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Our Redeemer Lutheran Church Jackson, Minnesota

"Bringing Jesus to Jackson"

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 20, 2020

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Hymn

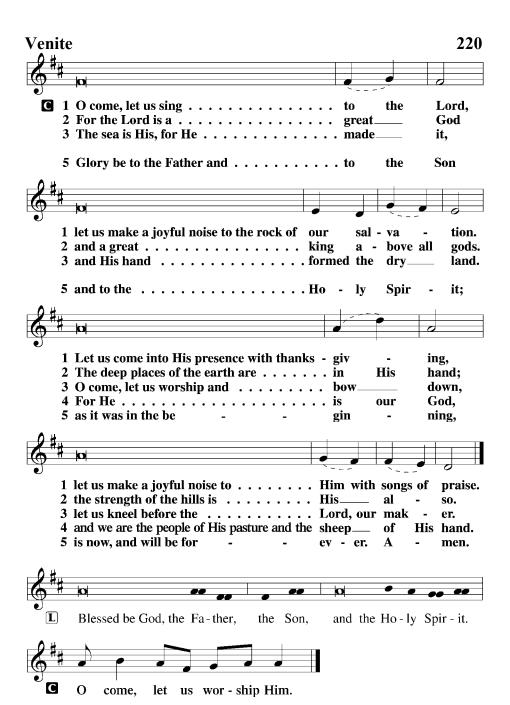
"This Is the Day the Lord Has Made"

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and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.





Psalmody

- Ps. 27:1-9; antiphon: v. 4a
- **P** One thing have I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after:
- C that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.
- P The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?
- **■** The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?
- **P** When evildoers assail me to eat up my flesh,
- my adversaries and foes, it is they who stumble and fall.
- P Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear;
- C though war arise against me, yet I will be confident.
- P One thing have I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after:
- that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to inquire in his temple.
- **P** For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble;
- he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift me high upon a rock.
- And now my head shall be lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy;
- **C** I will sing and make melody to the Lord.
- P Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud;
- **C** be gracious to me and answer me!
- P You have said, "Seek my face."
- My heart says to you, "Your face, Lord, do I seek."
- P Hide not your face from me. Turn not your servant away in anger, O you who have been my help.
- Cast me not off; forsake me not, O God of my salvation! Glory be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

- P One thing have I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after:
- C that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.



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Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 55:6-9 ESV

- ⁶ "Seek the Lord while he may be found; call upon him while he is near;
- let the wicked forsake his way,
 and the unrighteous man his thoughts;
 let him return to the LORD, that he may have compassion on him,
 and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.
- For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the LORD.
- ⁹ For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts."

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

Philippians 1:12–14, 19–30 ESV

¹² I want you to know, brothers, that what has happened to me has really served to advance the gospel, ¹³ so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard and to all the rest that my imprisonment is for Christ. ¹⁴ And most of the brothers, having become confident in the

Lord by my imprisonment, are much more bold to speak the word without fear. . . .

¹⁹ For I know that through your prayers and the help of the Spirit of Jesus Christ this will turn out for my deliverance, ²⁰ as it is my eager expectation and hope that I will not be at all ashamed, but that with full courage now as always Christ will be honored in my body, whether by life or by death. ²¹ For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. ²² If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. ²³ I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better. ²⁴ But to remain in the flesh is more necessary on your account. ²⁵ Convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all, for your progress and joy in the faith, ²⁶ so that in me you may have ample cause to glory in Christ Jesus, because of my coming to you again.

²⁷ Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel, ²⁸ and not frightened in anything by your opponents. This is a clear sign to them of their destruction, but of your salvation, and that from God. ²⁹ For it has been granted to you that for the sake of Christ you should not only believe in him but also suffer for his sake, ³⁰ engaged in the same conflict that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel

St. Matthew 20:1–16 ESV

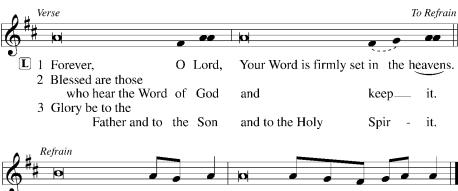
¹ [Jesus said:] "For the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard.

² After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. ³ And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, ⁴ and to them he said, 'You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.' ⁵ So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. ⁶ And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?'

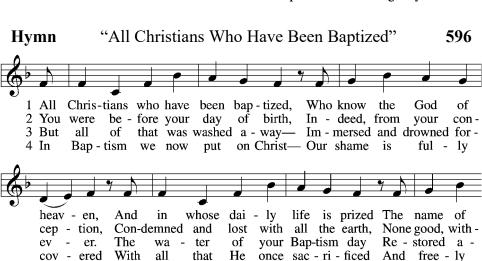
⁷ They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You go into the vineyard too.' ⁸ And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.' ⁹ And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. ¹⁰ Now

when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. ¹¹ And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, ¹² saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' ¹³ But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? ¹⁴ Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. ¹⁵ Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?' ¹⁶ So the last will be first, and the first last."

P O Lord, have mercy on us. C Thanks be to God.



Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glo-ry dwells.





Christ once giv - en: Con - sid - er now what God has done, ex - cep - tion. For like your par - ents' flesh and blood, Turned out Old Ad - am and his sin And gain de - stroyed for suf - fered. For here the flood of His own blood



gifts He gives to ev - 'ry - one Bap-tized in - to Christ Je - sus! in - ward from the high-est good, You con-stant - ly de - nied Him. all our sin - ful selves em-ployed Ac - cord-ing to our na - ture. makes us ho - ly, right, and good Be - fore our heav'n-ly Fa - ther.

