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Sharing Jesus Christ's love with those around us.

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**TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
(Series A)**

WELCOME

We are glad you are here to worship our Savior with us. Please remember to turn your cell phone to silence. Restrooms are on the west side of the sanctuary. Prayer requests can be submitted to the church office through email, office@stlukesmanhattan.org, or by calling 785-539-2604. On Communion Sundays, if you need non-gluten wafers at communion, or need to have communion brought to you, please notify the elder who is serving. We hope you will join us again so that you may experience Jesus.

AS WE GATHER

In today's Gospel, Jesus steps into Gentile territory and meets a Canaanite woman whose bold, persistent faith astonishes Him. Isaiah foretold this moment when he declared that God's house would be "a house of prayer for all peoples" (Isaiah 56:7), and Paul celebrates it when he writes that God shows mercy to both Jew and Gentile (Romans 11:32). We gather as people who also know what it is to stand at crossroads—moments of silence, struggle, and uncertainty—yet who cling to the same Lord who delights to give mercy. Like the woman, we come with empty hands and confident hearts, trusting that even the crumbs of Christ's grace are more than enough. Here, in Word and Sacrament, He feeds us not with crumbs but with the children's bread and welcomes us into His joy at the crossroads.

IMAGE

The Lord GOD, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, declares, "I will gather yet others to Him besides those already gathered." *Isaiah 56:8*

PRELUDE

Please use this time to prayerfully prepare your hearts to enter into the presence of Jesus

✠A SERVICE OF WORSHIP AND PRAISE✠

WELCOME

OPENING SONG – Special Music

Little Apple Barbershop Chorus
“Thank You Dear Lord for Music”
“Just A Little Talk With Jesus”

Stand

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

INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES

Isaiah 56:8; Psalm 67:5; Matthew 15:22; Romans 11:32

P The Lord gathers the outcasts and calls all peoples to His mercy.
C **Let the peoples praise You, O God; let all the peoples praise You.**

P “Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David.”
C **For You have mercy on all.**

CONFESSION

P Standing among all those whom the Lord gathers from every nation, and knowing that we stand with the whole world as sinners in need of His mercy, let us confess our sins to God, trusting in Christ whose compassion is for all.

Lord, You call Your house a house of prayer for all peoples, yet we have closed our hearts, drawn lines You never drew, and failed to welcome those You gather.

C **Forgive us, Lord.**

P Lord, You desire that all the peoples praise You, yet our lips have been slow to bless, and our lives have dimmed the light of Your salvation.
C **Forgive us, Lord.**

P Lord Jesus Christ, You commended the faith of the Canaanite woman, yet we have doubted Your mercy, resisted Your testing, and trusted in ourselves instead of clinging to You.

C **Forgive us, Lord.**

P Lord, You show mercy to all, yet our hearts have been proud, divided, and unclean, and we have hungered for lesser things than Your righteousness.

C **Forgive us, Lord.**

ABSOLUTION

P Almighty God, in His mercy, has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. Jesus Christ, who marveled at the faith of the Canaanite woman, delights to show mercy to you. 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.**

P You are no longer outsiders or strangers, but beloved children of God. He feeds you not with crumbs, but with the true bread of life—Christ Himself.

C **Amen.**

INTROIT

Psalm 28:1-2, 6-7; antiphon: v. 8

P The LORD is the strength of his people;
C he is the saving refuge of his anointed.

P To you, O LORD, I call; my rock, be not deaf to me,
C lest, if you be silent to me, I become like those who go down to the pit.

P Hear the voice of my pleas for mercy, when I cry to you for help,
C when I lift up my hands toward your most holy sanctuary.

P Blessèd be the LORD!
C For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy.

P The LORD is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am helped;
C my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him.

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.

P The LORD is the strength of his people;
C he is the saving refuge of his anointed.

