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1 Kings 18:19-39 The Message (MSG)

¹⁷⁻¹⁹ The moment Ahab saw Elijah he said, "So it's you, old troublemaker!" "It's not I who has caused trouble in Israel," said Elijah, "but you and your government—you've dumped GOD's ways and commands and run off after the local gods, the Baals. Here's what I want you to do: Assemble everyone in Israel at Mount Carmel. And make sure that the special pets of Jezebel, the four hundred and fifty prophets of the local gods, the Baals, and the four hundred prophets of the goddess Asherah, are there." ²⁰ So Ahab summoned everyone in Israel, particularly the prophets, to Mount Carmel. ²¹ Elijah challenged the people: "How long are you going to sit on the fence? If GOD is the real God, follow him; if it's Baal, follow him. Make up your minds!"

1 Kings 19:3-16, 18 The Message (MSG)

3-5 When Elijah saw how things were, he ran for dear life to Beersheba, far in the south of Judah. He left his young servant there and then went on into the desert another day's journey. He came to a lone broom bush and collapsed in its shade, wanting in the worst way to be done with it all—to just die: "Enough of this, God! Take my life—I'm ready to join my ancestors in the grave!" Exhausted, he fell asleep under the lone broom bush. Suddenly an angel shook him awake and said, "Get up and eat!" ⁶ He looked around and, to his surprise, right by his head were a loaf of bread baked on some coals and a jug of water. He ate the meal and went back to sleep. ⁷ The angel of God came back, shook him awake again, and said, "Get up and eat some more—you've got a long journey ahead of you."

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Our Mission is to glorify God in worship, to follow Jesus Christ passionately and to demonstrate God's grace, love, and healing empowered by the Holy Spirit.



5th Sunday after Pentecost

July 9th, 2017

Gathering Around God's Word

PRELUDE Marie Claire Dizin

WELCOME Pat Westfall

PRAYER TO HEAR GODS VOICE TODAY

- Lord Jesus we come with ears and minds and hearts listening to hear what Your Spirit has to say to your church today. You are King, Lord, yet You dwell with Your people. Speak, for Your servants are listening.

RINGING OF THE BELL

INTROIT *Word of God Speak* CD by Mercy Me

*CALL TO WORSHIP From Psalm 29 (New Living)
Leader: Honor the Lord for His Glory and Strength. The voice of the Lord thunders over the mighty waters.

People: The voice of the Lord is Powerful, the voice of the Lord is Majestic.

Leader: The Lord is enthroned as King forever.

People: The Lord gives His people strength. The Lord blesses His people with peace.

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Let us pass the Peace of Christ to one another as we greet each other.

*HYMN 491 *Open Our Eyes Lord*

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Most Holy Lord Jesus, we confess our love to You. Your Word says You sympathize with our weakness and were tempted in the same ways we are, so that gives us courage to bring to You the areas where we fall short. You did not sin, yet we do, by not loving others as You love us. We judge their failures as measured by our successes; we are often deaf to their pleas for love and kindness. We cut short our patience and generosity. We use previous giving as an excuse to not give again. When we feel depleted we take it out on those closest to us instead of going to you. Please forgive us. Please refill us in our deepest need. Whisper Your love to us again.

DECLARATION OF GOD'S LOVE AND FORGIVNESS

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (Hymn 734) *Glory Be to the Father*

*Please stand if you are able.

Proclaiming God's Word

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE *Whispers* Debbie Turnbull

MOMENT IN MISSION *Wycliffe Bible Translators* Kathleen Alexander
Romans 10:17 "Faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the Word of Christ."

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Proverbs 3:5, 6 (The Message) Rosalie Scott

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SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Is. 30:21 (New Living)
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THIRD SCRIPTURE READING 1 Kings 18: 19-39 (The Message) Don Kirkpatrick

FOURTH SCRIPTURE READING 1 Kings 19: 3-16, 18 (The Message) Scot Klingenmaier

MESSAGE *Elijah: Learning to Hear the Whisper of God* Pat Westfall

*HYMN 408 *I am Thine O Lord*

Responding to God's Word

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Wendell Rickon

GIVING OF OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS
Prayer of Thanksgiving /Dedication

Musical Offering

*Doxology

*BENEDICTION

* BLESSING *The Lord's Prayer*

POSTLUDE Marie Claire Dizin