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The Savior's Sermon – YOU ARE . . . SO BE

Imagine a beautiful guitar, carefully crafted out of the finest mahogany and steel strings. Now imagine that fine instrument is never played. It is placed atop a bookshelf and never touched. It just collects dust. Tragic, right? What a thing is finds fulfillment when that thing does what it was made to do. Of what use is a guitar that makes no music? What would be the point of turning on a lamp and then throwing a heavy blanket over it. It might still be a lamp, but it provides no light. (It only serves as a fire hazard!) Form and function are intimately connected. In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus teaches that the same is true of discipleship. He wants us to see that being a disciple and acting as a disciple are intimately connected. When God called us to faith, he declared that we were something new: light, salt, his children. Jesus now encourages us to be what God says we are, so that God might bless the world through us. As Jesus speaks to us, he means to mold our will to his own.

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

We're happy to have you join us for worship this morning and trust that the Lord will bless you through his Word. God's blessings on your week ahead and please join us again very soon! Our restrooms are located in the entryway, opposite from our main entrance.

For Parents with small children:

- **Welcome!** We love the sound of kids in our service. Here are some ideas to keep them engaged:
- **Relax:** It's OK for kids to be kids.
- **Explain:** Kids are curious! Explain what's happening in the service.
- **Participate:** Kids learn by mimicking what you do. So sing, pray, respond, etc.—kids will follow your lead.
- **Need to Leave?:** No problem, but please come back! Sometimes kids just need a break.
- **Ask:** Questions or need help? Just ask our ushers.
- **Children's Church Bags:** Each bag has a Children's bulletin with activities.

HOLY COMMUNION THIS MORNING

We practice closed communion. This means that we invite to commune with us only those who are members of our church or our Synod (WELS & ELS). Our Lord teaches that those who commune together express their agreement and unity with all his teachings (1 Corinthians 10:17). Sadly, all Christians are not in complete agreement & unity because of false teachings. It is our hope and prayer that more families will be united around Jesus' teachings and show that agreement in the Lord's Supper becoming confessing members of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. If you would like to unite around Jesus' teachings with us, please talk with our pastor.

Opening Hymn : Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus (#704)

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

C: Amen.

Confession of Sin

M: If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**C: If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

M: Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**C: Holy God, gracious Father,
I am sinful by nature
and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.
I have not loved you with my whole heart;**

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

**But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins
with his innocent suffering and death.**

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

M: Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the (T) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Lord Have Mercy (Kyrie)

M: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord have mercy.

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

C: Lord have mercy.

M: 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 mercy.

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

C: Lord have mercy.

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

C: Amen.

Glory Be to God (Gloria in Excelsis)

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Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.
We praise you, we bless you, we worship you,
we glorify you, we give thanks to you, for your great glory,
O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
You take away the sin of the world; receive our prayer.
You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us.
For you only are holy; you only are the Lord.
You only, O Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
are most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Word

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

M: Let us pray -

Almighty God, you sent your one and only Son as the Word of life for our eyes to see and our ears to hear. Help us believe what the Scriptures proclaim about him and do the things that are pleasing in your sight; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

FIRST READING

EXODUS 19:1-8

In the third month after the Israelites had left the land of Egypt, on that same day of the month, they came to the Wilderness of Sinai. ²After they set out from Rephidim and came to the Wilderness of Sinai, they camped in the wilderness. Israel camped there in front of the mountain.

³Moses went up to God, and the LORD called to him from the mountain, “This is what you are to say to the house of Jacob and to tell the people of Israel: ⁴‘You have seen what I did to the Egyptians and how I carried you on eagles’ wings and brought you to myself. ⁵Now if you will carefully listen to my voice and keep my covenant, then you will be my special treasure out of all the nations, although the entire earth is mine. ⁶You will be my kingdom of priests and my holy nation.’ These are the words that you are to speak to the Israelites.”

⁷Moses went and summoned the elders of the people, and he set before them all these words that the LORD had commanded him. ⁸All the people answered together, “Everything that the LORD has said, we will do.”

