

# FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—PROPER 8

Enriched by His Poverty

June 27, 2021



## AS WE GATHER

Are you rich or poor? Some people answer that question by checking their finances and others by considering how popular they are. Christ was rich in the glories of heaven but became a poor and despised human being. He did so that we by His poverty might become rich, joining Him in eternity. In the meantime, the Epistle encourages us to thank God by sharing whatever blessings He has given us. Moreover, both the Old Testament Reading and Gospel make clear that we need to keep in direct communication with God, who has given us all we are and have. He will hear our every word, for the steadfast love of the Lord never ceases. Indeed, both Jairus's fervent prayer and an unnamed woman's desperate touching of Jesus' robe were both answered by our Savior. We have the ear of almighty God! We are rich indeed!

## ✕ PREPARATION ✕

**HYMN** "O Worship the King" #804 vs 1,3,6

## INVOCATION

**Pastor:** In the name of the Father and of the ✕ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People:** **Amen.**

**PSALM** *Psalm 30:1–5*

**Pastor:** I will extol You, O LORD, for You have drawn me up  
and have not let my foes rejoice over me.

**People:** **O LORD my God, I cried to You for help,  
and You have healed me.**

**Pastor:** O LORD, You have brought up my soul from Sheol;

**People:** **You restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit.**

**Pastor:** Sing praises to the LORD, O you His saints,  
and give thanks to His holy name.

**People:** **and His favor is for a lifetime.**

**Pastor:** Weeping may tarry for the night,

**People:** **but joy comes with the morning.**

## CONFESSION

Pastor: Confident that God's favor is for a lifetime and that joy comes with the morning, let us confess our sins to our heavenly Father.

People: **Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, I admit and confess my sinfulness. I have turned away from others in my thinking, speaking, and doing. I have done the evil You forbid and have not done the good You demand. I do repent and am truly sorry for these, my sins. Have mercy on me because of the obedience of Your Son. Forgive all my sins, and by the Holy Spirit, move me to serve You faithfully; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

**PSALM** *Psalm 30:6–10*

Pastor: As for me, I said in my prosperity,  
"I shall never be moved."

People: **By Your favor, O LORD,  
You made my mountain stand strong;**

Pastor: You hid Your face;

People: **I was dismayed.**

Pastor: To You, O LORD, I cry,

People: **and to the Lord I plead for mercy:**

Pastor: "What profit is there in my death,  
if I go down to the pit?

People: **Will the dust praise You?  
Will it tell of Your faithfulness?**

Pastor: Hear, O LORD, and be merciful to me!

People: **O LORD, be my helper!"**

## ABSOLUTION

Pastor: In today's Gospel, Jesus answered the prayers of a synagogue leader, Jairus, and a sick woman because they trusted in Him. Our Lord left His heavenly riches and became poor so that He could not only cure illness and physical death, but by His death and resurrection offer us the riches of heaven. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Thanks be to God! Amen!**

**PSALM** *Psalm 30:11–12*

Pastor: You have turned for me my mourning into dancing;

People: **You have loosed my sackcloth  
and clothed me with gladness,**

Pastor: that my glory may sing Your praise and not be silent.  
People: **O LORD my God, I will give thanks to You forever!**

✘ **WORD** ✘

**KYRIE**

Pastor: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.  
People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: Heavenly Father, whose steadfast love never ceases,  
People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: Lord Jesus, who has enriched us through Your poverty,  
People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: O Holy Spirit, who has given us faith to trust that joy comes with the morning,  
People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.  
People: **Amen.**

**HYMN OF PRAISE**            “Brothers and Sisters In Christ”

**SALUTATION**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.  
People: **And also with you.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Pastor: Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, Your Son became poor that we might be enriched in body, soul, and spirit.  
People: **Grant us gracious opportunities to share Your bountiful blessings with those who are burdened in any way;**

Pastor: through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
People: **Amen.**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**    *Lamentations 3:22–33*

(Because the Lord’s steadfast love never ceases, we can hope for an end to current grief.)

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**GRADUAL** *Romans 11:33, 36* [See *Music Index*]

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!  
How unsearchable are His judgments and how inscrutable His ways!  
For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things.  
To Him be glory forever. Amen.

**EPISTLE** *2 Corinthians 8:1–9, 13–15* (Encouragement to share monetary blessings)

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**VERSE** *Lamentations 3:25*

Pastor: Alleluia. The LORD is good to those who wait for Him,

People: **to the soul who seeks Him. Alleluia.**

**HOLY GOSPEL** *Mark 5:21–43* (Jesus heals a woman and raises Jairus's daughter.)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the fifth chapter.

People: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

(The Gospel is read.)

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

**HYMN OF THE DAY** "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" #809

**SERMON** "Christ's Miracles for You and Me!" Pastor Schroeder

**CREED** *Apostles' Creed* found in back of hymnal

## **OFFERING & PRAYER**

(Members and Visitors: We would appreciate it if you would please take this time to fill out and pass the "Who's In The Pew" folders, located at the center aisle end of each pew.)

Leader: Gracious God, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – ourselves, our time, and our possessions, symbols of your gracious love.

People: **Receive them for the sake of Him who offered Himself for us, Jesus Christ, our brother and Lord.**

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH** – Elders bring 10 names from Prayer Cross  
*Lamentations 3:22–23, 25, 31–32; Psalm 30:7–8, 12; 2 Corinthians 8:2*

Pastor: Your mercies “are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness.”

**People: Heavenly Father, hear the cries of those who awaken to face another day of injustice, prejudice, and oppression. Give them hope in Your promises.**

Pastor: “The LORD is good to those who wait for Him, to the soul who seeks Him.”

**People: Give patience and guidance to clergy and lay leaders of the Church that through them the Gospel will move many to seek Christ and His salvation.**

Pastor: “The Lord will not cast off forever, . . . He will have compassion according to the abundance of His steadfast love.”

**People: In Your great love, O Lord, give strength and healing to all who are enduring long-term illnesses and difficult treatments. Help medical people and institutions find new ways of alleviating pain and reversing recurring symptoms.**

Pastor: “By Your favor, O LORD, You made my mountain stand strong.”

**People: Give wisdom to the leaders of the nations, protection to armed forces deployed, and guidance to law enforcement, that peace may break out between nations and our neighborhoods may be places of calm and connected community.**

Pastor: “To You, O LORD, I cry, and to the Lord I plead for mercy.” We pray especially for those near and dear to us, [*especially* . . .]. Heavenly Father,

**People: grant them health, peace, and relief as fits Your gracious plans for them.**

Pastor: The Macedonian Christians’ “abundance of joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part.”

**People: Open our eyes and hearts, our time and resources, gracious God, to see where we might share Your blessings and be part of Your answers to the prayers we bring before You.**

Pastor: These and any other things You would have us ask of You, heavenly Father, grant to us for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, in whose name we pray.

**People: O Lord, our God, we will give thanks to You forever. Amen.**

Leader: We sing our Lord’s Prayer:

“Lord’s Prayer”

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**Our Father, which 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 debts as we forgive our debtors.**

**And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil,**

**For Thine is the Kingdom,  
and the Power and the Glory forever. Amen.**

**BENEDICTION**     *Numbers 6:24–26*

**Pastor:**     The blessing of almighty God—the Father, the ☩ Son, and the Holy Spirit—bless, guide, and preserve you, now and forever.

**People:**     **Amen.**

**HYMN**        “Just a Prayer Away”

**DISMISSAL**

**Pastor:**     Go in peace as you serve the Lord.

**People:**     **Thanks be to God.**

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