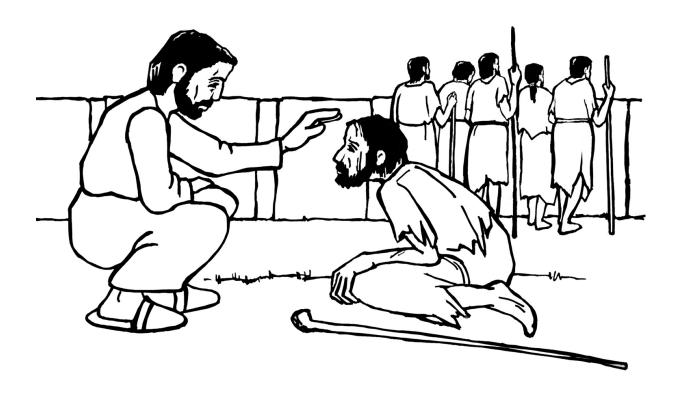
Lutheran Church of the Redeemer

Our Mission: To share Christ's love with the greatest number of people.

18th Sunday after Pentecost, October 12, 2025 The Service at 8:30 and 11 am



It's a miracle! Multiple miracles! The waters of holy baptism have healed us.

The body and blood of Jesus in holy communion have made us clean.

We have died with Christ and been raised with him. For all this we have returned to offer thanks.

From this place we are sent on our way rejoicing to share the good news.





GATHERING

PRELUDE

"Healer of our Every Ill" - Marty Haugen, arr. Mark Hayes

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Please stand.

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Pastor

Congregation Amen.

Pastor Almighty God,

to whom all hearts are open, all desires known,

and from whom no secrets are hid:

cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name,

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Congregation Amen.

Pastor Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Pastor Most merciful God, Congregation have mercy on us.

We confess that we are in bondage to sin

and cannot free ourselves.

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.

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.

Pastor God, who is rich in mercy,

> loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ.

By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit,

that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

Congregation Amen.

GATHERING HYMN: CHRIST IS MADE THE SURE FOUNDATION #645

We invite you to turn and face the cross (as you are comfortable). Please turn to the front of the sanctuary after the cross has passed you. All sing.

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation



Text: Latin hymn, c. 7th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt. Music: WESTMINSTER ABBEY, Henry Purcell, 1659–1695; arr. Ernest Hawkins, 1802–1868

APOSTOLIC GREETING

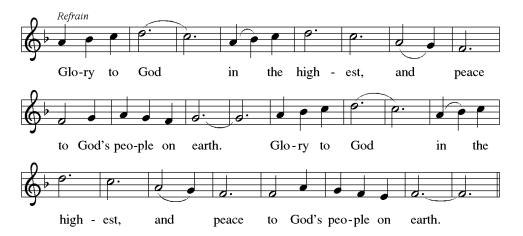
Pastor The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,

and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Congregation And also with you.

GLORY TO GOD

Congregation sings the refrain and cantor sings the verse.



Cantor Lord God, heavenly King,

almighty God and Father,

we worship you, we give you thanks,

we praise you for your glory. Congregation sings refrain.

Cantor Lord Jesus Christ,

only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,

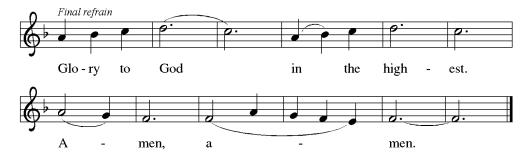
you take away the sin of the world:

have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. *Congregation sings refrain.*

Cantor For you alone are the Holy One,

you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.



All sing.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor The Lord be with you. Congregation And also with you.

Pastor Let us pray.

Almighty and most merciful God, your bountiful goodness fills all creation. Keep us safe from all that may hurt us, that, whole and well in body and spirit, we may with grateful hearts accomplish all that you would have us do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Congregation Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

THE WORD

Reading: 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c

Naaman, a Syrian general, suffers from leprosy. In this passage Elisha miraculously cures his illness, but only after Naaman realizes, with the help of his servants, that he also needs healing for his pride. This foreign general then acknowledges the sovereignty of the God of Israel.

