

Saved By Grace
Lutheran Church
Easter 6
Theme: Prayer

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We are a Biblical church giving God's Word first place in our faith and life. We are a Lutheran church that proclaims forgiveness for all through Jesus Christ. We are a Christian church that gathers to praise God, to be strengthened by His Word, and to reach out to those around us in Christian love.

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Welcome! We are glad you can join us today. If you are a guest and/or If you would like a visit from the pastor, please fill out a pew card and put it in the offering plate. May God bless the hearing of his Word!

Today's Theme: *The Father Answers Our Prayers Because of Jesus.*
"Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you" (John 16:23). To pray in Jesus' name is to pray as one who has been baptized. For it is in the water that He put His name upon you, claiming you as His own, making you a child of God with access to the Father. By His incarnation and crucifixion, our Lord Jesus broke through the barrier of sin which separated us from God, opening a portal to the Father.

Liturgical Notes on Prayer (Why we do what we do): The Introit is Latin (introitus) meaning "entrance." Years ago the pastor entered the sanctuary singing the Psalm for the day. We now enter the portion of our service where the Word of God comes to us, connecting us to the worship life of the Old Testament church. **The Kyrie eleison** is an ancient Greek song from the early church, again reflecting the Trinity. This is not a confession of sin, but a plea for God's help in all areas of life, similar to the prayer of the 10 lepers. **The Salutation** goes with the next prayer, and represents the love between pastor and congregation. As a little boy I used to think the **Collect** should mean taking the collection. It was a term, however, used to collect or gather the prayers of God's people based on the assigned readings. **The Prayer of the Church** so beautifully addresses all of the major issues which confront us in this life, and gives ample room for petitions on behalf of those in special need in the congregation.

- A Guide to Our Order of Worship Rite II- By
Bethany Lutheran College Chaplin, Don Moldstad

This Week

- Today
 - 11:30 AM Bible Class
- Thursday
 - 10:30 AM, Bible Class
 - 4:30 PM. After School Classes
- Sunday -
 - 10 AM. Service of Word and Sacrament

16. The Chief Hymn: #289:1,5-7

17. The Sermon

18. Offertory: ♪ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Your presence, and take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Your salvation, and uphold me with Your free Spirit. Amen.

18, b. The Offering (*While the offering is brought forward, the following verses of Hymn 445 are sung:*)

**♪ We give thee but Thine own, Whate'r the gifts to may be;
All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee**

**May we Thy bounties thus As stewards true receive
And gladly as Thou blessest us, To Thee our firstfruits give!**

19. The Prayer of the Church

23. The Lord's Prayer, p. 85 (sung in unison) ♪ Our Father ...

24. A Hymn: #385

25. The Collect II, p. 86

Blessed Lord, since You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn and take them to heart, that by the patience and comfort of Your Holy Word we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever. ♪ **Amen.**

26. The Benediction, p. 87

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give † you peace. ♪ **Amen, amen, amen.**

27. The Closing Hymn: #386

14. Gospel: The Holy Gospel is written in the 16th chapter of the Gospel according to St. John, beginning at the 23rd verse. (rise)

C: ♪ Glory be to You, O Lord!

“And in that day you will ask Me nothing. Most assuredly, I say to you, whatever you ask the Father in My name He will give you. Until now you have asked nothing in My name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.

“These things I have spoken to you in figurative language; but the time is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figurative language, but I will tell you plainly about the Father. In that day you will ask in My name, and I do not say to you that I shall pray the Father for you; for the Father Himself loves you, because you have loved Me, and have believed that I came forth from God. I came forth from the Father and have come into the world. Again, I leave the world and go to the Father.”

His disciples said to Him, “See, now You are speaking plainly, and using no figure of speech! Now we are sure that You know all things, and have no need that anyone should question You. By this we believe that You came forth from God.”

This is the Holy Gospel of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

♪ Praise be to You O Christ!

15. The Apostles’ Creed, p. 68

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there he shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the Communion of Saints, the Forgiveness of sins, the Resurrection of the body, and the Life † everlasting. Amen.

Rite II, p. 60

1. The Entrance Hymn: #13 (Please stand at the last verse)

2. The Invocation

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

♪ Amen.

3. The Confession and Absolution, Form I, p.p. 60 & 61

Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God, our Father, beseeching Him in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Our help is in the Name of the Lord.

♪ Who made heav’ n and earth.

I said, I will confess my transgressions to the Lord;

♪ And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Let us bow before the Lord and confess our sins. Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Therefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

O most merciful God, who has given Your only begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end, that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only begotten Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To all who believe on His name He giveth the power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptized shall be saved. **Grant this unto us, O Lord. Amen.**

4, 5. Introit/Gloria Patri

♪ With a voice *of singing* / declare, proclaim this, utter it even to the 'ends of the earth;

Say, "The Lord has redeemed his 'servant Jacob!"/ Al-'le-lu-ia!

O You who hear prayer, to You 'all flesh will come. / Make a joyful shout to God 'all the *earth!*

Sing out to the honor 'of His *name* / make 'His praise glorious

Glory be to the Father, 'and to the Son, and to 'the Holy Ghost; / as it was in the be-'ginning, is now, and ever shall be: forever-'more. Amen.

6. The Kyrie Eleison

♪ Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord. Have mercy upon us.

7. The Gloria in Excelsis

♪ 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 upon us. You take away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. You are seated at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon 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.

8. The Salutation

The Lord be with you. ♪ And with your spirit.

9. **Collect:** O God, from whom all good things do come: Grant to us, Your humble servants, that by Your holy inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by Your merciful guiding may perform the same; through Your beloved Son,

Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever. ♪ **Amen.**

10. The Old Testament Lesson: Jeremiah 29:11-14

For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the Lord, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope. Then you will call upon Me and go and pray to Me, and I will listen to you. And you will seek Me and find Me, when you search for Me with all your heart. I will be found by you, says the Lord, and I will bring you back from your captivity; I will gather you from all the nations and from all the places where I have driven you, says the Lord, and I will bring you to the place from which I cause you to be carried away captive.

11. Hymn #355:3

♪ [Christ] who our griefs and sorrows had carried
in the tomb by loving hands buried.
Alleluia, alleluia, Alleluia!

12. Epistle: James 1:22-27

But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man observing his natural face in a mirror; for he observes himself, goes away, and immediately forgets what kind of man he was. But he who looks into the perfect law of liberty and continues *in it*, and is not a forgetful hearer but a doer of the work, this one will be blessed in what he does.

If anyone among you thinks he is religious, and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his own heart, this one's religion *is* useless. Pure and undefiled religion before God and the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their trouble, *and* to keep oneself unspotted from the world.

13. Hymn #355:5

♪ With Easter's dawning rose He to vanquish
For us the foe who brought us death's anguish!
Alleluia, alleluia, Alleluia!