

Sermon St. Matthew 20:1-16 DO YOU REALLY WANT JUSTICE[?] OR GRACE?!

Pulpit Hymn ELH 178 I Pray Thee, Dear LORD Jesus 1 verse

**I pray Thee, dear LORD Jesus, My heart to keep and train
That I Thy holy temple From youth to age remain. | Turn
Thou my thoughts forever From worldly wisdom's lore;
If I but learn to love Thee I shall not want for more.**

1. We give Thee but Thine own, Whate'er the gift may be; All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O LORD, from Thee.
6. And we believe Thy Word, Though dim our faith may be: Whate'er for Thine we do, O LORD, We do it unto Thee.

**Congregation At Prayer PreLent-1: Septuagesima [~70 days] ✠ Sola Gratia
In the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Apostles Creed ELH p.46

**Bible Memory Verse: For by grace you have been saved through faith.
And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁹ not a result of
works, so that no one may boast. Ephesians 2:8-9 PreLent-1 Ps. 18 & 9**

The Catechism Try to memorize III. THE LORD'S PRAYER: FOURTH PETITION

What is the Fourth Petition? Give us this day our daily bread.

**What does this mean? God certainly gives daily bread without our prayer,
even to all the wicked; but we pray in this petition that He would lead
us to acknowledge this and to receive our daily bread with
thanksgiving.**

**What is meant by daily bread? Daily bread includes everything needed
for this life, such as food, drink, clothing, shoes, house, home, fields,
cattle, money, goods, God-fearing spouse and children, faithful
servants and rulers, good government, good weather, peace,
health, order, honor, true friends, good neighbors, and the like.**

Daily Readings from the Bible and Concordia: The Lutheran Confessions

Week 5 Luther Large Cat. Daily Bible Readings Psalm.Old&New Testament

M Large Cat. Pt. I 183-198 M Psalm 130; Exodus 5:1-31; Mark 5:21-43

T Large Cat. Pt. I 199-216 T Psalm 92; Exodus 6:1-13; Mark 6:1-29

W Large Cat. Pt. I 217-231 W Psalm 31; Exodus 11:1-10; Mark 6:30-56

T Large Cat. Pt. I 232-247 T Psalm 86; Exodus 12:1-28; Mark 7:1-30

F Large Cat. Pt. I 248-262 F Psalm 12; Exodus 12:29-42; Mark 8:10-9:1

Large Cat. Part I 10 Comm. S Psalm 42; Exodus 13:1-22; Mark 9:2-32

Daily Prayer Themes Sunday: Joy of the Resurrection; true & godly Worship.

Mon: Faith to live in Baptismal promises; vocations & work; for unemployed.

Tue: For aid in temptation & deliverance from sin; the lonely, aged & weak.

Wed: For marriage and family; government, nation & community; for peace.

Thu: For the Church and Her pastors & right use of Christ's Means of Grace.

Fri: For missions and missionaries; for the persecuted; for the heathen.

Sat: Faithfulness to the end; those lapsed or fallen away; the sick & dying.

NAMED PRAYER REQUESTS ✠ ✠ ✠ ✠ OUR SAVIOR & FAITH FAMILIES

Richard & Pam Terry FM Michael G/Pam FM Lisa O TX chemo/Mary O GP

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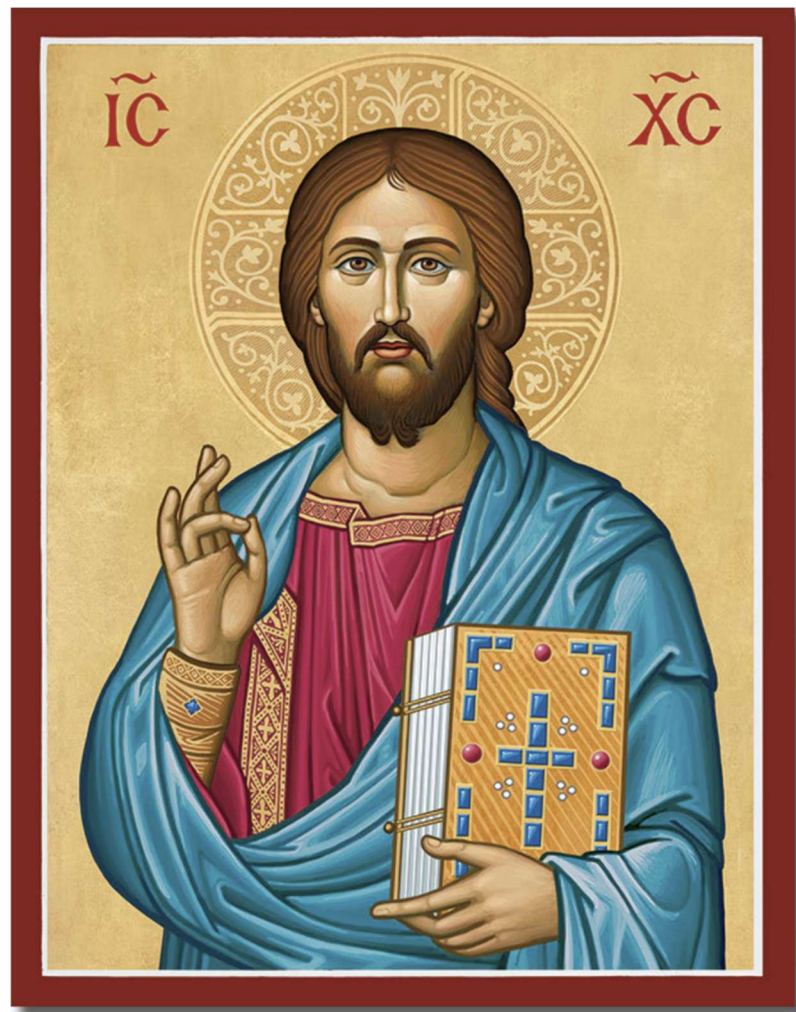
Rick & Darrell Shannon GP Anita E GP stone Jerry Anne/Eleanor FM

