



Our Redeemer Lutheran Church
Jackson, Minnesota
“Bringing Jesus to Jackson”
The Fourth Sunday in Lent
March 27, 2022

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.

Communion Policy: In the Lord’s Supper, the Risen Christ gives us His true Body & Blood for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of our faith. As we participate in the Lord’s Supper we declare doctrinal unity. Therefore we ask guests who are not members of Our Redeemer Lutheran Church to speak with Pastor before communing with us.



Prelude and Ringing of the Bell

Anthem “Lenten Meditation” **Adult Choir**

Hymn “Today Your Mercy Calls Us” **915**

Confession and Absolution **151**

Introit **Ps. 51:2-6; antiphon: Ps. 51:1**

P Have mercy on me O God, according to your steadfast love;
C according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

P Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
C and cleanse me from my sin!

P For I know my transgressions,
C and my sin is ever before me.

P Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight,
C so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment.

P Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity,
C and in sin did my mother conceive me.

P Behold, you delight in truth in the inward being,
C and you teach me wisdom in the secret heart.

**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 Have mercy on me O God, according to your steadfast love;
C according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

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[P] The Lord be with you. **[C]** *(sung)* **And also with you.****[P]** Let us pray. Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, 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]** *(sung)* **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 12:1–6 ESV

¹ You will say in that day:

“I will give thanks to you, O LORD,
 for though you were angry with me,
 your anger turned away,
 that you might comfort me.

² “Behold, God is my salvation;
 I will trust, and will not be afraid;
 for the LORD GOD is my strength and my song,
 and he has become my salvation.”

³ With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. ⁴ And you will say in that day:

“Give thanks to the LORD,
 call upon his name,
 make known his deeds among the peoples,
 proclaim that his name is exalted.

⁵ “Sing praises to the LORD, for he has done gloriously;
 let this be made known in all the earth.

⁶ Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion,
 for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.”

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

Gradual

Hebrews 12:2

[P] O come, let us fix our eyes on Jesus,
[C] **the founder and perfecter of our faith,**

P who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame,

C and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

Epistle

2 Corinthians 5:16–21 ESV

¹⁶From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer. ¹⁷Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. ¹⁸All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; ¹⁹that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. ²⁰Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. ²¹For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

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

Verse

Luke 15:22a, 24a

spoken together: **The father said to his servants, “This my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.”**

Holy Gospel

St. Luke 15:1-3, 11-32 ESV

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fifteenth chapter.

C (*sung*) **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear [Jesus]. ²And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, “This man receives sinners and eats with them.”

³So he told them this parable: . . .

“There was a man who had two sons. ¹²And the younger of them said to his father, ‘Father, give me the share of property that is coming to me.’ And he divided his property between them. ¹³Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took a journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in reckless living. ¹⁴And when he had spent everything, a severe famine arose in that country, and he began to be in need. ¹⁵So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed pigs. ¹⁶And he was longing to be fed with the pods that the pigs ate, and no one gave him anything.

¹⁷“But when he came to himself, he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired servants have more than enough bread, but I perish here with hunger!’ ¹⁸I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. ¹⁹I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me as one of your hired servants.’” ²⁰And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. ²¹And the son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’ ²²But the father said to his servants, ‘Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet. ²³And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. ²⁴For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.’ And they began to celebrate.

²⁵“Now his older son was in the field, and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. ²⁶And he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. ²⁷And he said to him, ‘Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fattened calf, because he has received him back safe and sound.’ ²⁸But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, ²⁹but he answered his father, ‘Look, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command, yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might celebrate with my friends. ³⁰But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fattened calf for him!’ ³¹And he said to him, ‘Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. ³²It was fitting to celebrate and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.’”

[P] This is the Gospel of the Lord. **[C]** *(sung)* **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Nicene Creed **158**

Hymn “God Loved the Word So That He Gave” **571**

Sermon “Be Reconciled to God” **2 Corinthians 5:16–21**

Prayer of the Church

Lois Kilburn (Pastor’s mother-in-law), April Wolfert, Keaton Clipperton, Helen Mekosch, Sharon Henning, Jane Henning, Ron Kloos, Barney Olson, Travus Mekosch, Kim Nesmoe.

Petitions conclude:

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

Final petition:

P All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us,
Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives
and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever.

C Amen.

Offering and Offertory **159-160**

Service of the Sacrament **160-166**

Distribution Hymns **570, 627**

Post-Communion Canticle “Nunc Dimittis” **165**

Closing Hymn “On My Heart Imprint Your Image” **422**

Postlude

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