

# REDEEMER

LUTHERAN CHURCH

TOP 10

## BIBLICAL VILLAINS



# DELILAH!



**Sunday, June 11, 2023, 11:15am**  
**Service of Prayer and Preaching**  
***Top 10 Villains...Delilah***

*Deceptive and cunning, Delilah tricked Samson into revealing the source of his strength. She then betrayed him into the hands of the Philistines, and walked away from the whole debacle rich with gold.*

***Opening Praise Song***

P: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: Praise the LORD! Sing to the LORD a new song,

**C: His praise in the assembly of the Godly!**

P: Let Israel be glad in his Maker;

**C: let the children of Zion rejoice in their King!**

P: For the LORD takes pleasure in His people;

**C: He adorns the humble with salvation. Praise the LORD!**

P: Let us confession our sins to God, our heavenly Father.

**C: Merciful Father, I confess my sinfulness. I am indeed sinful from my birth and since that time have transgressed against You in thought, word, and deed. My actions have brought injury to others. I have left undone those things which I ought to have done. I have done those things which I ought not to have done. I sincerely repent of my sins. Graciously hear my confession and grant me Your grace and forgiveness in Jesus. By the renewing work of the Holy Spirit within me, lead me to amend my sinful life that each day I may grow in righteousness and in hope to the glory of Your Holy name.**

P: Jesus, our Redeemer, promises forgiveness, life, and salvation. As a called and ordained servant of Jesus and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy

Spirit. As you believe, so may it be.

**C: Amen.**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Together, we pray,

**C: Almighty and most merciful God, You sent Your Son, Jesus Christ, to seek and to save the lost. Graciously open our ears and our hearts to hear His call and to follow Him by faith that we may feast with Him forever in His kingdom; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, Amen.**

## **Children's Time**

### **Judges 16, Various Verses**

Samson went to Gaza, and there he saw a prostitute, and he went in to her. The Gazites were told, "Samson has come here." And they surrounded the place and set an ambush for him all night at the gate of the city. They kept quiet all night, saying, "Let us wait till the light of the morning; then we will kill him." But Samson lay till midnight, and at midnight he arose and took hold of the doors of the gate of the city and the two posts, and pulled them up, bar and all, and put them on his shoulders and carried them to the top of the hill that is in front of Hebron....After this he loved a woman in the Valley of Sorek, whose name was Delilah. And the lords of the Philistines came up to her and said to her, "Seduce him, and see where his great strength lies, and by what means we may overpower him, that we may bind him to humble him. And we will each give you 1,100 pieces of silver."....And when she pressed him hard with her words day after day, and urged him, his soul was vexed to death. And he told her all his heart, and said to her, "A razor has never come upon my head, for I have been a Nazirite to God from my mother's womb. If my head is shaved, then my strength will leave me, and I shall become weak and be like any other man."....When Delilah saw that he had told her all his heart, she sent and called the lords of the Philistines, saying, "Come up again, for he has told me all

his heart.”...She made him sleep on her knees. And she called a man and had him shave off the seven locks of his head. Then she began to torment him, and his strength left him.

L: This is the Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God!**

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 9th chapter

**C: Glory to You, O Lord.**

P: As Jesus passed on from there, He saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth, and He said to him,

**C: Follow Me.**

P: And he rose and followed Him. And as Jesus reclined at table in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and were reclining with Jesus and His disciples. And when the Pharisees saw this, they said to His disciples, why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners? But when He heard it, He said,

**C: Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, I desire mercy, and not sacrifice. For I came not to call the righteous, but sinners.**

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

## **Sermon Praise Song**

**The Sermon**                      *Delilah*

## **The Gathering of our Gifts and Tithes**

### **The Prayer of His Children:**

P: Lord, in Your mercy.    **C: hear our prayer.**

P: Hear us O Lord, and with open hearts we pray,

**C: LORD’S PRAYER**



**God's Benediction**

***Sending Praise Song***

**Announcements**