



**Our Redeemer Lutheran Church**  
**Jackson, Minnesota**  
***“Bringing Jesus to Jackson”***  
**The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**August 20, 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.



**Prelude and Ringing of the Bell**

**Hymn**                      “O Day of Rest and Gladness\”                      **906**

**Opening Verses, Venite**                      **219-221**

**Psalmody**                      **Ps. 67; antiphon: Ps. 67:5**

**P** Let the peoples praise you, O God;

**C** let all the peoples praise you!

**P** May God be gracious to us and bless us

**C** and make his face to shine upon us,

**P** that your way may be known on earth,

**C** your saving power among all nations.

**P** Let the peoples praise you, O God;

**C** let all the peoples praise you!

**P** Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,

**C** for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.

**P** Let the peoples praise you, O God;

**C** let all the peoples praise you!

**P** The earth has yielded its increase;

**C** God, our God, shall bless us.

**P** God shall bless us;

**C** let all the ends of the earth fear him!

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** Let the peoples praise you, O God;

**C** let all the peoples praise you!

## Old Testament Reading

## Isaiah 56:1, 6–8 ESV

- <sup>7</sup> Thus says the LORD:  
“Keep justice, and do righteousness,  
for soon my salvation will come,  
and my righteousness be revealed. . . .
- <sup>6</sup> “And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD,  
to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD,  
and to be his servants,  
everyone who keeps the Sabbath and does not profane it,  
and holds fast my covenant—
- <sup>7</sup> these I will bring to my holy mountain,  
and make them joyful in my house of prayer;  
their burnt offerings and their sacrifices  
will be accepted on my altar;  
for my house shall be called a house of prayer  
for all peoples.”

**P** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Epistle

## Romans 11:1–2a, 13–15, 28–32 ESV

<sup>1</sup> I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! For I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. <sup>2</sup> God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. . . .

<sup>13</sup> Now I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch then as I am an apostle to the Gentiles, I magnify my ministry <sup>14</sup> in order somehow to make my fellow Jews jealous, and thus save some of them. <sup>15</sup> For if their rejection means the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance mean but life from the dead? . . .

<sup>28</sup> As regards the gospel, they are enemies for your sake. But as regards election, they are beloved for the sake of their forefathers. <sup>29</sup> For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. <sup>30</sup> For just as you were at one time disobedient to God but now have received mercy because of their disobedience, <sup>31</sup> so they too have now been disobedient in order that by the mercy shown to you they also may now receive mercy.

<sup>32</sup> For God has consigned all to disobedience, that he may have mercy on all.

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**C** Thanks be to God.

## Holy Gospel

St. Matthew 15:21–28 ESV

<sup>21</sup> And Jesus went away from there and withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon. <sup>22</sup> And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and was crying, “Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely oppressed by a demon.” <sup>23</sup> But he did not answer her a word. And his disciples came and begged him, saying, “Send her away, for she is crying out after us.” <sup>24</sup> He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” <sup>25</sup> But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.” <sup>26</sup> And he answered, “It is not right to take the children’s bread and throw it to the dogs.” <sup>27</sup> She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.” <sup>28</sup> Then Jesus answered her, “O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire.” And her daughter was healed instantly.

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**C** Thanks be to God.

## Common Responsory

221

Hymn “I Leave All Things to God’s Direction”

719

## Catechism Lesson: The Lord’s Prayer

**P** The Sixth Petition

**C** And lead us not into temptation.

**P** What does this mean?

**C** God tempts no one. We pray in this petition that God would guard and keep us so that the devil, the world, and our sinful nature may not deceive us or mislead us into false belief, despair, and other great shame and vice. Although we are attacked by these things, we pray that we may finally overcome them and win the victory.

## Sermon

Romans 11:1–2a, 13–15, 28–32

“It’s All About God’s Mercy”

## Canticle

“Te Deum”

223-225

## Offering

## Kyrie, Lord’s Prayer, Salutation

227

## Prayers

*Kathy Miller (Neil’s, Susan’s, and Patti’s sister-in-law), Ken Temple, Karen Temple, Diann Johnson (Bernie Stubbe’s sister), Ron Kloos, Barney Olson, Travus Mekosch. We remember in our prayers the family of Greg Geesman, who recently passed away.*

*Petitions conclude:*

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

*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.**

**Collect for Grace, Benedicamus, Benediction** **228**

**Hymn**                      “Through Jesus' Blood and Merit” **746**

**Postlude**

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