

Christ Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

Morning Praise - page 45 in Christian Worship Hymnal

Pentecost 4

June 28, 2009 - Pastor Mark Voss

Luther's 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. Keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please you. Into your hands I commend my body and soul and all things. Let your holy angel be with me, that the wicked foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Morning Hymn

Father, we praise you, now the night is over,
Active and watchful, standing now before you.
Singing, we offer prayer and meditation; Thus we adore you.

Monarch of all things, fit us for your mansions;
Banish our weakness, health and wholeness sending.
Bring us to heaven, where your saints united. Joy without ending.

All-holy Father, Son, and equal Spirit, Trinity blessed, send us your salvation.
Yours is the glory, gleaming and resounding Through all creation.

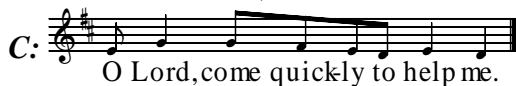
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Baptism (10:30a) *Maelin Lombardi, daughter of Angie and Chris, becomes a child of God through Holy Baptism.*

P: O Lord, open my lips.



P: Hasten to save me, O God



P: The Spirit of the Lord fills the world: let us worship him.

Sing:

Oh, come, let us sing to the Lord,
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal-va-tion.
Let us come into his presence with thanks-giv-ing,
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise.

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**For the Lord is a great God and a great king a-bove all gods.
The deep places of the earth are in his hand;
the heights of the hills are al-so his.
The sea is his, for he made it, and his hand formed the dry land.
Oh, come, let us worship and bow down,
let us kneel before the Lord our mak-er.
For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture
and the sheep of his hand.**

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Epistle Lesson – 2 Corinthians 5:1-10

“The More We Understand What Is Coming the More We Long For It”

¹Now we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, an eternal house in heaven, not built by human hands. ²Meanwhile we groan, longing to be clothed with our heavenly dwelling, ³because when we are clothed, we will not be found naked. ⁴For while we are in this tent, we groan and are burdened, because we do not wish to be unclothed but to be clothed with our heavenly dwelling, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. ⁵Now it is God who has made us for this very purpose and has given us the Spirit as a deposit, guaranteeing what is to come. ⁶Therefore we are always confident and know that as long as we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord. ⁷We live by faith, not by sight. ⁸We are confident, I say, and would prefer to be away from the body and at home with the Lord. ⁹So we make it our goal to please him, whether we are at home in the body or away from it. ¹⁰For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive what is due him for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad.

Seasonal Response:

ALL: Come, Holy Spirit! Fill the hearts of your faithful people, and kindle in us the fire of your love. Alleluia!

Gospel Lesson – Mark 4:26-34 - “The Growing of God’s Kingdom” ²⁶He also said, "This is what the kingdom of God is like. A man scatters seed on the ground. ²⁷Night and day, whether he sleeps or gets up, the seed sprouts and grows, though he does not know how. ²⁸All by itself the soil produces grain--first the stalk, then the head, then the full kernel in the head. ²⁹As soon as the grain is ripe, he puts the sickle to it, because the harvest has come." ³⁰Again he said, "What shall we say the kingdom of God is like, or what parable shall we use to describe it? ³¹It is like a mustard seed, which is the smallest seed you plant in the ground. ³²Yet when planted, it grows and becomes the largest of all garden plants, with such big branches that the birds of the air can perch in its shade." ³³With many similar parables Jesus spoke the word to them, as much as they could understand. ³⁴He did not say anything to them without using a parable. But when he was alone with his own disciples, he explained everything.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"GOD DOES WHATEVER HE WANTS"

Ezekiel 17:22-24

²²"This is what the Sovereign LORD says: I myself will take a shoot from the very top of a cedar and plant it; I will break off a tender sprig from its topmost shoots and plant it on a high and lofty mountain. ²³On the mountain heights of Israel I will plant it; it will produce branches and bear fruit and become a splendid cedar. Birds of every kind will nest in it; they will find shelter in the shade of its branches. ²⁴All the trees of the field will know that I the LORD bring down the tall tree and make the low tree grow tall. I dry up the green tree and make the dry tree flourish. "I the LORD have spoken, and I will do it."

Te Deum ("You Are God We Praise You")

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 You are God; we praise you. You are Lord; we ac - claim you.
 To you, O Fa - ther ho - ly all cre - a - tion of - fers praise.
 With the an - gels in heav - en, We praise you, we praise you! With the
 Cre - a - tor of all things, We praise you, we praise you! O
 O Christ, King of glo - ry, We praise you, we praise you! You be -
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim, We praise you, we praise you! With a - pos - tles and
 Je - sus Christ, the Son of God, We praise you, we praise you! O Spir - it, most
 - came a man to set us free; We praise you, we praise you! You have ris - en to
 proph - ets, We praise you, we praise you! With the mar - tyrs and your ho - ly Church, We
 ho - ly, We praise you, we praise you! To the Trin - i - ty most bless - ed, We
 free us; We praise you, we praise you! And with all your saints in glo - ry, We
 sing in end-less praise! **Refrain**
 sing in end-less praise! **Refrain**
 sing in end-less praise! **Refrain**

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Adult Confirmation (8a) What a joy to welcome these confirmands to the Christ Our Redeemer family:

- Amanda Broce**
- Brandy Burr**
- Kimberly Foxford**
- Joel Hanson**
- Vern & Cindy Myers**

Offering

Children's Lesson

Kyrie (Lord, Have Mercy)

P: In the morning, O Lord, I call to you; be merciful to me and hear my prayer.



Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Prayer of the Day

Prayer for Grace

P: O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, you have brought us safely to this new day. Defend us with your mighty power, and grant that this day we neither fall into sin nor run into any kind of danger; and in all we do, direct us to what is right in your sight, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

C: Amen.

P: Let us praise the Lord.



Blessing

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.



Closing Hymn - "Almighty Father, Bless the Word"

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