¹Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. ²Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. ³She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy." ⁷When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." He used that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

^{15a-c}Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel."

Reader Word of God, word of life.
Congregation Thanks be to God.

Psalm 111 Congregation sings words in bold.



¹Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the LORD with | my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, in the | congregation.

²Great are your | works, O LORD, pondered by all who de- | light in them.

³Majesty and splendor | mark your deeds, and your righteousness en- | dures forever.

⁴You cause your wonders to | be remembered; you are gracious and full | of compassion.

⁵You give food to | those who fear you, remembering forev- | er your covenant.

⁶You have shown your people the power | of your works in giving them the lands | of the nations.

⁷The works of your hands are faithful- | ness and justice; all of your pre- | cepts are sure.

⁸They stand fast forev- | er and ever, because they are done in | truth and equity.

⁹You sent redemption to your people and commanded your cove- | nant forever; holy and awesome | is your name.

¹⁰The fear of the LORD is the begin- | ning of wisdom; all who practice this have a good understanding. God's praise en- | dures forever.

Reading: 2 Timothy 2:8-15

Though Paul is chained as a prisoner, he reminds Timothy that the word of God is never shackled or confined. He encourages his young friend to proclaim that word of freedom in an honest and upright life as well as in his teaching and preaching.

⁸Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, ⁹for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. ¹⁰Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. ¹¹The saying is sure:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him;

¹²if we endure, we will also reign with him;

if we deny him, he will also deny us;

¹³if we are faithless, he remains faithful—

for he cannot deny himself.

¹⁴Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. ¹⁵Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

Reader Word of God, word of life.
Congregation Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Please stand and sing.





The Gospel is announced.

Pastor The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke.

Congregation Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

Jesus' mission includes making the unclean clean again. Unexpectedly, a cleansed Samaritan leper becomes a model for those who would praise and worship God and give thanks for God's mercy.

¹¹On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. ¹²As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, ¹³they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" ¹⁴When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. ¹⁵Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. ¹⁶He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? ¹⁸Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

Pastor The Gospel of the Lord. Congregation Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Amy Feira

Great Is Thy Faithfulness



Text: Thomas O. Chisholm, 1866-1960

Music: FAITHFULNESS, William M. Runyan, 1870–1957

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APOSTLES' CREED

Asst. Min. With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

Congregation I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and 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 to the dead. 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.

PRAYERS

Prayers are included for the whole Church, the nations, those in need, the parish and special concerns. After each portion of the prayers:

Asst. Min. God of grace, Congregation hear our prayer.

At the end of the prayer:

Pastor Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray,

trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Congregation Amen.

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

Pastor The peace of Christ be with you always.

Congregation And also with you.

The congregation may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace and may say, "Peace be with you" or similar words.

OFFERING

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. Our offerings to God are first of all just that – offerings of thanksgiving to God. As you are able please continue to support our ministry with your financial gifts.

Please sign the red attendance book and pass it down the pew.

OFFERTORY

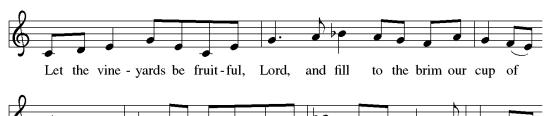
"Psalm 16 (My Refuge)" by Craig Courtney

COME TO THE TABLE

OFFERTORY SONG Please stand and sing.

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

Offering Song



bless-ing. Gath - er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be



fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and the dreams of all; u-



nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta-ble with your



Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980 Music: Richard W. Hillert, b. 1923

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

Asst. Min. Let us pray. Congregation Holy God, §

Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation.

Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way,

that all may know your care;

and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life,

Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pastor The Lord be with you. Congregation And also with you.

Pastor Lift up your hearts.

