# For God has imprisoned all in disobedience



so that he may be merciful to all.

Romans 11:32, NRSV

# **ELEVENTH SUNDAY**

**AFTER** 

**PENTECOST** 

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## **Mission Statement**

Trinity is a caring family where people gather to know, worship, serve, and share Jesus.

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#### Welcome

The inscription on the Statue of Liberty invites all "yearning to breathe free" to come to America. Our families all were from somewhere else sometime in history. And all of us in the kingdom of God were once foreigners as well. In the Old Testament Reading today, God anticipates gathering people from every nation to join Israel, and Jesus finds great faith in the Canaanite woman in the Gospel. In the Epistle, Paul even finds good news in the rejection of Jesus by God's Old Testament people, for "God has consigned all to disobedience, that He may have mercy on all" (Romans 11:32). We were all once foreigners, but now we breathe in the freedom of God's gracious rule, His love and mercy for Jesus' sake.

## **Holy Communion**

We believe that Christ's body and blood are truly present in Holy Communion, and that we receive the forgiveness of sins along with the bread and wine in this Holy Meal. As a "Family Church," we invite those who share this understanding, and who desire God's forgiveness and strength, to join with us in receiving Holy Communion. (Gluten free wafers are available.) If you have any questions, please speak to our pastor at any time. All worshippers are asked to fill out the "Fellowship Pad" in the pew and pass it down. After all have signed, please leave the pad at the end of the pew to be picked up after worship. Please stand where indicated with a . Thank you!



#### **PRELUDE**

#### **GREETING and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- SHARING OF THE PEACE We encourage you to leave your pew and greet new people!
  - + Please stand and face the cross during the procession to the altar +

❖ HYMN "Jesus Shall Reign" LSB 832

#### **❖ CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS**

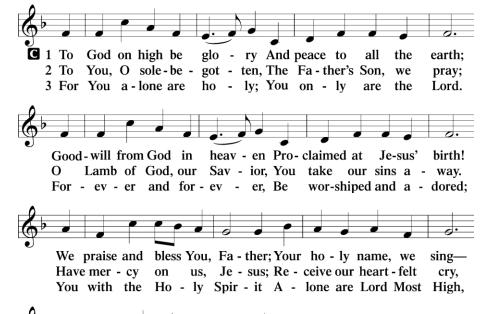
- **P** In the name of the Father, and of the 

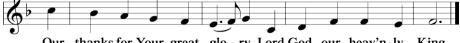
  → Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen. [Matthew 28:19b]
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth. [Psalm 124:8]
- **P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared. [Psalm 130:3-4]
- Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, 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.
  - + Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination +
- Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.
- 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.
- ❖ KYRIE Lord, Have Mercy



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

#### \* HYMN OF PRAISE Glory to God in the Highest





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.

#### **❖ PRAYER OF THE DAY**

- P The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- P Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting Father, You give Your children many blessings even though we are undeserving.

- In every trial and temptation grant us steadfast confidence in Your loving kindness and mercy;
- through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (9:00)

Deacon Debbie Vergara

FIRST READING Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

Thus says the Lord: "Keep justice, and do righteousness, for soon my salvation will come, and my righteousness be revealed.

"And the foreigners who join themselves to the Lord,
to minister to him, to love the name of the Lord, and to be his servants,
everyone who keeps the Sabbath and does not profane it,
and holds fast my covenant—
these I will bring to my holy mountain,
and make them joyful in my house of prayer;
their burnt offerings and their sacrifices
will be accepted on my altar;
for my house shall be called a house of prayer
for all peoples."
The Lord God,
who gathers the outcasts of Israel, declares,
"I will gather yet others to him

This is the Word of the Lord.

besides those already gathered."

Thanks be to God.

#### **EPISTLE**

Romans 11:1-2a, 13-15, 28-32

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! For I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

Now I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch then as I am an apostle to the Gentiles, I magnify my ministry in order somehow to make my fellow Jews jealous, and thus save some of them. For if their rejection means the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance mean but life from the dead?

As regards the gospel, they are enemies of God for your sake. But as regards election, they are beloved for the sake of their forefathers. For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. For just as you were at one time disobedient to God but now have received mercy because of their disobedience, so they too have now been disobedient in order that by the mercy shown to you they also may now receive mercy. For God has consigned all to disobedience, that he may have mercy on all.

