

# Week 3: We Are the Church That Serves (St. Peter Lutheran Church - Spanish Lake, St. Louis)

**Hosts:** Luke and Justin | **Theme:** Mercy ministry and hands-on outreach.

# **Key Scripture Readings:**

### Mark 10:45

For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.

## James 2:14-17

What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, be warmed and filled," without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that?

### **Discussion Questions:**

- 1. How do acts of service reflect the heart of Christ?
- 2. What needs in our community are we ignoring?
- 3. How does faith without action fall short of the gospel?
- 4. What are some ways we can serve in our everyday lives, beyond organized church efforts?

## **Reflection & Application:**

- What is one way you can serve this week?
- How can serving open doors for deeper faith conversations?
- Who is someone in your life that could benefit from an intentional act of service?

## **Action Challenge:**

- Volunteer for a ministry or outreach event at your church.
- Look for one person in your daily life you can serve in a meaningful way this week.
- Commit to serving regularly in some capacity, whether through church outreach or personal efforts.