

## St. John's Lutheran Church

**February 28, 2024** 

# **Evening Prayer – 7pm**

Rev. Gordon Naumann – Pastor Mrs. Karen Ann Kowalczyk – Organist



#### Please rise

## **Processional Hymn: 609 Jesus Sinners Doth Receive** (s.1-4)

### **Psalm** - 5

- P Give ear to my words, O Lord; consider my groaning.
- Give attention to the sounds of my cry, my King and my God.
- P O Lord, in the morning you hear my voice;
- **C** I prepare a sacrifice for you and watch.
- **P** For you are not a God who delights in wickedness;
- **C** Evil may not dwell with you.
- **P** The boastful shall not stand before your eyes, for you hate evildoers.
- You destroy those who speak lies. The Lord abhors deceitful men.
- **P** But I, through the abundance of your steadfast love, enter your house.
- I will bow down toward your holy temple in the fear of you.
- P Let all who take refuge in you rejoice; let them sing for joy.

- **C** And spread your protection over those who love your name.
- **P** For you bless the righteous, O Lord;
- **C** You cover him with favor as with a shield.
- Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
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You may be seated

# **Reading** – Proverbs 30

- "I am weary, God, but I can prevail. <sup>2</sup> Surely I am only a brute, not a man; I do not have human understanding. <sup>3</sup> I have not learned wisdom, nor have I attained to the knowledge of the Holy One.
- <sup>4</sup> Who has gone up to heaven and come down? Whose hands have gathered up the wind? Who has wrapped up the waters in a cloak?

Who has established all the ends of the earth? What is his name, and what is the name of his son? Surely you know!

- <sup>5</sup> "Every word of God is flawless; he is a shield to those who take refuge in him.
- <sup>6</sup> Do not add to his words, or he will rebuke you and prove you a liar.
- <sup>7</sup> "Two things I ask of you, LORD; do not refuse me before I die:
- <sup>8</sup> Keep falsehood and lies far from me; give me neither poverty nor riches, but give me only my daily bread.
- <sup>9</sup> Otherwise, I may have too much and disown you and say, 'Who is the LORD?' Or I may become poor and steal, and so dishonor the name of my God.
- <sup>10</sup> "Do not slander a servant to their master, or they will curse you, and you will pay for it.
- <sup>11</sup> "There are those who curse their fathers and do not bless their mothers;
- <sup>12</sup> those who are pure in their own eyes and yet are not cleansed of their filth;
- 13 those whose eyes are ever so haughty, whose glances are so disdainful;

- <sup>14</sup> those whose teeth are swords and whose jaws are set with knives to devour the poor from the earth and the needy from among mankind.
- <sup>15</sup> "The leech has two daughters. 'Give! Give!' they cry.
- "There are three things that are never satisfied, four that never say, 'Enough!':
- <sup>16</sup> The grave, the barren womb, land, which is never satisfied with water, and fire, which never says, 'Enough!'
- <sup>17</sup> "The eye that mocks a father, that scorns an aged mother, will be pecked out by the ravens of the valley, will be eaten by the vultures.
- <sup>18</sup> "There are three things that are too amazing for me, four that I do not understand: <sup>19</sup> The way of an eagle in the sky, the way of a snake on a rock, the way of a ship on the high seas, and the way of a man with a young woman.
- <sup>20</sup> "This is the way of an adulterous woman:
  - She eats and wipes her mouth and says, 'I've done nothing wrong.'
- <sup>21</sup> "Under three things the earth trembles, under four it cannot bear up:
- <sup>22</sup> A servant who becomes king, a godless fool who gets plenty to eat,
- <sup>23</sup> a contemptible woman who gets married, and a servant who displaces her mistress. <sup>24</sup> "Four things on earth are small, yet they are extremely wise:
- <sup>25</sup> Ants are creatures of little strength, yet they store up their food in the summer; <sup>26</sup> hyraxes are creatures of little power, yet they make their home in the crags; <sup>27</sup> locusts have no king, yet they advance together in ranks;
- <sup>28</sup> a lizard can be caught with the hand, yet it is found in kings' palaces.
- <sup>29</sup> "There are three things that are stately in their stride, four that move with stately bearing:
- <sup>30</sup> A lion, mighty among beasts, who retreats before nothing;
- <sup>31</sup> a strutting rooster, a he-goat, and a king secure against revolt.
- <sup>32</sup> "If you play the fool and exalt yourself, or if you plan evil, clap your hand over your mouth!
- <sup>33</sup> For as churning cream produces butter, and as twisting the nose produces blood, so stirring up anger produces strife."
- P O Lord, have mercy upon us.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Hymn: 610 Lord, Jesus, Think on Me

Sermon: "What is his name, and what is the name of his son?"

Please rise

The Litany - LSB p.249

### **Confession**

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.

Having asked the Lord for His mercy corporately, you may now come forward in single file for individual absolution.

**Collect For Peace - LSB p.251** 

# The Lord's Prayer

### **Benedicamus and Benediction**

P Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

P The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the 

→ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you, now and forevermore.

C Amen.

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