

# Our Redeemer Lutheran Church Jackson, Minnesota

"Bringing Jesus to Jackson"

Seventh Sunday after Ponto

# The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost July 7, 2024

**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** "Before You, Lord, We Bow"

966

#### **Confession and Absolution**

184-185

Introit Ps. 132:13-16; antiphon: Ps. 34:8

- **P** Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good!
- **C** Blessèd is the man who takes refuge in him!
- **P** For the Lord has chosen Zion;
- **C** he has desired it for his dwelling place:
- **P** "This is my resting place forever;
- **C** here I will dwell, for I have desired it.
- **P** I will abundantly bless her provisions;
- **C** I will satisfy her poor with bread.
- P Her priests I will clothe with salvation,
- and her saints will shout for joy.

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, taste and see that the LORD is good!
- Blessèd is the man who takes refuge in him!

Kyrie, Gloria in Excelsis

186-189

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P The Lord be with you. (sung) And with thy spirit.
- Let us pray. O God, Your almighty power is made known chiefly in showing mercy. Grant us the fullness of Your grace that we may be called to repentance and made partakers of Your heavenly treasures; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C (sung) Amen.

#### **Old Testament Reading**

Ezekiel 2:1-5 ESV

<sup>1</sup>He said to me, "Son of man, stand on your feet, and I will speak with you." <sup>2</sup>And as he spoke to me, the Spirit entered into me and set me on my feet, and I heard him speaking to me. <sup>3</sup>And he said to me, "Son of man, I send you to the people of Israel, to nations of rebels, who have rebelled against me. They and their fathers have transgressed against me to this very day. <sup>4</sup>The descendants also are impudent and stubborn: I send you to them, and you shall say to them, 'Thus says the Lord God.' <sup>5</sup>And whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house) they will know that a prophet has been among them."

**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**

#### 2 Corinthians 12:1-10 ESV

<sup>1</sup> I must go on boasting. Though there is nothing to be gained by it, I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. <sup>2</sup> I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows.

<sup>3</sup> And I know that this man was caught up into paradise—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows—<sup>4</sup> and he heard things that cannot be told, which man may not utter. <sup>5</sup> On behalf of this man I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses—<sup>6</sup> though if I should wish to boast, I would not be a fool, for I would be speaking the truth; but I refrain from it, so that no one may think more of me than he sees in me or hears from me. <sup>7</sup> So to keep me from becoming conceited because of the surpassing greatness of the

revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to harass me, to keep me from becoming conceited. <sup>8</sup> Three times I pleaded with the Lord about this, that it should leave me. <sup>9</sup> But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me. <sup>10</sup> For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

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

Alleluia 190

## **Holy Gospel**

St. Mark 6:1–13 ESV

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixth chapter.
- **C** (sung) Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup> [Jesus] went away from there and came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. <sup>2</sup> And on the Sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astonished, saying, "Where did this man get these things? What is the wisdom given to him? How are such mighty works done by his hands? <sup>3</sup> Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon? And are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. <sup>4</sup> And Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor, except in his hometown and among his relatives and in his own household." <sup>5</sup> And he could do no mighty work there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and healed them. <sup>6</sup> And he marveled because of their unbelief.

And he went about among the villages teaching.

<sup>7</sup> And he called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. <sup>8</sup> He charged them to take nothing for their journey except a staff—no bread, no bag, no money in their belts— <sup>9</sup> but to wear sandals and not put on two tunics. <sup>10</sup> And he said to them, "Whenever you enter a house, stay there until you depart from there. <sup>11</sup> And if any place will not receive you and they will not listen to you, when you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." <sup>12</sup> So they went out and proclaimed that people should repent. <sup>13</sup> And they cast out many demons and anointed with oil many who were sick and healed them.

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- **C** (sung) Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed 191

Sermon "God Still Speaks" Ezekiel 2:1–5

## Offertory and Offering

192-193

## **Prayer of the Church**

Bonnie Temple (Ken and Karen Temple's daughter-in-law), Mary Grantz, Gen Rehnelt, Don Kuehl, Ron Thurmer, Matt Nielsen (Karilyn Richard's son), Craig Hakes, Ruth Polz, Richard Polz, Megan Janzen (Pastor Nathan Janzen's wife), Teressa Schuetz (Pastor's niece), Ron Sinn, Brent Baumann (Steve Milbrath's brother-in-law and Lori Milbrath's cousin), Carol Kolander, Ken Temple, Karen Temple, Ron Kloos, Travus Mekosch. We remember in our prayers Jake Staton, who has been deployed overseas in our nation's armed forces. We remember in our prayers Michael Haeffner and Miranda Gleason who will be joined in holy matrimony this Saturday.

#### Petitions conclude:

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

P Hear us, heavenly Father, for the sake of Christ Jesus, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Service of the Sacrament

194-202

**Distribution Hymns** 

728, 690, 625

**Closing Hymn** 

"God Bless Our Native Land"

965

**Postlude** 

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