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

#### ❖ ALLELUIA and VERSE



#### **❖ GOSPEL LESSON**

Matthew 15:21-28

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

## Glory to You, O Lord.

And Jesus went away from there and withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon. And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and was crying, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely oppressed by a demon." But he did not answer her a word. And his disciples came and begged him, saying, "Send her away, for she is crying out after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." And he answered, "It is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire." And her daughter was healed instantly.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

❖ HYMN OF THE DAY "In Christ There Is No East or West" LSB 653

SERMON Reverend Dr. Victor Belton

#### **❖ 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.

#### **❖ PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

- **A** Lord, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.

**OFFERING** 

+ Please pass the Fellowship Pad at this time +

#### OFFERING VOLUNTARY



#### ❖ PREFACE

- P The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:



#### THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

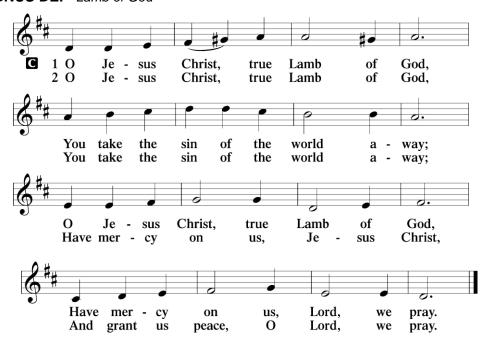
#### ❖ PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

- As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.
- C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

#### ❖ LORD'S PRAYER

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.

## ❖ AGNUS DEI Lamb of God



#### **DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

LSB 770

"Come, My Soul, with Every Care"

LSB 779

#### HYMN OF THANKSGIVING

"In Peace and Joy I Now Depart"

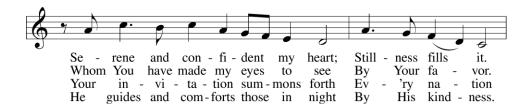
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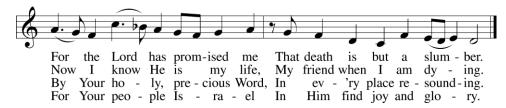


- I now de part peace and joy
- 2 Christ Je sus brought this gift to me,
- 3 You sent the peo - ple of the earth 4 Christ is hope and sav-ing light the

Since God so wills it. faith - ful My Sav ior.

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#### CLOSING PRAYER

- A Let the peoples praise You, O God;
- let all the peoples praise You!  $\mathbf{C}$
- A Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood.
- Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on  $\mathbf{C}$ the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end;
- through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the  $\mathbf{A}$ Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- 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  $\pm$  give you peace.
- Amen.  $\mathbf{C}$

+ Please stand and face the cross during the recession from the altar. +

**\Delta HYMN** "Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"

LSB 924

## **❖ DISMISSAL**

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

#### **POSTLUDE**

#### **UPCOMING WORSHIP SERVICES**

<u>W</u>	ednesday/Sunday	August 23/27	
7:15 PM 9:00 AM 10:45 AM	Traditional Wors	ship Service with Holy Communionship Service with Holy Communionship Service with Holy Communionship Service with Holy Communionship Service with Holy Communicationship Servi	on
<u>Wedne</u>	sday/Sunday	August 30/September 3	

## Going Bach to Luther

Today, in place of the Nunc dimittis, we will use LSB 938, "In Peace and Joy I Now Depart." We have used this hymn a number of times in the past at Trinity, but it is good to take time and focus on it as we study Luther's hymns this year leading to the 500th anniversary of the Reformation in October. With that being said, actually, not much is known about the writing of this hymn. It appeared for the first time in 1524 in Wittenberg, published in the first hymnal of the Lutheran church by Johann Walter. Walter was Luther's "minister of music" at Wittenberg. The hymn is Luther's setting of Simeon's words at seeing the infant Jesus in the temple, from Luke 2, better known to us as the Nunc Dimittis, a text that we sing almost every week at the end of communion (Lord, now you let your servant...). Not much is known about the melody of the hymn, it is typical of sixteenth century songs, and many feel that it was composed by Luther himself to go with this text. Many famous composers, including Bach and Brahms, have used this hymn as a basis for larger compositions. It is clear, with the multiple compositions using this hymn as a theme, that it was a widely sung and familiar hymn in the earlier Lutheran church.