

REDEMPTION LUTHERAN CHURCH

Fifteenth Sunday After Trinity



WELCOME To all of you who are visiting our service this morning, we extend a most cordial welcome in Jesus' name. It is our hope that you will feel at home in our midst and will be blessed by our message of Christ crucified and risen for the sins of the world.

If you are looking for a church home or would like to know more about our beliefs and practices, please see the pastor. He will be glad to visit with you at your convenience. Be sure to join us again.



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Pre-Service Meditation:

1 Kings 17:13: ¹³ And Elijah said to her, "Do not fear; go and do as you have said. But first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterward make something for yourself and your son.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, You allowed Elijah to be tested by sending him to a widow in a foreign, godless land. You allowed the widow to be tested by forsaking what she could see, her final meal, for what she could not see, trust in You to provide for her. For both You provided and strengthened in faith. May we look to You for our strength and comfort in times of trial and adversity. May we learn to place our trust in You and not in the things of this world. Through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Service of the Word

Opening: **TLH 9 O Day of Rest and Gladness vs1-3,5**

Invocation

- P** In the Name of the Father and of the Son
and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

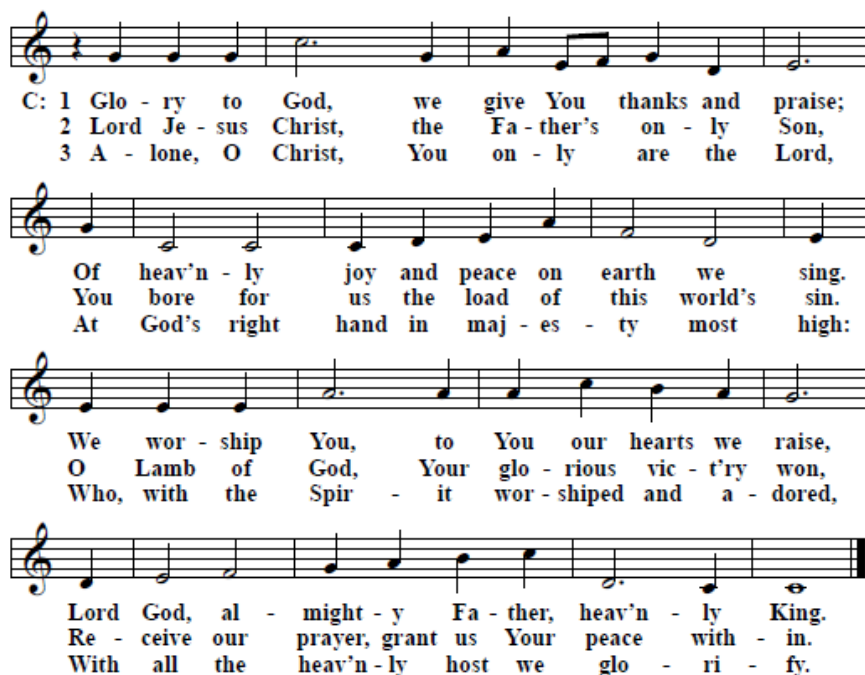
Confession and Absolution

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- P** We have come into the presence of God, who
created us to love and serve Him as His dear children.
But we have disobeyed Him and deserve only His wrath
and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins
to Him and plead for His mercy.
- C** Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful
from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against
You and do not deserve to be called Your child.
But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have
mercy on me according to Your unfailing love.
Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.
- P** God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins.
By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus
Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. You are His
own dear child. May God give you strength to live
according to His will.
- C** Amen.

LORD, HAVE MERCY *Kyrie*





C: 1 Glo - ry to God, we give You thanks and praise;
 2 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son,
 3 A - lone, O Christ, You on - ly are the Lord,

Of heav'n - ly joy and peace on earth we sing.
 You bore for us the load of this world's sin.
 At God's right hand in maj - es - ty most high:

We wor - ship You, to You our hearts we raise,
 O Lamb of God, Your glo - rious vic - t'ry won,
 Who, with the Spir - it wor - shiped and a - dored,

Lord God, al - might - y Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King.
 Re - ceive our prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.
 With all the heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P** The Lord be with you.
G And also with you.
- P** Let us pray. . . O Lord, we pray, let Your grace always go before and follow after us and continually help us to devote ourselves to good works; for You live and rule with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God forever.
- G** Amen.

