

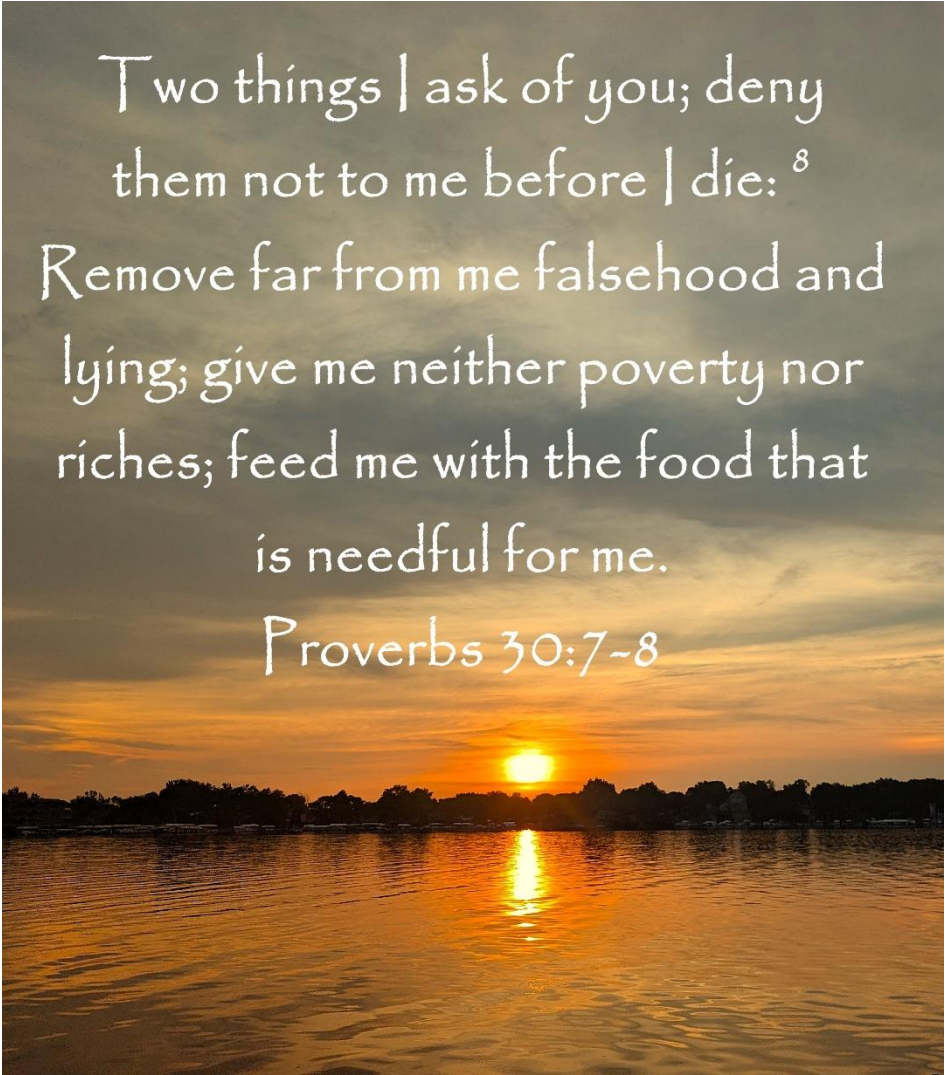
REDEMPTION LUTHERAN CHURCH

Eighteenth Sunday After Trinity

Two things I ask of you; deny
them not to me before I die: ⁸

Remove far from me falsehood and
lying; give me neither poverty nor
riches; feed me with the food that
is needful for me.

Proverbs 30:7-8





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Pre-Service Meditation:

2 Chronicles 1:7 ⁷ On that night God appeared to Solomon, and said to him, "Ask! What shall I give you?"

Prayer: Heavenly Father, every good gift and every perfect gift comes from You. You are gracious and bountiful in Your blessings toward all people. Lord, our lives are filled with constant choosing. Help us, O Lord, to choose that which is good. Guide our decisions according to Your wisdom and Your will, for without You, we are self-sighted. We care more for the pleasures of our flesh than the treasures of heaven. Lord Jesus, change our hearts so that by faith we may be good even as You are. Without You this is impossible! Holy Spirit, work in our hearts that we may do good towards those in the household of faith. Impart Your wisdom to us, for by Your wisdom all these things are possible. In the name of Jesus, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, Amen.

Opening: TLH 358 Lamb of God, We Fall Before Thee

Invocation

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

C Amen.

