



## #15 Proclaim the Gospel — Serve in Mercy

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### Responsive Reading

*Psalm 1:1-2; 103:15-18*

<sup>1</sup>Blessèd is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked,  
nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers;

<sup>2</sup>**but his delight is in the law of the Lord,  
and on his law he meditates day and night.**

<sup>15</sup>As for man, his days are like grass;  
he flourishes like a flower of the field;

<sup>16</sup>**for the wind passes over it, and it is gone,  
and its place knows it no more.**

<sup>17</sup>But the steadfast love of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting on those  
who fear him, and his righteousness to children's children,

<sup>18</sup>**to those who keep his covenant  
and remember to do his commandments.**

**Reader 1:** The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) supports the extension of mission outreach, education, and mercy through independent Recognized Service Organizations (RSOs), whose programs are in harmony with the doctrine and practice of the LCMS. RSOs provide social ministry, educational services, camps, campus ministry, mission outreach, international services, communication programs, and more in hundreds of communities.

**Reader 2:** It is the desire of LCMS to build up the Lutheran identity of RSOs by having the ability to offer them devotional and worship material. This grant will assist the RSOs in strongly living out their Lutheran identity in Word and Sacrament ministry and in acts of mercy.

**Reader 3:** *For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek (Romans 1:16, NKJV).*

### We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God *LSB 941*

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You, Christ, are King of glory, the everlasting Son,  
Yet You, with boundless love, sought to rescue ev'ryone:  
You laid aside Your glory, were born of virgin's womb,  
Were crucified for us and were placed into a tomb;  
Then by Your resurrection You won for us reprieve—  
You opened heaven's kingdom to all who would believe.

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