



**... you,
having been
SET FREE
from sin,
have become
slaves of
righteousness.**

Romans 6:18, NRSV

Third Sunday after Pentecost

7 p.m. Midweek Worship

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9 a.m. Sunday Worship Service

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Welcome! The Christian faith is the way of humble, God-given trust in God. Through Jesus, God has overcome sin, death and the devil and his temptations. God has promised to be with us. We can believe that promise. God has promised to uphold us. We can believe what He says. Christ has given us victory over all our spiritual enemies. We can trust His power. Above all, He has promised to grant us full and free forgiveness through Jesus Christ, our Lord.



+ Order of Worship +

Song

“Come, Thou Fount, Come Thou King”

Invocation

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

C: Amen.

Confession and Absolution

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

(Silence for reflection and self-examination)

P: Let us confess our sins to God, our Father:

C: **Most merciful God, we confess that we are, by nature, sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.**

P: 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.

C: **Amen.**

Introit *(Psalm 56:3-4, 10-11; antiphon, v. 13)*

P: You have delivered my soul from death, yes, my feet from falling that I may walk before God in the light of life.

C: When I am afraid, I put my trust in you.

P: In God, whose word I praise, in God, I trust; I shall not be afraid. What can flesh do to me?

C: In God, whose word I praise, in the Lord, whose word I praise.

P: In God, I trust; I shall not be afraid. What can man do to me?

C: 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.

P: You have delivered my soul from death, yes, my feet from falling that I may walk before God in the light of life.

Kyrie

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

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P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. O God, because Your abiding presence always goes with us, keep us aware of Your daily mercies that we may live secure and content in Your eternal love; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Song

“There is a Redeemer”

First Reading

Jeremiah 20:7-13

O LORD, you have deceived me, and I was deceived; you are stronger than I, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all the day; everyone mocks me. For whenever I speak, I cry out, I shout, “Violence and destruction!” For the word of the LORD has become for me a reproach and derision all day long.

If I say, “I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name,” there is in my heart as it were a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot. For I hear many whispering. Terror is on every side! “Denounce him! Let us denounce him!” say all my close friends, watching for my fall. “Perhaps he will be deceived; then we can overcome him and take our revenge on him.”

But the LORD is with me as a dread warrior; therefore, my persecutors will stumble; they will not overcome me. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonor will never be forgotten. O LORD of hosts, who tests the righteous, who sees the heart and the mind, let me see your vengeance upon them, for to you have I committed my cause.

Sing to the LORD; praise the LORD! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hand of evildoers.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gradual

**C: Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised,
and His greatness is unsearchable.
On Your wondrous works, I will meditate,
and I will declare Your greatness.**

Epistle Reading

Romans 6:12-23

Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, to make you obey its passions. Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you because you are not under law but under grace.

What then? Are we to sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you

obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were committed, and, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification.

For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. But what fruit were you getting at that time from the things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death. But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse

P: Alleluia, Lord to whom shall we go?

C: You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia! Alleluia!

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

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

The Holy Gospel

Matt. 10:5a, 21-33

These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, “Brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death, and you will be hated by all for my name’s sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next, for truly, I say to you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.

“A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household.

“So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell.

Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. So everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven, but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

The 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.

Song

“Ancient Words”

Sermon

Offertory

“Sanctuary”

Prayer of the Church

P: Merciful Father, hear Your people as they pray in the name of Jesus on behalf of all manner and conditions of people.

Brief silence

P: Faithful God, when we are fearful and weary of the struggle, You have been our shield and our strength. Grant to us the full measure of Your grace to sustain us against all who rage against Your Word, and help us to endure the trials and temptations of this mortal life and be faithful unto death. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: Faithful God, with Your favor upon us, we pray You to help us in our fight against temptation and sin. Help us to live holy and righteous lives by the power of Your Spirit, and keep us from surrendering ourselves to the slavery from which Christ has set us free. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: Faithful God, with the witness of the saints before us and the courage of Your Holy Spirit within us, we pray You to help us to maintain the faithful confession and to contend for the faith in our own age. Give to Your church unity of doctrine and harmony of life together under the cross of Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: Faithful God, we remember those who serve us in Jesus' name. Bless pastors and teachers and all church workers, that they may be faithful in their calling and honor Christ with an obedient life. Raise up those who will follow in their steps and serve Your Kingdom in the years to come. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: Faithful God, give grace to those being baptized, to the catechumens in their instruction, and to all the places where Your people gather to learn Your Word. Equip us to live out the promise of our baptismal life under Your grace, and guide us to love our neighbors as You have loved us. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: Faithful God, give healing and strength to the sick and all afflicted in body or mind, and grant to those who struggle the gift of peace of mind and heart. Hear us especially for those who have requested our prayers, including _____. Restore our nation and the world in health and livelihood, and preserve us from pestilence, lawlessness and fear. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: Faithful God, give courage to those near life's end and comfort those who mourn. As we recall the saints who trusted in You in life and who died in Christ, encourage us by the witness of Your grace and their faith, so that when Christ comes in His glory we may be found faithful and delivered with them into the glory of Your eternal presence. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: Faithful God, by Your Word and table You continue to feed and nourish Your people with all that will sustain our lives and faith. Help us to receive these gifts with faith and with repentance. Bring us to that day when all earthly divisions will cease and, united in faith, we shall be one people before Your altar. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: Faithful God, sanctify us as Your people and make us bold to confess You on earth. When this earthly life is ended and we stand before You on high, grant us to hear the Savior's acknowledgment that we are His and He is ours forever. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: *(Other specific petitions)* Lord, in Your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: All these things, Father, and everything we need, grant us for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who died and rose and lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Lord's Prayer

P: Lord remember us in Your Kingdom, and teach us to pray:

C: 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.

Closing Prayer

P: Lord God, bless Your Word wherever it is proclaimed. Make it a word of power and peace to convert those not yet Your own and to confirm those who have come to saving faith. May Your Word pass from our ears to our hearts, from our hearts to our lips and from our lips to our lives, that Your Word may achieve the purpose for which You send it; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.

C: Amen.

Benediction

P: 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.

C: Amen.

Closing Song

“Your Grace is Enough”