

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church Jackson, Minnesota

"Bringing Jesus to Jackson"
Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany
February 12, 2023

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.

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Prelude and Ringing of the Bell

Immanuel Lutheran School Choir

506

Congregation is invited to sing verse 4 of hymn 506 with the choir.

Hymn

"Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"

909

Opening Verses, Venite

219-221

Psalmody

Ps 119:1-8; antiphon: Ps 119:1

- P Blessèd are those whose way is blameless,
- **G** who walk in the law of the Lord!
- P Blessèd are those who keep his testimonies,
- C who seek him with their whole heart,
- **P** who also do no wrong,
- C but walk in his ways!
- P You have commanded your precepts
- C to be kept diligently.
- **P** Oh that my ways may be steadfast
- **C** in keeping your statutes!
- **P** Then I shall not be put to shame,
- **C** having my eyes fixed on all your commandments.
- **P** I will praise you with an upright heart,
- **C** when I learn your just and righteous decrees.
- **P** I will keep your statutes;
- **C** do not utterly forsake me!

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 Blessèd are those whose way is blameless,
- **C** who walk in the law of the Lord!

Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 30:15–20 ESV

¹⁵ "See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil. ¹⁶ If you obey the commandments of the Lord your God that I command you today, by loving the Lord your God, by walking in his ways, and by keeping his commandments and his statutes and his rules, then you shall live and multiply, and the Lord your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to take possession of it. ¹⁷ But if your heart turns away, and you will not hear, but are drawn away to worship other gods and serve them, ¹⁸ I declare to you today, that you shall surely perish. You shall not live long in the land that you are going over the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse. Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live, 20 loving the LORD your God, obeying his voice and holding fast to him, for he is your life and length of days, that you may dwell in the land that the LORD swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them."

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

1 Corinthians 3:1-9 ESV

¹But I, brothers, could not address you as spiritual people, but as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. ²I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for it. And even now you are not yet ready, ³ for you are still of the flesh. For while there is jealousy and strife among you, are you not of the flesh and behaving only in a human way? ⁴For when one says, "I follow Paul," and another, "I follow Apollos," are you not being merely human?

⁵ What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you believed, as the Lord assigned to each. ⁶ I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. ⁷ So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. ⁸ He who plants and he who waters are one, and each will receive his wages according to his labor. ⁹ For we are God's fellow workers. You are God's field, God's building.

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel

St. Matthew 5:21–37 ESV

²¹ [Jesus said:] "You have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not murder; and whoever murders will be liable to judgment.'

²² But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment; whoever insults his brother will be liable to the council; and whoever says, 'You fool!' will be liable to the hell of fire. ²³ So if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, ²⁴ leave your gift there before the altar and go. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift. ²⁵ Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are going with him to court, lest your accuser hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you be put in prison. ²⁶ Truly, I say to you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny. ²⁷ "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery.' ²⁸ But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lustful intent has already committed adultery with her in his heart. ²⁹ If your right ever causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. For it is better

intent has already committed adultery with her in his heart. ²⁹ If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. For it is better that you lose one of your members than that your whole body be thrown into hell. ³⁰ And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. For it is better that you lose one of your members than that your whole body go into hell.

³¹ "It was also said, 'Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.' ³² But I say to you that everyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of sexual immorality, makes her commit adultery, and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

³³ "Again you have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not swear falsely, but shall perform to the Lord what you have sworn.' ³⁴ But I say to you, Do not take an oath at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, ³⁵ or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. ³⁶ And do not take an oath by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. ³⁷ Let what you say be simply 'Yes' or 'No'; anything more than this comes from evil.

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

Common Responsory

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Hymn "Lord, Help Us Ever to Retain"

865

Catechism Lesson: The Lord's Prayer

- **P** The Fourth Petition:
- **C** Give us this day our daily bread.
- **P** What does this mean?
- God certainly gives daily bread to everyone without our prayers, even to all evil people, but we pray in this petition that

God would lead us to realize this and to receive our daily bread with thanksgiving.

P What is meant by daily bread?

Daily bread includes everything that has to do with the support and needs of the body, such as food, drink, clothing, shoes, house, home, land, animals, money, goods, a devout husband or wife, devout children, devout workers, devout and faithful rulers, good government, good weather, peace, health, self-control, good reputation, good friends, faithful neighbors, and the like.

Sermon "Separated for Holiness" St. Matthew 5:21–37

Canticle "Te Deum" 223-225

Offering "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name" ILS Handbells

Kyrie, Lord's Prayer, Salutation

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Prayers

Richard Polz, Lorna Nielsen, Marsha Pohlman, Arnie Henning, Joyce Dorschner, Karen Temple, Keaton Clipperton, Mark Oeltjenbruns, Gen Rehnelt, Robert Pohlman, Diann Johnson (Bernie Stubbe's sister), Deb Sundahl, Ron Kloos, Barney Olson, Travus Mekosch. We remember in our prayers the family of James Rode (Rosalyn Rode's (nee Rosenbrook) husband).

Petitions conclude:

P ... Lord, in Your mercy, C hear our prayer.

Final petition concludes:

P . . . one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Collect for Grace, Benedicamus, Benediction 228

Hymn "How Great Thou Art" **801**

Voters' Assembly

Postlude

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