

Grace and peace to you from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ, who gave himself
for our sins to rescue us from the present evil age...

- Galatians 1:3-4

CHRIST OUR REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

Pentecost 12 – August 27, 2016 – Pastor Mark Voss

Morning Praise

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LUTHER'S MORNING PRAYER

I thank you, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, your dear Son, that you have kept me this night from all harm and danger. Keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please you. Into your hands I commend my body and soul and all things. Let your holy angel be with me, that the wicked foe may have no power over me. Amen.

OPENING HYMN

“O Blessed, Holy Trinity”

CW 584

P: O Lord, open my lips.

C: **And my mouth shall declare your praise.**

P: Hasten to save me, O God.

C: **O Lord, come quickly to help me.**

P: Give glory to God, our light and our life.

C: **The spirit of the Lord fills the world: let us worship him.**

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Come oh, come, let us sing to the Lord, let us shout with joy to our sav-ing Rock;

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come, en-ter in with our songs of praise, come, en-ter in with thanks - giv - ing.



VERSES
You are a great and a won-drous God, cup-ping in your hands all the
Come, let us wor-ship and bow - ing low, kneel be-fore the One who has



depths of earth. You made the hills and the moun - tains high,
made us all. You are the God whom we call our own,



you made the seas and the dry land.
we are the flock that you shep-herd.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and meditation of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

God's Word

The Christian answers doubt with faith

Romans 9:1-5 – Paul's powerful model of love

I speak the truth in Christ--I am not lying, my conscience confirms it in the Holy Spirit-- I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were cursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers, those of my own race, the people of Israel. Theirs is the adoption as sons; theirs the divine glory, the covenants, the receiving of the law, the temple worship and the promises. Theirs are the patriarchs, and from them is traced the human ancestry of Christ, who is God over all, forever praised! Amen.

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 66

Christian Worship - page 90

Matthew 14:22-33 – Christians walk on water

Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowd. After he had dismissed them, he went up on a mountainside by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but the boat was already a considerable distance from land, buffeted by the waves because the wind was against it. During the fourth watch of the night Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. "It's a ghost," they said, and cried out in fear. But Jesus immediately said to them: "Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid." "Lord, if it's you," Peter replied, "tell me to come to you on the water." "Come," he said. Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, "Lord, save me!" Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. "You of little faith," he said, "why did you doubt?" And when they climbed into the boat, the wind died down. Then those who were in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

VERSE OF THE DAY

ALL: Alleluia. Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see. Alleluia

SERMON HYMN

"Lamb of God, We Fall Before You"

CW 354

SERMON
1 Kings 19:9b-18

The Gentle Whisper

^{9b}And the word of the LORD came to him: "What are you doing here, Elijah?" ¹⁰He replied, "I have been very zealous for the LORD God Almighty. The Israelites have rejected your covenant, broken down your altars, and put your prophets to death with the sword. I am the only one left, and now they are trying to kill me too." ¹¹The LORD said, "Go out and stand on the mountain in the presence of the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by." Then a great and powerful wind tore the mountains apart and shattered the rocks before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake. ¹²After the earthquake came a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire. And after the fire came a gentle whisper. ¹³When Elijah heard it, he pulled his cloak over his face and went out and stood at the mouth of the cave. Then a voice said to him, "What are you doing here, Elijah?"

¹⁴He replied, "I have been very zealous for the LORD God Almighty. The Israelites have rejected your covenant, broken down your altars, and put your prophets to death with the sword. I am the only one left, and now they are trying to kill me too." ¹⁵The LORD said to him, "Go back the way you came, and go to the Desert of Damascus. When you get there, anoint Hazael king over Aram. ¹⁶Also, anoint Jehu son of Nimshi king over Israel, and anoint Elisha son of Shaphat from Abel Meholah to succeed you as prophet. ¹⁷Jehu will put to death any who escape the sword of Hazael, and Elisha will put to death any who escape the sword of Jehu. ¹⁸Yet I reserve seven thousand in Israel--all whose knees have not bowed down to Baal and all whose mouths have not kissed him."

CONFESSION OF FAITH – Third Article and Meaning

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.

What does this mean?

I believe that I cannot by my own thinking or choosing believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to him.

But the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with his gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith. In the same way he calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.

In this Christian church he daily and fully forgives all sins to me and all believers.

