

# St. John Lutheran Church

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# Velcome

to St. John Lutheran Church and our Contemporary Worship Service. We are so glad you have chosen to join us today and we pray your time with us will fill you with the love our Lord has for you.

Today's service includes the Lord's Supper. If you are a first-time visitor and wish to receive Holy Communion, please speak with one of our Elders or myself prior to service.

> May God bless your worship with us today, Paul Kruse, Pastor

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Compelled by the Love of Christ to Live, Learn, Share, and Serve'

Our Vision is to inspire the vibrant experience of Christian faith in our community, to all generations, wherever they may be'

# Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost A Time of Preparation Prelude "I Thank God"

Wandering into the night Wanting a place to hide
This weary soul This bag of bones
I try with all of my might But I just can't win the fight
I'm slowly drifting a vagabond

And just when I ran out of road I met a man I didn't know And He told me that I was not alone

You picked me up You turned me around
And placed my feet on solid ground
I thank the Master I thank the Savior
Because You healed my heart You changed my name
Forever free I'm not the same
I thank the Master I thank the Savior I thank God

I cannot deny what I've seen Got no choice but to believe
My doubts are burnin' Like ashes in the wind
So so long to my old friends Burden and bitterness
You can just keep them moving Nah you ain't welcome here (Spoken)

From now till I walk streets of gold I'll sing of how You saved my soul
This wayward son has found his way back home

You picked me up You turned me around
And placed my feet on solid ground
I thank the Master I thank the Savior
Because You healed my heart You changed my name
Forever free I'm not the same
I thank the Master I thank the Savior I thank God

Hell lost another one I am free I am free I am free Hell lost another one I am free I am free I am free Hell lost another one I am free I am free I am free Hell lost another one I am free I am free

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# Welcome, Sharing of the Peace and Call To Worship Opening Song

Are you past the point of weary Is your burden weighing heavy
Is it all too much to carry Let me tell you 'bout my Jesus
Do you feel that empty feeling 'Cause shame's done all its stealing
And you're desperate for some healing Let me tell you 'bout my Jesus

"My Jesus"

He makes a way where there ain't no way Rises up from an empty grave
Ain't no sinner that He can't save Let me tell you 'bout my Jesus
His love is strong and His grace is free And the good news is I know that He
Can do for you what He's done for me Let me tell you 'bout my Jesus
And let my Jesus change your life

Hallelujah Hallelujah Amen amen

Who can wipe away the tears From broken dreams and wasted years And tell the past to disappear Oh and let me tell you 'bout my Jesus And all the wrong turns that you would Go and undo if you could Who can work it all for your good Let me tell you about my Jesus

He makes a way where there ain't no way Rises up from an empty grave

Ain't no sinner that He can't save Let me tell you 'bout my Jesus
His love is strong and His grace is free And the good news is I know that He
Can do for you what He's done for me Let me tell you 'bout my Jesus
And let my Jesus change your life

Hallelujah Hallelujah Amen amen amen

Who would take my cross to Calvary Pay the price for all my guilty Who would care that much about me Let me tell you 'bout my Jesus oh

He makes a way where there ain't no way Rises up from an empty grave
Ain't no sinner that He can't save Let me tell you 'bout my Jesus
His love is strong and His grace is free And the good news is I know that He
Can do for you what He's done for me Let me tell you 'bout my Jesus
And let my Jesus change your life

Hallelujah Hallelujah Amen amen Hallelujah Hallelujah Let my Jesus change your life

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### **Confession and Forgiveness**

Song of Praise "He Is"

If you're troubled, heavy hearted, come to Jesus and find your peace. If you're run down, empty handed, Come to Jesus and find your strength

He is hope for the hopeless, rest for the weary, help for the hurting. He is, He is mending the broken, bearing the burdens. All that you're needing He is.

If you're wandering in the darkness, come to Jesus and find your way. If you want freedom, need forgiveness, just come to Jesus and find His grace.

He is hope for the hopeless, rest for the weary, help for the hurting.

He is, He is mending the broken, bearing the burdens.
All that you're needing He is.

Comforter, Counselor, Prince of Peace, Author and Maker of everything, Defender, Deliverer, King of kings, He is, He is.

Helper and Healer forevermore, Savior and Shelter through every storm, my Refuge, Redeemer and Lord of Lords, He is, He is.

Child of Heaven and Son of Man, Provider, Protector, the great I AM, Alpha, Omega, Beginning and End, He Is, He Is.

Hope for the hopeless, rest for the weary, help for the hurting.

He is, He is mending the broken, bearing the burdens.

All that you're needing He is.

All that you're needing He is.

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#### **First Reading**

Jeremiah 7:1 & 16-20

<sup>1</sup> The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD:

<sup>16</sup> "As for you, do not pray for this people, or lift up a cry or prayer for them, and do not intercede with me, for I will not hear you. <sup>17</sup> Do you not see what they are doing in the cities of Judah and in the streets of Jerusalem? <sup>18</sup> The children gather wood, the fathers kindle fire, and the women knead dough, to make cakes for the queen of heaven. And they pour out drink offerings to other gods, to provoke me to anger. <sup>19</sup> Is it I whom they provoke? declares the LORD. Is it not themselves, to their own shame? <sup>20</sup> Therefore thus says the Lord God: Behold, my anger and my wrath will be poured out on this place, upon man and beast, upon the trees of the field and the fruit of the ground; it will burn and not be quenched."

