



Our Redeemer Lutheran Church
Jackson, Minnesota
The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost
High School Confirmation
July 18, 2021

Welcome to this Divine Service. We gather in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Please sign the attendance card in pew and place in offering plate.



Prelude and Ringing of the Bell

Hymn “Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation” **909**

Confession and Absolution **203**

Introit **Ps. 147:7-11; antiphon: Ps. 145:16**

P You open your hand;

C you satisfy the desire of every living thing.

P Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving;

C make melody to our God on the lyre!

P He covers the heavens with clouds; he prepares rain for the earth;

C he makes grass grow on the hills.

P He gives to the beasts their food,

C and to the young ravens that cry.

P His delight is not in the strength of the horse,

C nor his pleasure in the legs of a man,

P but the LORD takes pleasure in those who fear him,

C in those who hope in his steadfast love.

**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 You open your hand;

C you satisfy the desire of every living thing.

Kyrie, Gloria in Excelsis **204-5**

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray. Heavenly Father, though we do not deserve Your goodness, still You provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge Your gifts, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and

reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 23:1–6 ESV

¹“Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture!” declares the LORD. ²Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who care for my people: “You have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. Behold, I will attend to you for your evil deeds, declares the LORD. ³Then I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴I will set shepherds over them who will care for them, and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall any be missing, declares the LORD. ⁵“Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: ‘The LORD is our righteousness.’”

P This is the Word of the Lord. **C Thanks be to God.**

Gradual

Romans 11:33, 36

P Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!

C How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!

P For from him and through him and to him are all things.

C To him be glory forever. Amen.

Epistle

Ephesians 2:11–22 ESV

¹¹Therefore remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called “the uncircumcision” by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands— ¹²remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility ¹⁵by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, ¹⁶and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility. ¹⁷And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were

near. ¹⁸ For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹ So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, ²⁰ built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, ²¹ in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. ²² In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

[P] This is the Word of the Lord. **[C]** Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse

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Holy Gospel

St. Mark 6:30–44 ESV

[P] The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixth chapter.

[C] Glory to You, O Lord.

^{30/} The apostles returned to Jesus and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹ And he said to them, “Come away by yourselves to a desolate place and rest a while.” For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³² And they went away in the boat to a desolate place by themselves. ³³ Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they ran there on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. ³⁴ When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. And he began to teach them many things. ³⁵ And when it grew late, his disciples came to him and said, “This is a desolate place, and the hour is now late. ³⁶ Send them away to go into the surrounding countryside and villages and buy themselves something to eat.” ³⁷ But he answered them, “You give them something to eat.” And they said to him, “Shall we go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread and give it to them to eat?” ³⁸ And he said to them, “How many loaves do you have? Go and see.” And when they had found out, they said, “Five, and two fish.” ³⁹ Then he commanded them all to sit down in groups on the green grass. ⁴⁰ So they sat down in groups, by hundreds and by fifties. ⁴¹ And taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples to set before the people. And he divided the two fish among them all. ⁴² And they all ate and were satisfied. ⁴³ And they took up twelve baskets full of broken pieces and of the fish. ⁴⁴ And those who ate the loaves were five thousand men.

[P] This is the Gospel of the Lord.

[C] Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

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Hymn “The Church's One Foundation” 644

Sermon **“This Is Who You Are”** **Ephesians 2:11-22**

Rite of Confirmation 272-274

Aiyana Rebecca Marie Benjamin 2 Corinthians 12:8-10

Azalea Gail Benjamin 1 Peter 1:6-7

Prayer of the Church

Heather Muir (Mary Muir's stepdaughter), Sue Schulz, Neil Miller, Matt Nielsen (Karilyn Richard's son), Corlene Hansen, Rose Baerg (Mark Oeltjenbruns's aunt), Ron Kloos, Spencer Hesel, Barney Olson, Delbert Milbrath (Steve Milbrath's uncle), Travus Mekosch, Kim Nesmoe.

Petitions conclude:

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

Final petition concludes:

P ... one God forever. **C** Amen.

Offering

Hymn “Praise the Almighty” **797**

The Lord's Prayer

Collect

P Let us pray. Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that, by patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benedicamus and Benediction 212

Hymn “Christ Be My Leader” **861**

Postlude



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