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Lessons from a Canaanite

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Divine Service 1



PRE-SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS SERVANT PROCESSIONAL

AS WE GATHER

In today's Gospel, our Lord Jesus moved beyond His ministry initially among the Jews now to the Gentile woman of Canaan. The miracle greater than the healing of her daughter was her great faith in Jesus addressing Him, saying, "Lord, help me" (Matthew 15:25).

Through the prophet Isaiah, the Lord said He would bring "foreigners" to His "house of prayer for all peoples" (Isaiah 56:6–7). Here He gives "many blessings even though we are undeserving" (Prayer of the Day). The early church learned how the Gentiles are grafted into Israel, making the Christian Church the

fulfillment of the true Israel, God's people! The outreach of the Gospel of Christ continues through His church, calling all people "that He may have mercy on all" (Romans 11:32). Because of God's effective call, you can have steadfast confidence in His loving kindness and mercy.

Confession and Absolution

HYMN OF INVOCATION: 551 WHEN TO OUR WORLD THE SAVIOR CAME

- 1 When to our world the Savior came
The sick and helpless heard His name,
And in their weakness longed to see
The healing Christ of Galilee.
- 2 That good physician! Night and day
The people thronged about His way;
And wonder ran from soul to soul,
"The touch of Christ has made us whole!"
- 3 His praises then were heard and sung
By opened ears and loosened tongue,
While lightened eyes could see and know
The healing Christ of long ago.
- 4 Of long ago: yet living still,
Who died for us on Calv'ry's hill;
Who triumphed over cross and grave,
His healing hands stretched forth to save.
- 5 His sov'reign purpose still remains
Who rose in pow'r, and lives and reigns;

Till ev'ry tongue confess His praise,
The healing Christ of all our days.

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Stand

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of
their Baptism.*

INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the
✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

EXHORTATION

LSB 151

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive
ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C But if we confess our sins, God, who is
faithful and just, will forgive our sins
and cleanse us from all
unrighteousness.

Kneel/Stand

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-
examination.*

CONFESSION OF SINS

LSB 151

P Let us then confess our sins to God our
Father.

C Most merciful God, we confess that we
are by nature sinful and unclean. We
have sinned against You in thought,
word, and deed, by what we have
done and by what we have left
undone. We have not loved You with
our whole heart; we have not loved
our neighbors as ourselves. We justly
deserve Your present and eternal
punishment. For the sake of Your Son,
Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.
Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so
that we may delight in Your will and

walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

ABSOLUTION

LSB 151

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✝ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Stand

Service of the Word

INTROIT

P The LORD is the strength of his people;
he is the saving refuge of his
anointed.

**C To you, O LORD, I call; my rock, be not deaf to me,
lest, if you be silent to me, I become like those who go down to the pit.**

P Hear the voice of my pleas for mercy,
when I cry to you for help,
when I lift up my hands toward your
most holy sanctuary.

**C Blessèd be the LORD!
For he has heard the voice of my
pleas for mercy.**

P The LORD is my strength and my shield;
in him my heart trusts, and I am
helped;
my heart exults, and with my song I
give thanks to him.

**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.

**☩ The LORD is the strength of his people;
he is the saving refuge of his
anointed.**

KYRIE

152

☐ In peace let us pray to the Lord.

☩ Lord, have mercy.

☐ For the peace from above and for
our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

☩ Lord, have mercy.

☐ For the peace of the whole world, for
the well-being of the Church of God,
and for the unity of all let us pray to
the Lord.

☩ Lord, have mercy.

☐ For this holy house and for all who
offer here their worship and praise let
us pray to the Lord.

☩ Lord, have mercy.

☐ Help, save, comfort, and defend us,
gracious Lord.

☩ Amen.

