



Lutheran Church & Christian School



7th Sunday after Pentecost

July 28, 2019—9:00 am

Redeemed, Restored, & Rejoicing in Jesus!

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Faithfully Feeding Your Faith

July 28, 2019

AS WE GATHER

“I want it all!” Such is the tagline of a commercial that is currently running on TV. With the advertised app on your phone, you can order any and all of the food you want, and have it delivered to your door. Imagine, never having to cook again! In today’s reading from Colossians, you already possess it all! “Your debt has been paid in full” is Paul’s word of encouragement that brings relief and complete restoration in Jesus. In Him, we possess everything we need to believe in Him, and to walk in His ways. The debt of justice we owe to God for all of our sins is paid in full, not by our efforts or goodness, but by Jesus’ payment of those debts for us on the cross. As such, we may now come to Him. As such, we now live joyfully and confidently in Him. What better reason could there be to “walk in Jesus” than that He has forgiven all the debt of sin we owe? Relief! Renewal! Rejoicing!

PRESERVICE MUSIC

WELCOME

✠ PREPARATION ✠

OPENING HYMN “Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good” *LSB 819, St. 1-2, 5*

The sign of the cross ✠ may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen.

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

Congregation: who made heaven and earth.

Pastor: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

Congregation: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

Pastor: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, and call upon Him in prayer and praise, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

Congregation: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen.

† WORD †

THANKSGIVING

Pastor: As you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, walk in Him.

Congregation: We have been buried with Christ in Baptism and raised with Him through faith in the awesome power of God.

Pastor: As you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, walk in Him.

Congregation: We were once dead in our trespasses. God made us alive together with Christ.

Pastor: As you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, walk in Him.

Congregation: The debt of our sins has been paid by the sacrifice of Jesus.

Pastor: As you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, walk in Him.

KYRIE

LSB 204



© Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.



1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
 2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
 3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro- claimed at Je-sus' birth!
 O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
 For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
 Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
 You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.
 Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—
 In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray.

Jesus, Messiah, whose all-sufficient sacrifice has reconciled us to You once and for all. As our sufficiency rests in You alone, fill us with contentment, joy and peace, enabling us continuously to feast on You, and walk with You in faith, our Savior and Lord; even as You live and reign with the Father and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Congregation: **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Genesis 18:22-33 (Abraham intercedes for Sodom.)

²² So the men turned from there and went toward Sodom, but Abraham still stood before the LORD. ²³ Then Abraham drew near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? ²⁴ Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city. Will you then sweep away the place and not spare it for the fifty righteous who are in it? ²⁵ Far be it from you to do such a thing, to put the righteous to death with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" ²⁶ And the LORD said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will spare the whole place for their sake."

²⁷ Abraham answered and said, "Behold, I have undertaken to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. ²⁸ Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking. Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And He said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." ²⁹ Again he spoke to Him and said, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." ³⁰ Then he said, "Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." ³¹ He said, "Behold, I have undertaken to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." ³² Then he said, "Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak again but this once. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it." ³³ And the LORD went His way, when He had finished speaking to Abraham, and Abraham returned to his place.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

Colossians 2:6-23 (Alive in Christ.)

⁶ Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him, ⁷ rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving. ⁸ See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ. ⁹ For in Him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, ¹⁰ and you have been filled in Him, who is the head of all rule and authority. ¹¹ In Him also you were circumcised with a circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ, ¹² having been buried with Him in baptism, in which you were also raised with Him through faith in the powerful working of God, who raised Him from the dead.

¹³ And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with Him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, ¹⁴ by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This He set aside, nailing it to the cross. ¹⁵ He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in Him.

¹⁶ Therefore let no one pass judgment on you in questions of food and drink, or with regard to a festival or a new moon or a Sabbath. ¹⁷ These are a shadow of the things to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. ¹⁸ Let no one disqualify you, insisting on asceticism and worship of angels, going on in detail about visions, puffed up without reason by his sensuous mind, ¹⁹ and not holding fast to the Head, from whom the whole body, nourished and knit together through its joints and ligaments, grows with a growth that is from God.

²⁰ If with Christ you died to the elemental spirits of the world, why, as if you were still alive in the world, do you submit to regulations— ²¹ “Do not handle, Do not taste, Do not touch” ²² (referring to things that all perish as they are used)—according to human precepts and teachings? ²³ These have indeed an appearance of wisdom in promoting self-made religion and asceticism and severity to the body, but they are of no value in stopping the indulgence of the flesh.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

VERSE “Seek Ye First”

LSB 712, St. 1

I Seek ye first the king - dom of God, And His
righ - teous - ness. And all these things shall be
add - ed un - to you! Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!

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READING OF THE GOSPEL Luke 11:1-13 (The Parable of the Good Samaritan.)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel, according to St. Luke the eleventh chapter.

Congregation: Glory to You, O Lord.

¹ Now Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when He finished, one of His disciples said to Him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught His disciples." ² And He said to them, "When you pray, say:

"Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

³ Give us each day our daily bread,

⁴ and forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive everyone who is indebted to us.