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

#### **Gospel Reading**

Mark 3:1-6

<sup>1</sup> Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there with a withered hand. <sup>2</sup> And they watched Jesus, to see whether he would heal him on the Sabbath, so that they might accuse him. <sup>3</sup> And he said to the man with the withered hand, "Come here." <sup>4</sup> And he said to them, "Is it lawful on the Sabbath to do good

or to do harm, to save life or to kill?" But they were silent. <sup>5</sup> And he looked around at them with anger, grieved at their hardness of heart, and said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. <sup>6</sup> The Pharisees went out and immediately held counsel with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

#### Children's Message

#### **Message Song**

"New Creation"

I thought I knew what I was talking about
When I testified of your great love
Well I was a soul on fire there was no doubt
Bible believing saved and washed in the blood

But it wasn't 'til I stumbled and made my mistakes That I could know in my soul how amazing was grace

You brought me blessings out of a tragedy You turned my old song into a symphony And with your spirit living inside of me I'm a new creation. I'm a new creation

And now I know what you were talking about
Went from my head into my heart
When I was broken at the bottom I found
You're my healer and redeemer
Jesus that's who you are

You brought me blessings out of a tragedy You turned my old song into a symphony And with your spirit living inside of me I'm a new creation I'm a new creation Oh oh. Oh oh.

But it wasn't 'til I stumbled and made my mistakes

That I could know in my soul how amazing was grace

You brought me blessings out of a tragedy You turned my old song into a symphony And with your spirit living inside of me I'm a new creation

You brought me blessings out of a tragedy
You turned my old song into a symphony
And with your spirit living inside of me
I'm a new creation I'm a new creation
Oh oh. Oh oh

And with your spirit living inside of me I'm a new creation. I'm a new creation

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#### Message

"Faithful Feelings - Mad"

#### Offering

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#### **Prayer of the Church**

#### **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.

#### Sacrament

#### The Words of Our Lord

#### **Distribution of the Holy Sacrament**

The Lord gave this Holy Sacrament to His Church so that His followers might receive His love and forgiveness in a visible, tangible way. When the Church celebrates this Sacrament, believers are also making a public declaration of their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ (1 Cor. 11:26). Holy Communion is offered every Sunday at St. John Lutheran, but because it is possible to receive the Lord's Supper to one's detriment (1 Cor. 11:27-29), we ask all who wish to partake of it to examine themselves as follows:

- 1. Do I believe that I am a sinner and therefore deserve God's punishment?
- 2. Am I truly sorry that by my sins I have offended God?
- 3. Do I believe that God accepts the death of Jesus as payment for my sins and therefore forgives my sins for Jesus' sake alone and not because of any goodness or effort on my part?
- 4. Do I intend, with the help of the Holy Spirit, to turn from my sins?
- 5. Do I seek to forgive others as God has forgiven me?
- 6. Do I believe Christ's own Word that His body and blood are truly given and received in and with the bread and wine (Matt. 26:26-28)?

If you have been baptized into the Christian faith and can answer "yes" to the above questions, you are invited to receive Holy Communion with the assurance of all the blessings Scripture promises.

#### **Distribution Song**

#### "O Come to the Altar"

Are you hurting and broken within, overwhelmed by the weight of your sin? Jesus is calling. Have you come to the end of yourself, do you thirst for a drink from the well? Jesus is calling.

O come to the altar; The Father's arms are open wide. Forgiveness was bought with the precious blood of Jesus Christ

Leave behind your regrets and mistakes.

Come today; there's no reason to wait. Jesus is calling Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy; From the ashes a new life is born. Jesus is calling.

O come to the altar; The Father's arms are open wide. Forgiveness was bought with the precious blood of Jesus Christ O come to the altar; The Father's arms are open wide. Forgiveness was bought with the precious blood of Jesus Christ

Oh, what a Savior, isn't he wonderful; Sing alleluia, Christ is risen. Bow down before him, For he is Lord of all; Sing alleluia, Christ is risen.

Oh, what a Savior, isn't he wonderful; Sing alleluia, Christ is risen. Bow down before him, For he is Lord of all; Sing alleluia, Christ is risen

O come to the altar; The Father's arms are open wide.

Forgiveness was bought with the precious blood of Jesus Christ
O come to the altar; The Father's arms are open wide.

Forgiveness was bought with the precious blood of Jesus Christ

Bear your cross as you wait for the crown; Tell the world of the treasure you've found.

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#### **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 upon you with favor and T give you peace.

Amen.

#### **Sending Song**

"Rescuer"

He's our Rescuer, He's our Rescuer.
We are free from sin forevermore.
Oh, how sweet the sound! Oh, how grace abounds!
We will praise the Lord our Rescuer.

There is good news for the captive, good news for the shamed.

There is good news for the one who walked away.

There is good news for the doubter, the one religion failed,
for the good Lord has come to seek and save.

He's our Rescuer, He's our Rescuer. We are free from sin forevermore. Oh, how sweet the sound! Oh, how grace abounds! We will praise the Lord our Rescuer.

He is beauty for the blind man, riches for the poor.
He is friendship for the one the world ignores.
He is pasture for the weary, rest for those who strive.
Oh, the good Lord is the way the truth the life.
Yes, the good Lord is the way the truth the life.

He's our Rescuer, He's our Rescuer.

We are free from sin forevermore.

Oh, how sweet the sound! Oh, how grace abounds!

We will praise the Lord our Rescuer.

So come and be chainless. Come and be fearless.

Come to the foot of Calvary.

There is redemption for every affliction
here at the foot of Calvary.

He's our Rescuer, He's our Rescuer.

We are free from sin forevermore.

Oh, how sweet the sound! Oh, how grace abounds!

We will praise the Lord our Rescuer.

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## Sermon Notes
