

A NAME *for every* NEED

Jehovah Rapha
The Lord my Healer



Worship with Holy Communion Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost October 1 & 2, 2022

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This Week's Worship:

Saturday 5:00 PM (Healing Prayer Offered)
Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 AM
Education Hour 9:15 AM

PRAYER IN PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

O Lord, my Creator, Redeemer, and Comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His Name, Amen.

WORDS OF WELCOME

(We rise)

WE BEGIN IN SONG

(Saturday) “For Who You Are”/ “Do It Again”/ “Goodness of God”

(Sunday) “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

LSB 790

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him for He is your health and salvation!
Let all who hear now to His temple draw near.
Joining in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, who o’er all things is wondrously reigning
And, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.
Have you not seen all that is needful has been
Sent by His gracious ordaining?

Praise to the Lord, who has fearfully, wondrously made you,
Health has bestowed and, when heedlessly falling, has stayed you.
What need or grief ever has failed of relief?
Wings of His mercy did shade you.

Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you;
Surely His goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do
As with His love He befriends you.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before Him!
Let the “Amen” sound from His people again;
Gladly forever adore Him!

Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: We read responsively selected verses from Psalm 107: 1 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

People: his love endures forever.

Pastor: Let the redeemed of the Lord tell their story—

People: those he redeemed from the hand of the foe,

Pastor: Some became fools through their rebellious ways and suffered affliction because of their iniquities.

People: They loathed all food and drew near the gates of death.

Pastor: Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and he saved them from their distress.

People: He sent out his word and healed them; he rescued them from the grave.

Pastor: Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for mankind.

People: Let them sacrifice thank offerings and tell of his works with songs of joy.

BAPTISM (10:30)

Leo Alan Bremmer

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Exodus 15:22-26

(The Lord reveals Himself to His Old Covenant people as the God who heals.)

Then Moses led Israel from the Red Sea and they went into the Desert of Shur. For three days they traveled in the desert without finding water. When they came to Marah, they could not drink its water because it was bitter. (That is why the place is called Marah.) So the people grumbled against Moses, saying, “What are we to drink?” Then Moses cried out to the LORD, and the LORD showed him a piece of wood. He threw it into the water, and the water became fit to drink.

There the LORD issued a ruling and instruction for them and put them to the test. He said, “If you listen carefully to the LORD your God and do what is right in his

eyes, if you pay attention to his commands and keep all his decrees, I will not bring on you any of the diseases I brought on the Egyptians, for I am the LORD, who heals you.”

Reader: This is the word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

THE EPISTLE LESSON

James 5:13-16

(In times of trouble or sickness, we are to come to our Lord for help. And He gives us great promises when we do!)

Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise. Is anyone among you sick? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up. If they have sinned, they will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

(We rise)

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 9:1-8

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the ninth chapter beginning at the 1st verse.

People: (sung) Glory be to Thee, O Lord!

LSB 190

Jesus stepped into a boat, crossed over and came to his own town. Some men brought to him a paralyzed man, lying on a mat. When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the man, “Take heart, son; your sins are forgiven.” At this, some of the teachers of the law said to themselves, “This fellow is blaspheming!”

Knowing their thoughts, Jesus said, “Why do you entertain evil thoughts in your hearts? Which is easier: to say, ‘Your sins are forgiven,’ or to say, ‘Get up and walk’? But I want you to know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive

sins.” So he said to the paralyzed man, “Get up, take your mat and go home.” Then the man got up and went home. When the crowd saw this, they were filled with awe; and they praised God, who had given such authority to man.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord!

People: *(sung)* **Praise be to Thee, O Christ!**

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Pastor: Together, as God’s People, united in faith by the One Who forgives and heals, let us join together professing our common faith using the words of the Nicene Creed:

People: **I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.**

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And he will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

COLLECTION OF CONNECT CARDS

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SONG OF THE DAY

(Saturday)

“Same God”

(Sunday)

“I Lay My Sins on Jesus”

LSB 606

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
Clean in His blood most precious till not a spot remains.

I lay my wants on Jesus; all fullness dwells in Him;
He heals all my diseases; my soul He does redeem.
I lay my griefs on Jesus, my burdens and my cares;
He from them all releases; He all my sorrows shares.

I rest my soul on Jesus, this weary soul of mine;
His right hand me embraces; I on His breast recline.
I love the name of Jesus, Immanuel, Christ, the Lord;
Like fragrance on the breezes His name abroad is poured.

THE MESSAGE

“Jehovah Rapha: The Lord My Healer”

Pastor Ryan Clark

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Special prayers are lifted...we then join together in speaking:

All: 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.

AN INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

Pastor: Brothers and sisters in Christ, in preparation for coming to our Lord’s Holy Supper today, let us prepare ourselves by confessing our sins unto God. O almighty God, merciful Father,

People: We confess to You that we have sinned by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We are deserving of Your present and eternal punishment. But we are sorry for what we've done. We don't want to disobey You anymore. For the sake of Jesus, forgive us and come to our aid. We need You.

Pastor: God has heard our prayer for forgiveness and has given us a meal by which we receive that forgiveness: the Lord's Supper. As we eat and drink this Covenant meal, we are forgiven, and we can be assured that He is our God working miraculously on our behalf.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE DISTRIBUTION

(At St. John's, we believe Jesus' words that the bread and wine of which we partake in this meal are, in a mysterious way, His very Body and Blood given and shed for the forgiveness of our sins (Matthew 26: 26-28). If you believe this and desire God's forgiveness and a new start in which to follow Christ, please join us! Non-alcoholic wine and gluten-free wafers are in the center of each tray for those who request them; just simply ask your server. We also invite you to bring your children to receive a blessing at the altar rail.)

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table"	LSB 618
"Jesus Comes Today with Healing"	LSB 620
"O Son of God, in Galilee"	LSB 841
"Jesus, Grant that Balm and Healing"	LSB 421

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

THE BENEDICTION

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord!

People: **Thanks be to God!**

(We rise)

WE CLOSE IN SONG

(Saturday)

“Jesus Strong and Kind”

(Sunday)

“O Bless the Lord, My Soul”

LSB 814

O bless the Lord, my soul! Let all within me join
And aid my tongue to bless His name Whose favors are divine.

O bless the Lord, my soul, nor let His mercies lie
Forgotten in unthankfulness and without praises die!

‘Tis He forgives thy sins; ‘tis He relieves thy pain;
‘Tis He that heals thy sicknesses and makes thee young again.

He crowns thy life with love when ransomed from the grave;
He that redeemed my soul from hell hath sov’ reign pow’r to save.

He fills the poor with good; He gives the sufferers rest.
The Lord hath judgments for the proud and justice for th’oppressed.

His wondrous works and ways He made by Moses known,
But sent the world His truth and grace by His beloved Son.

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