And lead us not into temptation."

⁵ And He said to them, "Which of you who has a friend will go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves, ⁶ for a friend of mine has arrived on a journey, and I have nothing to set before him'; ⁷ and he will answer from within, 'Do not bother me; the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed. I cannot get up and give you anything'? ⁸ I tell you, though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his impudence he will rise and give him whatever he needs. ⁹ And I tell you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. ¹⁰ For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened. ¹¹ What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will instead of a fish give him a serpent; ¹² or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? ¹³ If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him!"

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Congregation: Praise to You, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE AND BLESSING

HYMN OF THE DAY "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

LSB 702

SERMON

APOSTLES' CREED

(Please see back cover of the hymnal)

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Lord, we give thanks for Your redemption and rescue, and for forgiveness, life, and salvation in Jesus' name. Help us to cherish Your kingdom always. Lord, in Your mercy, **HEAR OUR PRAYER.**

Pastor: Lord, send us Your Holy Spirit, that our faith this day is made strong, and that we desire to walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your name. Lord, in Your mercy, **HEAR OUR PRAYER.**

Pastor: Lord, give us opportunities to share Your love with others and use the gifts You provide to the praise and honor of Your name. Lord, in Your mercy, **HEAR OUR PRAYER.**

Pastor: Lord, protect us, and Your Church throughout the world, that we be bold in our witness and always ready to serve in the power of the Spirit. Lord, in Your mercy, **HEAR OUR PRAYER.**

Pastor: Lord, send forth the Holy Spirit into the hearts and minds of those who have wandered from the faith, and by Your Word of truth convict them and bring them to faith again in Jesus. Lord, in Your mercy, **HEAR OUR PRAYER.**

Pastor: Lord, bless our work together in this place, through this ministry, as we entrust ourselves to Your guidance. Lord, in Your mercy, **HEAR OUR PRAYER.**

Additional petitions and praises are offered.

Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
AMEN.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Congregation: And also with you.

At this time, we share the Lord's peace with each other.

OFFERING

CLOSING PRAYER

Pastor: Almighty God, merciful Father, who created and completed all things, on this day when the work of our calling begins anew, we ask You to create its beginning, direct its continuance, and bless its end, that all our doings may be preserved from sin, our life sanctified, and our work this day be well pleasing to You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who also taught us to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER *(Matthew 6:9–13)*

Congregation: 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.

BENEDICTION *Numbers 6:24-26*

Pastor: Let us bless the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

Congregation: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

"Complete in Thee! No Work of Mine."

(Text: Aaron Wolfe and James M. Gray; Music: Ben Nyce)

Complete in Thee! No work of mine
May take, dear Lord, the place of Thine;
Thy blood hath pardon bought for me,
And I am now complete in Thee.

*Chorus: Yea, justified! O blessed thought!
And sanctified, salvation wrought!
Thy blood hath pardon bought for me,
And glorified I too shall be!*

Complete in Thee! No more shall sin,
Thy grace hath conquered, reign within;
Thy voice shall bid the tempter flee,
And I shall stand complete in Thee. *(Chorus)*

Complete in Thee! Each want supplied,
And no good thing to me denied;
Since Thou my portion, Lord, Wilt be,
I ask no more, complete in Thee. *(Chorus)*

Dear Savior! When before Thy bar
All tribes and tongues assembled are,
Among Thy chosen will I be,
At Thy right hand complete in Thee. *(Chorus & repeat)*

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CONGREGATIONAL BLESSING “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

LSB 790, St. 5

5. ♪ Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!
 All that has life and breath, come now with praises
 before Him!
 Let the Amen
 Sound from His people again;
 Gladly forever adore Him! ♪
 ♪ Amen♪

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Thank you for worshipping with us today.

Reading the Bible in a Year

<u>DATE</u>	<u>CHRONOLOGICAL</u>	<u>OLD & NEW TESTAMENT</u>	<u>HISTORICAL</u>	<u>BEGINNING TO END</u>
July 28	2 Kings 18:9-19:37; Psalms 46; 80; 135	Psalms 46-48; Acts 28	Proverbs 7-9	Isaiah 1-4
July 29	Isaiah 49-53	Psalms 49-50; Romans 1	Proverbs 10-12	Isaiah 5-8
July 30	Isaiah 54-58	Psalms 51-53; Romans 2	Proverbs 13-15	Isaiah 9-12
July 31	Isaiah 59-63	Psalms 54-56; Romans 3	Proverbs 16-18	Isaiah 13-17
August 1	Isaiah 64-66	Psalms 57-59; Romans 4	Proverbs 19-21	Isaiah 18-22
August 2	2 Kings 20-21	Psalms 60-62; Romans 5	Proverbs 22-23	Isaiah 23-27
August 3	2 Chronicles 32-33	Psalms 63-65; Romans 6	Proverbs 24-26	Isaiah 28-30
August 4	Nahum 1-3	Psalms 66-67; Romans 7	Proverbs 27-29	Isaiah 31-35