THIS IS THE FEAST

LSB 155

**☩ This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was
slain, whose blood set us free to be
people of God.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Power, riches, wisdom, and strength,
and honor, blessing, and glory are
His.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Sing with all the people of God, and
join in the hymn of all creation:
Blessing, honor, glory, and might be
to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**For the Lamb who was slain has
begun His reign. Alleluia.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting Father, You
give Your children many blessings
even though we are undeserving. In
every trial and temptation grant us
steadfast confidence in Your loving-
kindness and mercy; through Jesus
Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives
and reigns with You and the Holy
Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT Salvation for Foreigners

¹Thus says the LORD:

“Keep justice, and do righteousness,
for soon my salvation will come,
and my deliverance be revealed. . . .

⁶“And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD,
to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD,
and to be his servants,
everyone who keeps the Sabbath and does not profane it,
and holds fast my covenant—
⁷these I will bring to my holy mountain,
and make them joyful in my house of prayer;
their burnt offerings and their sacrifices
will be accepted on my altar;
for my house shall be called a house of prayer
for all peoples.”
⁸The Lord God,
who gathers the outcasts of Israel,
declares,
“I will gather yet others to him
besides those already gathered.”

[L] This is the Word of the Lord.

[C] Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Make Your Face Shine upon Us

[L] ¹May God be gracious to us and bless us
and make his face to shine upon us,
[C] ²**that your way may be known on earth,
your saving power among all nations.**

[L] ³Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!

[C] ⁴**Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide the nations upon earth.**

L ⁵Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!

C ⁶**The earth has yielded its increase;
God, our God, shall bless us.**

⁷**God shall bless us;
let all the ends of the earth fear him!**

EPISTLE *Romans 11:1–2a, 13–15, 28–32* **The Remnant of Israel**

¹I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! For I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. ²God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. . . .

¹³Now I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch then as I am an apostle to the Gentiles, I magnify my ministry ¹⁴in order somehow to make my fellow Jews jealous, and thus save some of them.

¹⁵For if their rejection means the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance mean but life from the dead? . . .

²⁸As regards the gospel, they are enemies of God for your sake. But as regards election, they are beloved for the sake of their forefathers. ²⁹For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable.

³⁰Just as you were at one time disobedient to God but now have received mercy because of their disobedience, ³¹so they too have now been disobedient in order that by the mercy shown to you they also may now receive mercy. ³²For God has consigned all to disobedience, that he may have mercy on all.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

ALLELUIA AND VERSE *LSB 156*

C Alleluia.

Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life.

Alleluia, alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL *Matthew 15:21–28*

P The Holy Gospel according to St.
Matthew, the fifteenth chapter.

C Glory to You , O lord

The Faith of a Canaanite Woman

²¹Jesus went away from there and withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon. ²²And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and was crying, “Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely oppressed by a demon.” ²³But he did not answer her a word. And his disciples came and begged him, saying, “Send her away, for she is crying out after us.” ²⁴He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” ²⁵But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.” ²⁶And he answered, “It is not right to take the children’s bread and throw it to the dogs.” ²⁷She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.” ²⁸Then Jesus answered her, “O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire.” And her daughter was healed instantly.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ

Sit

HYMN OF THE DAY: 830 SPREAD THE REIGN OF GOD THE LORD

- 1 Spread the reign of God the Lord,
Spoken, written, mighty Word;
Ev'rywhere His creatures call
To His heav'nly banquet hall.
- 2 Tell how God the Father's will
Made the world, upholds it still,
How His own dear Son He gave
Us from sin and death to save.
- 3 Tell of our Redeemer's grace,
Who, to save our human race
And to pay rebellion's price,
Gave Himself as sacrifice.
- 4 Tell of God the Spirit giv'n
Now to guide us on to heav'n,
Strong and holy, just and true,
Working both to will and do.
- 5 Enter, mighty Word, the field;
Ripe the promise of its yield.
But the reapers, oh, how few
For the work there is to do!
- 6 Lord of harvest, great and kind,
Rouse to action heart and mind;
Let the gath'ring nations all
See Your light and heed Your call.

