

CHRIST OUR REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

Pentecost 12 – August 23, 2020 – Pastor Tom Engelbrecht

Morning Praise

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OPENING HYMN

“From All That Dwell Below the Skies”

CW 250

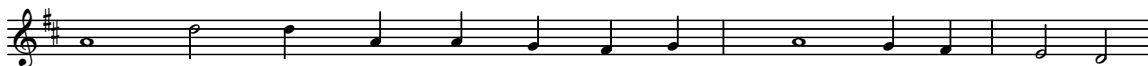
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From all that dwell be - low the skies Let the Cre - a - tor's praise a - rise.
E - ter - nal are your mer - cies, Lord; E - ter - nal is your glo - rious Word.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Let the Re - deem - er's name be
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Your praise shall sound from shore to



sung Through ev - 'ry land, by ev - 'ry tongue. Al - le - lu - ia!
shore Till suns shall rise and set no more. Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Pastor: O Lord, open my lips.

Congregation: **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 live.

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

SING:

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



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



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

1 Kings 19:9b-18 – There's Work to Do

^{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."

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.

SERMON HYMN

“Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me”

CW 439

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The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of four staves of music, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are written below the notes. The lyrics are: Lord, take my hand and lead me Up - on life's way; Lord, when the tem - pest ra - ges, I need not fear; Lord, when the shad - ows length - en And night has come, Di - rect, pro - tect, and feed me From day to day. For you, the Rock of A - ges, Are al - ways near. I know that you will strength - en My steps toward home, With - out your grace and fa - vor I go a - stray; Close by your side a - bid - ing, I fear no foe; And noth - ing can im - pede me, O bless - ed Friend! So take my hand, O Sav - ior, And lead the way. For when your hand is guid - ing, In peace I go. So take my hand and lead me Un - to the end.

Take Courage! It's Jesus

Matthew 14:22-33

1) The Basis of Faith

2) The Rescuer in Doubt

²² Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowd. ²³ After he had dismissed them, he went up on a mountainside by himself to pray. Later that night, he was there alone, ²⁴ and the boat was already a considerable distance from land, buffeted by the waves because the wind was against it.

²⁵ Shortly before dawn Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. ²⁶ When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. “It’s a ghost,” they said, and cried out in fear.

²⁷ But Jesus immediately said to them: “Take courage! It is I. Don’t be afraid.”

²⁸ “Lord, if it’s you,” Peter replied, “tell me to come to you on the water.”

²⁹ “Come,” he said.

Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. ³⁰ But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, “Lord, save me!”

³¹ Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. “You of little faith,” he said, “why did you doubt?”

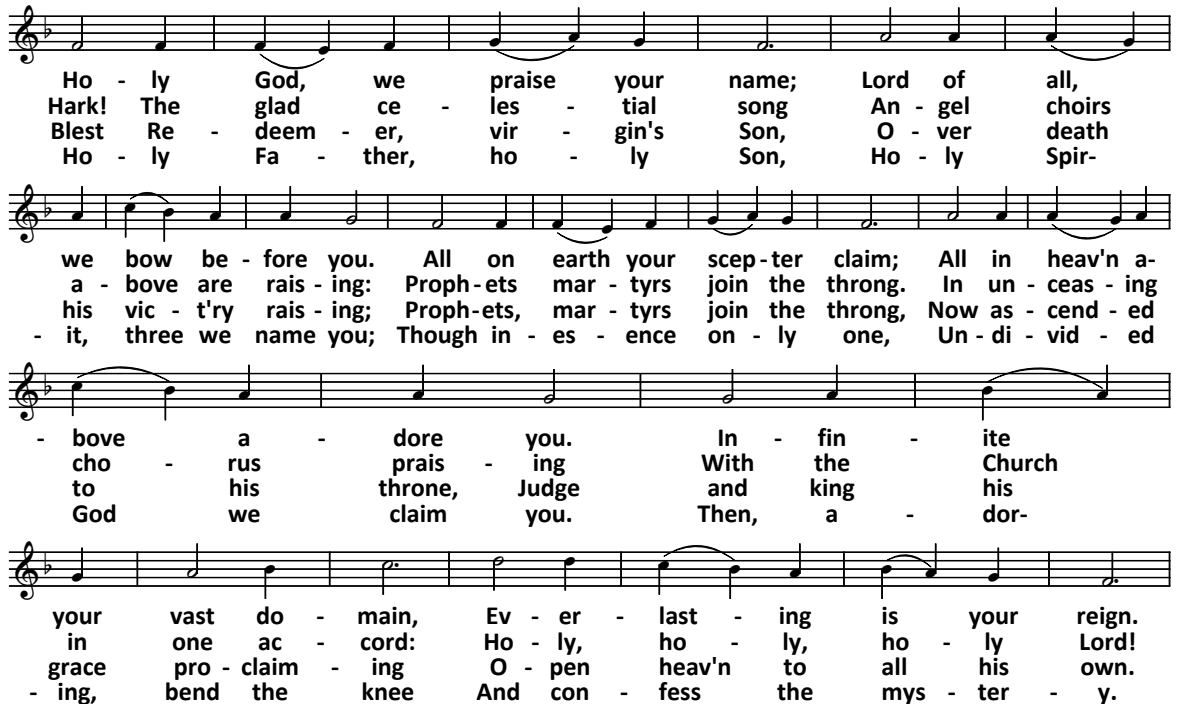
³² And when they climbed into the boat, the wind died down. ³³ Then those who were in the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.”

