

### **The Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28**

<sup>21</sup>Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. <sup>22</sup>Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." <sup>23</sup>But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." <sup>24</sup>He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." <sup>25</sup>But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." <sup>26</sup>He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." <sup>27</sup>She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." <sup>28</sup>Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed from that moment.

**Children's Sermon:** *Pastor Eric Hanson (you may be seated)*

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### **Hymn of the Day: Hymn of the Day: "Lamb Of God"**

*Offerings will be collected during the hymn of the day. Thank you also to those who give online. If you'd like to sign up for online giving please visit [www.stlukegoodhue.org/online-giving](http://www.stlukegoodhue.org/online-giving). Children's coin offering will go toward ELCA Good Gifts serving communities in need around the world at the end of the Sunday School year.*

**Vs 1: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world.**

**Lord, have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord, have mercy on me.**

**Lord, have mercy, Christ have mercy, have mercy on me.**

**Vs 2: Lamb of God, I'm asking you to take away my sin.**

**I confess that I've done wrong, I need your help again.**

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**Vs 3: The precious blood of Jesus Christ cleanses me from sin.**

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### **Offertory Response: "Give Thanks"**

**Give thanks with a grateful heart. Give thanks to the Holy One.**

**Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son.**

**And now let the weak say, "I am strong".**

**Let the poor say, "I am rich Because of what the Lord has done for us". Give thanks.**

**Offering Prayer:** P: Let us pray.

**C: God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**Apostles' Creed:** *(please stand as you are able)*

**I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven & earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**The Prayers:** *(call and response)*

Confident that God receives our joys and concerns, let us offer our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of creation. *A brief silence.* O God, your Spirit gathers the church. Shepherd those who are newly baptized and newly ordained in the proclamation of the gospel, breathe life into ecumenical and inter-religious endeavors, and support missionaries throughout the globe. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

You created the earth and all its inhabitants and declared it good. Clean polluted skies, seas, and soil, provide nourishment to plants and animals, and make us aware of our impact on the environment. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

You call leaders to bridge differences and practice generosity. Inspire all in authority to protect people in harm's way, deliver those in bondage, support fair elections, provide care for military personnel and veterans, and show mercy to those for whom they have responsibility. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

You provide for those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit. Embrace people who have been rejected because of difference, heal trauma caused by racism or prejudice, shield any who are persecuted, console the dying, and heal the sick especially; Keith Brown, Dolly Mensink, Judy Carpenter, Jan Benidt, Dave (Pud) Gnotke, Marilyn O'Brien, Shawn Frederixon, Neil Stehr, & Dave Ryan. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

O God, you journey with us in all of life's transitions. Guide those preparing for baptism, marriage, and retirement. Guide our church council and committees in their visioning and ministry. Safeguard those who travel. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We give you thanks for those who now rest from their labors. Motivate us by their lives of dedication to the gospel, until that day when we join with them in our eternal home. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, in the name of the one who reconciled all creation to himself, Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

### **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.**

### **Sharing the Peace:**

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

### **The Great Thanksgiving:**

P: The Lord be with you     **C: And also with you**

P: Lift up your hearts.     **C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.     **C: It is right to give Him thanks & praise.**

### **The Words of Institution**

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**The Meal & Hymns:** *(you may be seated)*

*All are welcome at this meal. We believe in the saving power of Jesus Christ through the gift of his life, death, and resurrection experienced in bread and wine.*

*Please move forward via the center aisle. Bread is received in the hands. Wine is received by dipping the bread into the wine chalice and consuming both together. All ages are welcome to commune. Those not communing may receive a blessing by simply keeping your hands folded or extending your arms over your chest in the sign of a cross inviting blessing. For those unable to consume either wine or bread, communion is received fully in either element alone, for Christ is fully present in the meal. You may return to your seats via the side aisles after communing. Gluten-free is available, simply make the server aware of your need. Also, if you cannot come forward, but wish for communion or blessing, let the usher know it will come to you at the end.*

