Reminiscere

The Sunday of the Syro-Phoenician Woman "Christ Suffered the Weakness of His Disciples"



Then Jesus answered her, "O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire." And her daughter was healed instantly.

Matthew 15:28

St. Paul's Lutheran Church

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Welcome

Welcome to all members and visitors! We are pleased to have you with us as we receive Christ's gifts and as we respond in thanks and praise. Guests, please sign

the guest register in the narthex. If you need assistance, please ask one of the ushers. Prayers of preparation for worship can be found on the inside front cover of the hymnal.

The Lord's Supper is offered every Sunday of the month. St. Paul's observes the biblical practice of closed communion. Members of sister congregations of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod are encouraged to commune with us. We ask visitors who are not members of the LCMS to speak with one of our pastors if you are interested in learning more about our church and communion practices. Those not communing with us at this service are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing. Simply cross your arms to indicate this desire.

Those Serving Us

Preacher/Liturgist: Rev. Nathan Sherrill

Pianists: Rev. Timothy Frank, Daniel Frank (8 a.m.)

Violinist: Kirsten Zaryky (8:00 a.m.)

Kantors: Ivy Farell (8:00 a.m.); Sherrill Family Kantorei (10:45 a.m.)

The Word In Music

Prelude: "On My Heart Imprint Your Image" and "From Depths of Woe I Cry to

Thee" – Settings by Valerie Floeter

Offering: "When in the Hour of Deepest Need" – Setting by Johann C. Bach Distribution: "O Sacred Head Now Wounded" – Setting by Elizabeth Grimpo Postlude: "God Loved the World So that He Gave" – Setting by Valerie Floeter

Kantor's Notes: Today's gradual is LSB 942, "Kyrie! God, Father." The words *Kyrie eleison* are examples of words from another language (like *Amen* or *Alleluia*) that the church retains in its usage, thus maintaining a continuity with ages past. In the case of *Kyrie eleison*, the words have Greek origin and were passed along into Latin. The word *Kyrie* means "Lord," and the word *eleison* means "have mercy." As such, it reflects the Biblical cry for mercy in such texts as Matthew 9:27; 17:15; 20:30-31; Mark 10:47-48; Luke 17:13; 18:38-39, as well as in today's Gospel text. The cry confesses that we come as beggars before God who rely not on ourselves but upon Him alone in faith. The threefold repetition present in many settings of the *Kyrie* alludes to the Holy Trinity, a fact that is made explicitly clear in this setting as it names each Person of the Trinity.

Hymn of the Season: "On My Heart Imprint Your Image" LSB 422

Divine Service Setting 3

Prelude:



Confession and Absolution

Invocation

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Exhortation

- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- **P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- **C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Kneel/Stand

Confession of Sins

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Absolution

- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the

 Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.



Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your | steadfast love,* for they have been | from of old.

Let not my enemies exult | over me.*

Redeem Israel, O God, out of all his | troubles.

To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.*

O my God, in you I trust; let me not be | put to shame.

Remember not the sins of my youth or my trans- | gressions;* according to your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of your goodness, | O LORD!

Good and upright | is the LORD;*

therefore he instructs sinners | in the way.

For your name's sake, | O LORD,*

pardon my guilt, for | it is great.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your | steadfast love,* for they have been | from of old.

Let not my enemies exult | over me.*

Redeem Israel, O God, out of all his | troubles.

Kyrie LSB 186

C Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power defend us from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Old Testament Genesis 32:22–32

²²The same night he arose and took his two wives, his two female servants, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³He took them and sent them across the stream, and everything else that he had. ²⁴And Jacob was left alone. And a man wrestled with him until the breaking of the day. ²⁵When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he touched his hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶Then he said, "Let me go, for the day has broken." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go unless you bless me." ²⁷And he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." ²⁸Then he said, "Your name shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with men, and have prevailed." ²⁹Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. ³⁰So Jacob called the name of the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life has been delivered." ³¹The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip. ³²Therefore to this day the people of Israel do not eat the sinew of the thigh that is on the hip socket, because he touched the socket of Jacob's hip on the sinew of the thigh.