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SERMON: "LESSONS FROM A CANAANITE" *Matthew 15:21-28* *Stand*

NICENE CREED

**☩ I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and
invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all
worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the
Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our
salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit
of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under
Pontius Pilate.**

He suffered and was buried.

**And the third day He rose again
according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the
Father.**

**And He will come again with glory
to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and
the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.**

**And I believe in one holy Christian
and apostolic Church,**

**I acknowledge one Baptism for the
remission of sins,**

**and I look for the resurrection of the
dead**

**and the life ✝ of the world to come.
Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Prayer response

P Lord, in Your mercy,
C hear our prayer.

Sit

OFFERING

Stand

OFFERTORY

159

C What shall I render to the Lord for all
His benefits to me?
I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving
and will call on the name of the Lord.
I will take the cup of salvation and will
call on the name of the Lord.
I will pay my vows to the Lord now in
the presence of all His people,
in the courts of the Lord's house, in the
midst of you, O Jerusalem.

Service of the Sacrament

PREFACE

LSB 160

P The Lord be with you.
C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.
C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our
God.
C It is right to give Him thanks and
praise.

PROPER PREFACE (ABBREVIATED)

LSB 161

P It is truly good, right, and salutary . . .
evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS

LSB 161

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING *LSB 161*

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My ✝ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✝ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD’S PRAYER

C 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.**

PAX DOMINI

LSB 163

P The peace of the Lord be with you
always.

C Amen

AGNUS DEI

LSB 163

C Lamb of God, You take away the sin
of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin
of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin
of the world; grant us peace.

Sit

DISTRIBUTION

**DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 628 YOUR
TABLE I APPROACH**

- 1 Your table I approach;
Dear Savior, hear my prayer.
Let not an unrepentant heart
Prove hurtful to me there.
- 2 Lord, I confess my sins
And mourn their wretched bands;
A contrite heart is sure to find
Forgiveness at Your hands.
- 3 Your body and Your blood,
Once slain and shed for me,
Are taken at Your table, Lord,
In blest reality.

4 Search not how this takes place,
This wondrous mystery;
God can accomplish vastly more
Than what we think could be.

5 O grant, most blessèd Lord,
That earth and hell combined
May not about this sacrament
Raise doubt within my mind.

6 Oh, may I never fail
To thank You day and night
For Your true body and true blood,
O God, my peace and light.

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DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 618 I COME, O SAVIOR, TO THY TABLE

1 I come, O Savior, to Thy table,
For weak and weary is my soul;
Thou, Bread of Life, alone art able
To satisfy and make me
whole: Refrain

ref Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood
Be for my soul the highest good!

2 Thy heart is filled with fervent yearning
That sinners may salvation see
Who, Lord, to Thee in faith are turning;
So I, a sinner, come to Thee. Refrain

3 Unworthy though I am, O Savior,
Because I have a sinful heart,
Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt banish never,
For Thou my faithful shepherd
art: Refrain

4 Weary am I and heavy laden;
With sin my soul is sore oppressed;

Receive me graciously and gladden
My heart, for I am now Thy
guest. Refrain

5 What higher gift can we inherit?
It is faith's bond and solid base;
It is the strength of heart and spirit,
The covenant of hope and
grace. Refrain

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DISTRIBUTION HYMN: HE WILL HOLD ME FAST

1. When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will
hold me fast;
When the tempter would prevail, He will
hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold through life's
fearful path;
For my love is often cold; He must hold
me fast.

Refrain He will hold me fast, He will hold
me fast;
For my Saviour loves me so, He will hold
me fast.

2. Those He saves are His delight, Christ
will hold me fast;
Precious in his holy sight, He will hold me
fast.
He'll not let my soul be lost; His promises
shall last;
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will
hold me fast.

