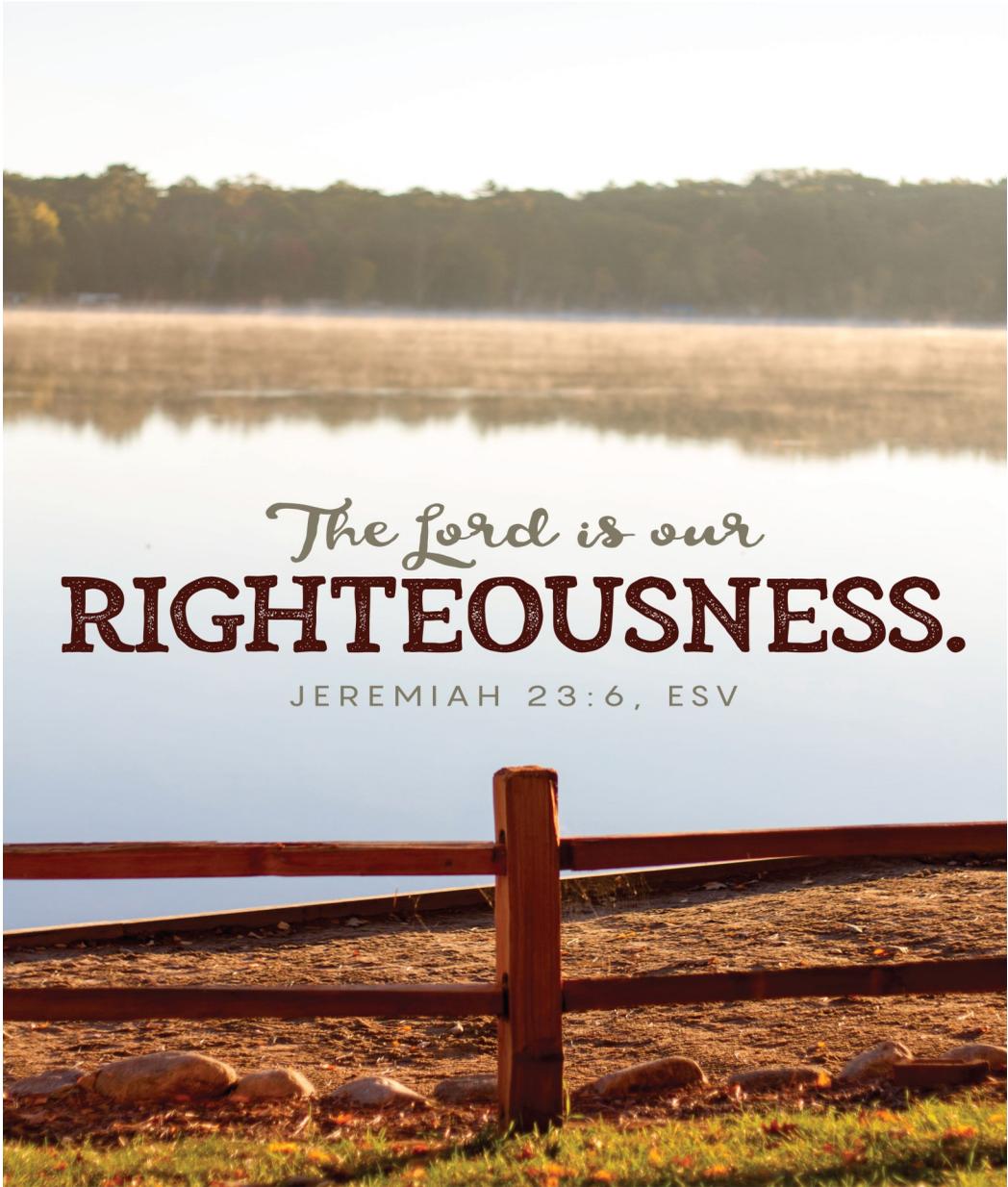


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6 p.m. Sat., July 17, & 8:15 a.m. Sun., July 18, 2021
Sermon: "I Need a King!"
Jeremiah 23:1-6



St. Paul's Lutheran Church & School

- a Family to Whom You Belong -

Our Mission is to: **Make More & Better Disciples**

THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

(6 p.m. Sat., July 17, & 8:15 a.m. Sun., July 18, 2021)

Servants of God's House Today:

