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Today's gospel starts with disciples obsessing over who will be closest to Jesus, leading to Jesus teaching his followers about God's take on importance and power. Here Jesus makes it explicit that the reversal of values in God's community is a direct challenge to the values of the dominant culture, where wielding power over others is what makes you great. When we pray "your kingdom come" we are praying for an end to tyranny and oppression. We pray this gathered around the cross, a sign of great shame transformed to be the sign of great honor and service.

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

Gracious God,

have mercy on us.

**We confess that we have honored you with our lips,
but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues.**

The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes.

In our desire to be first

we make distinctions among ourselves.

We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last.

In your great mercy, forgive us our sins.

**Draw near to us with grace in time of need,
and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more.
By grace you have been saved.

In the name of † Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven. **Amen.**

Gathering Song

"Take My Life, That I May Be" ELW #685

1 Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;
2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;
3 Take my voice and let me sing al - ways, on - ly, for my King;
4 Take my sil - ver and my gold, not a mite would I with - hold;

take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in cease - less praise.
take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.
take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sag - es from thee.
take my in - tel - lect, and use ev - 'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

The musical score consists of two systems. The first system has a treble and bass staff. The second system also has a treble and bass staff. The lyrics are placed between the staves.

5 Take my will and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its treasure store;
take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt.
Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Sovereign God, you turn your greatness into goodness for all the peoples on earth. Shape us into willing servants of your kingdom, and make us desire always and only your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

First Reading

Isaiah 53:4-12

This reading is from the last of four passages in Isaiah that are often called "servant songs." Christians are probably most familiar with this servant song. In light of Christian faith, the servant's healing ministry and redemptive suffering are understood to be fulfilled in the life and death of Christ.

It was certainly our sickness that he carried, and our sufferings that he bore,
but we thought him afflicted, struck down by God and tormented.

⁵ He was pierced because of our rebellions and crushed because of our crimes.

He bore the punishment that made us whole; by his wounds we are healed.

⁶ Like sheep we had all wandered away, each going its own way,
but the Lord let fall on him all our crimes.

⁷ He was oppressed and tormented, but didn't open his mouth.

Like a lamb being brought to slaughter, like a ewe silent before her shearers,
he didn't open his mouth.

⁸ Due to an unjust ruling he was taken away, and his fate—who will think about it?

He was eliminated from the land of the living, truck dead because of my people's rebellion.

⁹ His grave was among the wicked, his tomb with evildoers,
though he had done no violence, and had spoken nothing false.

¹⁰ But the Lord wanted to crush him and to make him suffer.

If his life is offered as restitution, he will see his offspring; he will enjoy long life.

The Lord's plans will come to fruition through him.

¹¹ After his deep anguish he will see light, and he will be satisfied.

Through his knowledge, the righteous one, my servant,
will make many righteous, and will bear their guilt.

¹² Therefore, I will give him a share with the great, and he will divide the spoil with the strong, in
return for exposing his life to death and being numbered with rebels,
though he carried the sin of many and pleaded on behalf of those who rebelled.

*At the conclusion of the reading, the assembly responds: **Thanks be to God.***

Psalm 91:9-16

You have made the Lord your refuge, and the Most High your habitation. (Ps. 91:9)

⁹ Because you have made the | Lord your refuge, and the Most High your | habitation,

¹⁰ **no evil | will befall you, nor shall affliction come | near your dwelling.**

¹¹ For God will give the angels charge | over you, to guard you in | all your ways.

¹² **Upon their hands they will | bear you up, lest you strike your foot a- | gainst a stone.**

¹³ You will tread upon the lion | cub and viper;

you will trample down the lion | and the serpent.

¹⁴ **I will deliver those who | cling to me;**

I will uphold them, because they | know my name.

¹⁵ They will call me, and I will | answer them;

I will be with them in trouble; I will rescue and I honor them.
¹⁶**With long life will I I satisfy them, and show them I my salvation.**

Second Reading

Hebrews 5:1-10

Using imagery from scripture and from Jewish worship practices, Jesus is presented as the great high priest who was obedient to God's saving plan. Through his suffering and death he has become the source of eternal salvation.

Every high priest is taken from the people and put in charge of things that relate to God for their sake, in order to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins.² The high priest is able to deal gently with the ignorant and those who are misled since he himself is prone to weakness.³ Because of his weakness, he must offer sacrifices for his own sins as well as for the people.⁴ No one takes this honor for themselves but takes it only when they are called by God, just like Aaron.

⁵ In the same way Christ also didn't promote himself to become high priest. Instead, it was the one who said to him,

You are my Son. Today I have become your Father,

⁶ as he also says in another place,

You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek.

