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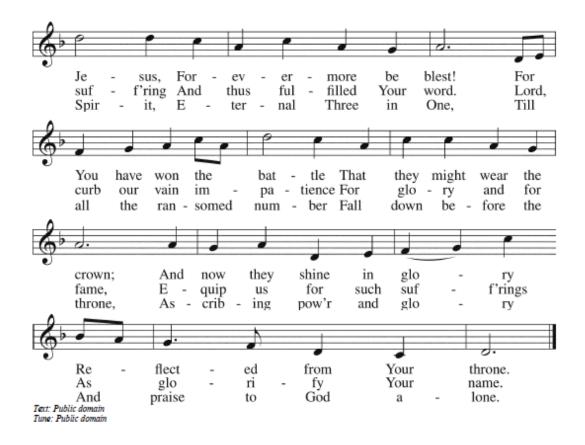
# + ST. JAMES THE ELDER, APOSTLE + Prayer and Preaching July 25, 2021

# As We Gather ~ St. James the Elder, Apostle

The sons of Zebedee ask for seats at Jesus' "right hand and ... left, in your glory" (Mark 10:37). But they do not know what they are asking (Matt. 20:22), for God's kingdom is not of glory and power but the cross. We will bear ours after Him. "For [His] sake we are being killed" and "regarded as sheep to be slaughtered." But "in all these things we are more than conquerors through him" (Rom. 8:36–37), for Jesus' death is unique. He alone is baptized with our sin and drinks the cup of God's wrath against it (Mark 10:38). We live in service to our neighbors after His example; He alone is "the Son of Man," who came "to give his life as a ransom for many" (Mark 10:45). Today the Church commemorates the fulfillment of Christ's prophecy about James, killed with Herod's sword (Acts 12:2). He is honored as the first apostle to be "conformed to the image of [God's] Son" (Rom. 8:29). But what is that when "Christ Jesus is the one who died — more than that, who was raised — who is at the right hand of God … interceding for us"? Nothing (not even a sword) can "separate" James and "us from the love of Christ" (Rom. 8:34–35).



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# **Opening Versicles: Common**

- This is the day which the Lord has made;
- C let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- L From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- C the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- L Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;
- C I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.
- L Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.
- C Teach me Your paths.
- L Sanctify us in Your truth.
- C Your Word is truth.
- L From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- C the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- 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.

# **Old Testament Canticle**





# **Reading**

Acts 11:27—12:5

27Now in these days prophets came down from Jerusalem to Antioch. 28And one of them named Agabus stood up and foretold by the Spirit that there would be a great famine over all the world (this took place in the days of Claudius). 29So the disciples determined, everyone according to his ability, to send relief to the brothers living in Judea. 30And they did so, sending it to the elders by the hand of Barnabas and Saul. 1About that time Herod the king laid violent hands on some who belonged to the church. 2He killed James the brother of John with the sword, 3and when he saw that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to arrest Peter also. This was during the days of Unleavened Bread. 4And when he had seized him, he put him in prison, delivering him over to four squads of soldiers to guard him, intending after the Passover to bring him out to the people. 5So Peter was kept in prison, but earnest prayer for him was made to God by the church.

- L This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

**Proper** 

# Psalm 89:1, 5, 15–16; antiphon: Psalm 119:46

I will speak of your testimonies before kings, | [O Lord,]\* and shall not be | put to shame. I will sing of the steadfast love of the LORD, for- | ever;\* with my mouth I will make known your faithfulness to all gener- | ations. Let the heavens praise your wonders, | O LORD,\* your faithfulness in the assembly of the | holy ones! Blessèd are the people who know the | festal shout,\* who walk, O LORD, in the light | of your face, who exult in your name | all the day\* and in your righteousness are ex- | alted. Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,\* is now, and will be forever. | Amen. I will speak of your testimonies before kings, | [O Lord,]\* and shall not be | put to shame.

# **Reading**

# Romans 8:28-39

28We know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. 29For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. 30And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

31What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? 32He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? 33Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. 34Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. 35Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? 36As it is written,

"For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered."

37No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. 38For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, 39nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

# **Reading**

Mark 10:35-45

35And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to [Jesus] and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." 36And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" 37And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." 38Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" 39And they said to him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized, 40but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." 41And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. 42And Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. 43But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, 44and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. 45For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

# **Responsory: Common**

- L Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.
- C Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.
- L Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.
- C Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.
- L Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
- C Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

# Ten Commandments

You shall have no other gods. You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God. Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. Honor your father and your mother. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not steal. You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor's house. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

# Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life ∳everlasting. Amen. 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.

