

### 3) **The Lord lifts us up from WORTHLESSNESS.**

<sup>38</sup> As he taught, Jesus said, “Watch out for the teachers of the law. They like to walk around in flowing robes and be greeted with respect in the marketplaces,<sup>39</sup> and have the most important seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at banquets. <sup>40</sup> They devour widows’ houses and for a show make lengthy prayers. These men will be punished most severely.” <sup>41</sup> Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many rich people threw in large amounts. <sup>42</sup> But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a few cents. <sup>43</sup> Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. <sup>44</sup> They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything—all she had to live on.” Mark 12:38-44

### **Worship Prayer...**

*Father in heaven, I admit I am a sinner and cannot save myself, but trust only in your Son Jesus Christ—true God and true man—who died on the cross for me and rose again to give me new life now and forever. By your Holy Spirit’s power take my heart and life and make me yours; turn me from my own selfish path to always love, trust and follow Jesus. Because you love and forgive me, help me forgive and love others. And now, as we gather together as your church in this place, make us one in truth and love according to the faithful leading and unfailing promises of your living Word. In Jesus’ name....Amen!*



### **‘Come grow with us!’**

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# ***Living Word***



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all she had to live on.”***

### **Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost**

November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024  
10:00 am Service

## **WELCOME TO LIVING WORD!**

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### **WE REJOICE IN GOD'S LOVE & FORGIVENESS...**

Opening Prayer

Praise Songs

*"His Eye Is On the Sparrow"*

*"The Power of Your Love"*

Invocation

Confession & Forgiveness

*On screen*

Affirmation of Faith:

*Apostles' Creed*

### **WE RECEIVE GOD'S WORD...**

Today's Psalm

*Psalm 146*

Scripture Readings

*Facing page*

Message Song

*"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"*

Message

*"The Lord Lifts Up"*

### **WE RESPOND TO GOD'S CALL...**

Prayers of God's People

Lord's Prayer

Benediction

Closing Song

*"My Life Is In You, Lord"*

*Please place offerings in basket at sanctuary entrance*

## **"The Lord Lifts Up"**

Psalm 146 says: *"Blessed are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord their God...the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down..."*

### **1) The Lord lifts us up from HOPELESSNESS.**

<sup>8</sup>Then the word of the LORD came to him: <sup>9</sup>"Go at once to Zarephath in the region of Sidon and stay there. I have directed a widow there to supply you with food." <sup>10</sup>So he went to Zarephath. When he came to the town gate, a widow was there gathering sticks. He called to her and asked, "Would you bring me a little water in a jar so I may have a drink?" <sup>11</sup>As she was going to get it, he called, "And bring me, please, a piece of bread." <sup>12</sup>"As surely as the LORD your God lives," she replied, "I don't have any bread—only a handful of flour in a jar and a little olive oil in a jug. I am gathering a few sticks to take home and make a meal for myself and my son, that we may eat it—and die." <sup>13</sup>Elijah said to her, "Don't be afraid. Go home and do as you have said. But first make a small loaf of bread for me from what you have and bring it to me, and then make something for yourself and your son." <sup>14</sup>For this is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says: 'The jar of flour will not be used up and the jug of oil will not run dry until the day the LORD sends rain on the land.'" <sup>15</sup>She went away and did as Elijah had told her. So there was food every day for Elijah and for the woman and her family. <sup>16</sup>For the jar of flour was not used up and the jug of oil did not run dry, in keeping with the word of the LORD spoken by Elijah.  
1 Kings 17:8-16

### **2) The Lord lifts us up from HELPLESSNESS.**

<sup>24</sup>For Christ did not enter a sanctuary made with human hands that was only a copy of the true one; he entered heaven itself, now to appear for us in God's presence. <sup>25</sup>Nor did he enter heaven to offer himself again and again, the way the high priest enters the Most Holy Place every year with blood that is not his own. <sup>26</sup>Otherwise Christ would have had to suffer many times since the creation of the world. But he has appeared once for all at the culmination of the ages to do away with sin by the sacrifice of himself. <sup>27</sup>Just as people are destined to die once, and after that to face judgment, <sup>28</sup>so Christ was sacrificed once to take away the sins of many; and he will appear a second time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those who are waiting for him.

Hebrews 9:24-28