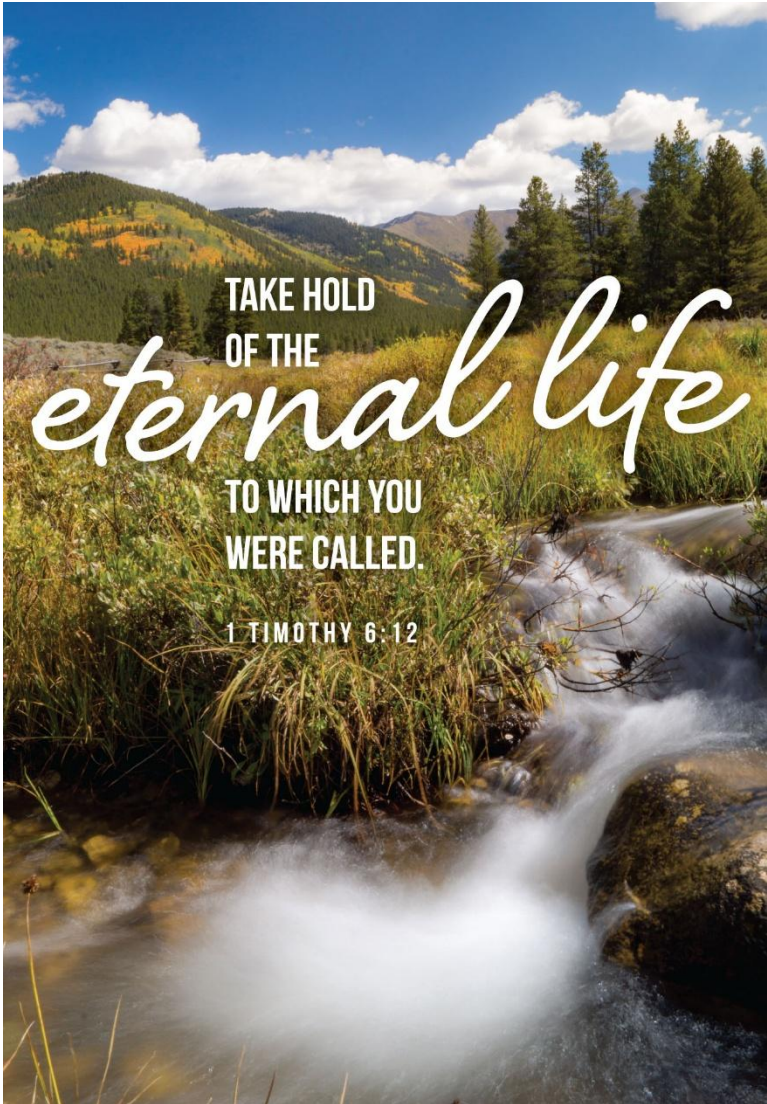


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# REDEMPTION LUTHERAN CHURCH

Seventh Sunday After Trinity





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**Pre-Service Meditation:**

**1 Timothy 6:12** <sup>12</sup> Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, to which you were also called and have confessed the good confession in the presence of many witnesses.

**Prayer:** O Heavenly Father, You have called me to a life of righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, gentleness. But I am assailed by the lusts and desires of the world. My flesh follows the footsteps of destruction. Stir up my faith, O God, that I may entrust to the Holy Spirit, the eternal inheritance You have promised me. Let the righteousness of Christ, my Savior, be my righteousness. Let the love of Your Son be the love that flows from my heart. May His patience calm my spirit and His gentleness curb my pride. Then, O Lord, I may have the godliness that is content in all things. These things I ask in the name of Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit ever one God, now and forever. Amen.

## Opening:

## WS 756 Jesus Lover of My Soul

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

**C** Amen.

## Confession and Absolution

**P**: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**P**: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C**: who made heaven and earth.

