

**The Reading: Luke 7:1-10** (*you may be seated*) read by Anna Petree

<sup>1</sup>When Jesus had finished saying all this to the people who were listening, he entered Capernaum. <sup>2</sup>There a centurion's servant, whom his master valued highly, was sick and about to die. <sup>3</sup>The centurion heard of Jesus and sent some elders of the Jews to him, asking him to come and heal his servant. <sup>4</sup>When they came to Jesus, they pleaded earnestly with him, "This man deserves to have you do this, <sup>5</sup>because he loves our nation and has built our synagogue." <sup>6</sup>So Jesus went with them. He was not far from the house when the centurion sent friends to say to him: "Lord, don't trouble yourself, for I do not deserve to have you come under my roof. <sup>7</sup>That is why I did not even consider myself worthy to come to you. But say the word, and my servant will be healed. <sup>8</sup>For I myself am a man under authority, with soldiers under me. I tell this one, 'Go,' and he goes; and that one, 'Come,' and he comes. I say to my servant, 'Do this,' and he does it." <sup>9</sup>When Jesus heard this, he was amazed at him, and turning to the crowd following him, he said, "I tell you, I have not found such great faith even in Israel." <sup>10</sup>Then the men who had been sent returned to the house and found the servant well.

P: This is the Word of the Lord,   **C: Thanks be to God.**

**Children's Message:** *Pastor Eric Hanson*

**PreK-1st Graders Sing: "My God is So Big"**

**Sermon:** *Pastor Eric Hanson*

**Hymn of the Day & Offering:** *Offerings will be collected during the hymn of the day. Thank you also to those who give online. If you'd like to sign up for online giving please visit <http://www.stlukegoodhue.org/online-giving.html>. Children's coin offering will go toward ELCA Good Gifts serving communities in need around the world.*

**"Healer of Our Every Ill" ELW #612**

**Refrain: Healer of our every ill, light of each tomorrow,  
give us peace beyond our fear, and hope beyond our sorrow.**

**Vs 1: You who know our fears and sadness, grace us with your peace and gladness;  
Spirit of all comfort, fill our hearts. [Refrain]**

**Vs 2: In the pain and joy beholding how your grace is still unfolding,  
give us all your vision, God of love. [Refrain]**

**Vs 3: Give us strength to love each other, every sister, every brother;  
Spirit of all kindness, be our guide. [Refrain]**

**Vs 4: You who know each thought and feeling, teach us all your way of healing;  
Spirit of compassion, fill each heart. [Refrain]**

**Offertory Response: "Give Thanks" W&P 41** (*ushers bring offerings forward*)

**Give thanks with a grateful heart. Give thanks to the Holy One.  
Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son. And now let the weak say, "I am strong".  
Let the poor say, "I am rich Because of what the Lord has done for us". Give thanks.**

**Offertory Prayer:** L: God of grace,

**C: Your love reaches to the heavens, and your abundance to the depths of the seas. Bless what we offer to  
your service: our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts. Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity, now  
and always. Amen.**

**Apostles' Creed:** (*please stand as you are able*) **I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven & earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**The Prayers:** (*call and response*)

With the Spirit of Christ shining upon us, let us boldly pray for the church, the world, & all of creation. *A brief silence.* God of surprising abundance, you call your people to enter deeply into the world. Equip us to respond to your call, gather up what we have, and offer it to all. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God of creation, provide protection from the elements and other hazards to all whose work brings them outside: for fishers, ranchers, line workers, and construction crews. Guide us to live carefully alongside the wonders of the land and waters. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Open the hearts of all leaders, especially those who serve in the armed forces, that they respond to their commission with wisdom and patience. Ensure that all who serve are kept safe in body, mind, and spirit. We pray for an end to all war and armed conflict. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Fill with your compassionate presence all who are suffering from addiction, mental illness, injury, or illness of any kind especially Keith Brown, Jan Benidt, Dave (Pud) Gnotke, Shawn Fredrixon, Marc Bode, Harlan Reese, Beth Carlson, Gage Miller, Alex Stehr, Perry Fitzgerald, Tanya Bakken, Lorraine Hinsch, Nicole Anderson, Henry Strauss, Diane Krenke, Steve Pabst, Bob Eppen, Staci Nardinger, Chase Hanson, & the Family of Grant Schimek. Draw helpers to their side so that they find relief from their burdens. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Call our faith communities to do marvelous things. Bless the labor and efforts of this congregation, that we may be a sign of your presence in the world. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