Epistle Lesson

Galatians 5:25-6:10

²⁵ If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit. ²⁶ Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another. **6:1** Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted. ² Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. ³ For if anyone thinks he is something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. ⁴ But let each

one test his own work, and then his reason to boast will be in himself alone and not in his neighbor. ⁵ For each will have to bear his own load. ⁶ Let the one who is taught the word share all good things with the one who teaches. ⁷ Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. ⁸ For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. ⁹ And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. ¹⁰ So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 27 [Selected Verses]

P The LORD is my Light and my Salvation; whom shall I fear?

C The LORD is the Stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

P He will hide me in His shelter in the day of trouble;

C He will conceal me under the cover of His tent; He will lift me high upon a rock.

P Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud; You have said, "Seek my face."

C My heart says to You, "Your face, LORD, do I seek."

P I believe that I shall look upon the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living!

C Wait for the LORD; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the LORD!

Gospel Lesson

Mark 12:41-44

⁴¹ And he sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the offering box. Many rich people put in large sums. ⁴² And a poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which make a penny. ⁴³ And he called his disciples to him and said to them, "Truly, I say to you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the offering box. ⁴⁴ For they all

contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

Confession of Faith:

Apostles Creed

**☩ 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 is seated at the right
hand of God the Father Almighty. From there 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 life ☩ everlasting. Amen.**

Hymn:

TLH 388 Just As I Am Without One Plea

Sermon

1 Kings 17:8-16

⁸ Then the word of the LORD came to him, ⁹ "Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and dwell there. Behold, I have commanded a widow there to feed you." ¹⁰ So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, behold, a widow was there gathering sticks. And he called to her and said, "Bring me a little water in a vessel, that I may drink." ¹¹ And as she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand." ¹² And she said, "As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of flour in a jar and a little oil in a jug. And now I am gathering a couple of sticks that I may go in and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it and die." ¹³ And Elijah said to her, "Do not fear; go and do as you have said. But first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterward make something for yourself and your son." ¹⁴ For thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, "The jar of flour shall not be spent, and the jug of oil shall not be empty, until the day that the LORD sends rain upon the earth." ¹⁵ And she went and did as Elijah

said. And she and he and her household ate for many days. ¹⁶ The jar of flour was not spent, neither did the jug of oil become empty, according to the word of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah.

See How the Lord Tests Our Faith

1. A Prophet is Tested
2. A Widow is Tested
3. Both are Strengthened

Offertory:

Create in Me 🎵🎵

Create in me a clean heart O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen

Hymn:

WS 789 Consider How the Birds Above

Offering of Thankful Hearts

Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13

- ☐ 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

Benediction

☐ Amen.

Hymn:

TLH 27 Oh, Bless the Lord, My Soul

Silent Prayer

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Announcements

Upcoming Events:

- **Special Services Upcoming:** Mission Festival Service: Sunday, October 19th; Reformation Service: Sunday, October 26th; Advent Candlelight: Wednesday, December 17th at 7pm.
- **Women's Group:** Our Women's Group will meet Monday, October 6th. Meeting at 7 and devotion at 7:15.
- **Pacific Coast Pastoral Conference:** Lord willing, I will be traveling to Spokane Valley October 7th-9th for our regional Pastoral Conference. If you need to get a hold of me, feel free to call and I'll answer when I can.

Call News:

- Pastor Nathan Pfeiffer of Berea Lutheran in Inver Grove Heights, MN ***has received the call*** to Messiah Lutheran Church, Eau Claire, WI.

Upcoming Schedule:

Sunday, October 5th Redemption Sunday Service at 9

Sunday, October 12th Redemption Communion Service at 9

Sunday, October 19th Redemption Mission Festival Service at 9