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

Gradual

"Kyrie! God, Father"

LSB 942

Epistle

1 Thessalonians 4:1–7

¹Finally, then, brothers, we ask and urge you in the Lord Jesus, that as you received from us how you ought to live and to please God, just as you are doing, that you do so more and more. ²For you know what instructions we gave you through the Lord Jesus. ³For this is the will of God, your sanctification: that you abstain from sexual immorality; ⁴that each one of you know how to control his own body in holiness and honor, ⁵not in the passion of lust like the Gentiles who do not know God; ⁶that no one transgress and wrong his brother in this matter, because the Lord is an avenger in all these things, as we told you beforehand and solemnly warned you. ⁷For God has not called us for impurity, but in holiness.

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

Tract *Psalm 106:1–4*

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for | he is good,*
for his steadfast love endures for- | ever!
Who can utter the mighty deeds | of the LORD,*
or declare | all his praise?
Blessèd are they who observe | justice,*
who do righteousness | at all times!
Remember me, O LORD, when you show favor to your | people;*
help me when you | save them.

Holy Gospel Matthew 15:21–28

- **P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifteenth chapter.
- **C** Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

²¹Jesus went away from there and withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon. ²²And 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." ²³But 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." ²⁴He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." ²⁵But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." ²⁶And he answered, "It is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." ²⁷She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." ²⁸Then Jesus answered her, "O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire." And her daughter was healed instantly.

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- **C** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed LSB 191

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures

and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,

whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,

who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.





- O from our sins, Lord, turn Your face; Absolve us through Your boundless grace. Be with us in our anguish still; Free us at last from ev'ry ill.
- 6 So we with all our hearts each day
 To You our glad thanksgiving pay,
 Then walk obedient to Your Word,
 And now and ever praise You, Lord.

Sermon

"Jesus' Mercy is for the Outsider"

Matthew 15:21-28

LSB 192

Stand

Offertory

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

Offering

Stand

Prayer of the Church

Service of the Sacrament

We welcome communicant members of our sister congregations of the LCMS to join us in receiving the Lord's Supper. Other visitors are welcomed forward to receive a blessing. Simply cross your arms to indicate this desire.

Preface LSB 194

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And with thy spirit.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them up unto the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.
- **C** It is meet and right so to do.

Proper Preface

Sanctus LSB 195

C Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;

heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.

Hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Lord's Prayer LSB 196

P 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.

The Words of Our Lord

LSB 197

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini LSB 197

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.

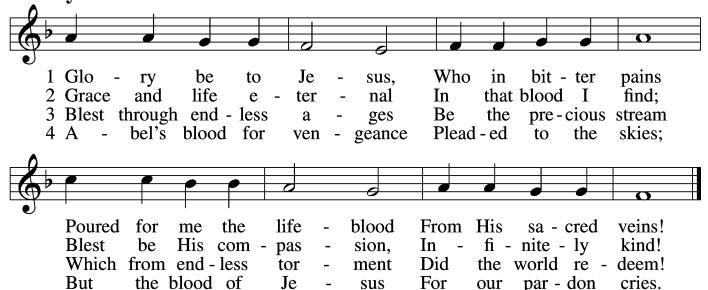
Agnus Dei LSB 198

- O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
 - O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
 - O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

