



Blessed Redeemer Lutheran Church

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I pray that ... Christ may dwell in
your hearts through faith,



as you are being
rooted and grounded in love.

Ephesians 3:16-17, NRSV

HOLY COMMUNION IS CELEBRATED AT OUR 5:30PM & 9:00AM SERVICES
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.

DIVINE SERVICE FOUR

WORDS OF WELCOME

Elder of the Day

OPENING HYMN

“Son of God, Eternal Savior”

LSB 842

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

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GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

“Glory to God in the Highest”

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SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.

O God, whose strength is made perfect in weakness,

People: **grant us humility and childlike faith that we may please You in both will and deed;**

Pastor: through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

✠ READINGS FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE ✠

OLD TESTAMENT READING

1 Kings 17:17-24

After this the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, became ill. And his illness was so severe that there was no breath left in him. And she said to Elijah, “What have you against me, O man of God? You have come to me to bring my sin to remembrance and to cause the death of my son!” And he said to her, “Give me your son.” And he took him from her arms and carried him up into the upper chamber where he lodged, and laid him on his own bed. And he cried to the LORD, “O LORD my God, have you brought calamity even upon the widow with whom I sojourn, by killing her son?” Then he stretched

himself upon the child three times and cried to the LORD, “O LORD my God, let this child's life come into him again.” And the LORD listened to the voice of Elijah. And the life of the child came into him again, and he revived. And Elijah took the child and brought him down from the upper chamber into the house and delivered him to his mother. And Elijah said, “See, your son lives.” And the woman said to Elijah, “Now I know that you are a man of God, and that the word of the LORD in your mouth is truth.”

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM ~ *Read Responsively*

Psalm 30

Leader: I will extol you, O LORD, for you have drawn me up

People: **and have not let my foes rejoice over me.**

Leader: O LORD my God, I cried to you for help,

People: **and you have healed me.**

Leader: O LORD, you have brought up my soul from Sheol;

People: **you restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit.**

Leader: Sing praises to the LORD, O you his saints,

People: **and give thanks to his holy name.**

Leader: For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime.

People: **Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.**

Leader: As for me, I said in my prosperity,

People: **“I shall never be moved.”**

Leader: By your favor, O LORD, you made my mountain stand strong;

People: **you hid your face; I was dismayed.**

Leader: To you, O LORD, I cry,

People: **and to the Lord I plead for mercy:**

Leader: “What profit is there in my death, if I go down to the pit?

People: **Will the dust praise you? Will it tell of your faithfulness?**

Leader: Hear, O LORD, and be merciful to me!

People: **O LORD, be my helper!”**

Leader: You have turned for me my mourning into dancing;

People: **you have loosed my sackcloth and clothed me with gladness,**

Leader: that my glory may sing your praise and not be silent.

People: **O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you 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 3:13-21

So I ask you not to lose heart over what I am suffering for you, which is your glory. 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.

ALLELUIA & VERSE

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Leader: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 7th chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

GOSPEL READING

Luke 7:11-17

Soon afterward he went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a great crowd went with him. As he drew near to the gate of the town, behold, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow, and a considerable crowd from the town was with her. And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her and said to her, “Do not weep.” Then he came up and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, “Young man, I say to you, arise.” And the dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus gave him to his mother. Fear seized them all, and they glorified God, saying, “A great prophet has arisen among us!” and “God has visited his people!” And this report about him spread through the whole of Judea and all the surrounding country.

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

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HYMN OF THE DAY

“Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness”

LSB 849

SERMON

“Jesus Touches Three Lives”

Ephesians 3:20-21

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray for the nations around the world, the Church wherever it is found, and for ourselves here in this place. Wherever nations quarrel and plunge toward war, O God.

People: Open the ears of their leaders to hear the wisdom from above and pursue peace. Move them to find joy in humble service.

Pastor: Wherever international alliances, national leaders, and groups within society follow the lead of their selfish ambitions at the expense of the downtrodden and forgotten people across borders and in their midst, O God, give both citizens and their leaders hearts that are open to reason, full of mercy, impartial and sincere.

People: Grant that peace break out across borders and justice within them.

Pastor: Whenever the Church is fraught with boasting, falsehoods, and schisms, O God, send Your Holy Spirit to use Word and Sacrament to bring clergy and lay leaders to repentance.

People: Embolden them to announce with one voice the victory Your Son won for us all.

Pastor: Wherever people respond to illness, accident, injustice, and discrimination, O God, strengthen them to rely on You for protection in all circumstances.

People: Guide them to make decisions in wisdom and to sow righteousness in peace.

Pastor: Whenever our conduct betrays worldly jealousy and selfish ambition, O God, turn our laughter to mourning and our joy to gloom until we recognize Your unending grace.

People: Help us seek to meet the needs of the people around us in humble service.

Pastor: Wherever people call out to You in their distress, [*especially . . .*], O God, visit, relieve, heal, and console them according to Your gracious will.

People: Use us as part of Your answers to their fervent prayers.

Pastor: (*Special petitions that end in, "Lord, in Your mercy"*).

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Whenever we pridefully seek to solve our problems by our own strength, O God, remind us of Your faithfulness, constant presence, and gracious protection for Jesus' sake.

People: Show us how to humbly serve the people around us as You have served us.

Pastor: Heavenly Father, hear us and all for whom we pray, as we rely on Your gracious plans for all we need;

People: through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, in whose name we pray. Amen.

OFFERING

‡ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ‡

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DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:

HYMN	<i>“Oh How He Loves You and Me”</i>	CCS 38
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CCLI Song No. 15850

Oh how He loves you and me,
Oh how he loves you and me
He gave His life, what more could He give
Oh how He loves you, Oh how He loves me
Oh how He loves you and me
(sing twice)

HYMN	<i>“You Are My All in All”</i>	CCS 65
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1. You are my Strength when I am weak,
You are the Treasure that I seek, You are my All in All.
2. Seeking You as a precious jewel,
Lord, to give up I'd be a fool, You are my All in All. **Chorus**
Chorus:
Jesus, Lamb of God, Worthy is Your name.
Jesus, Lamb of God, Worthy is Your name.
3. Taking my sin, my cross, my shame,
Rising again, I bless Your name. You are my All in All.
4. When I fall down, You pick me up;
When I am dry, You fill my cup. You are my All in All! **Chorus**
Final Ending, Slowly: Worthy is Your name.

Shepherd's Heart Music, Inc. CCLI Song #825356.

HYMN	<i>“What God Ordains Is Always Good”</i>	LSB 760
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CLOSING HYMN	<i>“Lord Jesus Christ, the Church’s Head”</i>	LSB 647



OUR WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

5:30PM WORSHIP

Alan Carlson
Elder
Marie Rogers
Organist

9:00AM WORSHIP

Brian Ternus
Elder
James Peterson
Josh Ternus
Acolytes
Marie Rogers
Organist

Mike Beyer
Congregational Chairman
Rick Melius
Head Elder

