



## **Mite Box Devotion**

**Sing Hymn #806 LSB, "Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart"**

- Leader 1:** John 3:35 tells us...."The Father loves the Son and has placed everything in His hands"
- Leader 2:** Take a look at your hands, what do you see? Do you see smooth skin? Do you see wrinkles? Do you have long fingers or short fingers? Think about how you use your hands..... (pause)
- Leader 1:** John 20:20 says: After He said this, He showed them His Hands and side, the Disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.
- Leader 2:** How Blessed we are to have faith! We know that Christ does exist without having to see Him! What joy we have by faith. We use our hands to open our Bible and find those verses that mean so much to us. We thank God for our hands!
- Leader 1:** John 21:18, "I tell you the truth, when you were younger you dressed yourself and went where you wanted; but when you are old you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go".
- Leader 2:** When we were young our mom's and dad's took care of us. They dressed us and fed us not only physically, but spiritually. As we grew we used our hands to dress ourselves and made our own choices. Some day when we are older we may have to use the hands of other people to help us dress. We thank God for our hands and others too!
- Leader 1:** 1 Corinthians 4:12, "We work hard with our own hands, when we are cursed, we bless; when we are persecuted, we endure it..."
- Leader 2:** Just as our missionaries work with their hands to build churches in other countries, along with the "Laborers for Christ who build Mission Churches here in the United States, not only do they use their hands, they use their voices to spread God's Word throughout the land.
- Leader 1:** 1<sup>st</sup> Timothy 2:8, "I want men everywhere to lift up holy hands in prayer, ....."
- Leader 2:** Let us lift up our hands in prayer:

Dear Lord,

We thank you for our grants: "Property to Build a Church for the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Jacmel, Haiti" for \$10,000 and the Michigan District LWML Mission Trips \$10,000. We pray that you use their hands to build a church and their voices to spread your Word. We pray that the mites we dedicate to you today, go to do your good in spreading the Gospel. In Jesus Name we pray..Amen.

**Close with the "Doxology" Hymn #805 in the LSB**