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**LSB Divine Service Setting I  
Second Sunday after Pentecost  
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**Lighting of the Candles** *Jesus says: "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life."*  
*John 8:12*

**Hymn of Invocation**      **"By Grace I'm Saved"**      **No. 566**

*(stand)*

### **Confession and Absolution**

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

**C: Amen.**      *Matthew 28:19 and 18:20*

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 on God's Word and for self-examination.*

P: Let us then 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.**      *I John 1:8-10 and Philippians 1:6*

**Introit**      *Psalms 50:7-10; antiphon: v. 1*

P: The Mighty One, God the LORD, speaks and summons the earth

**C: from the rising of the sun to its setting.**

P: Hear, O m

y people, and I will speak; O Israel, I will testify against you.

**C: I am God, your God.**

P: Not for your sacrifices do I rebuke you;

**C: your burnt offerings are continually before me.**

I will not accept a bull from your house

**C: or goats from your folds.**

P: For every beast of the forest is mine,

**C: the cattle on a thousand hills.**

**All: 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: The Mighty One, God the LORD, speaks and summons the earth

**C: from the rising of the sun to its setting.**

### Lord Have Mercy (Kyrie)

Mark 10:47

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

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



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

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 mer - cy.

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



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

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



**C** A - men.

### Glory to God in the Highest (Gloria in Excelsis)

Romans 8:34

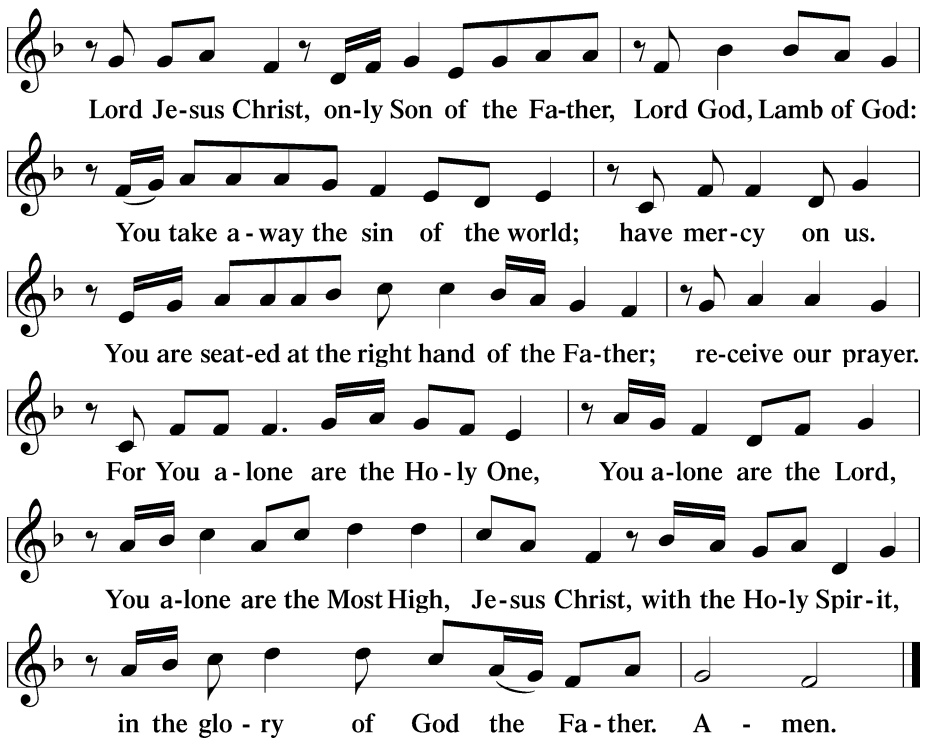
P: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.



**C** Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:  
 You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.  
 You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.  
 For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,  
 You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,  
 in the glo - ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men.

## Salutation and Collect

P: The Lord be with you.



☐ And al - so with you.