We thank you for those who have courageously gone before us in the faith. May we too show a deep trust in you throughout our lives. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

We entrust our prayers to you, O God, in the sure and certain hope that your promise is revealed among the people. **Amen.**

**Sharing the Peace:** P: The peace of Christ be with you always,   **C: And also with you.**

**The Great Thanksgiving:**

P: The Lord be with you   **C: And also with you**

P: Lift up your hearts.   **C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.   **C: It is right to give Him thanks & praise.**

**The Words of Institution**

**Lord's Prayer: 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.**

**Meal and Hymns:** (*you may be seated*)

*All are welcome at this meal. We believe in the saving power of Jesus Christ through the gift of his life, death, and resurrection experienced in bread and wine.*

*Please move forward via the center aisle. Bread is received in the hands. Wine is received by dipping the bread into the wine chalice and consuming both together. All ages are welcome to commune. Those not communing may receive a blessing by simply keeping your hands folded or extending your arms over your chest in the sign of a cross inviting blessing. For those unable to consume either wine or bread, communion is received fully in either element alone, for Christ is fully present in the meal. You may return to your seats via the side aisles after communing. Gluten-free is available, simply make the server aware of your need. Also, if you cannot come forward, but wish for communion or blessing, let the usher know it will come to you at the end.*

**"Come To Me, O Weary Traveler" ACS 1017**

**Vs 1: Come to me, O weary trav'ler; come to me with your distress;  
come to me, you heavy burdened; come to me and find your rest.**

**Vs 2: Do not fear, my yoke is easy; do not fear, my burden's light;  
do not fear the path before you; do not run from me in fright.**

**Vs. 3: Take my yoke and leave your troubles; take my yoke and come with me.  
Take my yoke, I am beside you; take and learn humility.**

**Vs 4: Rest in me, O weary trav'ler; rest in me and do not fear.  
Rest in me, my heart is gentle; rest and cast away your care.**

**"Here Is Bread" ELW #483**

**Vs 1: Here is bread, here is wine, Christ is with us, He is with us.  
Break the bread, taste the wine, Christ is with us here.**

**Refrain: In this bread there is healing, in this cup is life forever.  
In this moment, by the Spirit, Christ is with us here.**

**Vs 2: Here is grace, here is peace, Christ is with us, he is with us.  
Know his grace, find his peace, feast on Jesus here. [Refrain]**

**Vs 3: Here we are, joined in one, Christ is with us, he is with us.  
We'll proclaim till he comes Jesus crucified. [Refrain]**

*“Nothing But The Blood” CCLI Licensed*

**Vs 1:** What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

**Chorus:** Oh! precious is the flow That makes me white as snow;  
No other fount I know, Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

**Vs 2:** For my pardon, this I see, Nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
For my cleansing this my plea, Nothing but the blood of Jesus. [Chorus]

**Vs 3:** Nothing can for sin atone, Nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
Naught of good that I have done, Nothing but the blood of Jesus. [Chorus]

**Vs 4:** This is all my hope and peace, Nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
This is all my righteousness, Nothing but the blood of Jesus. [Chorus]

**Communion Prayer:** *(Please stand as you are able)*

**P:** Let us pray together,

**C:** Nourishing God, at this table you have refreshed us with holy gifts of food and drink. Strengthen us for service, and send us out to embody your good news of liberation and healing for the sake of the world. In the name of Christ we pray, Amen.