KYRIE (*Greek for “Lord, [have mercy]”*)

P In peace let us pray to the Lord,

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the nations whom the Lord gathers to His house of prayer, that all peoples may praise His name, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For faith that clings to Christ as the Canaanite woman did, trusting His mercy even when tested, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For hearts humbled under God’s consignment of all to disobedience, that we may rejoice in His mercy for all, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

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

C **Amen.**

SALUTATION

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting Father, You give Your children many blessings even though we are undeserving. In every trial and temptation grant us steadfast confidence in Your loving kindness and mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

NICENE CREED

**☩ 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.**

HYMN OF PRAISE – “Here I Am to Worship”

- 1 Light of the world, You stepped down into darkness
 Opened my eyes let me see
 Beauty that made this heart adore You
 Hope of a life spent with You
- 2, 4, 9, 10 So here I am to worship, here I am to bow down
 Here I am to say that You're my God
 You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy
 Altogether wonderful to me
- 3 King of all days, oh so highly exalted, glorious in heaven above
 Humbly You came to the earth You created
 All for love's sake became poor
- 5, 6, 7, 8 I'll never know how much it cost
 To see my sin upon that cross
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OLD TESTAMENT

Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

(Salvation for foreigners.)

¹Thus says the LORD:

“Keep justice, and do righteousness,
for soon my salvation will come,
and my deliverance be revealed. . . .

⁶“And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD,
to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD,
and to be his servants,
everyone who keeps the Sabbath and does not profane it,
and holds fast my covenant—

⁷these I will bring to my holy mountain,
and make them joyful in my house of prayer;
their burnt offerings and their sacrifices
will be accepted on my altar;
for my house shall be called a house of prayer
for all peoples.”

⁸The Lord GOD,
who gathers the outcasts of Israel, declares,
“I will gather yet others to him
besides those already gathered.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

Psalms 34:9, 19 alt.

P Fear the LORD, you his saints,

C for those who fear him lack nothing!

P Many are the afflictions of the righteous,

C but the LORD delivers him out of them all.

EPISTLE

Romans 11:1-2a, 13-15, 28-32

(Mercy for all.)

¹I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! For I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. ²God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. . . .

¹³Now I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch then as I am an apostle to the Gentiles, I magnify my ministry ¹⁴in order somehow to make my fellow Jews jealous, and thus save some of them. ¹⁵For if their rejection means the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance mean but life from the dead? . . .

²⁸As regards the gospel, they are enemies of God for your sake. But as regards election, they are beloved for the sake of their forefathers. ²⁹For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. ³⁰Just as you were at one time disobedient to God but now have received mercy because of their disobedience, ³¹so they too have now been disobedient in order that by the mercy shown to you they also may now receive mercy. ³²For God has consigned all to disobedience, that he may have mercy on all.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

Psalm 147:2-3

P Alleluia. The LORD builds up Jerusalem; he gathers the outcasts of Israel.

C He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 15:21-28

(A foreigner's daughter healed.)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourteenth chapter.

C Glory to You, 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 to You, O Christ.

Sit

LAMB'S MESSAGE

SERMON

VOTUM

P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

C Amen.

OFFERING

There are several ways to give.

1. Please **send** your offerings to
St. Luke's Lutheran Church
4801 Anderson Avenue
Manhattan, KS 66503

2. **Electronic Funds Transfer**

Sign up through the church office.

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE: Matthew 15:27 – “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.” These are the words of faith, for faith means receiving what God gives. And God has given us so much more than just the crumbs that fall from the table — He has given us life, salvation, body and soul, eyes and ears, possessions and income. That’s where our stewardship starts: with faith in the God who is the greatest Giver.

OFFERTORY – “Jesus, Your Name” Psalm 29:2

- 1, 4 Jesus, Your name is power, Jesus, Your name is might
 Jesus, Your name will break every stronghold
 Jesus, Your name is life
- 2 Jesus, Your name is healing, Jesus, Your name gives sight
 Jesus, Your name will free every captive
 Jesus, Your name is life
- 3 Jesus, Your name is holy, Jesus, Your name brings light
 Jesus, Your name above every other
 Jesus, Your name is life
- 5 Jesus, Your name is life

