# **Service of Prayer and Preaching**

#### **524 How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds**

- 1 How sweet the name of Jesus sounds In a believer's ear!It soothes our sorrows, heals our wounds, And drives away our fear.
- It makes the wounded spirit whole And calms the heart's unrest;'Tis manna to the hungry soul And to the weary, rest.
- Dear name! The rock on which I build,
   My shield and hiding place;
   My never-failing treasury filled
   With boundless stores of grace.

- O Jesus, shepherd, guardian, friend,
   My Prophet, Priest, and King,
   My Lord, my life, my way, my end,
   Accept the praise I bring.
- 5 How weak the effort of my heart, How cold my warmest thought! But when I see Thee as Thou art, I'll praise Thee as I ought.
- 6 Till then I would Thy love proclaim
  With ev'ry fleeting breath;
  And may the music of Thy name
  Refresh my soul in death!

Stand

## **Opening Versicles**

- **L** This is the day which the Lord has made;
- let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- **L** From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- **L** Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;
- I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.
- **L** Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.
- **©** Teach me Your paths.
- **L** Sanctify us in Your truth.
- Your Word is truth.
- **L** From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

### **Old Testament Canticle**

LSB 261

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.

With joy will you draw water from the wells of salvation.

And you will say in that day:

"Give thanks to the Lord, call upon His name, make known His deeds among the peoples, proclaim that His name is exalted."

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.

Sing praises to the Lord, for He has done gloriously; let this be made known in all the earth. Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitants of Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.

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Psalm Psalm 146

(Spoken Responsively)

<sup>1</sup>Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul!

<sup>2</sup>I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

<sup>3</sup>Put not your trust in princes, in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation.

<sup>4</sup>When his breath departs he returns to the earth; on that very day his plans perish.

<sup>5</sup>Blessèd is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD his God,

<sup>6</sup>who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them,

who keeps faith forever;

<sup>7</sup>who executes justice for the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry.

The LORD sets the prisoners free;

8the LORD opens the eyes of the blind.
The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;
the LORD loves the righteous.

<sup>9</sup>The LORD watches over the sojourners; he upholds the widow and the fatherless, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

<sup>10</sup>The LORD will reign forever, your God, O Zion, to all generations. Praise the LORD!

## **Readings from Holy Scripture**

### **Old Testament Reading**

Isaiah 35:4-7a

**L** A reading from Isaiah, the thirty-fifth chapter.

<sup>4</sup>Say to those who have an anxious heart, "Be strong; fear not!

Behold, your God will come with vengeance, with the recompense of God.

He will come and save you."

<sup>5</sup>Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped;

<sup>6</sup>then shall the lame man leap like a deer, and the tongue of the mute sing for joy.

For waters break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert;

<sup>7</sup>the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water."

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

#### Thanks be to God.

**Epistle** James 2:1–10, 14–18

<sup>1</sup>My brothers, show no partiality as you hold the faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory. <sup>2</sup>For if a man wearing a gold ring and fine clothing comes into your assembly, and a poor man in shabby clothing also comes in, <sup>3</sup> and if you pay attention to the one who wears the fine clothing and say, "You sit here in a good place," while you say to the poor man, "You stand over there," or, "Sit down at my feet," <sup>4</sup>have you not then made distinctions among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts? <sup>5</sup>Listen, my beloved brothers, has not God chosen those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom, which he has promised to those who love him? <sup>6</sup>But you have dishonored the poor man. Are not the rich the ones who oppress you, and the ones who drag you into court? <sup>7</sup>Are they not the ones who blaspheme the honorable name by which you were called?

<sup>8</sup>If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself," you are doing well. <sup>9</sup>But if you show partiality, you are committing sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. <sup>10</sup>For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. . . .

<sup>14</sup>What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? <sup>15</sup>If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food, <sup>16</sup>and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, be warmed and filled," without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that? <sup>17</sup>So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead.

<sup>18</sup>But someone will say, "You have faith and I have works." Show me your faith apart from your works, and I will show you my faith by my works.

**I** This is the Word of the Lord.

#### Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel Mark 7:31–37

<sup>31</sup>[Jesus] returned from the region of Tyre and went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. <sup>32</sup>And they brought to him a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment, and they begged him to lay his hand on him. <sup>33</sup>And taking him aside from the crowd privately, he put his fingers into his ears, and after spitting touched his tongue. <sup>34</sup>And looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." <sup>35</sup>And his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. <sup>36</sup>And Jesus charged them to tell no one. But the more he charged them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. <sup>37</sup>And they were astonished beyond measure, saying, "He has done all things well. He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak."

- **I** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

### Responsory

- **L** Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.
- Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.
- L Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.
- Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.
- L Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
- Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

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#### Catechism

#### **Ten Commandments**

You shall have no other gods.

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

Honor your father and your mother.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

## **Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

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.

## **Lord's Prayer**

Pour 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.

Sit

### 797 Praise the Almighty

- 1 Praise the Almighty, my soul, adore Him! Yes, I will laud Him until death; With songs and anthems I come before Him As long as He allows me breath. From Him my life and all things came; Bless, O my soul, His holy name. Alleluia, alleluia!
- 2 Trust not in rulers; they are but mortal; Earthborn they are and soon decay. Vain are their counsels at life's last portal, When the dark grave engulfs its prey. Since mortals can no help afford, Place all your trust in Christ, our Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!
- 3 Blessèd, oh, blessèd are they forever Whose help is from the Lord Most High, Whom from salvation can nothing sever, And who in hope to Christ draw nigh. To all who trust in Him, our Lord Will aid and counsel now afford. Alleluia, alleluia!

- 4 Penitent sinners, for mercy crying,
  Pardon and peace from Him obtain;
  Ever the wants of the poor supplying,
  Their faithful God He will remain.
  He helps His children in distress,
  The widows and the fatherless.
  Alleluia, alleluia!

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#### Sermon

## Offering

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#### **Prayer**

- **L** In peace let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **L** For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **L** For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **L** For . . . [additional bids for prayer may be inserted here] . . . let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- **L** Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

# **Collect of the Day**

- L O Lord, let Your merciful ears be open to the prayers of Your humble servants and grant that what they ask may be in accord with Your gracious will; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

#### **Collect for the Word**

- E Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

### **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; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me.

#### **New Testament Canticle**

LSB 266

Christ has been raised from the dead! Alleluia. Alleluia.

Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed. Raised from the dead, He will never die again. Death has no more dominion over Him.

Christ has been raised from the dead! Alleluia. Alleluia.

Dying, Christ dies to sin, once for all.

Living, He lives to God.

Count yourselves as dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus, our Lord.

Christ has been raised from the dead! Alleluia. Alleluia.

## **Blessing**

- Let us bless the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.
- The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.
- C Amen.

#### 846 Your Hand, O Lord, in Days of Old

- 1 Your hand, O Lord, in days of old Was strong to heal and save; It triumphed over ills and death, O'er darkness and the grave. To You they came, the blind, the mute, The palsied and the lame, The lepers in their misery, The sick with fevered frame.
- Your touch then, Lord, brought life and health, Gave speech and strength and sight; And youth renewed and frenzy calmed Revealed You, Lord of light. And now, O Lord, be near to bless, Almighty as before, In crowded street, by beds of pain, As by Gennes'ret's shore.

3 O be our great deliv'rer still, The Lord of life and death; Restore and guicken, soothe and bless, With Your life-giving breath. To hands that work and eyes that see Give wisdom's healing pow'r That whole and sick and weak and strong May praise You evermore. Text: Public domain

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