**P**: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C**: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

**P**: Almighty God, our maker and redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**C**: O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

**P**: Upon this your confession, I, as a called servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

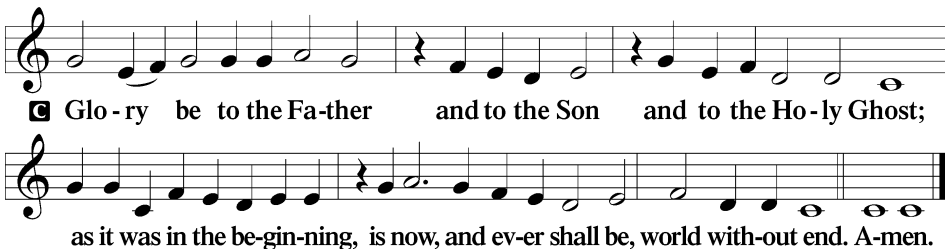
**C**: Amen.

## Introit:

## Psalm 47

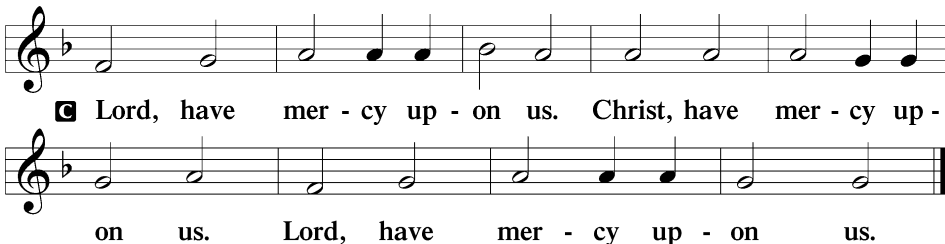
**P** Oh, clap your hands, all you people!: Shout to God with the voice of triumph. He shall subdue the people under us: and the nations under our feet.

## Gloria Patri



**C** Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;  
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

## Kyrie



**C** Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -  
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

## Hymn of Response: TLH 237

All Glory be to God on high, Who hath mankind befriended! To us no harm shall now come nigh, The strife at last is ended. God showeth His good will to men, And peace shall reign on earth again; Oh, thank Him for His goodness!

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And also with you.  
**P** Let us pray... O God, Your never-failing providence orders all things both in heaven and on earth. We humbly ask that You would graciously abide among us with Your blessing, keeping us from covetousness and the cares of this life, that we may seek first Your kingdom and Your righteousness, through Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever,  
**C** Amen.

## **Old Testament Lesson Isaiah 62:6-12 - Home of the Godly Life**

<sup>6</sup> I have set watchmen on your walls, O Jerusalem; They shall never hold their peace day or night. You who make mention of the LORD, do not keep silent, <sup>7</sup> And give Him no rest till He establishes And till He makes Jerusalem a praise in the earth. <sup>8</sup> The LORD has sworn by His right hand And by the arm of His strength: "Surely I will no longer give your grain As food for your enemies; And the sons of the foreigner shall not drink your new wine, For which you have labored. <sup>9</sup> But those who have gathered it shall eat it, And praise the LORD; Those who have brought it together shall drink it in My holy courts." <sup>10</sup> Go through, Go through the gates! Prepare the way for the people; Build up, Build up the highway! Take out the stones, Lift up a banner for the peoples! <sup>11</sup> Indeed the LORD has proclaimed To the end of the world: "Say to the daughter of Zion, 'Surely your salvation is coming; Behold, His reward *is* with Him, And His work before Him.'" <sup>12</sup> And they shall call them The Holy People, The Redeemed of the LORD; And you shall be called Sought Out, A City Not Forsaken.

### **Responsive Reading**

### **Psalm 141 [Selected Verses]**

- [P]** O LORD, I call upon You; hasten to me! Give ear to my voice when I call to You!
- [C]** Let my prayer be counted as incense before You, and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice!
- [P]** Set a guard, O LORD, over my mouth;
- [C]** Keep watch over the door of my lips!
- [P]** Do not let my heart incline to any evil
- [C]** To busy myself with wicked deeds in company with men who work iniquity, and let me not eat of their delicacies!
- [P]** Let a righteous man strike me-- it is a kindness;
- [C]** Let him rebuke me-- it is oil for my head; let my head not refuse it.

