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Welcome to Worship! In our epistle today, the Apostle Paul teaches us how he adapted his ministry to all those he came in contact with so that they might come to trust in Jesus. Paul became all things to all people that he might win some. Yet, with all his work to accommodate himself to his hearers, he never compromises his message. He is determined to know only Christ and Him crucified. Paul calls us to be imitators of him as he is of Christ. So how do we become all things to all people that we might win some? What does it look like to accommodate myself to all people, without compromising the Gospel message? We begin to answer these questions by the lives we lead and the accounts we tell.

A Nursery is available below the entrance on Walnut St. and a Comfort Room is in the Atrium. The Nursery in not staffed at this time.

All Sunday School classes, Adult Bible Classes and Adult Information Class are suspended at this time.

Cell Phones: Please remember to silence cell phones and electronics during worship.

Holy Communion will be offered at the 11:15 service. If you are not a confirmed member of the Lutheran Church, please contact an Elder or Pastor before Communing. An usher will dismiss your row to move forward to the person serving the bread, and then to the person serving the individual cup. You may then dispose of the cup and return by the center aisle.

Hearing devices are available from an usher.

+ DIVINE SERVICE IV, Page 203 +

THE PRELUDE: 9:00 "Be Thou My Vision";

11:15 & 7:00 "Father Welcomes" -A. Husberg

THE HYMN: "Hail to the Lord's Anointed"

Hymn 398

- Hail to the Lord's anointed, Great David's greater Son! Hail, in the time appointed, His reign on earth begun! He comes to break oppression, To set the captive free, To take away transgression And rule in equity.
- 2 He comes with rescue speedy To those who suffer wrong, To help the poor and needy And bid the weak be strong; To give them songs for sighing, Their darkness turn to light, Whose souls, condemned and dying, Were precious in His sight.
- 3 He shall come down like showers Upon the fruitful earth; Love, joy, and hope, like flowers, Spring in His path to birth. Before Him on the mountains Shall peace, the herald, go; And righteousness in fountains From hill to valley flow.
- 4 Kings shall fall down before Him And gold and incense bring; All nations shall adore Him, His praise all people sing. To Him shall prayer unceasing And daily vows ascend; His kingdom still increasing, A kingdom without end.
- 5 O'er ev'ry foe victorious, He on His throne shall rest, From age to age more glorious, All blessing and all-blest. The tide of time shall never His covenant remove; His name shall stand forever That name to us is Love.

THE INVOCATION, page 203

P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. C Amen.

THE EXHORTATION:

- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C who made heaven and earth.
- P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

THE CONFESSION OF SINS:

C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION:

- 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.

THE KYRIE, page 204 C Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS:, page 204

C To God on high be glory And peace to all the earth; Goodwill from God in heaven Proclaimed at Jesus' birth! We praise and bless You, Father; Your holy name we sing— Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heav'nly King.

To You, O sole-begotten, The Father's Son, we pray; O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away. Have mercy on us, Jesus; Receive our heartfelt cry, Where You in pow'r are seated At God's right hand on high—

For You alone are holy, You only are the Lord. Forever and forever, Be worshiped and adored; You with the Holy Spirit Alone are Lord Most High, In God the Father's glory. "Amen!" our glad reply.

THE PRAYER FOR THE DAY: (we pray together)

O Lord, keep Your family the Church continually in the true faith that, relying on the hope of Your heavenly grace, we may ever be defended by Your mighty power; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THE WORD OF THE MONTH: (we speak together) "Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength." Isaiah 40:30

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Isaiah 40:21-31

Do you not know? Do you not hear? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to dwell in; who brings princes to nothing, and makes the rulers of the earth as emptiness. Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows on them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble. To whom then will you compare me, that I should be like him? says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes on high and see: who created these? He who brings out their host by number, calling them all by name, by the greatness of his might, and because he is strong in power not one is missing. Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God"? Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength. Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

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

+++ 9:00 THE ANTHEM: "On Eagles' Wings"

THE EPISTLE READING: 1 Corinthians 9:16-27

If I preach the gospel, that gives me no ground for boasting. For necessity is laid upon me. Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel! For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward, but not of my own will, I am still entrusted with a stewardship. What then is my reward? That in my preaching I may present the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my right in the gospel. For though I am free from all, I have made myself a servant to all, that I might win more of them. To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though not being myself under the law) that I might win those under the law. To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (not being outside the law of God but under the law of Christ) that I might win those outside the law. To the weak I became weak, that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that by all means I might save some. I do it all for the sake of the gospel, that I may share with them in its blessings. Do you not know that in a race all the runners compete, but only one receives the prize? So run that you may obtain it. Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. So I do not run aimlessly; I do not box as one beating the air. But I discipline my body and keep it under control, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified.

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

THE ALLELUIA AND VERSE, C: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

THE GOSPEL READING: Mark 1:29-39 C: Glory to You, O Lord.

Immediately [Jesus] left the synagogue and entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law lay ill with a fever, and immediately they told him about her. And he came and took her by the hand and lifted her up, and the fever left her, and she began to serve them. That evening at sundown they brought to him all who were sick or oppressed by demons. And the whole city was gathered together at the door. And he healed many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons. And he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. And rising very early in the morning, while it was still dark, he departed and went out to a desolate place, and there he prayed. And Simon and those who were with him searched for him, and they found him and said to him, "Everyone is looking for you." And he said to them, "Let us go on to the next towns, that I may

preach there also, for that is why I came out." And he went throughout all Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out demons.

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to You, O Christ.