P: Let us pray. Almighty and most merciful God, You sent Your Son, Jesus Christ, to seek and to save the lost. Graciously open our ears and our hearts to hear His call and to follow Him by faith that we may feast with Him forever in His kingdom; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

*(sit)*

## Old Testament Reading

*Hosea 5:15—6:6*

<sup>15</sup>I will return again to my place,  
 until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face,  
 and in their distress earnestly seek me.

<sup>1</sup>Come, let us return to the LORD;  
 for he has torn us, that he may heal us;  
 he has struck us down, and he will bind us up.

<sup>2</sup>After two days he will revive us;  
on the third day he will raise us up,  
that we may live before him.

<sup>3</sup>Let us know; let us press on to know the LORD;  
his going out is sure as the dawn;  
he will come to us as the showers,  
as the spring rains that water the earth.”

<sup>4</sup>What shall I do with you, O Ephraim?  
What shall I do with you, O Judah?  
Your love is like a morning cloud,  
like the dew that goes early away.

<sup>5</sup>Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets;  
I have slain them by the words of my mouth,  
and my judgment goes forth as the light.

<sup>6</sup>For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice,  
the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **Learn-By-Heart Scripture**

**Ephesians 5:8**

**"for at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light"**

## **Epistle**

*Romans 4:13–25*

<sup>13</sup>The promise to Abraham and his offspring that he would be heir of the world did not come through the law but through the righteousness of faith. <sup>14</sup>For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. <sup>15</sup>For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law there is no transgression.

<sup>16</sup>That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his offspring—not only to the adherent of the law but also to the one who shares the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all, <sup>17</sup>as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. <sup>18</sup>In hope he believed against hope, that he should become the father of many nations, as he had been told, “So shall your offspring be.” <sup>19</sup>He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was as good as dead (since he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah’s womb. <sup>20</sup>No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, <sup>21</sup>fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. <sup>22</sup>That is why his faith was

“counted to him as righteousness.” <sup>23</sup>But the words “it was counted to him” were not written for his sake alone, <sup>24</sup>but for ours also. It will be counted to us who believe in him who raised from the dead Jesus our Lord, <sup>25</sup>who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

*(stand)*

### Alleluia and Verse

*John 6:68*

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

### Holy Gospel

*Matthew 9:9–13*

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

Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>9</sup>As Jesus passed on from there, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth, and he said to him, “Follow me.” And he rose and followed him.

<sup>10</sup>And as Jesus reclined at table in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and were reclining with Jesus and his disciples. <sup>11</sup>And when the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?” <sup>12</sup>But when he heard it, he said, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. <sup>13</sup>Go and learn what this means, ‘I desire mercy, and not sacrifice.’ For I came not to call the righteous, but sinners.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

*(Sit)*

**Hymn of the Day**

**“Let Me Be Thine Forever”**

**No. 689**

**Sermon**

(stand)

## 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.**

## Prayer of the Church - *After each petition*

P: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

(sit)

## Offering

(stand)

## Offertory

What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to  
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will  
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-  
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my  
vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the  
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

## The Lord's Prayer

*Matthew 6:9-13*

**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.**

## Concluding Collect

P: Almighty, eternal God, in the Word of Your apostles and prophets You have proclaimed to us Your saving will. Grant us faith to believe Your promises that we may receive eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## The Benediction

*Numbers 6:24-26*

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.**

*(Sit)*

**Closing Hymn**

**"How Firm a Foundation"**

**No. 728**



**TODAY! VBS MEETING AFTER SERVICE**

## **NEXT WEEK'S READINGS –**

**FIRST READING:** Exodus 19:2–8

**SECOND READING:** Romans 5:6–15

**GOSPEL:** Matthew 9:35–10:20

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## **THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER**

**TODAY:** 9:00 am Sunday School  
10:15 am Divine Service without Holy Communion

**TUESDAY:** **7:00 pm Council Meeting**

**WEDNESDAY:** **7:00 pm It's All About Jesus Class**

**NEXT SUNDAY:** 9:00 am Sunday School  
10:15 am Divine Service with Holy Communion  
8:00 am Lutheran Hour on 1280 AM  
10:30 am Lutheran Hour on 95.9 FM