



Our Redeemer Lutheran Church
Jackson, Minnesota
“Bringing Jesus to Jackson”
The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
August 15, 2021



Prelude and Ringing of the Bell

Hymn

“Today Your Mercy Calls Us”

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1 To - day Your mer - cy calls us To wash a - way our sin.
2 To - day Your gate is o - pen, And all who en - ter in
3 To - day our Fa - ther calls us; His Ho - ly Spir - it waits;
4 O all - em - brac - ing Mer - cy, O ev - er - o - pen Door,



How - ev - er great our tres - pass, What - ev - er we have been,
Shall find a Fa - ther's wel - come And par - don for their sin.
His bless - ed an - gels gath - er A - round the heav'n - ly gates.
What should we do with - out You When heart and eye run o'er?



How - ev - er long from mer - cy Our hearts have turned a - way,
The past shall be for - got - ten, A pres - ent joy be giv'n,
No ques - tion will be asked us How of - ten we have come;
When all things seem a - gainst us, To drive us to de - spair,



Your pre - cious blood can wash us And make us clean to - day.
A fu - ture grace be prom - ised, A glo - rious crown in heav'n.
Al - though we oft have wan - dered, It is our Fa - ther's home.
We know one gate is o - pen, One ear will hear our prayer.

Confession and Absolution

[L] In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

[C] Amen.

[L] Our help is in the name of the Lord,

[C] who made heaven and earth.

[L] If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

[C] But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

[L] Since we are gathered to hear God's Word and call upon Him in prayer and praise, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

[C] Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

[L] Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

[C] Amen.

Introit

Ps. 143:1-2; antiphon: Ps. 143:9

[L] The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding.

[C] His praise endures forever!

[L] Praise the Lord! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart,

[C] in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

[L] Great are the works of the Lord,

[C] studied by all who delight in them.

[L] Full of splendor and majesty is his work,

[C] and his righteousness endures forever.

[L] He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered;

[C] the Lord is gracious and merciful.

[L] He provides food for those who fear him;

[C] he remembers his covenant forever.

[L] He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant

forever.

- C** Holy and awesome is his name!
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.

- L** The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding.

- C** His praise endures forever!

Kyrie, Gloria in Excelsis

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



- C** 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro- claimed at Je-sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

L O Lord, hear my prayer.

C And let my cry come to You.

L Let us pray. Almighty God, whom to know is everlasting life, grant us to know Your Son, Jesus, to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow His steps in the way that leads to life eternal; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Proverbs 9:1–10 ESV

- ¹ Wisdom has built her house;
she has hewn her seven pillars.
- ² She has slaughtered her beasts; she has mixed her wine;
she has also set her table.
- ³ She has sent out her young women to call
from the highest places in the town,
- ⁴ “Whoever is simple, let him turn in here!”
To him who lacks sense she says,
- ⁵ “Come, eat of my bread
and drink of the wine I have mixed.
- ⁶ Leave your simple ways, and live,
and walk in the way of insight.”
- ⁷ Whoever corrects a scoffer gets himself abuse,
and he who reproves a wicked man incurs injury.
- ⁸ Do not reprove a scoffer, or he will hate you;
reprove a wise man, and he will love you.
- ⁹ Give instruction to a wise man, and he will be still wiser;
teach a righteous man, and he will increase in learning.
- ¹⁰ The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom,
and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight.

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

Gradual

Ps. 34:9, 19, alt.

L Fear the LORD, you his saints,

C for those who fear him lack nothing!

L Many are the afflictions of the righteous,

C but the LORD delivers him out of them all.

Epistle

Ephesians 5:6–21 ESV

⁶Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. ⁷Therefore do not become partners with them; ⁸for at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light ⁹(for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), ¹⁰and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord. ¹¹Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. ¹²For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret. ¹³But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, ¹⁴for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says,

“Awake, O sleeper,
and arise from the dead,
and Christ will shine on you.”

¹⁵Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, ¹⁶making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. ¹⁸And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart, ²⁰giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

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



[C] Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



[C] These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



Holy Gospel

St. John 6:51–69 ESV

[L] The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixth chapter.

[C] Glory to You, O Lord.

⁵¹ [Jesus said:] “I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

⁵² The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, “How can this man give us his flesh to eat?” ⁵³ So Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴ Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day. ⁵⁵ For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. ⁵⁶ Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him. ⁵⁷ As the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever feeds on me, he also will live because of me. ⁵⁸ This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like the bread the fathers ate, and died. Whoever feeds on this bread will live forever.” ⁵⁹ Jesus said these things in the synagogue, as he taught at Capernaum.

