

GOSPEL (insert) – Luke 21:25-36

HYMN OF THE DAY - “Drawn to the Light” (see words on insert)

Verse 1: Soloist – Ryan Shanahan

Verses 2 and 3 – Congregation led by the Choir

SERMON: “It’s One of Those Days” – Jeremiah 33:14

APOSTLES’ CREED

I believe in one God. God the almighty Father made everything that exists, even those things we cannot see.

I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ. He is the eternal Son of God, and is really God Himself. In order to save us from our sins, He came down from heaven and by the power of the Holy Spirit, He was born as a human being, the child of the virgin Mary. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate, and died and was buried. As the Bible had foretold, He rose from the dead on the third day. He returned to heaven, and rules there with God the Father. He will come back in glory to judge all people, and He will rule forever.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, who is the giver of life. He is to be worshiped and glorified together with the Father and the Son. He speaks to us in the Bible. We believe that all Christians are called to be members of the body of Christ, the Church. We believe that our sins are forgiven in Baptism, and we look forward to the resurrection of the dead, and the eternal life promised to us. Amen.

OFFERING - Choir: “O Jesus, Grant Me Hope and Comfort”

OFFERTORY - “We Give Thee But Thine Own” LW 405

PRAYERS FOR TODAY’S NEED AND MISSIONS

At words of “Lord in Your mercy”

Response of Congregation: “**Hear our prayer**”

ANNOINTING AND PRAYER

Those who wish to come forward may come forward just as we do at Communion, and kneel at the communion rail. There the pastor and some of the servant ministers of Salem will make the sign of the Cross with a little bit of oil on a person’s forehead, and say the words: O God the Father and the Giver of health and salvation: as the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ, at His command, anointed many that were sick, send now Your Holy Spirit, that Your servant, anointed with this oil, may in repentance and faith be made whole; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

What kinds of things do some people desire healing for? Some have serious diseases like cancer and ask for relief and remission. For some others healing means a peaceful death. Others ask for healing from bitterness, worry, nagging envy or jealousy – or just plain impatience that gets in the way of relationships.

Those who do not desire to come forward for the oil and blessing may remain in the pew and listen to the music, sing the hymns, and pray and meditate about those things in their own life about which they know need the Lord’s healing touch.

Songs during anointing and prayer -

“Come, Jesus, Holy Child to Me” (see words on insert)

“Come to My Heart, Lord Jesus” – vs. 1, 2, 3

SH 44

“God Loves Me Dearly” (see words on insert)

SENDING

PRAYERS:

Pastor: Let us pray:

The Almighty Lord – a strong tower to all who put their trust in Him, to whom all things in heaven, on earth, and under the earth bow and whom they obey – be now and evermore your defense, and make you know and feel that the only name under heaven given for health and salvation is the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Amen

Pastor: Let us pray.

Merciful Lord God, constant source of all healing, we give You thanks for all Your gifts of strength and life, and above all we thank You for the gift of Your Son, through whom we have health and salvation. As we wait for that day when there will be no more pain, help us by Your Holy Spirit to be assured of Your power in our lives and to trust in Your eternal love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen

LORD’S PRAYER -

ALL: 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.

PRAYER & BLESSING

HYMN - “Comfort, Comfort These My People”

LW 28

POSTLUDE – “Lift Up Your Heads, You Mighty Gates” - Held

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Song During Anointing:

“God Loves Me Dearly”

1. God loves me dearly, grants me salvation,
God loves me dearly, loves even me.

REFRAIN: Therefore I'll say again: God loves me dearly,
God loves me dearly, Loves even me.

2. I was in slav'ry, Sin, death, and darkness;
God's love was working to make me free. REFRAIN.

3. He sent forth Jesus, My dear Redeemer,
He sent forth Jesus and set me free. REFRAIN

4. Jesus, my Savior, Himself did offer;
Jesus, my Savior, paid all I owed. REFRAIN.

5. Now I will praise You, O Love Eternal;
Now I will praise You all my life long. REFRAIN.



Choir: “O Jesus, Grant Me Hope and Comfort”

1. O Jesus, grant me hope and comfort; O let me ne'er in sorrow pine,
My heart and soul, yea, all my being, O Jesus, trust alone in Thee.
Thou Prince of Peace, Thou Pearl from heaven,
True God, true Man, My Morning Star!

REFRAIN: Come Thou precious Sun most radiant, Thy beams illumine my
heart and soul,

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2. O Jesus, with Thy advent quiet my restless soul and anxious mind.
In true humility I welcome Thee, Jesus Christ, my Joy divine.
My thoughts, desires, and all my longings I dedicate, O Christ to Thee.

REFRAIN.