

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church Jackson, Minnesota

"Bringing Jesus to Jackson"
The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
August 24, 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.

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Prelude and Ringing of the Bell

Hymn "From All That Dwell Below the Skies"

816

Opening Verses, Venite

219-221

Psalmody

Ps. 117; antiphon: Ps. 96:6a; 115:18

- P Splendor and majesty are before him;
- **©** we will bless the Lord from this time forth and forevermore. Praise the Lord!
- Praise the Lord, all nations!
- **C** Extol him, all peoples!
- **P** For great is his steadfast love toward us,
- **C** and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever. 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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Hymn

"Glorious Things of You are Spoken"

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Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 66:18–23 ESV

¹⁸ "For I know their works and their thoughts, and the time is coming to gather all nations and tongues. And they shall come and shall see my glory, ¹⁹ and I will set a sign among them. And from them I will send survivors to the nations, to Tarshish, Pul, and Lud, who draw the bow, to Tubal and Javan, to the coastlands far away, that have not heard my fame or seen my glory. And they shall declare my glory among the nations. ²⁰ And they shall bring all your brothers from all the nations as an offering to the LORD, on horses and in chariots and in litters and on

mules and on dromedaries, to my holy mountain Jerusalem, says the LORD, just as the Israelites bring their grain offering in a clean vessel to the house of the LORD. ²¹ And some of them also I will take for priests and for Levites, says the LORD.

- ²² "For as the new heavens and the new earth that I make shall remain before me, says the LORD, so shall your offspring and your name remain.
- From new moon to new moon, and from Sabbath to Sabbath, all flesh shall come to worship before me, declares the Lord."
- P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

Hebrews 12:4–24 ESV

⁴ In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood. ⁵ And have you forgotten the exhortation that addresses you as sons?

"My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord, nor be weary when reproved by him.

⁶ For the Lord disciplines the one he loves, and chastises every son whom he receives."

⁷ It is for discipline that you have to endure. God is treating you as sons. For what son is there whom his father does not discipline? ⁸ If you are left without discipline, in which all have participated, then you are illegitimate children and not sons. ⁹ Besides this, we have had earthly fathers who disciplined us and we respected them. Shall we not much more be subject to the Father of spirits and live? ¹⁰ For they disciplined us for a short time as it seemed best to them, but he disciplines us for our good, that we may share his holiness. ¹¹ For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it. ¹² Therefore lift your drooping hands and strengthen your weak knees, ¹³ and make straight paths for your feet, so that what is lame may not be put out of joint but rather be healed. ¹⁴ Strive for peace with everyone, and for the holiness without which no one will see the Lord. ¹⁵ See to it

that no one fails to obtain the grace of God; that no "root of bitterness" springs up and causes trouble, and by it many become defiled; ¹⁶ that no one is sexually immoral or unholy like Esau, who sold his birthright for

a single meal. ¹⁷ For you know that afterward, when he desired to inherit the blessing, he was rejected, for he found no chance to repent,

though he sought it with tears.

¹⁸ For you have not come to what may be touched, a blazing fire and darkness and gloom and a tempest ¹⁹ and the sound of a trumpet and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that no further messages be spoken to them. ²⁰ For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even a beast touches the mountain, it shall be stoned." ²¹ Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear." ²² But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, ²³ and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, ²⁴ and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel

St. Luke 13:22–30 ESV

²²[Jesus] went on his way through towns and villages, teaching and journeying toward Jerusalem. ²³ And someone said to him, "Lord, will those who are saved be few?" And he said to them, ²⁴ "Strive to enter through the narrow door. For many, I tell you, will seek to enter and will not be able. ²⁵ When once the master of the house has risen and shut the door, and you begin to stand outside and to knock at the door, saying, 'Lord, open to us,' then he will answer you, 'I do not know where you come from.' 26 Then you will begin to say, 'We ate and drank in your presence, and you taught in our streets.' ²⁷ But he will say, 'I tell you, I do not know where you come from. Depart from me, all you workers of evil!' 28 In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God but you yourselves cast out. ²⁹ And people will come from east and west, and from north and south, and recline at table in the kingdom of God. ³⁰ And behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last."

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Common Responsory

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Hymn "A Multitude Comes from the East and the West"

Catechism Lesson: The Ten Commandments

- P The Fifth Commandment
- C You shall not murder
- **P** What does this mean?

- We should fear and love God so that we do not hurt or harm our neighbor in his body, but help and support him in every physical need.
- P The Sixth Commandment
- C You shall not commit adultery.
- **P** What does this mean?
- We should fear and love God so that we lead a sexually pure and decent life in what we say and do, and husband and wife love and honor each other.

Sermon "Holy God, Holy Children" Hebrews 12:4–24

Canticle "Te Deum" 223-225

Offering

Kyrie, Lord's Prayer, Salutation

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Prayer of the Church

Lynn Propp (Dee Kloos's brother), Gary Hummel, Warren Schafer (Mary Muir's cousin), Jerry Vilmain (Richard and Dorene Polz's brother-in-law), Shealyn Schuetz (Pastor's niece), Neil Miller, Karen Temple, Jim Grantz, Doug Wetzler, Bonnie Temple (Ken and Karen Temple's daughter-in-law), Don Kuehl, Matt Nielsen (Karilyn Richard's son), Ron Sinn, Ron Kloos, Travus Mekosch. We remember in our prayers the family of Ines Henning (sister-in-law to Bill Henning and cousin of the Onken sisters), who recently passed away. We rejoice with Richard Hample as he celebrates his 90th birthday.

Petitions conclude:

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

Final petition concludes:

P ... one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Collect for Grace, Benedicamus, Benediction 228

Hymn "Lord of All Nations Grant Me Grace" 844

Postlude

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