5 O Christian, firmly hold this gift And give God thanks forever! It gives the power to uplift In all that you endeavor.

When nothing else revives your soul,

Your Baptism stands and makes you whole

And then in death completes you.

6 So use it well! You are made new

In Christ a new creation!
As faithful Christians, live and do
Within your own vocation,
Until that day when you possess
His glorious robe of righteousness
Bestowed on you forever!

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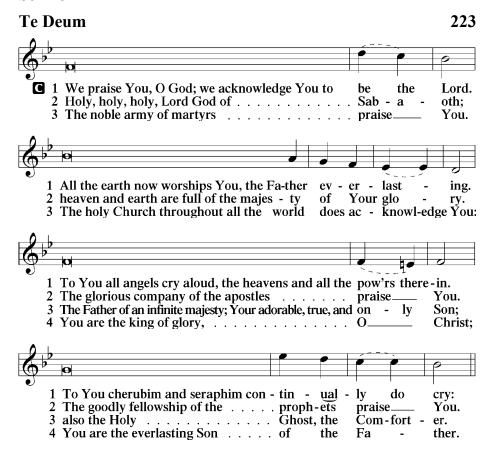
Catechism Lesson: The Sacrament of Baptism

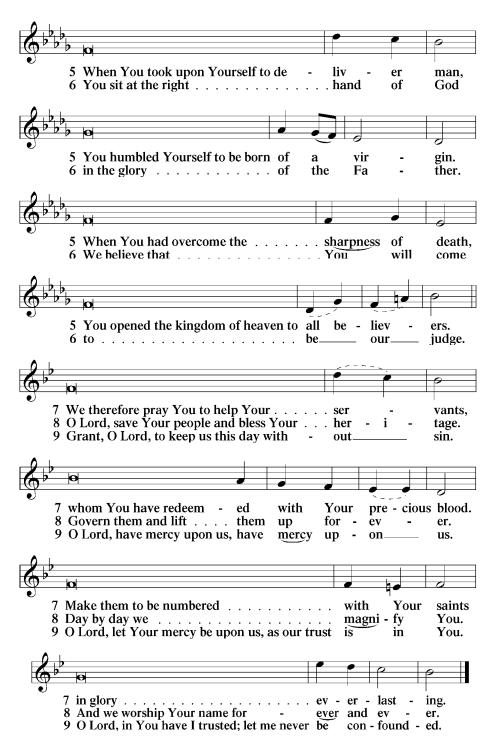
- P How can water do such great things?
- Certainly not just water, but the word of God in and with the water does these things, along with the faith which trusts this word of God in the water. For without God's word the water is plain water and no Baptism. But with the word of God it is a Baptism, that is, a life-giving water, rich in grace, and a washing of the new birth in the Holy Spirit, as St. Paul says in Titus, chapter three: "He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by His grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life. This is a trustworthy saying."
- **P** What does such baptizing with water indicate?
- It indicates that the Old Adam in us should by daily contrition and repentance be drowned and die with all sins and evil

desires, and that a new man should daily emerge and arise to live before God in righteousness and purity forever.

- **P** Where is this written?
- St. Paul writes in Romans chapter six: "We were therefore buried with Him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life."

Sermon





Kyrie 227



C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

Lord's Prayer

C Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.



Prayers

Gen Rehnelt, Travus Mekosch, Kim Nesmoe.

Petitions conclude:

P . . . let us pray to the Lord: C Lord, have mercy. Final petition:

P Hear the prayers of Your people, O Lord, and grant to us all things good and wholesome and keep from us all things harmful. Give us contentment, that trusting in Your mercy we may delight in Your saving will where the last are made first by Your generosity and grace; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

P O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



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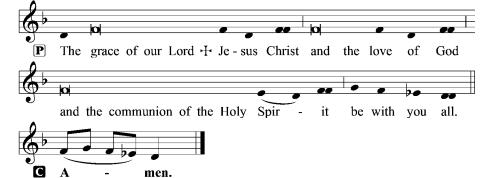
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Benediction

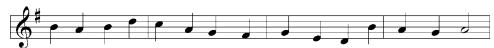
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Hymn

"Hark, the Voice of Jesus Crying"

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- 1 Hark, the voice of Je sus cry ing, "Who will go and work to day? 2 If you can-not speak like an - gels, If you can - not preach like Paul,
- 3 If you can-not be a watch-man, Stand-ing high on Zi on's wall,
- 4 Let none hear you i dly say ing, "There is noth-ing I can do,"



Fields are white and har-vests wait-ing— Who will bear the sheaves a-way?" You can tell the love of Je-sus, You can say He died for all. Point-ing out the path to heav-en, Of-fring life and peace to all, While the mul-ti-tudes are dy-ing And the Mas-ter calls for you.



Loud and long the Mas-ter call-eth; Rich re-ward He of-fers thee. If you can - not rouse the wick-ed With the judg-ment's dread a - larms, With your prayers and with your boun-ties You can do what God com-mands; Take the task He gives you glad-ly, Let His work your plea-sure be;



Who will an-swer, glad-ly say-ing, "Here am I, send me, send me"? You can lead the lit-tle chil-dren To the Sav-ior's wait - ing arms. You can be like faith-ful Aar-on, Hold-ing up the proph-et's hands. An - swer quick-ly when He call-eth, "Here am I, send me, send me!"

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