Moses brought back the people’s words to the LORD.¹

M: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm of the Day: 27D Soloist

SECOND READING: 1 Peter 2:9-12

⁹But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, the people who are God’s own possession, so that you may proclaim the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. ¹⁰At one time you were not a people, but now you are the people of God. At one time you were not shown mercy, but now you have been shown mercy. ¹¹Dear friends, I urge you, as aliens and temporary residents in the world, to abstain from the desires of the sinful flesh, which war against your soul. ¹²Live an

¹ [*Holy Bible: Evangelical Heritage Version*](#) (Milwaukee, WI: Northwestern Publishing House, 2019), Ex 19:1–8.

honorable life among the Gentiles so that even though they slander you as evildoers, when they observe your noble deeds, they may glorify God on the day he visits us. ²

M: This is the Word of our Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

1 John 2:2 Epiphany

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Jesus is the light of the world;

In him we are the light of life.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL READING:

Matthew 5:13-20

¹³“You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its flavor, how will it become salty again? Then it is no good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled on by people. ¹⁴You are the light of the world. A city located on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵People do not light a lamp and put it under a basket. No, they put it on a stand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. ¹⁶In the same way let your light shine in people’s presence, so that they may see your good works and glorify your Father who is in heaven.

Jesus Fulfills the Old Testament

¹⁷“Do not think that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy them but to fulfill them. ¹⁸Amen I tell you: Until heaven and earth pass away, not even the smallest letter, or even part of a letter, will in any way pass away from the Law until everything is fulfilled. ¹⁹So whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven. But

² [*Holy Bible: Evangelical Heritage Version*](#) (Milwaukee, WI: Northwestern Publishing House, 2019), 1 Pe 2:9–12.

whoever practices and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven.
²⁰Indeed I tell you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the Pharisees and experts in the law, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. ³

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to you O Christ

SERMON HYMN: Lord You Call Us (#736)

SERMON - 1 Peter 2:9-12

Please stand

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

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We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human.

³ [*Holy Bible: Evangelical Heritage Version*](#) (Milwaukee, WI: Northwestern Publishing House, 2019), Mt 5:13–20.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and
glorified,**

who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to
come. Amen.**

Prayer of the Church

*M: Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all your mercies, especially
for the gift of your Son, through whom you have revealed your gracious will.
We praise you for the Holy Spirit and his working through the means of
grace.*

C: Plant your Word in our hearts, and cause it to produce fruit in our lives.

*M: Strengthen and defend your Church, that by your Word and sacraments
faith may grow and love toward all may increase.*

C: Support all who spread the light of your truth throughout the world.

M:Keep our children in the grace of their baptisms. Enable their parents to train them in lives of faith.

C:Raise up Christians to serve you in the ministry of the Word and in all godly walks of life.

M:Preserve our nation in justice and honor. Guide and bless all who make, administer, and judge our laws.

C:Give them wisdom that they may promote justice and hinder evil.

M:Let your blessing rest on planting and harvest, commerce and industry, medicine and science, the arts and culture. Protect all who travel, and care for those whose work is difficult or dangerous.

C:Be with all who devote themselves to any useful task.

M:Comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity, [especially]. Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those for whom death draws near.

C: Grant them your love, and take them into your tender care.

M:Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

M:We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you, who now rest from their labors. Console those who are mourning or living with sadness.

C: Keep us in the true faith, and bring us at last to the joys of heaven.

M:Grant us these things, Father, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again.

C: Amen.

OFFERING COLLECTED

Lord Jesus, accept these small gifts as a sign of our love and respect for you. Move us with forgiveness to love and respect your business of saving souls more than our own business of gaining and getting. Amen.

OFFERING HYMN: TAKE MY LIFE V1 & 4 (#695)

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

M: O Lord, Holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, it is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, through Jesus Christ our Lord... (ADVENT) whose way John the Baptist prepared when he called people to repentance and pointed to Jesus as the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world... therefore with all the saints on earth and armies of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song.

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Prayer of Thanksgiving

M: We give thanks to you, O God, through your dear Son, Jesus Christ, whom you sent to be our Savior, our Redeemer, and the messenger of your grace. Through him you made all things; in him you are well pleased. He is the incarnate Word, conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin

Mary. To fulfill your promises, he stretched out his hands on the cross and released from eternal death all who believe in you.

As we remember Jesus' death and resurrection, we thank you that you have gathered us together to receive your Son's body and blood. Send us your Spirit, unite us as one, and strengthen our faith so that we may praise you in your Son, Jesus Christ. Through him, we glorify and honor you, O God our Father, with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Cong: Amen.

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.**

Words of Institution

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take and eat; this is my + body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you; this is my + blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Cong: Amen.

O Christ, Lamb of God

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O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us your peace. Amen.

M: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

C: his mercy endures forever.

M: Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,

C: we proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.

M: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ

our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

M: As God's dearly loved children receive his blessing -

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.

SERVING AT WORSHIP

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