



Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

Jackson, Minnesota

“Bringing Jesus to Jackson”

The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 25, 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 “Alleluia! Let Praises Ring” **822**

Confession and Absolution **203**

Introit **Ps. 26:1-2, 6-7; antiphon: Ps. 26:8**

[P] O LORD, I love the habitation of your house

[C] and the place where your glory dwells.

[P] Vindicate me, O LORD, for I have walked in my integrity,

[C] and I have trusted in the LORD without wavering.

[P] Prove me, O LORD, and try me;

[C] test my heart and my mind.

[P] I wash my hands in innocence and go around your altar, O LORD,

[C] proclaiming thanksgiving aloud, and telling all your wondrous deeds.

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] O LORD, I love the habitation of your house

[C] and the place where your glory dwells.

Kyrie, Gloria in Excelsis

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Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray. Almighty and merciful God, defend Your Church from all false teaching and error that Your faithful people may confess You to be the only true God and rejoice in Your good gifts of life and salvation; 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 29:11–19 ESV

¹¹ And the vision of all this has become to you like the words of a book that is sealed. When men give it to one who can read, saying, “Read this,” he says, “I cannot, for it is sealed.” ¹² And when they give the book to one who cannot read, saying, “Read this,” he says, “I cannot read.”

¹³ And the Lord said:

“Because this people draw near with their mouth
and honor me with their lips,
while their hearts are far from me,
and their fear of me is a commandment taught by men,

¹⁴ therefore, behold, I will again
do wonderful things with this people,
with wonder upon wonder;
and the wisdom of their wise men shall perish,
and the discernment of their discerning men shall be hidden.”

¹⁵ Ah, you who hide deep from the LORD your counsel,
whose deeds are in the dark,
and who say, “Who sees us? Who knows us?”

¹⁶ You turn things upside down!
Shall the potter be regarded as the clay,
that the thing made should say of its maker,
“He did not make me”;
or the thing formed say of him who formed it,
“He has no understanding”?

¹⁷ Is it not yet a very little while
until Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field,
and the fruitful field shall be regarded as a forest?

¹⁸ In that day the deaf shall hear
the words of a book,

and out of their gloom and darkness
the eyes of the blind shall see.

- ¹⁹ The meek shall obtain fresh joy in the LORD,
and the poor among mankind shall exult in the Holy One of
Israel.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Ps. 34:9, 19, alt.

P Fear the LORD, you his saints,

C for those who fear him lack nothing!

P Many are the afflictions of the righteous,

C but the LORD delivers him out of them all.

Epistle

Ephesians 5:22–33 **ESV**

²² Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. ²³ For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church, his body, and is himself its Savior. ²⁴ Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands.

²⁵ Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, ²⁶ that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, ²⁷ so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish. ²⁸ In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. ²⁹ For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church, ³⁰ because we are members of his body. ³¹ “Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.”

³² This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church. ³³ However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse

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Holy Gospel

St. Mark 7:1–13 **ESV**

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the seventh chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹ Now when the Pharisees gathered to [Jesus], with some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem, ² they saw that some of his disciples ate

with hands that were defiled, that is, unwashed. ³ (For the Pharisees and all the Jews do not eat unless they wash their hands properly, holding to the tradition of the elders, ⁴ and when they come from the marketplace, they do not eat unless they wash. And there are many other traditions that they observe, such as the washing of cups and pots and copper vessels and dining couches.) ⁵ And the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, “Why do your disciples not walk according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?” ⁶ And he said to them, “Well did Isaiah prophesy of you hypocrites, as it is written,

“ ‘This people honors me with their lips,
but their heart is far from me;

⁷ in vain do they worship me,
teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.’

⁸ You leave the commandment of God and hold to the tradition of men.”

⁹ And he said to them, “You have a fine way of rejecting the commandment of God in order to establish your tradition! ¹⁰ For Moses said, ‘Honor your father and your mother’; and, ‘Whoever reviles father or mother must surely die.’ ¹¹ But you say, ‘If a man tells his father or his mother, “Whatever you would have gained from me is Corban” ’ (that is, given to God)— ¹² then you no longer permit him to do anything for his father or mother, ¹³ thus making void the word of God by your tradition that you have handed down. And many such things you do.”

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

Nicene Creed 206

Hymn “The Law of God Is Good and Wise” 579

Sermon “The Power of Submission” **Ephesians 5:22–33**

Prayer of the Church

Mike Lappe (Dave & Donna Lappe’s nephew), Ivan Adkins, Ruth Polz, Irene Montgomery, Gene Geesman, Bonnie Temple (Ken and Karen Temple’s daughter-in-law), Mary Grantz, Don Kuehl, Matt Nielsen (Karilyn Richard’s son), Megan Janzen (Pastor Nathan Janzen’s wife), Ron Sinn, Brent Baumann (Steve Milbrath’s brother-in-law and Lori Milbrath’s cousin), 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.

Petitions conclude:

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

Final petition:

P Into Your hands, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; 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 580, 555

Closing Hymn 668 v. 1

“Rise! To Arms! With Prayer Employ You”

Postlude

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