

**Redeemer Lutheran Church  
San Antonio, Texas**

**August 20, 2023  
Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost  
Responsive Prayer 2: Pg. 285-287**

NOTES: Offerings will not be collected by passing plates. Please place your attendance cards and offering in the plates located by the narthex.

Masks are not required, but you can wear one at your own discretion. There is no specified seating for bible class or worship.

**Prelude**

**Opening Versicles: Pg. 285**

**The Readings:**

**The First Reading: Isaiah 56:1-8**

<sup>1</sup> Thus says the LORD: “Keep justice, and do righteousness, for soon my salvation will come, and my righteousness be revealed. <sup>2</sup> Blessed is the man who does this, and the son of man who holds it fast, who keeps the Sabbath, not profaning it, and keeps his hand from doing any evil.” <sup>3</sup> Let not the foreigner who has joined himself to the LORD say, “The LORD will surely separate me from his people”; and let not the eunuch say, “Behold, I am a dry tree.” <sup>4</sup> For thus says the LORD: “To the eunuchs who keep my Sabbaths, who choose the things that please me and hold fast my covenant, <sup>5</sup> I will give in my house and within my walls a monument and a name better than sons and daughters; I will give them an everlasting name that shall not be cut off.

<sup>6</sup>“And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD, to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD, and to be his servants, everyone who keeps the Sabbath and does not profane it, and holds fast my covenant — <sup>7</sup> these I will bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples.” <sup>8</sup> The Lord GOD, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, declares, “I will gather yet others to him besides those already gathered.”

**Lector:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**Congregation:** Thanks be to God.

**The Second Reading:** Romans 11:1-2a

<sup>1</sup> I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! For I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. <sup>2</sup> God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

**Lector:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**Congregation:** Thanks be to God.

**The Gospel Reading:** Matthew 15:21-28

**Pastor:** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 15<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**Congregation:** Glory to You, O Lord!

<sup>21</sup> And Jesus went away from there and withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon. <sup>22</sup> And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and was crying, “Have

mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely oppressed by a demon.”<sup>23</sup> But he did not answer her a word. And his disciples came and begged him, saying, “Send her away, for she is crying out after us.”<sup>24</sup> He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.”<sup>25</sup> But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.”<sup>26</sup> And he answered, “It is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs.”<sup>27</sup> She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table.”<sup>28</sup> Then Jesus answered her, “O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire.” And her daughter was healed instantly.

**Pastor:** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Congregation:** Praise to You O, Christ.

**The Hymn:**

“In Christ There Is No East of West” – LSB # 653

**The Kyrie:** Pg. 285

**The Lord's Prayer:** Pg. 285

**The Apostle's Creed:** Pg. 286

**The Message Hymn:**

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus” – LSB # 770

**The Message:**

**Versicles:** Pg. 286

**Collect of the Day:**

**Prayer of the Church:**

(**Pastor:** Lord, in your mercy,)

(**Congregation:** Hear our prayer.)

**Luther's Morning Prayer:** Pg. 287

**Benedicamus and Blessing:** Pg. 287

**The Closing Hymn:**

“God Loved the World So That He Gave” – LSB # 571

**Announcements:**

**Postlude**

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