Praise the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits — who forgives all our sins and heals all our diseases...

- Psalm 103:2-3 -





Worship with Holy Communion Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 21 & 22, 2022

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Weekend Worship Services:

Saturday 5:00 PM Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 AM Adult Bible Class 9:15 AM

PRAYER IN PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

O Lord, my Creator, Redeemer, and Comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness.

Hear me for the sake of His Name. Amen.

WORDS OF WELCOME

(We rise)

WE BEGIN IN SONG "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven" LSB 793

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; to His feet your tribute bring; Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore His praises sing: Alleluia, alleluia! Praise the everlasting King.

Praise Him for His grace and favor to His people in distress; Praise Him still the same as ever, slow to chide and swift to bless: Alleluia, alleluia! Glorious in His faithfulness.

Father-like He tends and spares us; well our feeble frame He knows; In His hand He gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes. Alleluia, alleluia! Widely yet His mercy flows.

Angels, help us to adore Him; you behold Him face to face; Sun and moon, bow down before Him, all who dwell in time and space. Alleluia, alleluia! Praise with us the God of grace.

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

People: Amen.

Pastor: We read responsively selected verses from Psalm 103: Praise the

Lord, my soul;

People: all my inmost being, praise his holy name.

Pastor: Praise the Lord, my soul,

People: and forget not all his benefits—

Pastor: who forgives all your sins **People: and heals all your diseases,**

Pastor: who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love and

compassion,

People: who satisfies your desires with good things so that your

youth is renewed like the eagle's.

SPECIAL MUSIC "The Lord's My Shepherd" Gospel Ringers Ensemble

(Please be seated)

THE FIRST LESSON Isaiah 53:3-5

(Jesus our Messiah took up our diseases and pains, the symptoms of sin, and paid for them that we might be physically and spiritually healed!)

He was despised and rejected by mankind, a man of suffering, and familiar with pain. Like one from whom people hide their faces he was despised, and we held him in low esteem.

Surely he took up our pain and bore our suffering, yet we considered him punished by God, stricken by him, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

THE SECOND LESSON James 5:13-18

(God gives us instructions on what to do when we find ourselves in various trials. We are to use the authority God has given us to heal one another!)

Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise. Is anyone among you sick? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up. If they have sinned, they will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins

to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.

Elijah was a human being, even as we are. He prayed earnestly that it would not rain, and it did not rain on the land for three and a half years. Again he prayed, and the heavens gave rain, and the earth produced its crops.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

(We rise)

THE GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 10:1-8

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 10th chapter,

beginning at the first verse.

People: Glory to You, O Lord!

Jesus called his twelve disciples to him and gave them authority to drive out impure spirits and to heal every disease and sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon (who is called Peter) and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.

These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Do not go among the Gentiles or enter any town of the Samaritans. Go rather to the lost sheep of Israel. As you go, proclaim this message: 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy, drive out demons. Freely you have received; freely give.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord!

People: Praise to You, O Christ!

Pastor: Together, as God's People, united in faith by the One Who gives authority to drive out impure spirits and to heal every disease and

sickness, let us join together professing our common faith using the

words of the Nicene Creed:

People: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven

and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of

God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And he will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

SONG OF THE DAY

"I Lay My Sins on Jesus"

LSB 606

I lay my sins on Jesus, the spotless Lamb of God; He bears them all and frees us from the accursed load. I bring my guilt to Jesus to wash my crimson stains Clean in His blood most precious till not a spot remains.

I lay my wants on Jesus; all fullness dwells in Him; He heals all my diseases; my soul He does redeem. I lay my griefs on Jesus, my burdens and my cares; He from them all releases; He all my sorrows shares.

I rest my soul on Jesus, this weary soul of mine; His right hand me embraces; I on His breast recline. I love the name of Jesus, Immanuel, Christ, the Lord; Like fragrance on the breezes His name abroad is poured.

THE MESSAGE

Pastor Paul Teske

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Special prayers are lifted...we then join together in speaking:

All: 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.

AN INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

Pastor: Brothers and sisters in Christ, in preparation for coming to our

Lord's Holy Supper, we go before the Lord and confess our sins to

Him. Lord God, Heavenly Father,

People: We confess to You that we have sinned. Because of our sin,

we get sick, sick in our bodies and sick in our souls. For the

sake of Jesus, forgive us and heal us.

Pastor: God has provided a way for our healing of body and soul in Jesus'

Body and Blood in the Lord's Supper. Come and receive all that the

Lord Jesus won for you on the Cross!

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION SONGS

"Jesus Comes Today with Healing"	LSB 620
"I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table"	LSB 618
"Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord"	LSB 637

THE BLESSING AND BENEDICTION

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

(We rise)

WE CLOSE IN SONG "O Bless the Lord, My Soul"

LSB 814

O bless the Lord, my soul! Let all within me join And aid my tongue to bless His name Whose favors are divine.

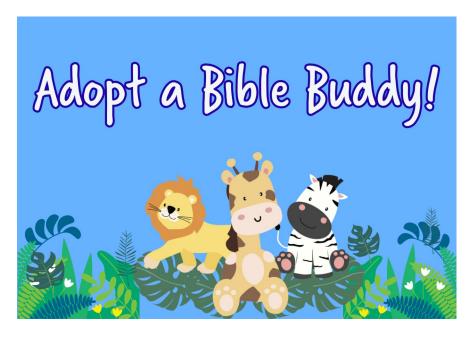
O bless the Lord, my soul, nor let His mercies lie Forgotten in unthankfulness and without praises die!

'Tis He forgives thy sins; 'tis He relieves thy pain; 'Tis He that heals thy sicknesses and makes thee young again.

He crowns thy life with love when ransomed from the grave; He that redeemed my soul from hell hath sov'reign pow'r to save.

He fills the poor with good; He gives the suff'rers rest. The Lord hath judgments for the proud and justice for th'oppressed.

His wondrous works and ways He made by Moses known, But sent the world His truth and grace by His beloved Son.



Calling all kids! Join us TODAY, May 22nd in the Narthex after both services as we kick off summer with our Adopt a Bible Buddy event!

During this event kids will ...

Choose a furry fun stuffed animal to spend the summer with, complete a certificate, pick up a summer reading guide and more. Kids are encouraged to take their buddy on an adventure through God's Word and complete challenges with their buddy to earn prizes throughout the summer.

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