

Introit

Psalm 66:1–2a, 17, 19–20; antiphon: Isaiah 48:20b

[With a voice of singing,] declare this with a shout of joy to the end of the earth.

Alle- | luia.*

The LORD has redeemed his servant Jacob! Alle- | luia.

Shout for joy to God, | all the earth;*

sing the glory | of his name.

I cried to him | with my mouth,*

and high praise was | on my tongue.

But truly God has | listened;*

he has attended to the voice | of my prayer.

Blessèd | be God,*

because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast | love from me!

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.

[With a voice of singing,] declare this with a shout of joy to the end of the earth.

Alle- | luia.*

The LORD has redeemed his servant Jacob! Alle- | luia.

Old Testament Reading

Numbers 21:4–9

The Bronze Serpent

⁴From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom. And the people became impatient on the way. ⁵And the people spoke against God and against Moses, “Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food.” ⁶Then the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. ⁷And the people came to Moses and said, “We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD and against you. Pray to the LORD, that he take away the serpents from us.” So Moses prayed for the people. ⁸And the LORD said to Moses, “Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live.” ⁹So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

Psalm

Psalm 107:1–9; antiphon: v. 19

Book Five

Let the Redeemed of the LORD Say So

- ¹Oh give thanks to the LORD, for | he is good, *
for his steadfast love endures for- | ever!
- ²Let the redeemed of the LORD | say so, *
whom he has redeemed from | trouble
- ³and gathered in | from the lands, *
from the east and from the west,
from the north and | from the south.
- ⁴Some wandered in | desert wastes, *
finding no way to a city to | dwell in;
- ⁵hungry and | thirsty, *
their soul fainted with- | in them.
- ⁶Then they cried to the LORD in their | trouble, *
and he delivered them from | their distress.
- ⁷He led them by a | straight way*
till they reached a city to | dwell in.
- ⁸Let them thank the LORD for his | steadfast love, *
for his wondrous works to the chil- | dren of men!
- ⁹For he satisfies the | longing soul, *
and the hungry soul he fills | with good things.

Epistle

James 1:22–27

²²But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. ²³For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks intently at his natural face in a mirror. ²⁴For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like. ²⁵But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing.

²⁶If anyone thinks he is religious and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his heart, this person's religion is worthless. ²⁷Religion that is pure and undefiled

before God, the Father, is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world.

Holy Gospel

John 16:23–33

²³[Jesus said:] “In that day you will ask nothing of me. Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you. ²⁴Until now you have asked nothing in my name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.

I Have Overcome the World

²⁵“I have said these things to you in figures of speech. The hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figures of speech but will tell you plainly about the Father. ²⁶In that day you will ask in my name, and I do not say to you that I will ask the Father on your behalf; ²⁷for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from God. ²⁸I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father.”

²⁹His disciples said, “Ah, now you are speaking plainly and not using figurative speech! ³⁰Now we know that you know all things and do not need anyone to question you; this is why we believe that you came from God.” ³¹Jesus answered them, “Do you now believe? ³²Behold, the hour is coming, indeed it has come, when you will be scattered, each to his own home, and will leave me alone. Yet I am not alone, for the Father is with me. ³³I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world.”

Acknowledgments

Divine Service, Setting One from Lutheran Service Book

Unless otherwise indicated, Scripture quotations are from the ESV[®] Bible (The Holy Bible, English Standard Version[®]), copyright © 2001 by Crossway, a publishing ministry of Good News Publishers. Used by permission. All rights reserved.

Created by Lutheran Service Builder © 2022 Concordia Publishing House.