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Mia Maggie FM car accident Lynne stroke & husb. Todd died, Son stg4 cancer

Sunday 2/8 PreLent-2 Sexagesima-Scripture Alone 24 191 178[1v] 171 591

**SEPTUAGESIMA ~70: FIRST SUNDAY IN PRE-LENT
Sola Gratia: Saved by Grace ✠ February 1st 9^{GP} & 11:30^{FM}**



**Icon for the First Sunday of Pre-Lent ✠ Matthew 20:1-16
Sola Gratia – Grace Alone: Jesus' Parable of the Laborers in the Vineyard.**

<https://www.MonasteryIcons.com/product/byzantine-christ-icon-961>

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✠ In Nomine Iesu ✠ In the Name of Jesus ✠

WELCOME to all – *We are so glad you are here!* Visitors, please take a moment to sign our guest book. Please come often to the LORD's house! In conformity with the Bible, the Confessions of the Lutheran Church and historic Christianity, this Parish practices *Close Communion*, i.e. the bread and wine which are truly the Body and Blood of Christ are reserved for our communicant members and those guests of our confessional fellowship [W/ELS]. Thank you for respecting our practice. Please do come up to the rail for a blessing. And please speak with the pastor about receiving Holy Communion in the future. God bless your worship. Thank you.

The Divine Service Rite Two with Communion *ELH p.60*

Opening Hymn **218** **There Is a Safe and Secret Place** 4 verses

Chief Hymn **226** **By Grace I'm Saved** Sing verses 1-4

Third Hymn **226** **By Grace I'm Saved** Sing verses 8-10

Closing Hymn **597** **Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name** 4 verses

Introit *Tone II*  Psalm 18:4-6a

Antiphon P: ♪ The pangs of death **en**-com-passed me; /
the sorrows of hell **sur**-round-ed me.

The floods of **un**-god-li-ness / made **me** a-fraid.

Psalm C: ♪ In my distress I called **up**-on the LORD, /
And He heard my voice from His Tem-ple. ♪ Glory- be ...

The Collect for the Day

O LORD, we beseech You favorably to hear the prayers of Your people, that we who are justly punished for our offenses, may be mercifully delivered by Your gracious goodness, for the glory of Your Name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Savior, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever. **C: ♪ A-men.**

The Old Testament Lesson *Jeremiah 1:4-10* **ESV**

In those days Jeremiah prophesied, Now the Word of the LORD came to me, saying, ⁵ "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations." ⁶ Then I said, "Ah, LORD God! Behold, I do not know how to speak, for I am only a youth." ⁷ But the LORD said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a youth'; for to all to whom I send you, you shall go, and whatever I command you, you shall speak." ⁸ Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, declares the LORD." ⁹ Then the LORD put out His hand and touched my mouth. And the LORD said to me, "Behold, I have put My Words in your mouth. ¹⁰ See, I have set you this day over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to break down to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

The Epistle *1 Corinthians 9:24-10:5*

Brethren, Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one receives the prize? So run that you may obtain it. ²⁵ Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. ²⁶ So I do not run aimlessly; I do not box as one beating the air. ²⁷ But I discipline my body and keep it under control, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified. ^{10:1} For I do not want you to be unaware, brothers, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, ² and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, ³ and all ate the same spiritual food, ⁴ and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ. ⁵ Nevertheless, with most of them God was not pleased, for they were overthrown in the wilderness.

Gradual *Tone II*  Psalm 9:9-10

C: ♪ The LORD also will be a Refuge **for** the op-pressed, /
A Refuge in **times** of troub-le.

**And they that know Your Name will put their trust in You: /
For You, LORD, have not forsaken those that seek You.**

The Holy Gospel according to **St. Matthew the 20th Chapter:1-16**

At that time Jesus spoke this Parable: "For the Kingdom of Heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ² After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. ³ And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, ⁴ and to them he said, 'You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.' ⁵ So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. ⁶ And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?' ⁷ They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You go into the vineyard too.' ⁸ And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.' ⁹ And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. ¹⁰ Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. ¹¹ And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, ¹² saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' ¹³ But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? ¹⁴ Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. ¹⁵ Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?' ¹⁶ So the last will be first, and the first last." This is the ✠ Holy Gospel.