Refrain He will hold me fast, He will hold
me fast;
For my Saviour loves me so, He will hold
me fast

3. For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast;

Justice has been satisfied; He will hold me fast.

Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast

'Till our faith is turned to sight, When He comes at last!

Refrain He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;

For my Saviour loves me so, He will hold me fast.

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Stand

THANK THE LORD

LSB 164

☐ Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done.

Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.

He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy

with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

☐ We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

BENEDICTION

LSB 166

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you
and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and
✠ give you peace.

C Amen

HYMN TO DEPART: 839 O CHRIST, OUR TRUE AND ONLY LIGHT

- 1 O Christ, our true and only light,
Enlighten those who sit in night;
Let those afar now hear Your voice
And in Your fold with us rejoice.
- 2 Fill with the radiance of Your grace
The souls now lost in error's maze;
Enlighten those whose inmost minds
Some dark delusion haunts and
blinds.
- 3 O gently call those gone astray
That they may find the saving way!
Let ev'ry conscience sore oppressed
In You find peace and heav'nly rest.
- 4 Shine on the darkened and the cold;
Recall the wand'ers to Your fold.
Unite all those who walk apart;
Confirm the weak and doubting
heart,
- 5 That they with us may evermore
Such grace with wond'ring thanks
adore
And endless praise to You be giv'n
By all Your Church in earth and
heav'n.

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COMMUNION INSTRUCTIONS

We pray that our worship blesses your day as you are blessing ours by attending.

THE LORD'S SUPPER will be celebrated during our worship service this morning. The Bible is clear about who is welcomed and prepared to receive Holy Communion. St. Paul writes in 1 Corinthians 11:28 – “Everyone ought to examine themselves before they eat of the bread and drink from the cup.” Therefore, those Christians who are prepared and “worthy”; communicants have been led by the Holy Spirit to ...

- 1) Feel contrition and confess all sins to the LORD
- 2) Trust in Christ for the forgiveness of sins
- 3) Strive to turn away from unrepented sin and
- 4) Discern and believe in the real presence of Christ's true body and blood in, with and under the outward forms of bread and wine. Therefore, we welcome all confirmed adults to join us at the Table of the Lord. We do invite those adults and children who are not prepared to receive the Lord's Supper to come to the communion table, cross your arms across your heart, and receive a blessing from the pastor. Thank you!

INSTALLATION OF NEWLY ELECTED

OFFICERS: Please mark your calendars for **Sunday, September 13** for the installation of newly elected officers during the worship service. We also will acknowledge those who are currently serving out their term.

LUTHERANISM 101: Please join us for our new member class or a review class for

existing members. Lutheranism 101 examines our Lutheran beliefs and heritage in a fresh way. Whether you are a lifelong Lutheran searching for more information or new to Lutheranism, looking to understand what we believe, this class will be for you. This class will be held on Monday evenings from **6:30 pm to 7:30 pm starting Monday, October 12**. Please talk with Pastor Huner if you wish to join us.

WORSHIP SERVANTS August 16, 2026

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CHARTING OUR COURSE

Attendance week of Aug 9, 2026

10:00 am Worship in Person: 55/Online plays:

Communion: 0

9:00 am Kids Sunday school In Person: 2

9:00 am Adult Bible Class in Person: 8
/Online plays: 226

MINISTRY CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Sun Aug 16

9 am – Adult Bible Study Matthew

9 am – Children's Sunday School

10 am – Pentecost 12

Mon Aug 17

Tues Aug 18

10 am -- Adult Bible Study

11 am -- Prayer Warriors

Wed Aug 19

Thurs Aug 20

7 pm – Council

Fri Aug 21

12 pm – 8 pm – Food Truck Friday

Sat Aug 22

Sun Aug 23

9 am – Adult Bible Study Matthew

9 am – Children's Sunday School

10 am – Pentecost 12

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Sermon Notes:

"Lessons From A Canaanite" *Matt.*
15:21-28

The Description

The Dealing

The Deliverance