THE HYMN: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Hymn 790

- 1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!O my soul, praise Him, for He is your health and salvation!Let all who hear Now to His temple draw near, Joining in glad adoration!
- 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning And, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining. Have you not seen All that is needful has been Sent by His gracious ordaining?
- Praise to the Lord, who has fearfully, wondrously, made you,
 Health has bestowed and, when heedlessly falling, has stayed you.
 What need or grief Ever has failed of relief? Wings of His mercy did shade you.
- 4 Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you; Surely His goodness and mercy shall daily attend you. Ponder anew What the Almighty can do As with His love He befriends you.
- 5 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him! All that has life and breath, come now with praises before Him! Let the Amen Sound from His people again; Gladly forever adore Him!

THE SERMON: "Accommodation without Compromise"

+++ 11:15 THE 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.

+++ 9:00 & 7:00 THE 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.

THE PRAYERS

+++ 11:15 HOLY COMMUNION, page 208

Preface

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

Sanctus

C Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;

Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.

Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;

Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord's Prayer

The Words of Our Lord

- P Our Lord Jesus Christ,... This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

 Pax Domini
- P The peace of the Lord be with you always. C **Amen. Agnus Dei**
- C O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away; O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray. O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away; Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray

During Distribution: Hymns: 620, 528, 578

620 Jesus Comes Today with Healing

- 1 Jesus comes today with healing, Knocking at my door, appealing, Off'ring pardon, grace, and peace. He Himself makes preparation, And I hear His invitation: "Come and taste the blessèd feast."
- 2 Christ Himself, the priest presiding, Yet in bread and wine abiding In this holy sacrament, Gives the bread of life, once broken, And the cup, the precious token Of His sacred covenant.
- 3 Under bread and wine, though lowly, I receive the Savior holy, Blood and body, giv'n for me, Very Lamb of God from heaven, Who to bitter death was given, Hung upon the cursèd tree.
- 4 God descends with heav'nly power, Gives Himself to me this hour In this ordinary sign. On my tongue His pledge receiving, I accept His grace, believing That I taste His love divine.
- 5 Let me praise God's boundless favor, Whose own feast of love I savor, Bidden by His gracious call. Wedding garments He provides me, With a robe of white He hides me, Fits me for the royal hall.
- 6 Now have I found consolation, Comfort in my tribulation,
 Balm to heal the troubled soul. God, my shield from ev'ry terror,
 Cleanses me from sin and error, Makes my wounded spirit whole.
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 528 Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing
- 1 Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing My great Redeemer's praise, The glories of my God and King, The triumphs of His grace!

- 2 My gracious Master and my God, Assist me to proclaim, To spread through all the earth abroad, The honors of Thy name.
- 3 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.
- 4 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.
- 5 Look unto Him, ye nations; own Your God, ye fallen race. Look and be saved through faith alone, Be justified by grace.
- 6 See all your sins on Jesus laid; The Lamb of God was slain. His soul was once an off'ring made For ev'ry soul of man.
- 7 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. Text: Public domain

578 Thy Strong Word

- 1 Thy strong word did cleave the darkness; At Thy speaking it was done. For created light we thank Thee, While Thine ordered seasons run. Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send! Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!
- 2 Lo, on those who dwelt in darkness, Dark as night and deep as death, Broke the light of Thy salvation, Breathed Thine own life-breathing breath. Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send! Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!
- 3 Thy strong Word bespeaks us righteous; Bright with Thine own holiness, Glorious now, we press toward glory, And our lives our hopes confess. Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send! Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!
- 4 From the cross Thy wisdom shining Breaketh forth in conqu'ring might; From the cross forever beameth All Thy bright redeeming light. Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send! Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!
- 5 Give us lips to sing Thy glory, Tongues Thy mercy to proclaim, Throats that shout the hope that fills us, Mouths to speak Thy holy name. Alleluia, alleluia! May the light which Thou dost send Fill our songs with alleluias, Alleluias without end!
- 6 God the Father, light-creator, To Thee laud and honor be. To Thee, Light of Light begotten, Praise be sung eternally.

Holy Spirit, light-revealer, Glory, glory be to Thee. Mortals, angels, now and ever Praise the holy Trinity! Text: © 1969 Concordia Publishing House. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110001725

Nunc Dimittis

O Lord, now let Your servant Depart in heav'nly peace, For I have seen the glory Of Your redeeming grace: A light to lead the Gentiles Unto Your holy hill, The glory of Your people, Your chosen Israel. All glory to the Father, All glory to the Son, All glory to the Spirit, Forever Three in One; For as in the beginning, Is now, shall ever be, God's triune name resounding Through all eternity.

THE POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

THE BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION

P Let us bless the Lord. C **Thanks be to God.** P The Lord bless you and keep you... C **Amen**

THE CLOSING HYMN: "Fight the Good Fight"

Hymn 664

- 1 Fight the good fight with all your might; Christ is your strength, and Christ your right. Lay hold on life, and it shall be Your joy and crown eternally.
- 2 Run the straight race through God's good grace;Lift up your eyes, and seek His face.Life with its way before us lies;Christ is the path, and Christ the prize.
- 3 Cast care aside, lean on your guide; His boundless mercy will provide. Trust, and enduring faith shall prove Christ is your life and Christ your love.
- 4 Faint not nor fear, His arms are near; He changes not who holds you dear; Only believe, and you will see That Christ is all eternally.

THE POSTLUDE: "Prelude in C Minor" - A Soler

Preacher: Vicar Fredstrom Liturgists: Pastor Bloch & Pastor Blomenberg

Lector: Pastor Rodriguez Organist: Paul Scheiderer

9:00 Special Music: Youth Choir, Children's Choir & Church Handbells

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