HYMN

"Holy God, We Praise Your Name"

CW 278

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Ho - ly God, we praise your name; Lord of all,
Hark! The glad ce - les - tial song An - gel choirs
Blest Re - deem - er, vir - gin's Son, O - ver death
Ho - ly Fa - ther, ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir -

we bow be - fore you. All on earth your scep - ter claim; All in heav'n a -
a - bove are rais - ing; Proph - ets mar - tyrs join the throng. In un - ceas - ing
his vic - t'ry rais - ing; Proph - ets, mar - tyrs join the throng, Now as - cend - ed
- it, three we name you; Though in - es - ence on - ly one, Un - di - vid - ed

- bove a - dore you. In - fin - ite
cho - rus prais - ing With the Church
to his throne, Judge and king his
God we claim you. Then, a - dor -

your vast do - main, Ev - er - last - ing is your reign.
in one ac - cord: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!
grace pro - claim - ing O - pen heav'n to all his own.
- ing, bend the knee And con - fess the mys - ter - y.

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.

PRAYER

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.

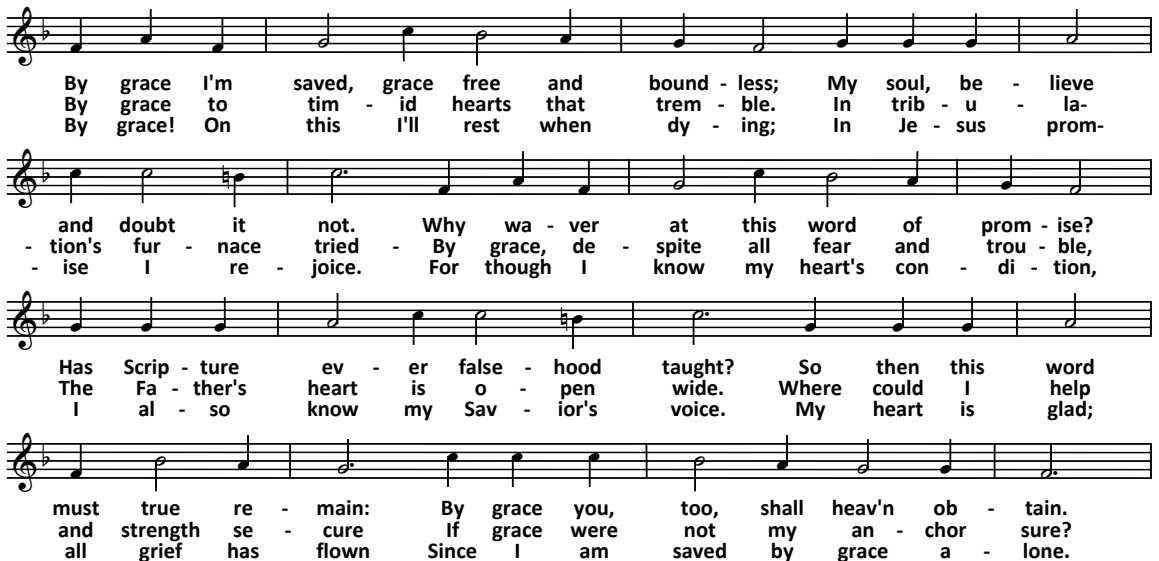
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CLOSING VERSES

"By Grace I'm Saved"

CW 384: 1, 4, 5

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By grace I'm saved, grace free and bound - less; My soul, be - lieve
By grace to tim - id hearts that trem - ble. In trib - u - la -
By grace! On this I'll rest when dy - ing; In Je - sus prom -

and doubt it not. Why wa - ver at this word of prom - ise?
- tion's fur - nace tried - By grace, de - spite all fear and trou - ble,
- ise I re - joice. For though I know my heart's con - di - tion,

Has Scrip - ture ev - er false - hood taught? So then this word
The Fa - ther's heart is o - pen wide. Where could I help
I al - so know my Sav - ior's voice. My heart is glad;

must true re - main: By grace you, too, shall heav'n ob - tain.
and strength se - cure If grace were not my an - chor sure?
all grief has flown Since I am saved by grace a - lone.

"Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid."

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR – Week of August 23rd

08/24	7:00p Monday	Outreach / Adult Discipleship Meeting
08/26	8:30a Wednesday	Join us for Morning Chapel
08/26	Wednesday afternoon	The COR Women's Group will be making sack lunches for an Aurora homeless shelter
08/27	7:00p Thursday	Worship
08/30	9:00a Sunday	Worship & Installation

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor and Jackie would like to thank everyone for the warm welcome to Christ Our Redeemer. They write, "We praise God for the prayers, well wishes, gifts, and many hours spent renovating and beautifying the parsonage. Change and transition is never easy, but we are thankful for your efforts to make our transition as enjoyable as possible. We are looking forward to getting to know everyone as we share life with you—the life that Christ has won for us and the lives we get to live together in service to him!"

COR had its first day of school this past Wednesday. We have 35 students who are very happy to be here! Please keep our school, students and staff in your prayers.

During our 9a worship service next Sunday We will be installing our new teachers. Vicki Houser is serving as our Preschool teacher (through the end of September) following the absence of Michele Paul. We will also be installing Ruth Nitz who is serving as our 3-5th Grade Teacher for the 2020-21 School Year. We are very thankful for their service here.

The offering plate will not be passed during the service.

It is located on a small table to your right as you exit.

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8 & 10:30a (Summer Worship at 9a)
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visitors. May the Lord bless
your worship with us today.**

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