Pastor: Rev. Kenny Hsu **DCE Intern:** Grace Wolfgram

Organists: 6 p.m. Sat. Joyce Seymour; 8:15 a.m. Sun. Mabel Huldeen

Ushers: Doug Lehr

Missionaries: Rev. Shauen & Krista Trump, Rev. Tim & Lisa Beckendorf,
Rev. Paul Flo, Rev. Charles Cortwright

Elders: 6 p.m. Sat. Tim Draube, 8:15 a.m. Sun. Bob Greene

Readers: 6 p.m. Sat., Marlis Hilden; 8:15 a.m. Sun., Doug Lehr

WELCOME! We are glad that you are here worshipping God with us. We pray for God's blessings to you and invite you to come back again soon.

AS WE GATHER We enjoy lives of liberty and freedom—freedom especially from any oppressive or tyrannical political government. Spiritually, however, we are not free, but slaves to sin and death. Spiritually, we need a deliverer, a Savior, a benevolent king. Paul reminds us of how, because of sin, being apart from God we had no hope. But he points us to Christ Jesus, who came to bring us near to the one hope of salvation by His blood. Jesus is the saving King who takes away your sin and delivers you through death. The Shepherd's compassion is for all and is for you. The title "King" was placed above His head on the cross. Now by His victory, all earthly sovereigns cast their crowns before Him. Receive His compassionate rule today as He brings us near to Himself by His Word and Sacraments and calls you blessed.

HOLY COMMUNION The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod believes the Biblical teaching that in communion we receive not the symbolic but the true body and blood of Jesus Christ with the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins. If you are a baptized Christian who has been instructed in the same Biblical teaching, and if you agree with the announcement on our communion card and the confession of our faith, please join us to receive the gifts that Jesus Christ has prepared for us in communion. If you have any questions or uncertainties, please feel free to make an appointment to talk with the pastor during the week before communing with us.

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP Heavenly Father, though we do not deserve Your goodness, still You provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge Your gifts, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

DIVINE SERVICE FOUR

(The congregation is invited to respond in the words written in **bold**.)

The Ringing of the Bells

Hymn of Invocation "Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus"

(stand as you are able for the last verse)

(The sign of the cross + may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.)

The Invocation

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

C: Amen.

Confession and Absolution

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: who made heaven and earth.

P: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

P: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Service of the Word

The Kyrie "Lord, Have Mercy" (Sung)

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

The Gloria in Excelsis Glory to God in the Highest (Sung)

**To God on high be glory And peace to all the earth;
Goodwill from God in heaven Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!
We praise and bless You, Father; Your holy name we sing—
Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heav'nly King.**

**To You, O sole-begotten, The Father's Son, we pray;
O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away.
Have mercy on us, Jesus; Receive our heartfelt cry,
Where You in pow'r are seated At God's right hand on high—**

**For You alone are holy; You only are the Lord.
Forever and forever, Be worshiped and adored;
You with the Holy Spirit Alone are Lord Most High,
In God the Father's glory. "Amen!" our glad reply.**

The Salutation and Collect of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

C: Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of the universe, for You have not abandoned Your creation but have sent Your Son to be our Shepherd and our righteousness. Give us the strength of faith to follow Him who calls us by name that we may dwell in safety as Your redeemed people now and forever; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, and our eternal King, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The Old Testament Reading Jeremiah 23:1-6 (The righteous Branch)

¹"Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture!" declares the LORD. ²Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who care for my people: "You have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. Behold, I will attend to you for your evil deeds, declares the LORD.

³Then I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴I will set shepherds over them who will care for them, and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall any be missing, declares the LORD.

⁵"Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

The Gradual *Romans 11:33, 36* (We praise God together in the words of the Gradual.)

C: Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and how inscrutable His ways! For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. To Him be glory forever. Amen.

The Epistle Lesson *Ephesians 2:11–22* (One in Christ)

¹¹Remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called “the uncircumcision” by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands—¹²remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world.¹³But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

¹⁴For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility¹⁵by abolishing the law of commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in

place of the two, so making peace,¹⁶and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility.¹⁷And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near.

¹⁸For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father.¹⁹So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God,²⁰built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone,²¹in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord.

²²In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Stand as you are able)

The Alleluia and Verse *Psalms 78:25*

C: Alleluia. Man ate of the bread of the angels; He sent them food in abundance. Alleluia.

