



Blessed Redeemer Lutheran Church

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HOLY COMMUNION IS CELEBRATED AT OUR 9:00AM SERVICE

Oneness at communion presupposes oneness in doctrine. For this reason we practice close communion, and ask guests desiring to commune to speak with the pastor before the service. To those communicants with dietary needs we offer gluten free wafers.

AS WE GATHER

The earthly ministry of Jesus was for the most part in a restricted geographical area. For the three years of His public work, He traveled in the area of Judea and Galilee with a singular sojourn through Samaria. But at least on one occasion, He went beyond familiar boundaries north to the district of Tyre and Sidon, in what today is Lebanon. There He brought healing for the daughter of a Canaanite woman, a person seen as a Gentile and an inferior by the Jews of His home area. The love of Jesus broke down barriers and reached across divides. As people who have been sought out by Jesus, we seek ways to extend His love as the Holy Spirit works in and through us.

SERVICE OF PRAYER AND PREACHING

WORDS OF WELCOME

Elder of the Day

OPENING HYMN

“Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

LSB 528

OPENING VERSICLES [Common]

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O.T. CANTICLE

“My Soul Rejoices”

LSB 933

✠ READINGS FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE ✠

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 56:1, 6–8

This is what the Lord says: “Maintain justice and do what is right, for My salvation is close at hand and My righteousness will soon be revealed. And foreigners who bind themselves to the Lord to minister to Him, to love the name of the Lord, and to be His servants, all who keep the Sabbath without desecrating it and who hold fast to My covenant—these I will bring to My holy mountain and give them joy in My house of prayer. Their burnt offerings and sacrifices will be accepted on My altar; for My house will be called a house of prayer for all nations.” The Sovereign Lord declares—he who gathers the exiles of Israel: “I will gather still others to them besides those already gathered.”

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE READING

Romans 11:1–2a, 13–15, 28–32

I 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. God has not rejected His people whom He foreknew. Do you not know what the Scripture says of Elijah, how he appeals to God against Israel? Now I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch then as I am an apostle to the Gentiles, I magnify my ministry in order somehow to make my fellow Jews jealous, and thus save some of them. For if their rejection means the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance mean but life from the dead? As regards the gospel, they are enemies for your sake. But as regards election, they are beloved for the sake of their forefathers. For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. For just as you were at one time disobedient to God but now have received mercy because of their disobedience, so they too have now been disobedient in order that by the mercy shown to you they also may now receive mercy. For God has consigned all to disobedience, that He may have mercy on all.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Leader: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 15th chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 15:21–28

And Jesus went away from there and withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon. And 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.” But 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.” He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” But she came and knelt before Him, saying, “Lord, help me.” And He answered, “It is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs.” She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table.” Then Jesus answered her, “O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire.” And her daughter was healed instantly.

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

RESPONSORY [Common]

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Pastor: Grant us our daily bread, preserve us from greed and selfish cares, and help us trust in You to provide for all our needs.

People: Forgive us our sins as we also forgive those who sin against us so that our hearts may be at peace and may rejoice in a good conscience before You, and that no sin may ever frighten or alarm us.

Pastor: Lead us not into temptation, O Lord, but help us by Your Spirit to subdue our flesh, to turn from the world and its ways, and to overcome the devil with all his wiles.

People: And lastly, O heavenly Father, deliver us from all evil of both body and soul, now and forever.

Pastor: We trust, O Lord, in Your great mercy to hear and answer us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

OFFERING

****5:30PM SATURDAY EVENING SERVICE****

HYMN

“We Come to Praise You”

AGPS 254

Text: Robert M. Bjornstad; Tune: Bunessan, Gaelic

1. Heavenly Father, we come to praise You. And to say thank You here in our song.
For all the gifts You give through Your kindness, Showing Your love, forgiving our wrong.
2. Jesus, our Savior, we love and follow, For all the blessings You died to share;
Life and salvation we have forever, Trusting Your mercy, Knowing Your care.
3. Comforting Spirit, move us to worship, Showing Christ’s love in all that we do.
Help us to serve our brothers and sisters, Knowing the off’ring’s given to You.

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COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.

All: Lord Jesus Christ, You have promised to embrace all who repent and cry out to You for mercy. Grant that we, no matter our background or station in life, with all assurance come before You, confident that because of Your sacrifice on our behalf, our heavenly Father welcomes our prayers and petitions; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and rules with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR THE WORD	LSB page 265
LUTHER'S EVENING PRAYER	LSB page 266
NEW TESTAMENT CANTICLE	<i>"Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart"</i> LSB 806
BLESSING	LSB page 267
CLOSING HYMN	<i>"How Firm a Foundation"</i> LSB 728

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****9:00AM SUNDAY SERVICE****

† SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT †

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:

HYMN *"We Come to Praise You"* AGPS 254

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HYMN *"Whatsoever You Do"* AGPS 264

Refrain: Whatsoever you do to the least of my brothers That you do unto Me.

1. When I was hungry, you gave Me to eat;
When I was thirsty, you gave Me to drink.
Now enter into the home of My Father. **Refrain**
2. When I was weary, you helped Me find rest;
When I was anxious, you calmed all My fears.
Now enter into the home of My Father. **Refrain**
3. Hurt in a battle, you bound up My wounds;
Searching for kindness, you held out your hand.
Now enter into the home of My Father. **Refrain**

4. When I was homeless, you opened your door;
When I was naked, you gave Me your coat.
Now enter into the home of My Father. **Refrain**
5. When I was little, you taught Me to read;
When I was lonely, you gave Me your love.
Now enter into the home of My Father. **Refrain**
6. When I was in prison, you came to My cell;
When on a sick bed, you cared for My needs.
Now enter into the home of My Father. **Refrain**

HYMN

“What Is the World to Me”

LSB 730

COLLECT OF THE DAY

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COLLECT FOR THE WORD

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LUTHER’S MORNING PRAYER

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NEW TESTAMENT CANTICLE *“Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart”*

LSB 806

BLESSING

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CLOSING HYMN

“How Firm a Foundation”

LSB 728



OUR WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

5:30PM WORSHIP

Ron Stimpson

Elder

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9:00AM WORSHIP

Thom Miller

Elder

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Mike Beyer

Congregational Chairman

Rick Melius

Head Elder