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Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
- P** Lord God, heavenly Father, You gather the outcasts and call all peoples into Your house of prayer. Strengthen Your Church throughout the world to proclaim Your gracious mercy and to rejoice wherever faith appears, even in unexpected places. Keep us steadfast in Your Word and confident in Your promises. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Bless all who serve in Your name: our Synod president; our district president; our pastor; and all church workers. Grant them joy in their calling and faithfulness in their labor, that Your Gospel may be proclaimed with clarity and compassion. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Visit the homes of Your people. Guard them from harm and danger, and grant that families may live together in peace, forgiveness, and hope under the protection of Your holy angels. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Grant wisdom to all who govern and protect us. Guide our leaders to uphold justice and righteousness, that we may live quiet and peaceable lives according to Your will. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Look with kindness upon all who cry out to You in their need—those who suffer in body or spirit, those who grieve, and those who face trouble or trial, especially those we name before You in our hearts. According to Your good and gracious will, grant them healing, comfort, and deliverance. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**

P As we prepare to begin our Capital Stewardship Campaign, grant that Your Holy Spirit would move us to generous stewardship and joyful sacrifice. Help us give not out of compulsion but out of gratitude, trusting that every gift offered in faith serves Your kingdom and strengthens Your Church. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Bless all who come to receive Christ's body and blood this day. As the Canaanite woman trusted that even the crumbs of Your grace were enough, grant that we who receive the children's bread may be strengthened in faith, united in love, and renewed in hope. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Almighty God, Your gifts and calling are irrevocable. Grant that Your Church may boldly proclaim Christ to all nations, that those who hear may be grafted into the true vine and rejoice in Your saving mercy. 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 Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

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.**

PROPER PREFACE

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who in mercy came to bring salvation not only to Israel but to all nations. By His cross He has broken down every dividing wall, and by His resurrection He has gathered both Jew and Gentile into one people of grace. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

LORD'S PRAYER

C 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

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P 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."

THE PEACE OF THE LORD

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

The Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust in His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the Pastor or an elder. For further study, see Matt. 5:23ff; 10:32ff; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Cor. 11:17-34.

Sit

DISTRIBUTION

The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first. They then distribute the body and blood of Christ to those in the pews who are unable to come forward, and then finally to those who come forward.

Distribution and dismissal will be done by half tables.

LAMB OF GOD SONG

DISTRIBUTION SONGS

“How Great Thou Art”

- 1 O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
 Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made
 I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder
 Thy power throughout the universe displayed
- 2, 4, 6, 8 Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee
 How great Thou art, how great Thou art
 Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee
 How great Thou art, how great Thou art
- 3 When through the woods and forest glades I wander
 And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees
 When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
 And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze
- 5 And when I think that God, His Son not sparing
 Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in
 That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing
 He bled and died to take away my sin
- 7 When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
 And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart
 Then I shall bow in humble adoration
 And there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art

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“Stretch Out Your Hand” Psalm 138:7

- 1, 2, 3 Stretch out Your hand and heal this nation
 Stretch out Your hand and bring restoration
 Let Your mercy overflow us like a never failing stream
 By the blood of Jesus, cleanse us
 Oh Lord, it's You we seek
 Cause Your face to shine upon us again
- 4, 5 Cause Your face to shine upon us again

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Stand

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P 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 to trust Your gracious welcome in Christ, who gathers the outcasts and makes us one in His body. Grant that this Holy Communion deepen our faith toward You and our 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.

BENEDICTION

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.

GREET ONE ANOTHER

We greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, “The Lord be with you,” “Peace be with you,” or “The peace of the Lord be with you”.

CLOSING SONG - "All Because of Jesus"

- 1, 3 Giver of every breath I breathe
 Author of all eternity
 Giver of every perfect thing
 To You be the glory
 Maker of heaven and of Earth
 No one can comprehend Your worth
 King over all the universe
 To You be the glory
 I'm alive because I'm alive in You
- 2, 4, 6, 7 It's all because of Jesus I'm alive
 It's all because the blood of Jesus Christ
 Covers me and raised this dead man's life
 It's all because of Jesus I'm alive
- 5 Every sunrise sings Your praise
 The universe cries out Your praise
 I'm singing freedom all my days
 Now that I'm alive

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