## <u>Sermon</u>

## "Exposing Words"

Mark 10:35-45

Hymn 'Christ, the Life of All the Living'

life all liv - ing, Christ, the death 1 Christ, the of the of 2 Thou, ah! Thou, hast tak - en on Thee Bonds and stripes, a 3 Thou hast borne the smit - ing on - ly my wounds might That 4 Heart - less scof - fers did sur-round Thee, Treat - ing Thee with death, our foe, Who, Thy - self for me once giv - ing cru - el rod; Pain and scorn were heaped up - on Thee, sad all be whole: Thou hast suf - fered, lone - ly, and shame-ful scorn with pierc - ing And thorns they crowned Thee. depths of То dark - est Through Thy suf - f'rings, the woe: didst Thou 0 Thou sin - less God! Son of Thus my Rest to give my wea - ry soul; Yea, the curse of dis - grace Thou, Lord, hast borne, That Thine Thou All as death, and mer - it Ι life e ter - nal in - her - it. de - liv - er From the bonds for - ev - er. soul of sin God en - dur - ing, Bless - ing un to me se - cur - ing. might - est own And with heav'n - ly glo - ry crown me. me Thou-sand, thou-sand thanks shall be, Dear - est un - to Thee. Je - sus, Thou-sand, thou-sand thanks shall be, Dear - est Je - sus, un - to Thee. Thou-sand, thou-sand thanks shall be, Dear - est Je - sus, un - to Thee. Thou-sand, thou-sand thanks shall be, Dear - est Je - sus. un - to Thee. 8

5 Thou hast suffered men to bruise Thee, That from pain I might be free; Falsely did Thy foes accuse Thee: Thence I gain security; Comfortless Thy soul did languish Me to comfort in my anguish. Thousand, thousand thanks shall be, Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.

Thou hast suffered great affliction And hast borne it patiently, Even death by crucifixion, Fully to atone for me; Thou didst choose to be tormented That my doom should be prevented. Thousand, thousand thanks shall be, Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.

7 Then, for all that wrought my pardon, For Thy sorrows deep and sore, For Thine anguish in the Garden, I will thank Thee evermore, Thank Thee for Thy groaning, sighing, For Thy bleeding and Thy dying, For that last triumphant cry, And shall praise Thee, Lord, on high. Text and tune: Public domain

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# Offering

# Prayer

- In peace let us pray to the Lord: L
- C L Lord, have mercy.
- For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:
- С Lord, have mercy.
- For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the L world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:
- Lord, have mercy. С
- For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common L welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:
- С Lord, have mercy.
- For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray L to the Lord:
- С Lord, have mercy.
- For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and L for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:
- С Lord, have mercy.
- For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed L and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:

### С Lord, have mercy.

- L For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:
- С Lord, have mercy.
- L For . . . [additional bids for prayer may be inserted here] . . . let us pray to the Lord:
- С Lord, have mercy.
- Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to L the Lord:
- Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. С

# Collect of the Day

O gracious God, Your servant and apostle James was the first among the Twelve to suffer martyrdom for the name of Jesus Christ. Pour out upon the leaders of Your Church that spirit of self-denying service that they may forsake all false and passing allurements and follow Christ alone, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

# C Amen.

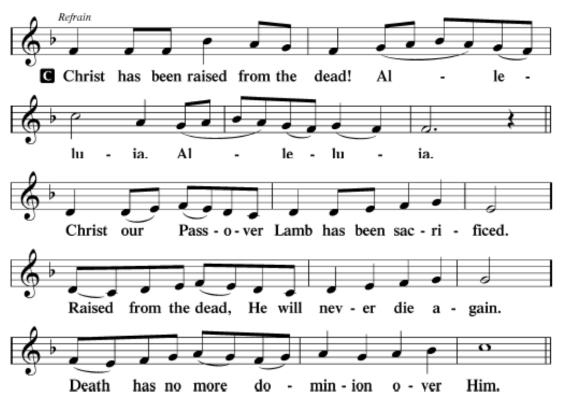
# **Collect for the Word**

- L Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that, by patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

# Morning Prayer

C I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

# New Testament Canticle





# **Benedicamus**

L Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

# **Benediction**

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- The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us.
- C Amen.