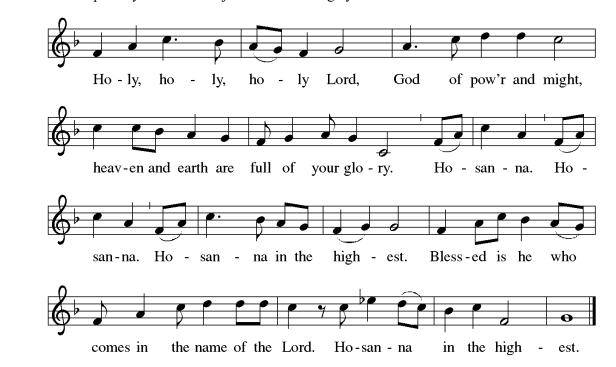
Congregation We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. Congregation It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Pastor

All sing.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor Congregation Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the

grant

us

peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNE

sin

of the world;



COMMUNION

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

Communion will be offered by intinction.

For those not comfortable receiving from those who are distributing the elements, a separate tray is available.

Anyone not comfortable receiving the bread or the wine is invited to come forward for a blessing.

To receive a blessing, please cross your arms.

You are an important part of our faith community.

In Holy Communion we receive the true body and blood of Christ.

Blessed Assurance



- 1 Bless-ed as-sur-ance, Je-sus is mine! Oh, what a fore-taste of glo-ry di-vine!
- 2 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, per-fect de-light, vi-sions of rap-ture now burst on my sight;
- 3 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, all is at rest; I in my Sav-ior am hap-py and blest,



Heir of sal-va-tion, pur-chase of God, born of his Spir-it, washed in his blood. an - gels de-scend-ing bring from a-bove ech-oes of mer-cy, whis-pers of love. watch-ing and wait-ing, look-ing a-bove, filled with his good-ness, lost in his love.



This is my sto - ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav - ior all the day long:



this is my sto - ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long.

Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820-1915

Music: ASSURANCE, Phoebe P. Knapp, 1830-1908

Please stand.

Pastor The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Congregation Amen.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Asst. Min. Let us pray. Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to

conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, that we may show your glory to all the

world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

Congregation Amen.

THE SENDING

BLESSING

Pastor Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. Amen.

SENDING HYMN: LET ALL THINGS NOW LIVING #881

Please follow the cross, turning toward the cross as it passes by your pew. As the cross leads, so Christ leads us out into the community to share Christ's love.

Let All Things Now Living



DISMISSAL

Asst. Min. Go in peace. Share the good news. Congregation Thanks be to God.

Postlude

"Rondeau (from Abdelazer)" - Henry Purcell

On Common Ground

Ten people are healed by Jesus, but only one returns to thank him. That is the central tension of today's gospel story. But there is also a twist, one we may have missed if we were not listening closely: the one who thanked Jesus was a Samaritan.

The faithful of Jesus' time would have known all about the hostility between Judeans and Samaritans. The conflict between the two groups stretched back generations and generations. It was animosity so entrenched that people probably did not remember the specifics of the fight. They just knew they hated the other side. A Judean would never associate with a Samaritan, much less heal one of them.

But as we see in this story and others throughout the gospels, Jesus did not seem to care about the labels the world assigned to people: scribe or Pharisee, sinner or tax collector. Jesus also did not stop to consider whether the person was from Judea or Samaria. He looked into the eyes of all who came to him and saw directly to their humanity. He brought healing and wholeness to everyone.

Just as Jesus told the Samaritan, he could tell us, too, that our faith makes us well. God gives us faith that overcomes the destructive words of the world, allowing us to transcend barriers and labels and to recognize the humanity in each individual. God is also calling us as a whole community to go and seek out the Samaritans of our own time and place—anyone whom the rest of the world rejects and reviles—and show them the same compassion and mercy we have received.

God's love makes us whole. Words can hurt, but thanks to Jesus, words can heal too. More often than not, we will find common ground through God's power to heal, even among the Samaritans.

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Children are welcome in our worship. There is a children's worship bulletin for them. If you prefer, a nursery and/or childcare is available for children up to age 3 during all worship services.

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Sunday Services: 8:30 and 11 am for traditional services and 9:45 am for the contemporary service

Next Sunday's Scripture: Genesis 32:22-31 Psalm 121 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5 Luke 18:1-8

The flowers are given to the glory of God.

Today we are using Setting 3 from the Evangelical Lutheran Worship hymnal.

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