



Our Redeemer Lutheran Church
Jackson, Minnesota
“Bringing Jesus to Jackson”
The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
August 16, 2026

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 “What a Friend We Have in Jesus” **770**

Confession and Absolution **184-185**

Introit **Ps. 28:1-2, 6-7; antiphon: Ps. 28:8**

- [P]** The LORD is the strength of his people;
[C] he is the saving refuge of his anointed.
- [P]** To you, O LORD, I call; my rock, be not deaf to me,
[C] lest, if you be silent to me, I become like those who go down to the pit.
- [P]** Hear the voice of my pleas for mercy, when I cry to you for help,
[C] when I lift up my hands toward your most holy sanctuary.
- [P]** Blessed be the LORD!
[C] For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy.
- [P]** The LORD is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am helped;
[C] my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him.
- 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]** The LORD is the strength of his people;
[C] he is the saving refuge of his anointed.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you. **C** *(sung)* And with thy spirit.

P Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting Father, You give Your children many blessings even though we are undeserving. In every trial and temptation grant us steadfast confidence in Your loving-kindness and mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C *(sung)* Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 56:1, 6–8 ESV

- ¹ Thus says the LORD:
“Keep justice, and do righteousness,
for soon my salvation will come,
and my righteousness be revealed. . . .
- ⁶ “And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD,
to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD,
and to be his servants,
everyone who keeps the Sabbath and does not profane it,
and holds fast my covenant—
- ⁷ these I will bring to my holy mountain,
and make them joyful in my house of prayer;
their burnt offerings and their sacrifices
will be accepted on my altar;
for my house shall be called a house of prayer
for all peoples.”
- ⁸ The Lord GOD,
who gathers the outcasts of Israel, declares,
“I will gather yet others to him
besides those already gathered.”

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

Romans 11:1–2a, 13–15, 28–32 ESV

¹I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! For I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. ²God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. . . .

¹³Now I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch then as I am an apostle to the Gentiles, I magnify my ministry ¹⁴in order somehow to make my fellow Jews jealous, and thus save some of them. ¹⁵For if their rejection means the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance mean but life from the dead? . . .

²⁸As regards the gospel, they are enemies for your sake. But as regards election, they are beloved for the sake of their forefathers. ²⁹For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. ³⁰For just as you were at one time disobedient to God but now have received mercy because of their disobedience, ³¹so they too have now been disobedient in order that by the mercy shown to you they also may now receive mercy.

³²For God has consigned all to disobedience, that he may have mercy on all.

[P] This is the Word of the Lord.

[C] Thanks be to God.

Alleluia

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Holy Gospel

St. Matthew 15:21–28 ESV

[P] The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifteenth chapter.

[C] *(sung)* Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

²¹Jesus went away from there and withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon. ²²And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and was crying, “Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely oppressed by a demon.” ²³But he did not answer her a word. And his disciples came and begged him, saying, “Send her away, for she is crying out after us.” ²⁴He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” ²⁵But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.” ²⁶And he answered, “It is not right to take the children’s bread and throw it to the dogs.” ²⁷She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.” ²⁸Then Jesus answered her, “O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you desire.” And her daughter was healed instantly.

[P] This is the Gospel of the Lord.

[C] *(sung)* Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

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St. Matthew 15:21–28

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Prayer of the Church

Koke Kolander, Craig Hakes, Ron Kolar, Tom Schuller, Dorene Polz, Jeff Schaefer (Mary Muir's cousin), Lynette Zaske (Dee Kloos's sister), Corlyen Stoltenburg, Gloria Carlson (Shelly Tusa's sister), Carolyn Kolander, Richard Polz, Chad Kuehl (Don and Diana Kuehl's nephew), Leo Taylor (Don and Diana Kuehl's nephew's grandson), Mary Grantz, Helen Mekosch, Vern Hansen, Ann Olson, Lynn Propp (Dee Kloos's brother), Warren Schaefer (Mary Muir's cousin), Karen Temple, Matt Nielsen (Karilyn Richard's son), Ron Sinn, Trayus Mekosch.

Petitions conclude:

C hear our prayer.

Final petition:

P Lord God, giver of all that is good, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your grace, that we may endure the changes and chances of this mortal life and be found worthy when our Savior comes to bring to completion all things; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

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“Rise! To Arms! With Prayer Employ You”

Postlude



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