



## **Blessed Redeemer Lutheran Church**

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# **Ninth Sunday after Pentecost**

## **July 25th, 2021**



## **HOLY COMMUNION IS CELEBRATED AT OUR 9:00AM SUNDAY 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 hymn insists, “God Himself is present” and “God is in His temple” (*LSB* 907). This hymn reminds us of the prophet Isaiah’s amazing vision of God in the temple when he heard the eternal song of the angels, “Holy, holy, holy,” causing the prophet to cringe, bow, and kneel at the awesome and fearful presence of God. Today, we bring ourselves with our own fears and hear how Jesus’ disciples witnessed their Lord’s real presence amid their strains and pains in a boat struggling against the wind. So today for you God is present with healing, forgiveness, and life not in the imagination but in the objective truth of His inspired Word, by your Baptism, and in the taste and touch of His body and blood given and shed for you. You cannot get any more real than that. “Let us now adore Him And with awe appear before Him.”

### **DIVINE SERVICE—SETTING ONE**

<b>WORDS OF WELCOME</b>		Elder of the Day
<b>OPENING HYMN</b>	<i>“God Himself is Present”</i>	LSB 907
<b>CONFESSION &amp; ABSOLUTION</b>		LSB page 151
<b>KYRIE</b>		LSB pages 152-153
<b>HYMN OF PRAISE</b>	<i>“This is the Feast”</i>	LSB page 155
<b>SALUTATION &amp; COLLECT OF THE DAY</b>		

**Pastor:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** **And also with you.**

**Pastor:** Let us pray.

**All:** **O God, our Redeemer, according to Your gracious promises and gift of salvation, help us now in any anxiety or fear to believe in Your love and power to deliver us, and restore to us Your gift of life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

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OLD TESTAMENT READING

*Genesis 9:8-17*

Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, “Behold, I establish my covenant with you and your offspring after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the livestock, and every beast of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark; it is for every beast of the earth. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of the flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.” And God said, “This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh. And the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.” God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.”

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM ~ *Read Responsively*

*Psalms 136:1-9*

Pastor: Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,

People: **for his steadfast love endures forever.**

Pastor: Give thanks to the God of gods,

People: **for his steadfast love endures forever.**

Pastor: Give thanks to the Lord of lords,

People: **for his steadfast love endures forever;**

Pastor: to him who alone does great wonders,

People: **for his steadfast love endures forever;**

Pastor: to him who by understanding made the heavens,

People: **for his steadfast love endures forever;**

Pastor: to him who spread out the earth above the waters,

People: **for his steadfast love endures forever;**

Pastor: to him who made the great lights,

People: **for his steadfast love endures forever;**

Pastor: the sun to rule over the day,

People: **for his steadfast love endures forever;**

Pastor: the moon and stars to rule over the night,  
**People:** for his steadfast love endures forever;  
**All:** **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.**

## **EPISTLE READING**

*Ephesians 3: 14-21*

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People:** **Thanks be to God.**

## **THE ALLELUIA & VERSE [Common]**

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Leader: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 6th chapter.

**People:** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

## **THE GOSPEL READING**

*Mark 6: 45-56*

Immediately he made his disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, to Bethsaida, while he dismissed the crowd. And after he had taken leave of them, he went up on the mountain to pray. And when evening came, the boat was out on the sea, and he was alone on the land. And he saw that they were making headway painfully, for the wind was against them. And about the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. He meant to pass by them, but when they saw him walking on the sea they thought it was a ghost, and cried out, for they all saw him and were terrified. But immediately he spoke to them and said, “Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid.” And he got into the boat with them, and the wind ceased. And they were utterly astounded, for they did not understand about the loaves, but their hearts were hardened. When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored to the shore. And when they got out of the boat, the people immediately recognized him and ran about the whole region and began to bring the sick people on their beds to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he came, in villages, cities, or countryside, they laid the sick in the marketplaces and implored him

that they might touch even the fringe of his garment. And as many as touched it were made well.

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

**HYMN OF THE DAY**    *“God Loved the World So That He Gave”*

LSB 571

**THE SERMON**

*“A Promise You Can Believe”*

*Genesis 9:8-17*

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**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Eternal Father, O God our Creator and Redeemer, we thank You that You have drawn us to Yourself by the power of Your Word and our Savior Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: **For Your promises of life and salvation, we give You praise and adoration as our God and Lord. Keep us in steady faith in You, guide our steps in the ways of Your life-giving Word, and make us to be ever more Your people of hope, love, and life.**

Pastor: Lord Jesus, as You strengthened Your early apostles by Your very presence, so give strength and courage to church workers who continue in Your service to this day.

People: **Guard and protect them from the assaults of the devil and bless their service in Your Word and Sacraments.**

Pastor: Almighty God, give Your blessing and guidance to all in authority and the service of government in our land and throughout the world.

People: **Cause them to pursue righteousness and justice in all their dealings that we may live in prosperity and peace.**

Pastor: Give healing and comfort, O Lord, to all who are in trouble, danger, or illness, [*especially . . .*]. Sustain their courage and faith in Your mighty care. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: (Special petitions that end in, “Lord, in Your mercy”),

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

**OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY**

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**5:30PM SATURDAY EVENING SERVICE**

**LORD'S PRAYER**

**VERSICLES**

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**EVENING PRAYER**

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**HYMN**

*“Jesus Comes Today with Healing”*

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**BENEDICTION**

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**CLOSING HYMN**

*“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”*

LSB 657

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**9:00AM SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP**

**† SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT †**

**COMMUNION LITURGY**

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**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:**

**HYMN**

*“Jesus Comes Today with Healing”*

LSB 620

**HYMN**

*“O Bless the Lord, My Soul”*

LSB 814

**HYMN**

*“Let Children Hear the Mighty Deeds”*

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**POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE**

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**POST- COMMUNION COLLECT**

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**BENEDICTION**

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**CLOSING HYMN**

*“A Mighty Fortress is Our God”*

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**OUR WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

**5:30PM SATURDAY**

**Brian Ternus**

Elder

**Sarah Peterson**

Organist

**9:00AM SUNDAY**

**Ron Stimpson**

Elder

**Bella Reif**

**Karlee Small**

Acolytes

**Sarah Peterson**

Organist

**Mike Beyer**

Congregational Chairman

**Rick Melius**

Head Elder