Confession and Absolution

P One thing I ask from the LORD. This is what I seek:

C That I live in the house of the LORD all the days of my life,

P To gaze on the beauty of the LORD,

C And to seek Him in His temple.

P I rejoiced with those who said to me,

C “Let us go to the house of the LORD.”

P Yes, one day in Your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

C I would rather wait at the doorway of the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.

P For the LORD is a sun and shield.

C God gives grace and glory.

P How blessed are those who live in Your house.

C They are always praising You.

P From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C The name of the LORD is to be praised.

P We come to this holy God with the confession of our sins and ready to receive His forgiveness in Christ Jesus.

C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy Name. Amen.

P In the mercy of Almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Hymn of Response: WS 798 God We Praise You vs 1-2

**1 God, we praise You, God, we bless You! God, we name You
sov'reign Lord! Mighty King whom angels worship, Father, by Your
Church adored: All creation shows Your glory; Heav'n and earth
draw near Your throne, Singing, "Holy, holy, holy, Lord of hosts
and God alone!**

**2 True apostles, faithful prophets, Saints who set their world ablaze,
Martyrs, once unknown, unheeded, Join one growing song of praise,
While Your Church on earth confesses One majestic Trinity: Father,
Son, and Holy Spirit, God, our hope eternally!**

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray... Almighty, merciful God, we pray that in Your overflowing goodness You will keep us from everything harmful, that in body and soul we may be ready to accomplish with glad hearts what You desire; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and rules with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever.

C Amen.

Epistle Lesson: James 2:10-17 – Good works towards Members

¹⁰ For whoever shall keep the whole law, and yet stumble in one *point*, he is guilty of all. ¹¹ For He who said, "Do not commit adultery," also said, "Do not murder." Now if you do not commit adultery, but you do murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. ¹² So speak and so do as those who will be judged by the law of liberty. ¹³ For judgment is without mercy to the one who has shown no mercy. Mercy triumphs over judgment. ¹⁴ What *does it* profit, my brethren, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can faith save him? ¹⁵ If a brother or sister is naked and destitute of daily food, ¹⁶ and one of you says to them, "Depart in peace, be warmed and filled," but you do not give them the things which are needed for the body, what *does it* profit? ¹⁷ Thus also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead.

Responsive Reading:

Psalm 138 Give Thanks to God

P I will praise You with my whole heart;

C **Before the gods I will sing praises to You.**

P I will worship toward Your holy temple,

C **And praise Your name For Your lovingkindness and Your truth;**

P In the day when I cried out, You answered me,

C ***And made me bold with strength in my soul.***

P Though the LORD *is* on high, Yet He regards the lowly; But the proud He knows from afar.

C **Though I walk in the midst of trouble, You will revive me;**

P The LORD will perfect *that which* concerns me;

C **Your mercy, O LORD, *endures* forever; Do not forsake the works of Your hands.**

Gospel Lesson: Mark 10:17-27 – KoG Free From Mammonism

¹⁷ Now as He was going out on the road, one came running, knelt before Him, and asked Him, "Good Teacher, what shall I do that I may inherit eternal life?" ¹⁸ So Jesus said to him, "Why do you call Me good? No one *is* good but One, *that is*, God. ¹⁹ "You know the commandments: 'Do not commit adultery, 'Do not murder, 'Do not steal, 'Do not bear false witness, 'Do not defraud, 'Honor your father and your mother.'" ²⁰ And he answered and said to Him, "Teacher, all these things I have kept from my youth." ²¹ Then Jesus, looking at him, loved him, and said to him, "One thing you lack: Go your way, sell whatever you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, take up the cross, and follow Me." ²² But he was sad at this word, and went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions. ²³ Then Jesus looked around and said to His disciples, "How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!" ²⁴ And the disciples were astonished at His words. But Jesus answered again and said to them, "Children, how hard it is for those who trust in riches to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵ "It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." ²⁶ And they were greatly astonished, saying among themselves, "Who then can be saved?" ²⁷ But Jesus looked at them and

said, "With men *it is* impossible, but not with God; for with God all things are possible."

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: LSB 753 All For Christ I Have Forsaken - tune TLH 354

Sermon 2 Chronicles 1:7-12

⁷ On that night God appeared to Solomon, and said to him, "Ask! What shall I give you?" ⁸ And Solomon said to God: "You have shown great mercy to David my father, and have made me king in his place. ⁹ "Now, O LORD God, let Your promise to David my father be established, for You have made me king over a people like the dust of the earth in multitude. ¹⁰ "Now give me wisdom and knowledge, that I may go out and come in before this people; for who can judge this great people of Yours?" ¹¹ And God said to Solomon: "Because this was in your heart, and you have not asked riches or wealth or honor or the life of your enemies, nor have you asked long life-- but have asked wisdom and knowledge for yourself, that you may judge My people over whom I have made you king-- ¹² "wisdom and knowledge *are* granted to you; and I will give you riches and wealth and honor, such as none of the kings have had who *were* before you, nor shall any after you have the like."