⁷ During his days on earth, Christ offered prayers and requests with loud cries and tears as his sacrifices to the one who was able to save him from death. He was heard because of his godly devotion.⁸ Although he was a Son, he learned obedience from what he suffered.⁹ After he had been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for everyone who obeys him.¹⁰ He was appointed by God to be a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

At the conclusion of the reading, the assembly responds:

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

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, al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.
Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

Gospel Announcement

The Holy Gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord

Gospel

Mark 10:35-45

On the way to Jerusalem the disciples ask Jesus to grant them seats of honor. Jesus responds by announcing that he and his followers will “rule” through self-giving service.

James and John, Zebedee’s sons, came to Jesus and said, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask.”

³⁶ “What do you want me to do for you?” he asked.

³⁷ They said, “Allow one of us to sit on your right and the other on your left when you enter your glory.”

³⁸ Jesus replied, “You don’t know what you’re asking! Can you drink the cup I drink or receive the baptism I receive?”

³⁹ “We can,” they answered.

Jesus said, “You will drink the cup I drink and receive the baptism I receive,⁴⁰ but to sit at my right or left hand isn’t mine to give. It belongs to those for whom it has been prepared.”

⁴¹ Now when the other ten disciples heard about this, they became angry with James and John. ⁴² Jesus called them over and said, “You know that the ones who are considered the rulers by the Gentiles show off their authority over them and their high-ranking officials order them around.⁴³ But that’s not the way it will be with you. Whoever wants to be great among you will be your servant. ⁴⁴ Whoever wants to be first among you will be the slave of all, ⁴⁵ for the Human One didn’t come to be served but rather to serve and to give his life to liberate many people.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

“Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service” ELW #712

Text on page 11.

Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

*The Assisting Minister leads the prayers of the people for the church, the world, and all people in need.
Each petition ends with:*

God of Grace, **hear our prayer.**

We remember our homebound members and all who have asked for our prayers: Darlene Sorensen, Don Bagley, Erna Joswig Joyce Owens, Marie Miller, Millie Carleton, Sandy Monefeldt, Pat Quale, Linda Rattle, Cherie Julius, Doug Vandewinckel, Lynn Hooper, Randy Weit, Merlin and Jean Gandrud, Terri Pfeil, Lois Stattenfield, Chuck Julius, Aimee and Mark Hooper, Missy Hoffman, Mary Scruggs, Linda Losito, Anne Maley, Judi and Larry Krebs.

Sharing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offering



There are many ways to give to support Redeemer! You may place your offering in plate as it is passed, you may mail your offering to the church office, you can even text to give by texting the amount you wish to give to 262.592.5757, then follow the prompts. You may also scan the code to the left with your smartphone's camera to give on our website (www.racinelcredeemer.com). If you give automatically or online, feel free to place one of the cards in the plate as it is passed.

Thank you for your generosity!

Offering Song



We lift our voic-es, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an
of-fer-ing. Lord, use our voic-es, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our
lives, they are yours: we are an of-fer-ing. All that we have, all that we are,
all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.

We lift our voic-es, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you:
 we are an of-fer-ing, we are an of-fer-ing.

Text: Dwight Liles, b. 1957
 Music: Dwight Liles
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Offertory Prayer

The assembly may rise in body or spirit.

Let us pray.

**Blessed are you, O God,
 source of every gift of your creation.
 By these gifts and with our lives,
 help us to serve one another and all in need,
 through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Great Thanksgiving

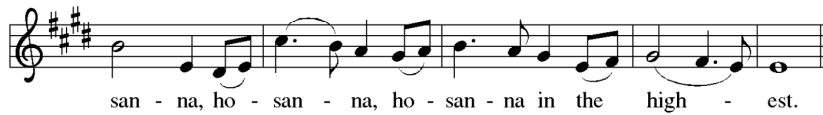
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise**

We lift our hearts to you with thanks and praise...And so with the whole host of heaven, we join in singing your eternal song:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
 heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -
 san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -
 est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



*The Presiding Minister prays giving thanks to God, for God's saving work throughout history.
The Assembly responds when prompted:*

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

*The Presiding Minister continues, at the conclusion of the Eucharistic Prayer, the Assembly responds: **Amen.***

The Lord's Prayer

Trusting in God's tender motherly care, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