### **Gospel Lesson: Mark 4:26-29 Individual Growth in the KoG**

<sup>26</sup> And He said, "The kingdom of God is as if a man should scatter seed on the ground, <sup>27</sup> "and should sleep by night and rise by day, and the seed

should sprout and grow, he himself does not know how.<sup>28</sup> "For the earth yields crops by itself: first the blade, then the head, after that the full grain in the head."<sup>29</sup> "But when the grain ripens, immediately he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come."

## Confession of Faith:

## Apostles Creed

**C 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: LSB 659 Lord of Our Life and God of Our Salvation**

**Sermon** **1 Timothy 6:6-12**

<sup>6</sup> "Now godliness with contentment is great gain. <sup>7</sup> For we brought nothing into *this* world, *and it is* certain we can carry nothing out. <sup>8</sup> And having food and clothing, with these we shall be content. <sup>9</sup> But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and *into* many foolish and harmful lusts which drown men in destruction and perdition. <sup>10</sup> For the love of money is a root of all *kinds of* evil, for which some have strayed from the faith in their greediness, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows. <sup>11</sup> But you, O man of God, flee these things and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, gentleness. <sup>12</sup> Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, to which you were also called and have confessed the good confession in the presence of many witnesses.

# The Fight of Faith Guarantees a Wealth Eternal!

**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:**

**TLH 447 Fight the Good Fight With All Thy Might**

**Offering of Thankful Hearts**

**Prayer & Lord's Prayer**

**☩ 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 46 On What Has Now Been Sown**

**Silent Prayer**

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**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.

# Announcements

## Upcoming Events:

- **Summer VBS:** Our Summer VBS is scheduled for July 28<sup>th</sup> – July 31<sup>st</sup>. We are in need of two things: Spreading the word and snacks. If you are willing to help out by donating snacks, please let Pastor know or email Lori-Jo.
- **Mission Helper Trip:** This past week, 9 CLC Mission Helpers, along with team leaders travelled to the East African nations of Kenya, Tanzania, and Zambia. The Mission Helpers will spend the next few weeks proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ to an estimated 6,000 children. They will focus their efforts in some of the towns and villages where the Kenya-CLC, Tanzania-CLC, and Zambia-CLC have or are working to establish congregations and preaching stations. You can follow along with the trip's blog at [www.2026clcmissionhelpertripeastafrica.blogspot.com](http://www.2026clcmissionhelpertripeastafrica.blogspot.com).
- **Voters Meeting:** Our voters meeting will start shortly after the service this morning.

## Call News:

- Pastor Jonathan Schnose of Bethel Lutheran in Morris, MN ***has returned*** both his calls.
- Pastor Joe Naumann of Immanuel Lutheran in Mankato, ***has received the call*** to Holy Cross Lutheran in Phoenix, AZ.

## Upcoming Schedule:

Sunday, July 26<sup>th</sup> Redemption Sunday Service at 9

Sunday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> Redemption Sunday Service at 9

Sunday, August 9<sup>th</sup> Redemption Communion Service at 9

# LSB 659 Lord of Our Life and God of our Salvation



1 Lord of our life and God of our sal - va - tion, Star of our  
 2 See round Your ark the hun - gry bil - lows curl - ing; See how Your  
 3 Lord, be our light when world - ly dark - ness veils us; Lord, be our  
 4 Peace in our hearts, where sin - ful thoughts are rag - ing, Peace in Your



night and hope of ev - 'ry na - tion: Hear and re - ceive Your  
 foes their ban - ners are un - furl - ing And with great spite their  
 shield when earth - ly ar - mor fails us; And in the day when  
 Church, our trou - bled souls as - suag - ing, Peace when the world its



Church's sup - pli - ca - tion, Lord God Al - might - y.  
 fi - ery darts are hurl - ing, O Lord, pre - serve us.  
 hell it - self as - sails us, Grant us Your peace, Lord:  
 end - less war is wag - ing, Peace in Your heav - en.

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