctuary or from your home. Come at
	11am on Sunday or any time during the week. Come whenever
	and wherever you are. Come! Worship is called in the name of
	the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit!
People:	We come, ready to experience God's never-ending love!
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Leader: God is generous, and God is calling us to be generous too.

People: We have this promise; that God will always provide enough for us to be both generous and satisfied.

Prelude

Hymn





Opening Prayer

Lord, thank you for waking us up this morning! Thank you for calling us to the sanctuary and to our screens to connect with you and your people. We thank you for the things that lift us up, and we give to you the things that weigh us down. You have given freely to us, now we will freely give to you and to our neighbors. Almighty God, equip us, strengthen us and then send us! Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Chorus

Make Me a Servant

Make me a servant, humble and meek; Lord, let me lift up those who are weak; And may the prayer of my heart always he: Make me a servant, make me a servant, Make me a servant today.

Senior Choir

Young Disciples Chatting with the Rev

Scripture Lesson

1 Kings 17:8-16

Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, "Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there, for I have commanded a widow there to feed you." So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, "Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink." As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand." But she said, "As the Lord your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it and die." Elijah said to her, "Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said, but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterward make something for yourself and your son. For thus says the Lord the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the Lord sends rain on the earth." She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the Lord that he spoke by Elijah.

Message Elijah, the Widow and the Endless Oil

Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts to God

Offertory

Doxology Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Hymn

Hymn of Promise



Benediction

Postlude

We are blessed to have Bob Coulon accompanying us on the piano this morning! Bob is with us while Priscilla is on vacation. Thank you, Bob!

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