



# Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

Jackson, Minnesota

*“Bringing Jesus to Jackson”*

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 8, 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.



## Prelude and Ringing of the Bell

Hymn      “Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness”      849

Opening Verses, Venite      219-221

Psalmody      Psalm 146; antiphon: v. 2

**P** I will praise the LORD as long as I live;

**C** I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

**P** Praise the LORD!

**C** Praise the LORD, O my soul!

**P** I will praise the LORD as long as I live;

**C** I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

**P** Put not your trust in princes,

**C** in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation.

**P** When his breath departs, he returns to the earth;

**C** on that very day his plans perish.

**P** Blessèd is he whose help is the God of Jacob,

**C** whose hope is in the LORD his God,

**P** who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them,

**C** who keeps faith forever;

**P** who executes justice for the oppressed,

**C** who gives food to the hungry.

**P** The LORD sets the prisoners free; the LORD opens the eyes of the blind.

**C** The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous.

**P** The LORD watches over the sojourners; he upholds the widow and the fatherless,

**C** but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

**P** The LORD will reign forever,

**C** your God, O Zion, to all generations. Praise the LORD!  
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.

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**C** I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

**Hymn** “Jesus Sinners Doth Receive” **609 vv. 1-4**

**Old Testament Reading** **Isaiah 35:4–7a ESV**

- <sup>4</sup> Say to those who have an anxious heart,  
“Be strong; fear not!  
Behold, your God  
will come with vengeance,  
with the recompense of God.  
He will come and save you.”
- <sup>5</sup> Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,  
and the ears of the deaf unstopped;
- <sup>6</sup> then shall the lame man leap like a deer,  
and the tongue of the mute sing for joy.  
For waters break forth in the wilderness,  
and streams in the desert;
- <sup>7a</sup> the burning sand shall become a pool,  
and the thirsty ground springs of water.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Epistle** **James 2:1–10, 14–18 ESV**

<sup>1</sup> My brothers, show no partiality as you hold the faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory. <sup>2</sup> For if a man wearing a gold ring and fine clothing comes into your assembly, and a poor man in shabby clothing also comes in, <sup>3</sup> and if you pay attention to the one who wears the fine clothing and say, “You sit here in a good place,” while you say to the poor man, “You stand over there,” or, “Sit down at my feet,” <sup>4</sup> have you not then made distinctions among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts? <sup>5</sup> Listen, my beloved brothers, has not God chosen those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom, which he has promised to those who love him? <sup>6</sup> But you have dishonored the poor man. Are not the rich the ones who oppress you, and the ones who drag you into court? <sup>7</sup> Are they not the ones who blaspheme the honorable name by which you were called?

<sup>8</sup> If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, “You shall

love your neighbor as yourself,” you are doing well. <sup>9</sup> But if you show partiality, you are committing sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. <sup>10</sup> For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become guilty of all of it. . . .

<sup>14</sup> What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? <sup>15</sup> If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food, <sup>16</sup> and one of you says to them, “Go in peace, be warmed and filled,” without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that? <sup>17</sup> So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead.

<sup>18</sup> But someone will say, “You have faith and I have works.” Show me your faith apart from your works, and I will show you my faith by my works.

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**C** Thanks be to God.

## Holy Gospel

St. Mark 7:31–37 ESV

<sup>31</sup> Then he returned from the region of Tyre and went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. <sup>32</sup> And they brought to him a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment, and they begged him to lay his hand on him. <sup>33</sup> And taking him aside from the crowd privately, he put his fingers into his ears, and after spitting touched his tongue. <sup>34</sup> And looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, “Ephphatha,” that is, “Be opened.” <sup>35</sup> And his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. <sup>36</sup> And Jesus charged them to tell no one. But the more he charged them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. <sup>37</sup> And they were astonished beyond measure, saying, “He has done all things well. He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak.”

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**C** Thanks be to God.

## Common Responsory

221

Hymn “Jesus Sinners Doth Receive”

609 vv. 5-7

## Catechism Lesson: Confession

**P** What is Confession?

**C** Confession has two parts. First, that we confess our sins, and second, that we receive absolution, that is, forgiveness, from the pastor as from God Himself, not doubting, but firmly believing that by it our sins are forgiven before God in heaven.

**P** What sins should we confess?

**C** Before God we should plead guilty of all sins, even those we are not aware of, as we do in the Lord's Prayer; but before the pastor we should confess only those sins which we know and feel in our hearts.

**P** Which are these?

**C** Consider your place in life according to the Ten Commandments: Are you a father, mother, son, daughter, husband, wife, or worker? Have you been disobedient, unfaithful, or lazy? Have you been hot-tempered, rude, or quarrelsome? Have you hurt someone by your words or deeds? Have you stolen, been negligent, wasted anything, or done any harm?

**Sermon** "Comfort for Anxious Hearts" **Isaiah 35:4–7a**

**Installation of Sunday School Teachers**

**Canticle** "Te Deum" **223-225**

**Offering**

**Kyrie, Lord's Prayer, Salutation** **227**

**Prayer of the Church**

*Irene Montgomery, Gene Geesman, Bonnie Temple (Ken and Karen Temple's daughter-in-law), 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), 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** . . . let us pray to the Lord: **C** Lord, have mercy.

*Final petition concludes:*

**P** . . . one God, now and forever. **C** Amen.

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

**Hymn** "Let Children Hear the Mighty Deeds" **867**

**Postlude**



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