

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church Jackson, Minnesota

"Bringing Jesus to Jackson"

The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost June 25, 2023

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Prelude and Ringing of the Bell



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Confession and Absolution

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C who made heaven and earth.
- **P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- **C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Introit

Ps. 56:3-4, 10-11; antiphon: Ps. 56:13

- P For you have delivered my soul from death, yes, my feet from falling,
- **C** that I may walk before God in the light of life.
- **P** When I am afraid,
- **C** I put my trust in you.
- **P** In God, whose word I praise, in God I trust; I shall not be afraid.
- **C** What can flesh do to me?
- **P** In God, whose word I praise,
- in the Lord, whose word I praise,
- **P** in God I trust; I shall not be afraid.
- **C** What can man do to me?

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

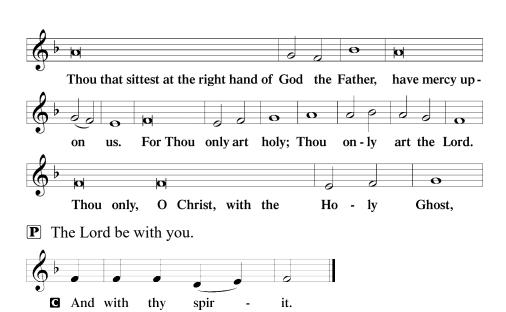
and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

- P For you have delivered my soul from death, yes, my feet from falling,
- C that I may walk before God in the light of life.





Let us pray. O God, because Your abiding presence always goes with us, keep us aware of Your daily mercies that we may live secure and content in Your eternal love; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 20:7-13 ESV

- O LORD, you have deceived me, and I was deceived; you are stronger than I, and you have prevailed.
 I have become a laughingstock all the day; everyone mocks me.
- For whenever I speak, I cry out,
 I shout, "Violence and destruction!"
 For the word of the Lord has become for me
 a reproach and derision all day long.
- If I say, "I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name," there is in my heart as it were a burning fire

shut up in my bones, and I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot.

¹⁰ For I hear many whispering.

Terror is on every side!

"Denounce him! Let us denounce him!" say all my close friends,

watching for my fall.

"Perhaps he will be deceived; then we can overcome him and take our revenge on him."

But the LORD is with me as a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble; they will not overcome me.

They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed.

Their eternal dishonor

will never be forgotten.

O LORD of hosts, who tests the righteous, who sees the heart and the mind, let me see your vengeance upon them, for to you have I committed my cause.

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

Gradual Ps. 145:3, 5b, 6b

P Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,

C and his greatness is unsearchable.

P On your wondrous works, I will meditate,

C and I will declare your greatness.

Epistle

Romans 6:12–23 ESV

¹²Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, to make you obey its passions. ¹³Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness. ¹⁴For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

¹⁵ What then? Are we to sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! ¹⁶ Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey,

either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? ¹⁷ But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were committed, ¹⁸ and, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. ¹⁹ I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification.

²⁰ For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. ²¹ But what fruit were you getting at that time from the things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death. ²² But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life. ²³ For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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



Holy Gospel

St. Matthew 10:5a, 21–33 ESV

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



⁵These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, . . .

²¹ "Brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death, ²² and you will be hated by all for my name's sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. ²³ When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next, for truly, I say to you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.

²⁴ "A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. ²⁵ It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household.

²⁶ "So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be

revealed, or hidden that will not be known. ²⁷ What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. ²⁸ And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. ²⁹ Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. ³⁰ But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. ³¹ Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. ³² So everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven, ³³ but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Nicene Creed 191

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from
heaven

and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man;

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried.

And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,

whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord and giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,

who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life \pm of the world to come. Amen.



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Sermon "You Are Free!" Romans 6:12–23

Installation of Officers, Boards, and Directors

Offering

Prayer of the Church

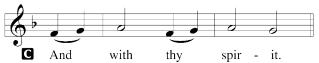
Ken Temple, Richard Polz, Lorna Nielsen, Joyce Dorschner, Karen Temple, Keaton Clipperton, Gen Rehnelt, Robert Pohlman, Diann Johnson (Bernie Stubbe's sister), Ron Kloos, Barney Olson, Travus Mekosch.

