



**THE TRUTH WILL  
SET YOU FREE**

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### OUR WORSHIP

*Freed from Sin*

**SERVICE THEME** Jesus says, "Whoever sins is a slave to sin." Sin is evidence of a much deeper problem. We are imprisoned by our need to feel right. One hundred per cent of the wrong in the world is the result of people trying to feel right.

**+ We Come Into God's Presence +**

#### INVITATION TO WORSHIP

Pastor: O LORD, open my lips.

**People: And my mouth will declare Your praise.**

Pastor: Make haste, O God, to deliver me.

**People: Make haste to help me, O Lord.**

Pastor: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;

**People: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
World without end. Amen. Hallelujah!**

Pastor: Oh, come, let us worship the LORD:

**PSALM 95** LSB pp. 220-221 "O Come, Let Us Sing"

**O come, let us sing to the Lord,  
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.  
Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving,  
let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise.**

**For the Lord is a great God  
and a great king above all gods.  
The deep places of the earth are in His hand;  
the strength of the hills is His also.**

The sea is His, for He made it,  
and His hand formed the dry land.  
O come, let us worship and bow down,  
let us kneel before the Lord, our maker.

For He is our God,  
and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.

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.

+ God's Life-Giving Presence Comes to Us +

**RESPONSIVE PSALM READING** Psalm 146:5-9

Pastor: Blessed are those whose help is the God of Jacob,

**People: whose hope is in the LORD their God.**

Pastor: He is the Maker of heaven and earth,

**People: the sea, and everything in them – He remains faithful forever.**

Pastor: He upholds the cause of the oppressed

**People: and gives food to the hungry.**

Pastor: The LORD sets prisoners free,

**People: the LORD gives sight to the blind,**

Pastor: the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down,

**People: the LORD loves the righteous.**

Pastor: The LORD watches over the foreigner

and sustains the fatherless and the widow,

**People: but He frustrates the ways of the wicked.**

Pastor: O LORD, have mercy on us.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING** Isaiah 42:5-9

<sup>5</sup> This is what God the LORD says – the Creator of the heavens, who stretches them out, who spreads out the earth with all that springs from it, who gives breath to its people, and life to those who walk on it:

<sup>6</sup> "I, the LORD, have called You in righteousness; I will take hold of Your hand. I will keep You and will make You to be a covenant for the people and a light for the Gentiles, <sup>7</sup> to open eyes that are blind, to free captives from prison and to release from the dungeon those who sit in darkness.

<sup>8</sup> “I am the LORD; that is My name! I will not yield My glory to another or My praise to idols. <sup>9</sup> See, the former things have taken place, and new things I declare; before they spring into being I announce them to You.”

Pastor: O LORD, have mercy on us.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**EPISTLE READING** Galatians 5:1, 13

<sup>1</sup> It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery.

<sup>13</sup> You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love.

Pastor: O LORD, have mercy on us.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL** John 8:31-37

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to John, the disciple whom Jesus loved, the eighth chapter.

<sup>1</sup> To the Jews who had believed Him, Jesus said, “If you hold to My teaching, you are really My disciples. <sup>32</sup> Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.”

<sup>33</sup> They answered Him, “We are Abraham’s descendants and have never been slaves of anyone. How can You say that we shall be set free?”

<sup>34</sup> Jesus replied, “Very truly I tell you, everyone who sins is a slave to sin. <sup>35</sup> Now a slave has no permanent place in the family, but a son belongs to it forever. <sup>36</sup> So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.”

Pastor: O LORD, have mercy on us.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE** “Free from What for What”

**MESSAGE HYMN** LSB 533 “Jesus Has Come and Brings Pleasure”

**Jesus has come and brings pleasure eternal,  
Alpha, Omega, Beginning and End;  
Godhead humanity, union supernal,  
O great Redeemer, You come as our friend!  
Heaven and earth, now proclaim the great wonder:  
Jesus has come and brings pleasure eternal!**

**Jesus has come! Now see bonds rent asunder!  
Fetters of death now dissolve, disappear.  
See Him burst through with a voice as of thunder!  
He sets us free from our guilt and our fear,  
Lifts us from shame to the place of His honor.  
Jesus has come! Hear the roll of God's thunder!**

**Jesus has come as the mighty Redeemer.  
See now the threatening strong one disarmed!  
Jesus breaks down all the walls of death's fortress,  
Brings forth the pris'ners triumphant, unharmed.  
Satan, you wicked one, own now your master!  
Jesus has come! He, the mighty Redeemer!**

**Jesus has come as the King of all glory!  
Heaven and earth, O declare His great pow'r,  
Capturing hearts with the heavenly story,  
Welcomer Him now in this fast fleeting hour!  
Ponder His love! Take the crown He has for you!  
Jesus has come! He, the King of all glory!**

**MESSAGE** "Free to be Slaves"

Introduction

"If you hold to My teaching . . . the truth will set you free."

Slaves to Sin

"Everyone who sins is a slave to sin."

Ask yourself, "What is your deepest need?"

Freed from Sin (Self) – Part 1

"If the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed."

We are justified by faith in what Jesus has done.

Freed from Sin (Self) – Part 2

Sanctification problems are really justification problems.

"The heart of sanctification is a life which feeds on justification."

Implications

[1] Whether Pastor or people, focus on justification.

[2] Do not use your freedom to indulge your selfish human nature.

**+ We Respond to God's Life-Giving Presence +**

**WE OFFER OUR PRAISE & OUR GIFTS** LSB 785 – “We Praise You, O God”

**We praise You, O God, our Redeemer, Creator,  
In grateful devotion our tribute we bring;  
We lay it before You,  
We kneel and adore You,  
We bless Your holy name, glad praises we sing.**

**We worship You, God of our fathers, we bless You;  
Through trial and tempest our guide You have been;  
When perils o'ertake us,  
You will not forsake us,  
And with Your help, O Lord, our struggles we win.**

**With voices united our praises we offer,  
And gladly our songs of thanksgiving we raise.  
With You, Lord, beside us.  
Your strong arm will guide us,  
To You, our great Redeemer, forever be praise!**

#### **PRAYERS & THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**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!**

#### **MORNING PRAYER**

**Pastor:** Father, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with You mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen!**

## **BENEDICTION**

Pastor: The grace + of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God our Father,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us always.

People: **Amen!**

**CLOSING SONG** LSB 528 – “Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

**Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing  
My great Redeemer’s praise,  
The glories of my God and King,  
The triumphs of His grace!**

**My gracious Master and My God,  
Assist me to proclaim,  
To spread through all the earth abroad,  
The honors of Thy name.**

**Jesus! The name that charms our fears,  
That bids our sorrows cease;  
'Tis music in the sinner’s ears.  
'Tis life and health and peace.**

**He breaks the pow’r of canceled sin;  
He sets the pris’ner free.  
His blood can make the foulest clean;  
His blood avails for me.**

**Look unto Him, ye nations; own  
Your God, ye fallen race.  
Look and be saved through faith alone,  
Be justified by grace.**

**See all your sin on Jesus laid;  
The Lamb of God was slain.  
His soul was once an off’ring made  
For ev’ry soul of man.**

**To God all glory, praise, and love  
Be now and ever giv’n  
By saints below and saints above,  
The Church in earth and heav’n.**

<b>NEXT SUNDAY – June 5 – Pentecost</b>
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