Closing Hymn "Come, Follow Me," the Savior Spake' LSB 688

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Scripture Lessons for next Sunday: 2 Samuel 22:26–34, 1 Corinthians 10:6–13 and Luke 16:1–13.

**Stewardship:** (St. James) Mark 10:37-38a – "And they said to him, 'Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.' Jesus said to them, 'You do not know what you are asking.' "Jesus' glory was to be high and lifted high upon a cross. And when He took up that exalted position, there would indeed be a man on His right and another on His left – the two thieves. How often do we pray for things and not know what we are really asking for? How often do we think we know best? What is always best is to follow the Lord's commands in simple faith that He knows best.

**Pastor will be in Minnesota** for the end of the week through Sunday, August 1st. The elders will be leading the service & there will be no communion. There will also not be a livestream of the service, however the bulletin and sermon are available on our website www.immanuelgrinnell.org.

**Building Healthy Families for July 25th:** "Is prayer your steering wheel or your spare tire?" What a thought-provoking quote from Corrie Ten Boom! I Thessalonians 5:17 reminds us to, "pray without ceasing." So, which is it for you...steering wheel or spare? Think about it and adjust accordingly! ~ Luther-an Family Service of Iowa: Des Moines (515) 251-4900. www.LutheranFamily-Service.org

**Life Quote for July 25th:** "We need to keep fueled up through Christian fellowship in worship and in the sacraments. We need to pray without ceasing and receive the peace in that special relationship with God. And then, we need to stand strong and boldly declare God's plan for life. We can't be timid, afraid to speak up or be noticed. If we don't share the truth, who will?" Virginia Flo, Regional Director of Minnesota and National Conference Director, Lutherans For Life ~ A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life www.lutheransforlife.org

Lutheran Hour Ministries for Aug. 1st: Hear "Blowing in the Wind" based on Ephesians 4:14-16 by Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus. "Archives August" begins with a classic message from Pastor Ken Klaus in which he contrasts popularly-held urban legends with the unchanging truth of God's Word. ~ Listen next Sunday on 600 WMT at 6:30 a.m., 1190 KFJB at 8:30 a.m., WHO-1040 at 7:30 a.m., & 1410 KGRN at 7:30 a.m.

**Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca is the recipient for August Missions.** A second basket will be available along the general offering next Sunday, August 1st.

Life Thoughts in the Church Year: Supporters of physician-assisted suicide might label the martyrdom of St. James as undignified. He did not choose the timing of his death. He had no control over the manner of his passing. But history and heaven celebrate both his life and his last breath. He met his demise with courage and purpose that allowed him to go gracefully with a Savior whose presence and promises to dignify and sanctify even lives death attempts to humiliate.

Audio: LifeMoments from Lutherans For Life and KFUO Radio: "Hear the sanctity of life throughout Scripture and all year long! LifeMoments from Lutherans For Life listens to each week's appointed lectionary readings with life ears and applies God's Word to life hurts." <u>https://www.kfuo.org/category/</u> <u>lifemoments/</u>

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**Cleaning:** Household(s) responsible for the week of 7/25--7/31 is **Carnine**. Household(s) responsible for the week of 8/1--8/7 is **Honold**. If it is your week to clean church & you have other obligations or prefer to write a check rather than cleaning, the cost is \$50. Please contact the church office at <u>immanuelutheran@iowatelecom.net</u> no later than the Thursday of the week before it is your week to clean.

**Celebrating Baptismal Birthdays This Week** 

Laurie Harms...Today Danielle McDonough...Friday

# **Celebrating Birthdays This Week**

Tim Sittig...Today Ty Johnson...Monday Duane Cloyed...Wednesday

We pray God's blessings upon you in the coming year.



If anyone is interested and willing to teach yearly, monthly, or weekly, the Board of Education is wanting and willing to be flexible in scheduling teachers.

> For more information, contact the Board of Education-*Danielle McDonough Sherry Baker Markie Koepp*

ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS For the week of July 18, 2021			
	Attendance Communion General Fund Missions	51 39	
Today 9:00am 10:30am	WEEK AHEAD St. James the Elder, Apostle Bible Study Greeter: Cloyed Usher: Verne Cadwell Servers: Esther Huedepohl/Amber Heishman Acolyte/Crucifier: Kaitlynn/Joey Elder: Steve Haase Food Pantry Sunday		
Tuesday 10:00am	Greek Study, Pastor in Newton		
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