*"Nothing But The Blood"*

**Vs 1: What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus;**

**What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.**

**Chorus: Oh! precious is the flow That makes me white as snow;**

**No other fount I know, Nothing but the blood of Jesus.**

**Vs 2: For my pardon, this I see, Nothing but the blood of Jesus;**

**For my cleansing this my plea, Nothing but the blood of Jesus. [Chorus]**

**Vs 3: Nothing can for sin atone, Nothing but the blood of Jesus;**

**Naught of good that I have done, Nothing but the blood of Jesus. [Chorus]**

**Vs 4: This is all my hope and peace, Nothing but the blood of Jesus;**

**This is all my righteousness, Nothing but the blood of Jesus. [Chorus]**

*"One Bread, One Body"* #496

**Refrain:** One bread, one body, one Lord of all; one cup of blessing which we bless,  
and we, though many throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

**Vs 1:** Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man, no more. [Refrain]

**Vs 2:** Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all. [Refrain]

**Vs 3:** Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, gathered to one for all. [Refrain]

**Communion Prayer:** *(stand as you are able)*

**P:** Let us pray.

**C:** We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

**Blessing:**

**P:** The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed + bless, keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age.

**C:** Amen.

**Sending Hymn:** *"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"* #836

**Verse 1:** Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love! Hearts unfold like flow'rs before thee,  
praising thee, their sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; Drive the gloom of doubt away;  
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day!

**Verse 2:** All Thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heav'n reflect thy rays, stars and angels sing around  
thee, center of unbroken praise. Field and forest, vale and mountain, flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,  
chanting bird and flowing fountain call us to rejoice in thee.

**Verse 3:** Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest, wellspring of the joy of living, ocean depth of  
happy rest! Thou our Father, Christ our Brother, all who live in love are thine;  
teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.

**Dismissal:**

**P:** Go in peace. Share the harvest.

**C:** Thanks be to God!

**Postlude**

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost  
St. Luke Lutheran Church • Pastor Eric Hanson  
9:30AM • August 20, 2023

**Prelude**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Greeting:** *(please stand as you are able)*

**P:** The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God. **C:** Come Holy Spirit, Come!

**Confession and Forgiveness:**

**P:** We confess our sins together, in the name of the Father, and of the Son +, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** God of all Mercy, come to our aid. When we hide brokenness and only show you wholeness, forgive us. When we cover shame and guilt with pride and pretense, forgive us. When we point out the speck in our neighbor's eye but ignore the log in our own eye, forgive us. When we choose old, harmful ways of living over new, life-giving ways, forgive us. Transform us by the power of your Spirit, Lord God, and make us New.

**P:** Children of God, God loved us even when we were dead in sin, and makes us new through Jesus Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Live as people set free.

**C:** Amen.

**Gathering Hymn:** *"God, We Gather As Your People"*

**Vs 1:** God, we gather as your people to raise our song above, and we dare to claim the promise of your love.  
Though the day may not yet be here, we trust it soon will be, when your children will be free.

**Refrain:** Oh, may our hearts and minds be opened, fling the church doors open wide.  
May there be room enough for ev'ryone inside. For in God there is a welcome, in God we all belong.  
May that welcome be our song.

**Vs 2:** Oh, we sing for all the children, that one day they be free; and we sing for generations yet to be,  
that they never have a reason to doubt that they are blest. May they, in your love, find rest. [Refrain]

**Vs 3:** Oh, we pray for all the young lives cut short by fear & shame, so afraid of who they are & whom they love.  
May the message now be banished that your love is for the few; may their faith in you renew. [Refrain]

**Vs 4:** God, we're working for the future when children far & wide can live their lives with dignity and pride.  
As they grow in strength & stature, may they join us hand in hand, as against all hate we stand. [Refrain]

**Prayer of the Day:** *(you may be seated)*

**P:** Let us pray.

**C:** God of all peoples, your arms reach out to embrace all those who call upon you. Teach us as disciples of your Son to love the world with compassion and constancy, that your name may be known throughout the earth, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

**The First Reading: Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32**

<sup>1</sup>I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. <sup>2</sup>God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. Do you not know what the scripture says of Elijah, how he pleads with God against Israel? <sup>29</sup>for the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. <sup>30</sup>Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, <sup>31</sup>so also they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they also may now receive mercy. <sup>32</sup>For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

**P:** This is the Word of the Lord. **C:** Thanks be to God.

**Gospel Acclamation:** *(please stand as you are able)* *"Great Are You Lord"*

Holy Lord, most Holy Lord, You alone are worthy of my praise;

Oh Holy Lord, most Holy Lord, with all of my heart I sing.

Great are You, Lord, worthy of praise, Holy and true, great are you, Lord, most Holy Lord.

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