(Please remain standing for the Gospel and the Creed)

The Holy Gospel *Mark 6:30–44* (Jesus feeds the five thousand.)

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 6th chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

³⁰The apostles returned to Jesus and told him all that they had done and taught.³¹And he said to them, “Come away by yourselves to a desolate place and rest a while.” For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat.

³²And they went away in the boat to a desolate place by themselves.³³Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they ran there on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them.³⁴When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. And he began to teach them many things.

³⁵And when it grew late, his disciples came to him and said, “This is a desolate place, and the hour is now late.³⁶Send them away to go into the surrounding countryside and villages and buy themselves something to eat.”³⁷But he

answered them, “You give them something to eat.” And they said to him, “Shall we go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread and give it to them to eat?”

³⁸And he said to them, “How many loaves do you have? Go and see.” And when they had found out, they said, “Five, and two fish.”³⁹Then he commanded them all to sit down in groups on the green grass.⁴⁰So they sat down in groups, by hundreds and by fifties.

⁴¹And taking the five loaves and the two fish he looked up to heaven and said a blessing and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples to set before the people. And he divided the two fish among them all.⁴²And they all ate and were satisfied.⁴³And they took up twelve baskets full of broken pieces and of the fish.⁴⁴And those who ate the loaves were five thousand men.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

The Nicene Creed

(Please be seated)

Children’s Message

Hymn of the Day

“The Church’s One Foundation”

LSB 644

Sermon

“I Need a King!?”

Jeremiah 23:1–6

The Prayer of the Church

P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

P: Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of the universe, who has sanctified us with Your Word—Your Holy Commandments, Your Holy Scriptures, but above all, with Your Holy Word made flesh, Your only-begotten Son to be our Good Shepherd, our Savior, our Lord, and our King. Receive our praise for the gift of Your salvation and life. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of the universe, for You have commanded us to pray. Grant Your Holy Church peace and strength to give witness to Your mercy for all people. Bless our nation with faithful leaders who will govern according to Your will in righteousness. Sustain all who protect and defend us from harm and danger both in the world and in Your gift of faith. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Endow Your ministers with compassion and grace to reach the lost and to serve Your people faithfully with Your Word and Sacraments. Guard and protect them from the assaults of the devil and all enemies of Your Word. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Deliver and heal all who are in trouble, danger, or illness, *especially Carolyn Stuhr, Lowell Chellew, Bill Wheatcraft, Patsy White, and Clarence Anderson*. Like a shepherd, lead us all to the still waters and green pastures of Your grace. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: For those celebrating their baptismal anniversaries that they remain faithful to your Word including: Debbie Modlin, Christian Hsu, Natalie Hsu, Andrew Hsu, Nevaeh Hsu, Chloe Black, David Attema, Zeke Gunn, Kylie Webb, and Brian Winegar. Lord, in Your mercy.

C: hear our prayer.

P: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

Offering of God's People to their Beloved Savior

We honor God with the gifts He has given to us.

St. Paul's members have pledged to support our ministry in their tithes and offerings.

Please place your offerings in the box upfront.

To our guest: Thank you for joining us today and please do not feel that you are obligated to participate. We invite you to come back again.

Please put your **Welcome Card and Communion Card** in the box at the back of the church.

Psalm 76:11—Make your vows to the Lord your God and perform them; let all around Him bring gifts

to Him who is to be feared.

Offertory Hymn

“We Give Thee But Thine Own”

LSB 781

(Stand as you are able)

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

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 and praise.

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus Holy, Holy, Holy (*Sung*)

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**Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!**

Lord's Prayer

Words of our Lord

Pax Domini

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

Agnus Dei Lamb of God (*Sung*)

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**O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;**

Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Reading of the Communion Announcement Card

(Please be seated)

The Distribution Hymns

“O Living Bread from Heaven” LSB 642

“Sent Forth by God’s Blessing” LSB 643

(Stand as you are able)

The Post Communion Collect

P: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Benedicamus & Benediction

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P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C: Amen.

The Closing Hymn

“Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”

LSB 793

Silent Prayer

Postlude

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“I need a King!?”

Text: Jeremiah 23:1–6

Date: July 18, 2021

Verse to Remember:

“Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land.”

Jeremiah 23:5

Points to Ponder:

1. Do I need a king?
— Why & why not?

2. The world’s kings:

3. God promised a different kind of king:

4. What kind of king is Jesus?

5. Do I need a king? What does this mean?