

# Our Redeemer Lutheran Church Jackson, Minnesota

"Bringing Jesus to Jackson" The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost **September 14, 2025** 

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# **Prelude and Ringing of the Bell**



#### Confession and Absolution

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C who made heaven and earth.
- P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **©** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word and call upon Him in prayer and praise, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.
- Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.
- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

### Introit

# Ps. 30:2-5; antiphon: Ps. 30:11a, 12b

- P You have turned for me my mourning into dancing;
- © O Lord my God, I will give thanks to you forever!
- P O Lord my God, I cried to you for help,
- **C** and you have healed me.
- P O LORD, you have brought up my soul from Sheol;
- **Q** you restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit.
- P Sing praises to the Lord, O you his saints,
- **C** and give thanks to his holy name.
- **P** For his anger is but for a moment,
- and his favor is for a lifetime.
- P Weeping may tarry for the night,

- but joy comes with the morning. 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 You have turned for me my mourning into dancing;
- O Lord my God, I will give thanks to you forever!

#### Kyrie, Gloria in Excelsis

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C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.



- 1 To God on high be glo ry And peace to all the earth; 2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
  - 3 For You a lone are ho ly; You on ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth!

O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.

For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry, You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo-ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King. Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—In God the Fa-ther's glo-ry. "A-men!" our glad re-ply.

# Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P The Lord be with you. C And also with you.
- P Let us pray. Lord Jesus, You are the Good Shepherd, without whom nothing is secure. Rescue and preserve us that we may not be lost

forever but follow You, rejoicing in the way that leads to eternal life; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### C Amen.

# **Old Testament Reading**

**Ezekiel 34:11–24 ESV** 

11 "For thus says the Lord God: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. <sup>12</sup> As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. <sup>13</sup> And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. <sup>14</sup> I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. <sup>15</sup> I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord God. 16 I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice.

<sup>17</sup> "As for you, my flock, thus says the Lord God: Behold, I judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and male goats. <sup>18</sup> Is it not enough for you to feed on the good pasture, that you must tread down with your feet the rest of your pasture; and to drink of clear water, that you must muddy the rest of the water with your feet? <sup>19</sup> And must my sheep eat what you have trodden with your feet, and drink what you have muddied with your feet?

<sup>20</sup> "Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: Behold, I, I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. <sup>21</sup> Because you push with side and shoulder, and thrust at all the weak with your horns, till you have scattered them abroad, <sup>22</sup> I will rescue my flock; they shall no longer be a prey. And I will judge between sheep and sheep. <sup>23</sup> And I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. <sup>24</sup> And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them. I am the LORD; I have spoken."

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

- **P** Fear the Lord, you his saints,
- **C** for those who fear him lack nothing!
- **P** Many are the afflictions of the righteous,
- **©** but the Lord delivers him out of them all.

### **Epistle**

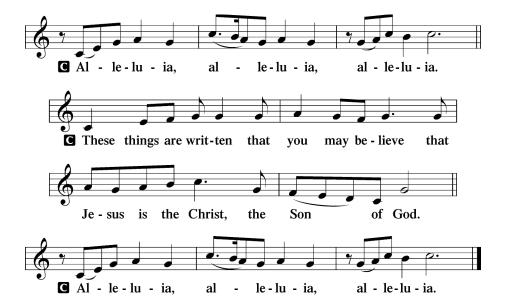
1 Timothy 1:5–17 ESV

<sup>5</sup>The aim of our charge is love that issues from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith. <sup>6</sup>Certain persons, by swerving from these, have wandered away into vain discussion, <sup>7</sup> desiring to be teachers of the law, without understanding either what they are saying or the things about which they make confident assertions.

<sup>8</sup> Now we know that the law is good, if one uses it lawfully, <sup>9</sup> understanding this, that the law is not laid down for the just but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and sinners, for the unholy and profane, for those who strike their fathers and mothers, for murderers, <sup>10</sup> the sexually immoral, men who practice homosexuality, enslavers, liars, perjurers, and whatever else is contrary to sound doctrine, <sup>11</sup> in accordance with the gospel of the glory of the blessed God with which I have been entrusted.

<sup>12</sup> I thank him who has given me strength, Christ Jesus our Lord, because he judged me faithful, appointing me to his service, <sup>13</sup> though formerly I was a blasphemer, persecutor, and insolent opponent. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, <sup>14</sup> and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. <sup>15</sup> The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. <sup>16</sup> But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. <sup>17</sup> To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

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



### **Holy Gospel**

St. Luke 15:1–10 ESV

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fifteenth chapter.

# **C** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear him.

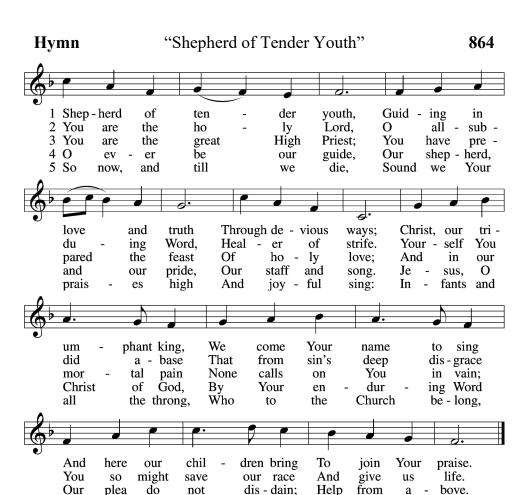
P This is the Gospel of the Lord. C Praise to You, O Christ.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, "This man receives sinners and eats with them."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> So he told them this parable: <sup>4</sup>"What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it? <sup>5</sup> And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. <sup>6</sup> And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' <sup>7</sup> Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> "Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek diligently until she finds it? <sup>9</sup> And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' <sup>10</sup> Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

- **C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.
  - And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.
  - I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the H life everlasting. Amen.



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**Sermon** "Trust What Is Trustworthy"

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### Petitions conclude:

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

#### Final petition:

- P We entrust all these petitions to Your care, loving Father, confident in Your great mercy for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who is worshiped together with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen. **Offering** "Thee Will I Love, My Strength, My Tower" Hymn 694 1 Thee will Ι love. my strength, my Thee Ι tow er: 2 Thee will I love, my life, Sav ior, Who art my my 3 I thank Thee. Sun Je - sus, from heav en, Whose ra-diance watch - ful. hum ble: Per - mit 4 O keep me then, and 5 Thee ness; Thee will I love. mv crown ofglad -I Thee will I love with love, my hope, my joy. my best and tru - est friend. Thee will Ι love and praise for hath brought light to thank Thee, who hast rich - ly me: Up me when my feet would more to stray. hold er -God and Lord. Α mid the dark - est depths love. my time shall ne'er de-stroy. With ar - dor Thee will pow - er, nev - er shall Thy kind-ness end. Thee will I For er, giv - en All that could make me glad and free; I thank Thee stum - ble, And keep me on the nar-row way. Fill all my sad - ness, And not for hope of high re-ward, For Thine own love, O Light di - vine, So long as life is mine. love with all my heart-Thou my Re - deem er art! soul is healed By what Thy lips vealed. mv re na - ture with Thy light, O Ra - diance strong and bright! sake, O Light di - vine, So long life is mine. as

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# The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

#### **Collect**

- Let us pray. . . . through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

# **Benedicamus and Benediction**

- **P** Let us bless the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.
- The Lord bless you and keep you.
  The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
  The Lord look upon you with favor and 

  → give you peace.
- C Amen.



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#### **Postlude**

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