

Welcome to Worship

September 24, 2023

Today's reading

Matthew narrates one of Jesus' controversial parables in which Jesus says that the reign of God is like that of a landowner who pays his workers the same wage no matter what time of day they began to work. In baptism we receive the grace of God that is freely given to all. As Martin Luther wrote, in the presence of God's mercy we are all beggars.



† For peace in our world and care for all those who are suffering from natural disasters.

† Health concerns: Nancy, Patricia, & Debbie (Robin Freeman's friends); Brooke & Chris Brase praying for a safe & healthy pregnancy & birth (Robin T's niece); Lewis Johnson Montana State Trooper (Robin T's relative); Miller family, and Jean (Caplinger friends); and those awaiting surgery.

† Those who suffer from mental illness, especially those who struggle to get adequate treatment and that those who suffer are also treated with full dignity and respect.

† For all those who are seeking housing.

Welcome

Confession and Forgiveness

L: Blessed be God, the one who forms us, [☩] Jesus who bears the cross, the Spirit who makes our joy complete.

C: Amen.

L: Let us bow before God in humility, confessing our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

L: Steadfast and faithful God,

C: **you have revealed the ways of justice, yet we fail to follow you. We are overwhelmed by the world's violence and suffering. We are afraid to risk what we have for the sake of others. For the harm we have caused, known and unknown, forgive us. For the unjust demands we place on others and your creation, forgive us. For the ways we turn away from you and our neighbor, forgive us. Lead us back to you and set us on the right path; in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

L: Beloved in Christ, God's justice stretches beyond all understanding. God's compassion is beyond compare. In Jesus, God is always making a new way for us. In [☩] Christ, you are already and always forgiven.

C: Amen.

Gathering Song:

Take My Life, that I May Be (ELW 583)

Prayer of the Day

L: Almighty and eternal God, you show perpetual lovingkindness to us your servants. Because we cannot rely on our own abilities, grant us your merciful judgment, and train us to embody the generosity of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen

First Lesson: Philippians 1:21-30

²¹For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. ²²If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. ²³I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better...

R: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

"Alleluia," Pompey

Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16

L: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew in the 20th chapter

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹"The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ²After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. ³When he went out about nine o'clock...

L: The gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Arlin Scott

Hymn of the Day:

Lord of All Hopefulness (ELW 765)

Prayers and sharing of the Peace.

L: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

Holy Communion

We will celebrate communion this morning. If you are joining us online, please have bread and wine (or juice) ready.

What's happening this week at Our Redeemer

Monday, 5pm Stretch & Prayer

Wednesday, 9am: quilting and fellowship with The Love Ladies (and gents)

Wednesday, 12pm: Word & Prayer.

Looking ahead to Wednesday, October 4th Red Robin Fundraiser night from 4pm- 8pm, Join us!

We are thankful for those helping with worship today

Worship Leader

Arlin Scott

Reader

Linda Lefler

Ushers

Lloyd Tribbitt,
Robin Tribbitt,
Teddy Irock

Scan below to see this week's grace notes!



Did you know?

We have a YouTube Page. Scan the QR code below to re-watch a missed worship service



Offering, Offertory

We will not pass offering plates today, but the offering will be brought to the altar during the offertory. If you would like to make an offering you can place it in the plate before the offering time or after the worship service.

Faith Begins by Letting Go (ACS 1004)

Offering Prayer

L: God of power, God of plenty, all things belong to you. We bring your gifts to the table, that all might be fed. Form us into the body of your Beloved, Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

L: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

L: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

L: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy, Pompey

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen**

Communion Song

Lamb of God, Pompey

Prayer after Communion

L: Blessed be your name, O God, for we have feasted on your Word, Christ Jesus, the joy and delight of our hearts. Strengthened by this food, send us to gather the world to your banquet, where none are left out and all are satisfied. In Jesus' name we pray.

C: Amen.

Announcements

Blessing

L: The God of glory, [†] Jesus Christ, name above all names, and the Spirit who lives in you, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen

Sending Song:

The Lord Now Sends Us Forth (ELW 538)

Sending

L: Go in peace. God is at work in you.

C: **Thanks be to God.**