

# **Our Redeemer Lutheran Church** Jackson, Minnesota

"Bringing Jesus to Jackson" The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost July 2, 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.

**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.

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## Prelude and Ringing of the Bell

"Before You, Lord, We Bow" Hymn

966

### Confession and Absolution

184-185

Introit

Ps. 89:15-18; antiphon: Ps. 89:1

- **P** I will sing of the steadfast love of the Lord, forever;
- with my mouth I will make known your faithfulness to all generations.
- P Blessèd are the people who know the festal shout,
- C who walk, O Lord, in the light of your face,
- **P** who exult in your name all the day
- **C** and in your righteousness are exalted.
- **P** For you are the glory of their strength;
- **C** by your favor our horn is exalted.
- **P** For our shield belongs to the LORD,
- **C** our king to the Holy One of Israel.

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** I will sing of the steadfast love of the Lord, forever;
- with my mouth I will make known your faithfulness to all generations.

Kyrie, Gloria in Excelsis

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## Salutation and Collect of the Day

- Let us pray. Almighty God, by the working of Your Holy Spirit, grant that we may gladly hear Your Word proclaimed among us and follow its directing; 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**

Jeremiah 28:5-9 ESV

<sup>5</sup> Then the prophet Jeremiah spoke to Hananiah the prophet in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the Lord, <sup>6</sup> and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the Lord do so; may the Lord make the words that you have prophesied come true, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the Lord, and all the exiles. <sup>7</sup> Yet hear now this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. <sup>8</sup> The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. <sup>9</sup> As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes to pass, then it will be known that the Lord has truly sent the prophet."

**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**

**Romans 7:1–13 ESV** 

<sup>1</sup>Or do you not know, brothers—for I am speaking to those who know the law—that the law is binding on a person only as long as he lives? <sup>2</sup>For a married woman is bound by law to her husband while he lives, but if her husband dies she is released from the law of marriage. <sup>3</sup>Accordingly, she will be called an adulteress if she lives with another man while her husband is alive. But if her husband dies, she is free

from that law, and if she marries another man she is not an adulteress.

<sup>4</sup> Likewise, my brothers, you also have died to the law through the body of Christ, so that you may belong to another, to him who has been

raised from the dead, in order that we may bear fruit for God. <sup>5</sup> For while we were living in the flesh, our sinful passions, aroused by the law, were at work in our members to bear fruit for death. <sup>6</sup> But now we are released from the law, having died to that which held us captive, so that we serve in the new way of the Spirit and not in the old way of the written code.

<sup>7</sup> What then shall we say? That the law is sin? By no means! Yet if it had not been for the law, I would not have known sin. For I would not have known what it is to covet if the law had not said, "You shall not covet." <sup>8</sup> But sin, seizing an opportunity through the commandment, produced in me all kinds of covetousness. For apart from the law, sin lies dead. <sup>9</sup> I was once alive apart from the law, but when the commandment came, sin came alive and I died. <sup>10</sup> The very commandment that promised life proved to be death to me. <sup>11</sup> For sin, seizing an opportunity through the commandment, deceived me and through it killed me. <sup>12</sup> So the law is holy, and the commandment is holy and righteous and good.

<sup>13</sup> Did that which is good, then, bring death to me? By no means! It was sin, producing death in me through what is good, in order that sin might be shown to be sin, and through the commandment might become sinful beyond measure.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

# **Holy Gospel**

Alleluia

190 St. Matthew 10:34–42 ESV

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the tenth chapter.

**C** (sung) Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>34</sup> [Jesus said:] "Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. <sup>35</sup> For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law. <sup>36</sup> And a person's enemies will be those of his own household. <sup>37</sup> Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me. <sup>38</sup> And whoever does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me. <sup>39</sup> Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.

<sup>40</sup> "Whoever receives you receives me, and whoever receives me receives him who sent me. <sup>41</sup> The one who receives a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet's reward, and the one who receives a righteous person because he is a righteous person will

receive a righteous person's reward. <sup>42</sup> And whoever gives one of these little ones even a cup of cold water because he is a disciple, truly, I say to you, he will by no means lose his reward."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** (sung) Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed 191

Hymn "O Holy Spirit, Grant Us Grace" 693

Sermon "A Nation of Grace" Romans 7:1-13

Offertory and Offering

192-193

## **Prayer of the Church**

Ken Temple, Lorna Nielsen, Joyce Dorschner, Karen Temple, Keaton Clipperton, Gen Rehnelt, Robert Pohlman, Diann Johnson (Bernie Stubbe's sister), Ron Kloos, Barney Olson, Travus Mekosch.

### Petitions conclude:

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

Lord God, heavenly Father, bless us in Christ, that we may bear much fruit. Receive our inadequate thanks for Your kindness, especially toward all who have died in the faith and now rest from their labors. Preserve us in the way of the Holy Spirit until we stand with them in glory; for You live and reign with the same Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Service of the Sacrament

194-202

**Distribution Hymns** 

700, 623

**Closing Hymn** 

"God Bless Our Native Land"

965

Postlude

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