Sit

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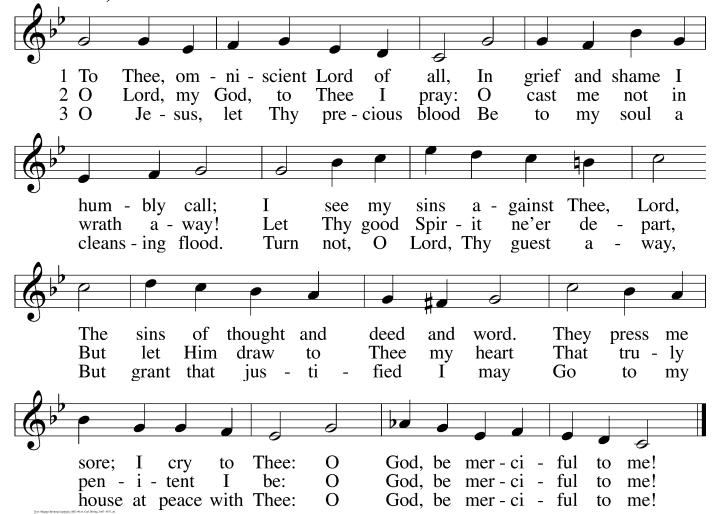
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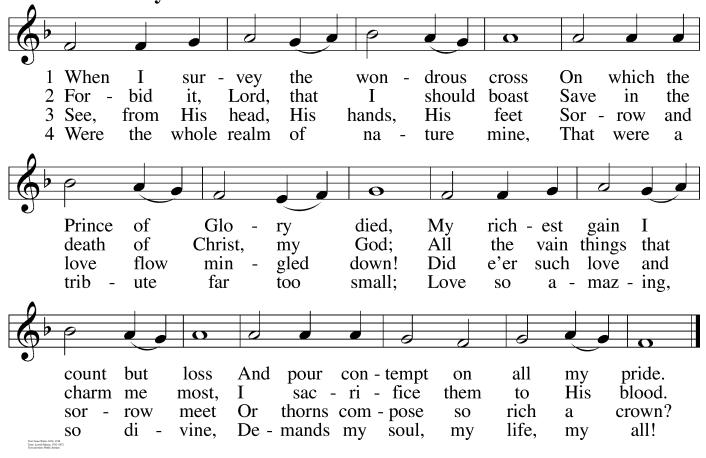
- Oft as earth exultingWafts its praise on high,Angel hosts rejoicingMake their glad reply.
- 6 Lift we, then, our voices,
 Swell the mighty flood;
 Louder still and louder
 Praise the precious blood!

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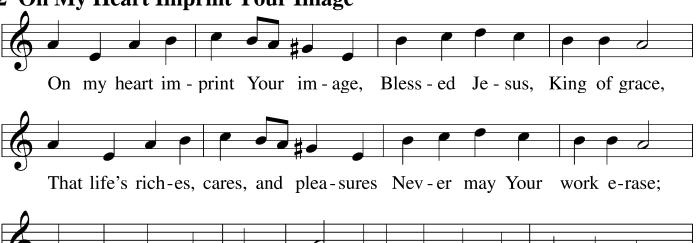
613 To Thee, Omniscient Lord of All



425 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross



422 On My Heart Imprint Your Image







Is my life, my hope's foun - da - tion, And my glo-ry and sal-va - tion!

617 O Lord. We Praise Thee 1 O Lord, we praise Thee, bless Thee, and a - dore Thee, 2 Thy ho - ly bod to death was in giv - en, y 3 May God be - stow His grace and on us fa vor thanks - giv - ing fore Thee. Thou with Thy In bow be Life win for in heav No to us en. great - er fol - low Christ our ior That we Sav And live to bod - y Thy blood didst nour - ish and Our weak souls that May love than to Thee could bind us; this feast there this geth - er here in love and u - nion Nor de - spise this flour Lord, have mer they may ish: O cy! re - mind us! 0 Lord, have mer of cy! blest Com - mu nion! \mathbf{O} Lord, have mer cy! bod - y, May Thy Lord, of That born Mar - y, our Lord, Thy kind - ness did SO con - strain Thee That Thy Thy good Spir - it for - sake Grant Let not us; that sor - rows did car - ry, sins and And Thy blood for us plead Thou hast paid; blood should bless and sus - tain me. All our debt Give Thy Church, Lord, to see heav'n - ly - mind - ed He make us; tri - al, fear, and need: O Lord, have mer all cy! Peace with God once more is made: O Lord, have mer cy! of peace and O Lord, have mer Days u - ni - ty: cy!

Nunc Dimittis

LSB 199

C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Thanksgiving LSB 200

- A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
- **C** and His mercy endureth forever.

Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

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.

Salutation LSB 201

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And with thy spirit.

Benedicamus LSB 202

- **A** Bless we the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

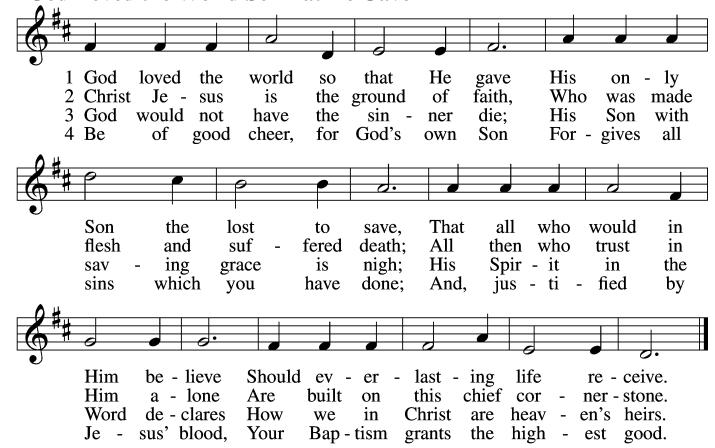
Benediction LSB 202

- 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.
- C Amen, amen, amen.

