



Our Redeemer Lutheran Church
Jackson, Minnesota
“Bringing Jesus to Jackson”
St. Peter and St. Paul, Apostles
June 29, 2025

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.



Prelude and Ringing of the Bell

Hymn “By All Your Saints in Warfare” **518 vv. 1, 19, 3**

Confession and Absolution **184-185**

Introit **Ps. 89:1, 5, 15–16; antiphon: Ps. 119:46**

[P] I will speak of your testimonies before kings, [O LORD,]

[C] and shall not be put to shame.

[P] I will sing of the steadfast love of the LORD, forever;

[C] with my mouth I will make known your faithfulness to all generations.

[P] Let the heavens praise your wonders, O LORD,

[C] your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones!

[P] Blessed are the people who know the festal shout,

[C] who walk, O LORD, in the light of your face,

[P] who exult in your name all the day

[C] and in your righteousness are exalted.

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] I will speak of your testimonies before kings, [O LORD,]

[C] and shall not be put to shame.

Kyrie, Gloria in Excelsis

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Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

P Let us pray. Merciful and eternal God, Your holy apostles Peter and Paul received grace and strength to lay down their lives for the sake of Your Son. Strengthen us by Your Holy Spirit that we may confess Your truth and at all times be ready to lay down our lives for Him who laid down His life for us, even Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

First Reading

Acts 15:1–12 ESV

¹ But some men came down from Judea and were teaching the brothers, “Unless you are circumcised according to the custom of Moses, you cannot be saved.” ² And after Paul and Barnabas had no small dissension and debate with them, Paul and Barnabas and some of the others were appointed to go up to Jerusalem to the apostles and the elders about this question. ³ So, being sent on their way by the church, they passed through both Phoenicia and Samaria, describing in detail the conversion of the Gentiles, and brought great joy to all the brothers. ⁴ When they came to Jerusalem, they were welcomed by the church and the apostles and the elders, and they declared all that God had done with them. ⁵ But some believers who belonged to the party of the Pharisees rose up and said, “It is necessary to circumcise them and to order them to keep the law of Moses.”

⁶ The apostles and the elders were gathered together to consider this matter. ⁷ And after there had been much debate, Peter stood up and said to them, “Brothers, you know that in the early days God made a choice among you, that by my mouth the Gentiles should hear the word of the gospel and believe. ⁸ And God, who knows the heart, bore witness to them, by giving them the Holy Spirit just as he did to us, ⁹ and he made no distinction between us and them, having cleansed their hearts by faith. ¹⁰ Now, therefore, why are you putting God to the test by placing a yoke on the neck of the disciples that neither our fathers nor we have been able to bear? ¹¹ But we believe that we will be saved through the grace of the Lord Jesus, just as they will.”

¹² And all the assembly fell silent, and they listened to Barnabas and Paul as they related what signs and wonders God had done through them among the Gentiles.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Romans 10:15b, 18b; Isaiah 52:7b, alt.

- P** How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news,
C who publish peace and bring good news of salvation.
P Their voice has gone out to all the earth,
C and their words to the ends of the world.

Epistle

Galatians 2:1–10 ESV

¹Then after fourteen years I went up again to Jerusalem with Barnabas, taking Titus along with me. ²I went up because of a revelation and set before them (though privately before those who seemed influential) the gospel that I proclaim among the Gentiles, in order to make sure I was not running or had not run in vain. ³But even Titus, who was with me, was not forced to be circumcised, though he was a Greek. ⁴Yet because of false brothers secretly brought in—who slipped in to spy out our freedom that we have in Christ Jesus, so that they might bring us into slavery—⁵to them we did not yield in submission even for a moment, so that the truth of the gospel might be preserved for you. ⁶And from those who seemed to be influential (what they were makes no difference to me; God shows no partiality)—those, I say, who seemed influential added nothing to me. ⁷On the contrary, when they saw that I had been entrusted with the gospel to the uncircumcised, just as Peter had been entrusted with the gospel to the circumcised ⁸(for he who worked through Peter for his apostolic ministry to the circumcised worked also through me for mine to the Gentiles), ⁹and when James and Cephas and John, who seemed to be pillars, perceived the grace that was given to me, they gave the right hand of fellowship to Barnabas and me, that we should go to the Gentiles and they to the circumcised. ¹⁰Only, they asked us to remember the poor, the very thing I was eager to do.

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

Alleluia

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Holy Gospel

St. Matthew 16:13–19 ESV

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the sixteenth chapter.
C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

¹³Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” ¹⁴And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” ¹⁵He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” ¹⁶Simon Peter replied, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living

God.” ¹⁷ And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. ¹⁸ And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. ¹⁹ I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed 191

Sermon “Speaking God’s Testimonies” **Psalm 119:46**

Offertory and Offering 192-193

Prayer of the Church

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

P . . . one God forever. **C** Amen.

Service of the Sacrament 194-202

Distribution Hymns 647, 783, 623

Closing Hymn 526

“You Are the Way; through You Alone”

Voters’ Assembly

Postlude



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