COLLECT: Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Mark 5:22-24 & 35b-43

(NKJV) ²¹ Now when Jesus had crossed over again by boat to the other side, a great multitude gathered to Him; and He was by the sea. ²² And behold, one of the rulers of the synagogue came, Jairus by name. And when he saw Him, he fell at His feet ²³ and begged Him earnestly, saying, "My little daughter lies at the point of death. Come and lay Your hands on her, that she may be healed, and she will live. So Jesus went with him, and a great multitude followed Him and thronged Him..... some came from the ruler of the synagogue's house who said, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the Teacher any further?" ³⁶ As soon as Jesus heard the word that was spoken, He said to the ruler of the synagogue, "Do not be afraid; only believe." ³⁷ And He permitted no one to follow Him except Peter, James, and John the brother of James. ³⁸ Then He came to the house of the ruler of the synagogue, and saw a tumult and those who wept and wailed loudly. ³⁹ When He came in, He said to them, "Why make this commotion and weep? The child is not dead, but sleeping." ⁴⁰ And they ridiculed Him. But when He had put them all outside, He took the father and the mother of the child, and those who were with Him, and entered where the child was lying.⁴¹ Then He took the child by the hand, and said to her, "Talitha, cumi," which is translated, "Little girl, I say to you, arise." ⁴² Immediately the girl arose and walked, for she was twelve years of age. And they were overcome with great amazement. ⁴³ But He commanded them strictly that no one should know it and said that something should be given her to eat.





Sunday July 1st, 2012 – Kingdomtide

Birthdays: July 3rd = Al Dillon, July 6 = Fr. Jerry Meixner

Wednesday nights we will continue our study on the subject of the manifestation of the kingdom of God. Included will be instruction in living in the fullness of the kingdom as citizens and ambassadors who are enabled to go into the world and be effective bearers of light and new life for all. Come and learn.

The fall Clergy retreat will be held here September 27-29 for the Diocese of the West. We will need planners, implementers, do-ers and prayers to help out with the various functions associated with the retreat. Please let Fr. Jerry and/or Clara know if you are available and willing to help. A planning committee will meet in the next couple of weeks to begin the process. Thank you

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR TODAY ARE FROM AL AND JEAN DILLON

Keep on praying every day for those who are sick or recovering from their illness. The prayers of this Church family are powerful. God hears and answers our petitions on behalf of each other. Let's agree together for the <u>continued</u> healing of Pat Bird, Elton Blair, Carol Acklin, Oregon Sims and Kevin Helms. Thank God for their healing, let's envision all of them healthy, whole and strong.

FIRST READING Deuteronomy 15:7-11 (NIV)7 If

anyone is poor among your fellow Israelites in any of the towns of the land the LORD your God is giving you, do not be hardhearted or tightfisted toward them. ⁸ Rather, be openhanded and freely lend them whatever they need. ⁹ Be careful not to harbor this wicked thought: "The seventh year, the year for canceling debts, is near," so that you do not show ill will toward the needy among your fellow Israelites and give them nothing. They may then appeal to the LORD against you, and you will be found guilty of sin. ¹⁰ Give generously to them and do so without a grudging heart; then because of this the LORD your God will bless you in all your work and in everything you put your hand to. ¹¹ There will always be poor people in the land. Therefore I command you to be openhanded toward your fellow Israelites who are poor and needy in your land.

THE PSALM 112

¹ Praise the LORD. Blessed are those who fear the LORD,
*who find great delight in his commands.
² Their children will be mighty in the land;

*the generation of the upright will be blessed.

³ Wealth and riches are in their houses,

*and their righteousness endures forever.

⁴ Even in darkness light dawns for the upright,

*for those who are gracious & compassionate & righteous.

⁵ Good will come to those who are generous and lend freely,

*Who conduct their affairs with justice.

⁶ Surely the righteous will never be shaken;

*they will be remembered forever.

⁷ They will have no fear of bad news;

*their hearts are steadfast, trusting in the LORD.

⁸ Their hearts are secure, they will have no fear;
*in the end they will look in triumph on their foes.
⁹ They have freely scattered their gifts to the poor,
*their righteousness endures forever; their horn will be lifted high in honor.

SECOND READING 2 Corinthians 8:1-9 & 13-15 (NIV)

And now, brothers and sisters, we want you to know about the grace that God has given the Macedonian churches.² In the midst of a very severe trial, their overflowing joy and their extreme poverty welled up in rich generosity.³ For I testify that they gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability. Entirely on their own, ⁴ they urgently pleaded with us for the privilege of sharing in this service to the Lord's people. ⁵ And they exceeded our expectations: They gave themselves first of all to the Lord, and then by the will of God also to us. ⁶ So we urged Titus, just as he had earlier made a beginning, to bring also to completion this act of grace on your part. ⁷ But since you excel in everything —in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in the love we have kindled in you—see that you also excel in this grace of giving. ⁸ I am not commanding you, but I want to test the sincerity of your love by comparing it with the earnestness of others.⁹ For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich.

¹³ Our desire is not that others might be relieved while you are hard pressed, but that there might be equality. ¹⁴ At the present time your plenty will supply what they need, so that in turn their plenty will supply what you need. The goal is equality, ¹⁵ as it is written: "The one who gathered much did not have too much, and the one who gathered little did not have too little."