Petitions conclude:

- P ... Lord, in Your mercy, Final petition:
- P Be merciful to us, O Lord, and hear our prayers. Grant to us the grace of Your Holy Spirit, that we may be led into all truth and be steadfast in the confession of Christ; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Service of the Sacrament

P The Lord be with you.



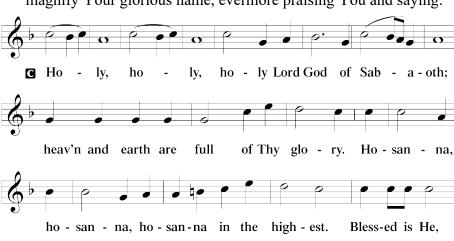
P Lift up your hearts.



P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



bless-ed is He, bless-ed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

The Lord's Prayer

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.

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.



Agnus Dei



Distribution

"Thee Will I Love, My Strength, My Tower" 694 1 Thee will Ι love, my strength, my er; Thee will I tow 2 Thee will Ι love. my life. my Sav ior. Who art mv Whose ra-diance 3 I thank Thee, Je - sus, Sun from heav en, me watch - ful. hum ble; Per - mit 4 O keep then, and 5 Thee glad - ness; Thee will love, my of will Ι crown Ι Thee will Ι love with all love. my hope, my joy. mv tru - est friend. Thee will love and praise for and Ι best light to thank Thee, who hast rich - ly hath brought me: Ι nev - er more to stray. Up - hold me when my feet would A love, God and Lord, mid the dark - est depths of my pow - er, With ar - dor time shall ne'er de-stroy. Thee will ev er, For nev - er shall Thy kind-ness end. Thee will I giv - en All that could make me glad and free; Ι thank Thee stum - ble, And keep me Fill on the nar-row way. all my sad - ness, And not for hope of high re-ward, Thine own For is mine. love, O Light di - vine, So long life as love with all my heart— Thou my Re - deem er art! is healed my soul Bvwhat Thy lips vealed. re na - ture with Thy light, O Ra - diance strong and bright!

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5 Praise God with acclamation And in His gifts rejoice. Each day finds its vocation Responding to His voice. Soon years on earth are past; But time we spend expressing The love of God brings blessing That will forever last!

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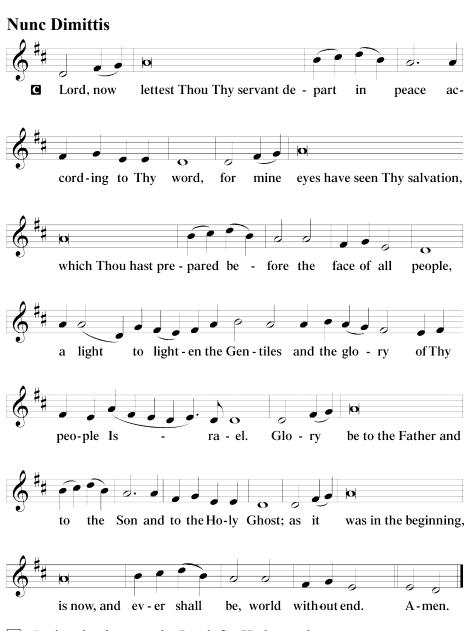
- Yet even though I suffer 6 The world's unpleasantness, And though the days grow rougher And bring me great distress, That day of bliss divine, Which knows no end or measure, And Christ, who is my pleasure, Forever shall be mine.
- \wedge 7 For thus the Father willed it, Who fashioned us from clay; And His own Son fulfilled it And brought eternal day. The Spirit now has come, To us true faith has given; He leads us home to heaven. O praise the Three in One!

His

to Praise Him with thank-ful hearts!

Ac - cord-ing

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P O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



Post-Communion Collect

Let us pray. . . through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Salutation and Benedicamus

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P The Lord be with you.



P Bless we the Lord.



The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

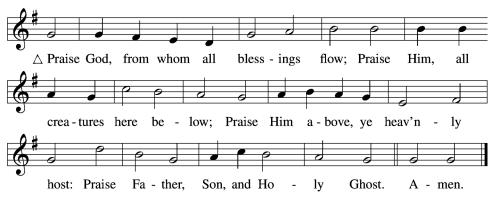
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and H give you peace.



Closing Hymn

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"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"



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Postlude

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