**Blessing:** **P:** The Spirit of the triune God + bless you with joy, anoint you with compassion, & send you in love.  
**C:** Amen.

**Sending Hymn:** *“How Great Thou Art” ELW #856*

**Vs 1:** O Lord my God, When I in awesome wonder Consider all the works Thy hands have made  
I see the stars I hear the mighty thunder Thy pow’r thru’out The universe displayed

**Chorus:** Then sings my soul My Savior God to Thee How great Thou art How great Thou art  
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**Vs 2:** When through the woods & forest glades I wander I hear the birds Sing sweetly in the trees When  
I look down From lofty mountain grandeur And hear the brook And feel the gentle breeze [chorus]

**Vs 3:** But when I think That God His Son not sparing Sent Him to die I scarce can take it in  
That on the cross My burden gladly bearing He bled and died To take away my sin [chorus]

**Vs 4:** When Christ shall come With shout of acclamation And take me home What joy shall fill my heart  
Then I shall bow In humble adoration And there proclaim My God how great Thou art [chorus]

**Dismissal:** **P:** Go in peace. Live in hope.

**C:** Thanks be to God.

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# Welcome

We’re Glad You’re Here

**St. Luke Lutheran Church • Pastor Eric Hanson**

**Fifth Sunday after Epiphany • 9:30AM • February 9, 2025**

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**Prelude:** *“You Are Near” sung by Kris Pearson*

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Greeting:** *(please stand as you are able)*

**P:** The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God. **C:** Come Holy Spirit, Come!

**Confession and Forgiveness:**

**P:** Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, our creator, our protector, our wellspring of life. **C:** Amen.

**P:** Trusting that God receives our words and the meditations of our hearts, let us confess our sin.

*(Silence is kept for reflection.)*

**P:** Merciful God,

**C:** you speak blessing & compassion into the world. Forgive us for the ways we act with judgment, cruelty, or indifference. We ignore the needs of our neighbors; we resist your call to oppose injustice; we give in to scarcity and fear; we assume the worst about one another. Cleanse us from our faults and release us from their grasp. Show us your lovingkindness. Restore our hearts and repair your world, that we may live in Christ’s ways. Amen.

**P:** God proclaims these words of assurance: “Do not fear, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by name. You are mine.” In + Christ, you are forgiven. In the Spirit, you are made free. Refreshed by the waters of mercy, live anew as beloved children of God. **C:** Amen.

**Gathering Hymn:** *“God, We Gather As Your People” ACS 1038*

**Vs 1:** God, we gather as your people to raise our song above, and we dare to claim the promise of your love.  
Though the day may not yet be here, we trust it soon will be, when your children will be free.

**Refrain:** Oh, may our hearts and minds be opened, fling the church doors open wide.

May there be room enough for ev’ryone inside. For in God there is a welcome, in God we all belong.  
May that welcome be our song.

**Vs 2:** Oh, we sing for all the children, that one day they be free; and we sing for generations yet to be,  
that they never have a reason to doubt that they are blest. May they, in your love, find rest. [Refrain]

**Vs 3:** Oh, we pray for all the young lives cut short by fear & shame, so afraid of who they are & whom they love.  
May the message now be banished that your love is for the few; may their faith in you renew. [Refrain]

**Vs 4:** God, we’re working for the future when children far & wide can live their lives with dignity and pride.  
As they grow in strength & stature, may they join us hand in hand, as against all hate we stand. [Refrain]

**Prayer of the Day:**

**P:** Let us pray together.

**C:** Healing Lord, By your goodness you healed many who were ill, even raising the dead to life. Restore us to new life, healing our hearts, minds, and spirits, so that we may proclaim praise and gratitude for your compassion to all who will hear. In the name of the one who is himself new life, Jesus Christ our savior. Amen.

**Praise for the Word:** *“Heal Me, O Lord” 2X TFF #189*

Heal me, O Lord And I will be healed. Save me and I will be saved Heal me,  
O Lord And I will be healed, For You are the One I praise, You are One I Praise

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