

# Christ Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

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## CW177 vv 1-3 - OPENING HYMN

*“Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest”*

## INVOCATION

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

**C: Amen.**

## CONFESSION

P: Let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, reflecting on the times we have neglected the mission he has given us. Let us ask him, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to forgive us.

**C: Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin. For faithless worrying and selfish pride, for sins of habit and sins of choice, for the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do, you should cast me away from your presence forever. O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.**

## ABSOLUTION

P: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the Word of Christ through his called servant: I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

## LORD, HAVE MERCY

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord. For the well being of all people everywhere, that they may receive from you all they need to sustain body and life, hear our prayer, O Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: For the spread of your life-giving Gospel throughout the world, that all who are lost in sin may be brought to faith in you, hear our prayer, O Christ.

**C: Christ, have mercy.**

P: For patience and perseverance in this life, that we may not lose the hope of heaven as we await your return, hear our prayer, O Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: Lord of life, live in us that we may live for you.

**C: Amen.**

## GLORY BE TO GOD

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**All glory be to God on high! Your name, O Lord, we glorify;  
We praise you for your peace and grace, Your favor toward our fallen race.**

**Our grateful thanks to you we bring, For your great glory, heav'nly King,  
For all, O Father, you have done through Jesus Christ, your only Son.**

## THE WORD

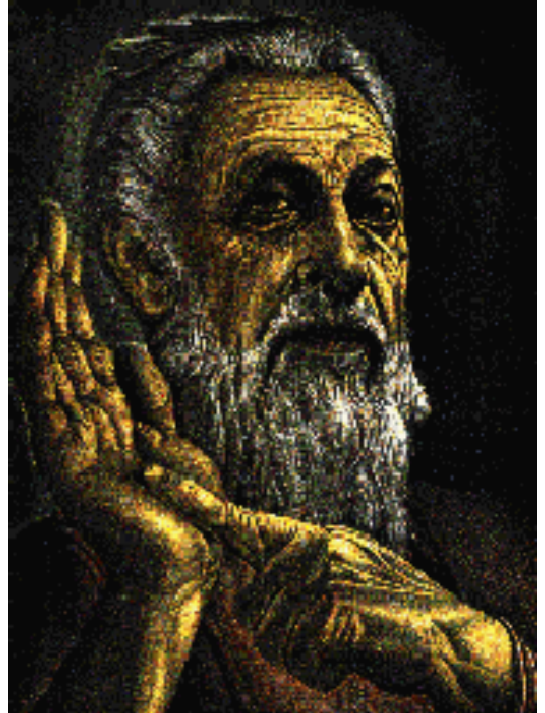
### SALUTATION

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

**Old Testament Lesson – Ezekiel 2:1-5 Harsh Words to a Hard Nation** <sup>1</sup>He said to me, "Son of man, stand up on your feet and I will speak to you." <sup>2</sup>As he spoke, the Spirit came into me and raised me to my feet, and I heard him speaking to me. <sup>3</sup>He said: "Son of man, I am sending you to the Israelites, to a rebellious nation that has rebelled against me; they and their fathers have been in revolt against me to this very day. <sup>4</sup>The people to whom I am sending you are obstinate and stubborn. Say to them, 'This is what the Sovereign LORD says.' <sup>5</sup>And whether they listen or fail to listen--for they are a rebellious house--they will know that a prophet has been among them.



### PLEASE STAND

P: The Gospel according to Mark chapter 6.

C: (Sing) **Glory be to you, O Lord.**

**Gospel Lesson – Mark 6:1-6 – Proclaim God’s Word In Spite of Rejection** <sup>1</sup>Jesus left there and went to his hometown, accompanied by his disciples. <sup>2</sup>When the Sabbath came, he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were amazed. "Where did this man get these things?" they asked. "What's this wisdom that has been given him, that he even does miracles! <sup>3</sup>Isn't this the carpenter? Isn't this Mary's son and the brother of James, Joseph, Judas and Simon? Aren't his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. <sup>4</sup>Jesus said to them, "Only in his hometown, among his relatives and in his own house is a prophet without honor." <sup>5</sup>He could not do any miracles there, except lay his hands on a few sick people and heal them. <sup>6</sup>And he was amazed at their lack of faith. Then Jesus went around teaching from village to village.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: (Sing) **Praise be to you, O Christ.**

## HYMN OF THE DAY

*"You Are My All in All"*

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You are my strength When I am weak You are the trea-sure That I seek You are my all in  
Tak-ing my sin My cross my shame Ris-ing a-gain I bless Your name You are my all in



all Seek-ing You as a pre-cious jew'l Lord to give up I'd be a fool You are my all in  
all When I fall down You pick me up When I am dry You fill my cup You are my all in



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## SERMON

### "Thorns of Grace"

### 2 Corinthians 12:7-10

<sup>7</sup>To keep me from becoming conceited because of these surpassingly great revelations, there was given me a thorn in my flesh, a messenger of Satan, to torment me. <sup>8</sup>Three times I pleaded with the Lord to take it away from me. <sup>9</sup>But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me. <sup>10</sup>That is why, for Christ's sake, I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

## APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe 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 is seated on the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there 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.

## OFFERING AND PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

### THE SACRAMENT

God's word requires proper preparation and understanding for receiving the Lord's Supper. We practice membership communion, and ask that those who partake first become members or belong to a WELS congregation. Please ask for an informational sheet from one of the ushers for a fuller explanation from the scriptures. Thank you!

## PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them up to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is good and right so to do.**

P: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who has called us to be his own so that we may live under him in his kingdom and serve him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness. Therefore with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song.

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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**O Ho-ly, Ho-ly, H- o - ly Lord God of pow'r and might,  
Your glory, earth and heaven, in countless ways, recite.  
Hosanna! Come and save us, Lord God of hosts on high.  
And in your grace and mercy receive our fervent cry.**

**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.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.      **C: Amen.**

## LAMB OF GOD

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**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  
White in his blood most precious Till not a spot remains.**

## DISTRIBUTION & HYMN 310

*“I Come, O Savior, To Your Table”*

## SONG OF SIMEON

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**O Lord, now let your servant depart in peace, assured:  
For I have seen your promised incarnate, saving Word –  
A Light that will enlighten all gloom where Gentiles dwell;  
The brilliant, crowning glory Of those in Israel!**

P: We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet that you have given us to eat and to drink in this sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit help us live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## BLESSING

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

**C: Amen.**

## CLOSING VERSES

*“Come, Holy Spirit, Creator Blest”*  
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**Teach us to know the Father, Son, And you, from both, as Three in One  
That we your name may ever bless And in our lives the truth confess.**

**Praise we the Father and the Son And Holy Spirit, with them One,  
And may the Son on us bestow The gifts that from the Spirit flow!**