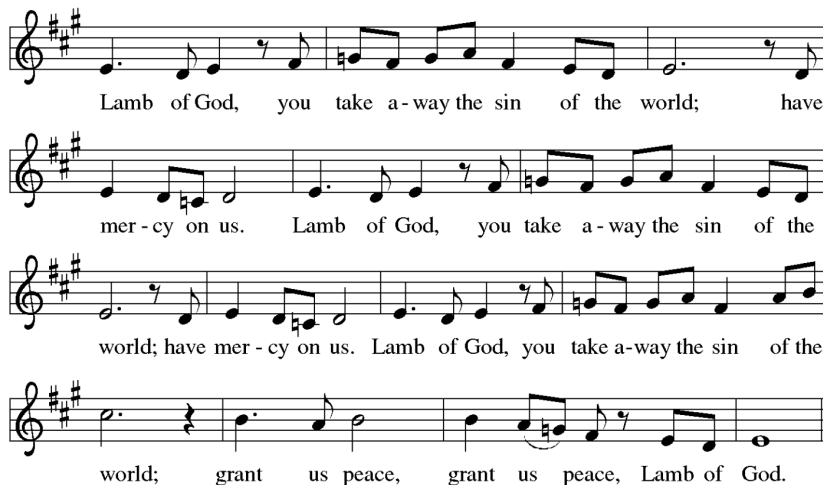
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Invitation to Communion

Jesus welcomes you to this table. Come, here is your God.

Distribution of Communion

We offer bread and wine (clear cups) or grape juice (purple cups), the bread is gluten-free. We also have pre-packaged cups if you wish to receive in that manner or to bring home to a loved one. If you wish to remain in your seat, please indicate to an usher & the worship leaders will come to you.



Distribution Song

"Lead Me, Guide Me" ELW #768

Refrain



Lead me, guide me, a - long the way;



for if you lead me, I can - not stray.



Lord, let me walk each day with thee.



Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

1 I am weak and I need thy strength and pow'r
2 Help me tread in the paths of righ - teous - ness,
3 I am lost if you take your hand from me,



to help me o - ver my weak - est hour.



be my aid when Sa - tan and sin op - press.



I am blind with - out . . . thy light to see.



Help me through the dark - ness thy face to see.



I am put - ting all . . . my trust in thee.



Lord, just al - ways let me thy ser - vant be.

Refrain



Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

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Music: Doris Akers
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LEAD ME, GUIDE ME
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Table Blessing

The assembly may rise in body or spirit.

Prayer After Communion

Let us pray.

Holy God,

**you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table.
Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world

Blessing

God all mighty, God most merciful † bless you, keep you, and give you peace. **Amen.**

Sending Hymn

“Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee” ELW #836

Text on page 12.

Announcements

Dismissal

Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

Thanks be to God.

† † †

Serving Today

Altar Flowers:

Rennock Family

Our Anniversary

Usher:

Jim Kasprovich

Assisting Minister:

Sean Fair

Reader:

Sheila Fair

Altar Guild:

Marilyn Rentz & Nancy Vandewinckel

Musician:

Paul Berge

Pastor:

The Rev. Matt James

Hymn of the Day

"Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service" ELW #712



1 Lord, whose love in hum-ble ser-vice bore the weight of hu-man need,
2 Still your chil-dren wan-der home-less; still the hun-gry cry for bread;
3 As we wor-ship, grant us vi-sion, till your love's re-veal-ing light
4 Called by wor-ship to your ser-vice, forth in your dear name we go,



who up-on the cross, for-sak-en, worked your mer-cy's per-fect deed:
still the cap-tives long for free-dom; still in grief we mourn our dead.
in its height and depth and great-ness dawns up-on our quick-ened sight,
to the child, the youth, the a-ged, love in liv-ing deeds to show;



we, your ser-vants, bring the wor-ship not of voice a-lone, but heart;
As you, Lord, in deep com-pas-sion healed the sick and freed the soul,
mak-ing known the needs and bur-dens your com-pas-sion bids us bear,
hope and health, good-will and com-fort, coun-sel, aid, and peace we give,



con-se-crat-ing to your pur-pose ev-'ry gift which you im-part.
by your Spir-it send your pow-er to our world to make it whole.
stir-ring us to ar-dent ser-vice, your a-bun-dant life to share.
that your ser-vants, Lord, in free-dom may your mer-cy know and live.

Text: Albert F. Bayly, 1901–1984

Music: BEACH SPRING, *The Sacred Harp*, Philadelphia, 1844

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Sending Hymn

"Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee" ELW #836



1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!
2 All thy works with joy sur - round thee, earth and heav'n re - flect thy rays,
3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,



Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore thee, prais - ing thee, their sun a - bove.
stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean - depth of hap - py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, drive the gloom of doubt a - way.
Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, flow - 'ry mead - ow, flash - ing sea,
Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our broth - er, all who live in love are thine;



Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.
chant - ing bird, and flow - ing foun - tain call us to re - joice in thee.
teach us how to love each oth - er, lift us to the joy di - vine!

Text: Henry van Dyke, 1852–1922

Music: HYMN TO JOY, Ludwig van Beethoven, 1770–1827, adapt.

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