



every living creature, that was its name. <sup>20</sup>The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. <sup>21</sup>So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. <sup>22</sup>And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. <sup>23</sup>Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken." <sup>24</sup>Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

R: This is the word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### **Second Reading: Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12**

<sup>1</sup>Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, <sup>2</sup>but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. <sup>3</sup>He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, <sup>4</sup>having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs. <sup>2:5</sup>Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. <sup>6</sup>But someone has testified somewhere, "What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them? <sup>7</sup>You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, <sup>8</sup>subjecting all things under their feet." Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, <sup>9</sup>but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. <sup>10</sup>It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. <sup>11</sup>For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, <sup>12</sup>saying, "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

R: This is the word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**L:** The Holy Gospel according to Mark the tenth chapter beginning at verse two.

**All: Glory to you, O Lord.**

**Gospel: Mark 10:2-16**

<sup>2</sup>Some Pharisees came, and to test [Jesus] they asked, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?” <sup>3</sup>He answered them, “What did Moses command you?” <sup>4</sup>They said, “Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her.” <sup>5</sup>But Jesus said to them, “Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. <sup>6</sup>But from the beginning of creation, ‘God made them male and female.’ <sup>7</sup>For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, <sup>8</sup>and the two shall become one flesh.’ So they are no longer two, but one flesh. <sup>9</sup>Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.” <sup>10</sup>Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. <sup>11</sup>He said to them, “Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; <sup>12</sup>and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.” <sup>13</sup>People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. <sup>14</sup>But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, “Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. <sup>15</sup>Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.” <sup>16</sup>And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

L: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

**All: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Children’s Message**

**Message**

**Song-Sunday 8a.m. “Our Father, By Whose Name” ELW # 640**

**10:30a.m. “None But Jesus”**

**Wednesday 6p.m. “God, When Human Bonds Are Broken” ELW # 603**

**Apostles’ Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s 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. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## Prayers of Intercession-see insert

### Offering

**Sunday 8.a.m. & Wednesday 6p.m. ONLY**

#### Offering Song-“Share The Spirit”

Open my hand, open my heart; Teach me to share the spirit of your love.  
Open my hand, open my heart; So I can spread the peace; That flows from  
heaven above. I'll share the spirit, share the spirit; I'll open wide and  
celebrate your love. I'll share the spirit, Share the spirit, open my life to  
celebrate God's love.

Music and words by Connie Jueds, 1996

#### Offering Prayer

P: Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these  
gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through  
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**All: Amen.**

#### The 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.

### Announcements

**Song-Sun. 8a.m. & Wed. 6p.m. “Blest Be the Time That Binds”ELW# 656**  
**10:30a.m. “The New Song We Sing”**

#### Blessing

L: God all mighty, God most merciful ✠ bless you, keep you, and give you peace.

**All: Amen.**

#### Dismissal

L: Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

#### Postlude-Abide, O Dearest Jesus-Max Reger

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