Would You Choose Wealth or Wisdom?

Offertory: WS 798 God We Praise You vs 3-4

**3. Jesus Christ, the King of glory, Everlasting Son of God,
Humble was Your virgin mother, Hard the lonely path You trod:
By Your cross is sin defeated, Hell confronted face to face,
Heaven opened to believers, Sinners justified by grace.**

**4. Christ, at God's right hand victorious,
You will judge the world You made;
Lord, in mercy help Your servants For whose freedom You have paid
Raise us up from dust to glory; Guard us from all sin today.
King enthroned above all praises, Save Your people, God, we pray.**

Hymn: WS 789 Consider How the Birds Above

Offering of Thankful Hearts – Interlude All Glory Be to God on High

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: LSB 844 Lord of All Nations Grant Me Grace

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:

- **Nepal Disaster Relief:** Donations can be made to Kinship "Special Offerings (Relief Aid)" www.lutheranmissions.org/kinship or through your local congregation.
- **Pacific Coast Pastoral Conference:** October 5th through 8th, I'll be in Clarkston, WA for our regional fall pastoral conference.
- **Women's Group:** Women's Group will meet tomorrow night. They will continue their devotional on Jael and Deborah.

Call News:

- Pastor Zachary Sippert of Grace Lutheran in Sleepy Eye, MN *has returned the call* to Holy Cross Lutheran in Phoenix, AZ.
- Pastor Timothy Daub of Prince of Peace Lutheran in Hecla, SD, Zion Lutheran in Aberdeen, SD, and Redeemer Lutheran in Bowdle, SD *is considering the call* from the Mission Board to be part-time missionary to Mexico.
- Pastor Rob Sauers of Immanuel Lutheran in Winter Haven, FL *is considering the call* from the Mission Board to be part-time missionary to India.
- Pastor Frank Gantt of Zion Lutheran in Loganville, GA and Faith Lutheran in Manchester, MO *is considering the call* to St. Luke's Lutheran in Lemmon, SD.
- Pastor Paul Krause of Zion Lutheran in Hidewood Township, SD and Trinity Lutheran in Watertown, SD *is considering the call* to Mt. Zion Lutheran in Madison Heights, MI.
- Missionary Todd Ohlmann *has received the call* to Messiah Lutheran, Eau Claire WI.

Upcoming Schedule:

Sunday, October 11th Redemption Communion Service at 9

Sunday, October 18th Redemption Sunday Service at 9

Sunday, October 25th Redemption Reformation Service at 9

LSB 753 All for Christ I Have Forsaken

- 1 All for Christ I have forsaken
And have taken up my cross;
Worldly joy, its fame and fortune,
Now I count as worthless dross.
- 2 Who is sweeter than Christ Jesus?
No good thing in Him I lack!
Hand to plow, at peace I follow
Where He leads me . . . why look back?
- 3 Gone the past, unknown the future—
Grace supplies my daily breath;
Strong in Christ through death's dark valley,
Firm and faithful unto death.
- 4 When God takes me home to heaven,
Should this be the day I die,
God will keep my spouse and children
As the apple of His eye.
- 5 Though the road ahead be thorny,
Though dark clouds all light obscure,
Though my cross-shaped path grows steeper,
With the Lord, I am secure.

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844 Lord of All Nations, Grant Me Grace

1 Lord of all na - tions, grant me grace
2 Break down the wall that would di - vide
3 For - give me, Lord, where I have erred
4 Give me Thy cour - age, Lord, to speak
5 With Thine own love may I be filled

To love all peo - ple, ev - 'ry race;
Thy chil - dren, Lord, on ev - 'ry side.
By love - less act and thought - less word.
When - ev - er strong op - press the weak.
And by Thy Ho - ly Spir - it willed,

And in each per - son may I see
My neigh - bor's good let me pur - sue;
Make me to see the wrong I do
Should I my - self the vic - tim be,
That all I touch, wher - e'er I be,

My kin - dred, loved, re - deemed by Thee.
Let Chris - tian love bind warm and true.
Will grieve my wound - ed Lord a - new.
Help me for - give, re - mem - b'ring Thee.
May be di - vine - ly touched by Thee.

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