

EPISTLE – Romans 3:19-28

¹⁹Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

²¹But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— ²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: ²³for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. ²⁶It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

²⁷Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL – John 8:31-36

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighth chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

³¹So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” ³³They answered him, “We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, ‘You will become free?’”

³⁴Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. ³⁶So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

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We are a member congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod which teaches and confesses the Bible-based, Christ-centered beliefs of God's gift of salvation by grace through Spirit-given faith in God's Son, Jesus Christ; and nurtures that faith with God's Holy Word and Blessed Sacraments in our lives.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is administered in accordance with the Holy Scriptures and the Lutheran Confessions. It is celebrated in the confidence that we truly receive - under the bread and wine - the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, for the forgiveness of sins. Besides individually receiving Christ's body and blood, all those who commune here make a confession of their unity in this faith. Therefore, if you are not a communicant member in good standing of a Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod congregation, we kindly ask that you speak with the pastor or elder before coming to the altar.

PSALM 46 – Adapted and sung by 3rd& 4th Grade Choir

¹*God is our ref- /uge and strength,*
a very present help in / trouble.*

²*Therefore we will not fear though the / earth gives way,*
though the mountains be moved into the heart / of the sea,*

³*though its waters / roar and foam,*
though the mountains tremble at its / swelling.*

⁴*There is a river whose streams make glad the cit- / y of God,*
the holy habitation of the / Most High.*

⁵*God is in the midst of her; she shall / not be moved,*
God will help her when / morning dawns.*

⁶*The nations rage, the kingdoms / totter;*
he utters his voice, the / earth melts.*

⁷*The LORD of hosts is / with us;*
the God of Jacob is our / fortress.*

⁸*Come, behold the works / of the LORD,*
how he has brought desolations / on the earth.*

⁹*He makes wars cease to the end / of the earth;*
he breaks the bow and shatters the spear;
he burns the chariots / with fire.*

¹⁰*“Be still, and know that / I am God.*
I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted / in the earth!”*

¹¹*The LORD of hosts is / with us;*
the God of Jacob is our / fortress.*

COLLECT

Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**Amen.**

FIRST READING – Revelation 14:6-7

⁶Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. ⁷And he said with a loud voice, “Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water.”

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL – Ps. 48:1a, 12-14a

Great is the LORD and greatly | to be praised*
in the city | of our God!

Walk about Zion, go around her, number her | towers,*
consider well her ramparts, go through her | citadels,
that you may tell the next gener- | ation*
that this is God, our God forever and | ever.

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C: Hear our prayer.

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