



## St. John's Lutheran Church

March 6, 2024

Evening Prayer – 7pm

Rev. Gordon Naumann – Pastor

Mrs. Karen Ann Kowalczyk – Organist



*Please rise*

**Processional Hymn: 563 Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness** - s.1-3

**Psalm - 91**

**P** <sup>1</sup>He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High

**C** **Will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.**

**P** <sup>2</sup>I will say to the LORD, “My refuge and my fortress,

**C** **My God, in whom I trust.”**

**P** <sup>3</sup>For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler

**C** **And from the deadly pestilence.**

**P** <sup>4</sup>He will cover you with his pinions,

**C** **And under his wings you will find refuge.**

**P** <sup>5</sup>You will not fear the terror of the night, nor the flying arrow by day,

**C** <sup>7</sup>**A thousand may fall at your side,**

**P** Ten thousand at your right hand, but it will not come near you.

**C** <sup>9</sup>**Because you have made the LORD your dwelling place.**

**C** **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** – Mark 3:13-35

<sup>13</sup> Jesus went up on a mountainside and called to him those he wanted, and they came to him. <sup>14</sup> He appointed twelve that they might be with him and that he might send them out to preach <sup>15</sup> and to have authority to drive out demons. <sup>16</sup> These are the twelve he appointed: Simon (to whom he gave the name Peter), <sup>17</sup> James son of Zebedee and his brother John (to them he gave the name Boanerges, which means “sons of thunder”), <sup>18</sup> Andrew, Philip, Bartholomew, Matthew, Thomas, James son of Alphaeus, Thaddaeus, Simon the Zealot <sup>19</sup> and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.

<sup>20</sup> Then Jesus entered a house, and again a crowd gathered, so that he and his disciples were not even able to eat. <sup>21</sup> When his family heard about this, they went to take charge of him, for they said, “He is out of his mind.”

<sup>22</sup> And the teachers of the law who came down from Jerusalem said, “He is possessed by Beelzebul! By the prince of demons he is driving out demons.”

<sup>23</sup> So Jesus called them over to him and began to speak to them in parables: “How can Satan drive out Satan? <sup>24</sup> If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. <sup>25</sup> If a house is divided against itself, that house cannot stand. <sup>26</sup> And if Satan opposes himself and is divided, he cannot stand; his end has come. <sup>27</sup> In fact, no one can enter a strong man’s house without first tying him up. Then he can plunder the strong man’s house.

<sup>28</sup> Truly I tell you, people can be forgiven all their sins and every slander they utter, <sup>29</sup> but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will never be forgiven; they are guilty of an eternal sin."

<sup>30</sup> He said this because they were saying, "He has an impure spirit."

<sup>31</sup> Then Jesus' mother and brothers arrived. Standing outside, they sent someone in to call him. <sup>32</sup> A crowd was sitting around him, and they told him, "Your mother and brothers are outside looking for you."

<sup>33</sup> "Who are my mother and my brothers?" he asked.

<sup>34</sup> Then he looked at those seated in a circle around him and said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! <sup>35</sup> Whoever does God's will is my brother and sister and mother."

**P** O Lord, have mercy upon us.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Responsory (Lent)

**P** Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are the God of my salvation.

**C** Rescue me from my enemies,  
protect me from those who rise against me.

**P** In You, O Lord, do I put my trust, leave me not, O Lord, my God.

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**Hymn: 437 Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed**

**Sermon: "The Chosen... Indeed!"**

*Please rise*

**The Litany - LSB p.249**

## Confession

- L** I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.
- C** **The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins. Amen.**
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- C** Amen.

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

## The Lord's Prayer

### Benedicamus and Benediction

- P** Let us bless the Lord.
- C** 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.

## Recessional Hymn: 563 Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness - s.4-6