

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church Jackson, Minnesota

"Bringing Jesus to Jackson"

The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost August 6, 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

Hymn "In Thee Is Gladness" **818**

Confession and Absolution

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Introit Ps. 105:39-43; antiphon: Ps. 105:1

- P Oh give thanks to the Lord; call upon his name;
- **C** make known his deeds among the peoples!
- P He spread a cloud for a covering,
- **C** and fire to give light by night.
- **P** They asked, and he brought quail,
- **and gave them bread from heaven in abundance.**
- **P** He opened the rock, and water gushed out;
- c it flowed through the desert like a river.
- **P** For he remembered his holy promise,
- **C** and Abraham, his servant.
- **P** So he brought his people out with joy,
- **C** his chosen ones with singing.

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 Oh give thanks to the Lord; call upon his name;
- make known his deeds among the peoples!

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P The Lord be with you. C And also with you.
- Let us pray. Heavenly Father, though we do not deserve Your goodness, still You provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge Your gifts, 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 Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 55:1-5 ESV

- "Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters;
 and he who has no money, come, buy and eat!
 Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.
- Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy?
 Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food.
- Incline your ear, and come to me; hear, that your soul may live; and I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David.
- ⁴ Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples.
- Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know, and a nation that did not know you shall run to you, because of the Lord your God, and of the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you."

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.

¹I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience bears me witness in the Holy Spirit—² that I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. ³ For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers, my kinsmen according to the flesh. ⁴ They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises. ⁵ To them belong the patriarchs, and from their race, according to the flesh, is the Christ, who is God over all, blessed forever. Amen.

⁶But it is not as though the word of God has failed. For not all who are descended from Israel belong to Israel, ⁷ and not all are children of Abraham because they are his offspring, but "Through Isaac shall your offspring be named." ⁸This means that it is not the children of the flesh who are the children of God, but the children of the promise are counted as offspring. ⁹For this is what the promise said: "About this time next year I will return, and Sarah shall have a son." ¹⁰ And not only so, but also when Rebekah had conceived children by one man, our forefather Isaac, ¹¹ though they were not yet born and had done nothing either good or bad—in order that God's purpose of election might continue, not because of works but because of him who calls— ¹² she was told, "The older will serve the younger." ¹³ As it is written, "Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated."

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

Alleluia and Verse

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Holy Gospel

St. Matthew 14:13-21 ESV

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourteenth chapter. Glory to You, O Lord.

¹³ Now when Jesus heard [about the death of John], he withdrew from there in a boat to a desolate place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴ When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick. ¹⁵ Now when it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a desolate place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves." ¹⁶ But Jesus said, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." ¹⁷ They said to him, "We have only five loaves here and two fish." ¹⁸ And he said, "Bring them here to me." ¹⁹ Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass, and taking the five loaves and the two fish, he

looked up to heaven and said a blessing. Then he broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰ And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. ²¹ And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord. C Praise to You, O Christ.

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Hymn "Church of God, Elect and Glorious" 646

Sermon "Children of the Promise" Romans 9:1–13

Prayer of the Church

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.

Petitions conclude:

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

Final petition:

P O Lord, let us seek You while You may be found, call upon You in the day of salvation and be prepared by Your mercy for the day of judgment; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Offering

Service of the Sacrament

208-212

Distribution Hymns

642, 648

Closing Hymn

"God's Word Is Our Great Heritage"

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Postlude

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