571 God Loved the World So That He Gave



- If you are sick, if death is near,
 This truth your troubled heart can cheer:
 Christ Jesus saves your soul from death;
 That is the firmest ground of faith.
- △ 6 Glory to God the Father, Son,
 And Holy Spirit, Three in One!
 To You, O blessèd Trinity,
 Be praise now and eternally!

Postlude:

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Opportunities for Growth

This Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Divine Service
	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School/Adult Bible Study
	10:45 a.m.	Divine Service
Monday	6:00 p.m.	Bell Choir
Wednesday	5:00-6:30 p.m.	Christ Academy
	6:30 p.m.	Lenten Service
Thursday	11:30a.m.	Women's Bible Study
	7:00-8:15 p.m.	Christian Doctrine Class
Next Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Divine Service
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The Congregation at Prayer

Those ill or recovering: Dottie Jacox, Chris Circo, Mary Johannes, Jayne McIlrath, Elizabeth Bowerman, Gertrud Rossbund, Ryan Pedersen (son of Art & Julie Gardner), Trent Casey, John Shafer (father of Kelli Salin), Tina Lamason (sister of Brad White), Marge Miller, Cole (cousin of Kelli Salin), Lu Schwery (mother of Denise Krohn), Randy Falknor (cousin of Kent Seetin), Sarah and Raymond McCubbin and Jill (family members of Jeff Thomas)

Jessica Overgard, and all our shut ins.

Our missionaries: Deaconess Sandra Rhein & Ms. Becky Bartelt

News and Notes

<u>Thrivent Choice Dollars</u> for 2024 will be expiring soon! If you are a Thrivent member, you may be eligible to participate and direct Thrivent Choice Dollars to your favorite ministry. Go to <u>www.thrivent.com/thriventchoice</u> or call 800-847-4836 before March 31 and say, "Thrivent Choice." Reminder: \$250 Community Impact Gift Cards are also available (two per member per year).

Sing Along: You are welcome to attend the March Sing-Along with Dr. Christensen on Thursday, March 20th. Meet at 3:00 p.m. on the 2nd floor of FoxRun Assisted Living (3121 Macineery Dr.).

Music Festival: St. Paul's Music Conservatory Board is asking for members to help bake or bring one or two dozen cookies up to Church beginning Wednesday, March 19, 2025, for the Music Conservatory's annual City-wide Music Festival – Saturday morning, March 22, 2025, beginning at 8:00am. Volunteers are also needed to help assist in the Fellowship Hall and Kitchen (Undercroft) for the Festival Reception. If you can help, please contact Karen Burns @ 712-309-1070. Thank you.

Homeschool Conference: The homeschool families of Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Carlisle, Iowa are hosting our 4th annual homeschool conference on Saturday, May 10, 2025, 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. The conference, *Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty: Bringing Beauty into Your Home & Homeschool*, features Rev. Kyle Verage, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Pleasant Prairie, Wisconsin, as our keynote speaker. Find additional information and complete your registration on our website: holycrosscarlisle.org

40 Days For Life - is an internationally coordinated 40-day campaign that aims to end abortion locally through prayer and fasting, community outreach, and peaceful vigil in front of abortion businesses. If you are willing to join with others and spend one hour praying to stop abortion, please call Jo Raymond at 402-350-3221.

An opportunity this month to donate baby diapers and wipes. **Swaddling Clothes** is a program run by various congregations of the LCMS to share the mercy of Christ through the gifts of clothing, food, friendship, and the forgiving Word of God. There is a playpen outside the office here at St. Paul's where you can drop off diapers and wipes. Thank you.

Catechism

Apostle's Creed

First Article: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth

What does this mean? I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them.

He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have. He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life.

He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all Evil.

All this he does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him. This is most certainly true.

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