⁶⁰ When many of his disciples heard it, they said, “This is a hard saying; who can listen to it?” ⁶¹ But Jesus, knowing in himself that his disciples were grumbling about this, said to them, “Do you take offense at this?”

⁶² Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? ⁶³ It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh is no help at all. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. ⁶⁴ But there are some of you who do not believe.” (For Jesus knew from the beginning who those were who did not believe, and who it was who would betray him.) ⁶⁵ And he said, “This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted him by the Father.”

⁶⁶ After this many of his disciples turned back and no longer walked with him. ⁶⁷ So Jesus said to the twelve, “Do you want to go away as well?” ⁶⁸ Simon Peter answered him, “Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life, ⁶⁹ and we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God.”

[L] This is the Gospel of the Lord. **[C]** Praise to You, O Christ.

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.


And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the ✠ life everlasting. Amen.

Hymn

“You Are the Way, Through You Alone”

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1 You are the way; through You a - lone Can
 2 You are the truth; Your Word a - lone True
 3 You are the life; the emp - ty tomb Pro -
 4 You are the way, the truth, the life; Grant

we the Fa - ther find; In You, O Christ, has
 wis - dom can im - part; You on - ly can in -
 claims Your con - qu'ring arm, And those who put their
 us that way to know, That truth to keep, that

God re - vealed His heart and will and mind.
 form the mind And pu - ri - fy the heart.
 trust in You Not death nor hell shall harm.
 life to win Whose joys e - ter - nal flow.

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Letter from Pastor

St. John 6:51–69

“The Flesh and Blood That Keeps You Fresh”

Prayer of the Church

Gerald Mead (Lori Milbrath's uncle), Jane Henning, Heather Muir (Mary Muir's stepdaughter), Sue Schulz, Neil Miller, Corlene Hansen, Rose Baerg (Mark Oeltjenbruns's aunt), Ron Kloos, Spencer Heser, Barney Olson, Del-

bert Milbrath (Steve Milbrath's uncle), Travus Mekosch, Kim Nesmoe.

Prayer concludes:

L . . . through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You
and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Offering

Hymn

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

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1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won - drous - ly
3 Praise to the Lord, who has fear - ful - ly, won - drous - ly,
4 Praise to the Lord, who will pros - per your work and de -
5 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -



a - tion! O my soul, praise Him, for He is your
reign - ing And, as on wings of an ea - gle, up -
made you; Health has be - stowed and, when heed - less - ly
fend you; Sure - ly His good - ness and mer - cy shall
dore Him! All that has life and breath, come now with



health and sal - va - tion! Let all who hear Now to His
lift - ing, sus - tain - ing. Have you not seen All that is
fall - ing, has stayed you. What need or grief Ev - er has
dai - ly at - tend you. Pon - der a - new What the Al -
prais - es be - fore Him! Let the A - men Sound from His



tem - ple draw near, Join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
need - ful has been Sent by His gra - cious or - dain - ing?
failed of re - lief? Wings of His mer - cy did shade you.
might - y can do As with His love He be - friends you.
peo - ple a - gain; Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore Him!

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The 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.

Collect and Benediction

L Let us pray. Almighty God, grant to Your Church Your Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes down from above, that Your Word may not be bound but have free course and be preached to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, that in steadfast faith we may serve You and, in the confession of Your name, abide unto the end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

L The Lord bless us, defend us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life.

C Amen.



1 On what has now been sown Thy bless - ing, Lord, be - stow;
 2 To Thee our wants are known, From Thee are all our pow'rs;
 3 O grant that each of us, Now met be - fore Thee here,



The pow'r is Thine a - lone To make it sprout and grow. Do Thou
 Ac - cept what is Thine own And par - don what is ours. Our prais -
 May meet to - geth - er thus When Thou and Thine ap - pear And fol -



in grace the har - vest raise, And Thou a - lone shalt have the praise!
 es, Lord, and prayers re - ceive, And to Thy Word a bless - ing give.
 low Thee to heav'n, our home. E'en so, a - men, Lord Je - sus, come!

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Postlude



**Thank you to Lay Ministers Mark Mohr and Mark Oeltjenbruns
 for leading us in worship this morning!**

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