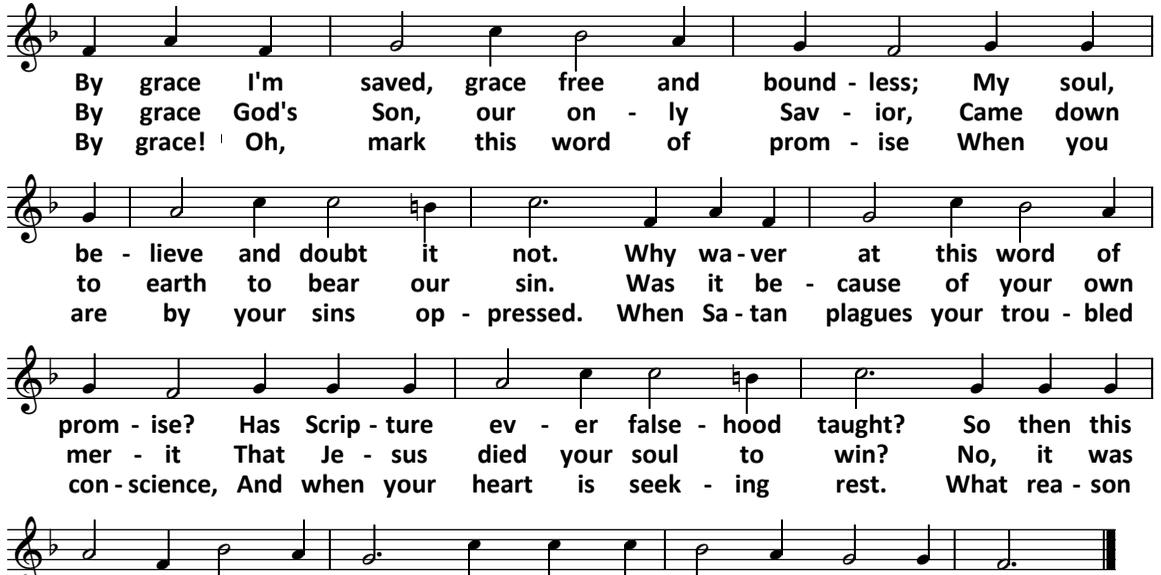
On the Last Day he will raise me and all the dead and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ. This is most certainly true.

HYMN OF THE DAY

"By Grace I'm Saved"

CW 384 vv 1-3

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By grace I'm saved, grace free and bound - less; My soul,
By grace God's Son, our on - ly Sav - ior, Came down
By grace! Oh, mark this word of prom - ise When you
be - lieve and doubt it not. Why wa - ver at this word of
to earth to bear our sin. Was it be - cause of your own
are by your sins op - pressed. When Sa - tan plagues your trou - bled
prom - ise? Has Scrip - ture ev - er false - hood taught? So then this
mer - it That Je - sus died your soul to win? No, it was
con - science, And when your heart is seek - ing rest. What rea - son
word must true re - main: By grace you, too, shall heav'n ob - tain.
grace and grace a - lone, That brought him from his heav'n - ly throne.
can - not com - pre - hend God by his grace to you did send.

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CHILDREN'S LESSON

LORD, HAVE MERCY

P: In the morning, O Lord, I call to you; be merciful to me and hear my prayer.

C: Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord have mercy.

LORD'S PRAYER Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

PRAYER FOR GRACE

P: O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, you have brought us safely to this new day. Defend us with your mighty power, and grant that this day we neither fall into sin nor run into any kind of danger; and in all we do, direct us to what is right in your sight, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

C: Amen.

P: Let us praise the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

BLESSING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: Amen.

CLOSING VERSES

"By Grace I'm Saved"

CW 384 vv 5-6

**By grace to timid hearts that tremble,
In tribulation's furnace tried - -
By grace, despite all fear and trouble,
The Father's heart is open wide.
Where could I help and strength secure
If grace were not my anchor sure?**

**By grace! On this I'll rest when dying;
In Jesus' promise I rejoice.
For through I know my heart's condition,
I also know my Savior's voice.
My heart is glad; all grief has flown
Since I am saved by grace alone.**

SUMMER SERVICES: Next Sunday, September 3rd, is our last 9a Worship service. On Sunday, September 10th, we will again start with our 8a and 10:30a worship services, with Sunday School and Bible Class at 9:15a.

PLAYGROUND UPDATE: Work is progressing on the playground area. Drainage was added, landscape fabric is being laid and we hope to be done by next Sunday!

FALL FESTIVAL – SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

When: Sunday, September 10, from 11:30-1:30

Where: Christ Our Redeemer Lutheran Church and School

What: FREE fun for the whole family!

Food

Games

Children's Activities

Who: Anyone and Everyone!

If you are interested in helping with the festival, please see the sign-up sheets in the church narthex. Thanks!

COR T-SHIRTS AND SWEATSHIRTS AVAILABLE ONLINE: To order, go to our school website, www.christredeemerschool.org, and click on the school apparel button. Deadline to order is Thursday.

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Worship services Sundays
at 8 and 10:30a (Summer
Worship at 9a) and Thursdays
at 7p

Bible Study and Sunday
School at 9:15a



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- A warm welcome to our visitors. May the Lord bless your worship with us today. We ask that you please sign the friendship register located at the end of the pew.
- Children – Activity bags are available in the coat room, off the narthex. During our 10:30a service a staffed nursery is located straight ahead and to your left as you exit the sanctuary. While we encourage young children to be in the service, families may like to use the nursery and are invited to do so.
- Please let an usher know if you require a larger print bulletin.
- Our services can also be viewed online. Go to our website www.corchurch.com and click on Video Broadcast.
- As a member of Christ Our Redeemer we are connected to each other through our unity of faith and the public confession of that faith in Lord's Supper. To read what our profession of faith is, go to www.corchurch.com and click on "Our Beliefs" or take a copy of the tract "What We Believe" in the Visitor Information Center kiosk. To become a member of our church family, please speak with the pastor.