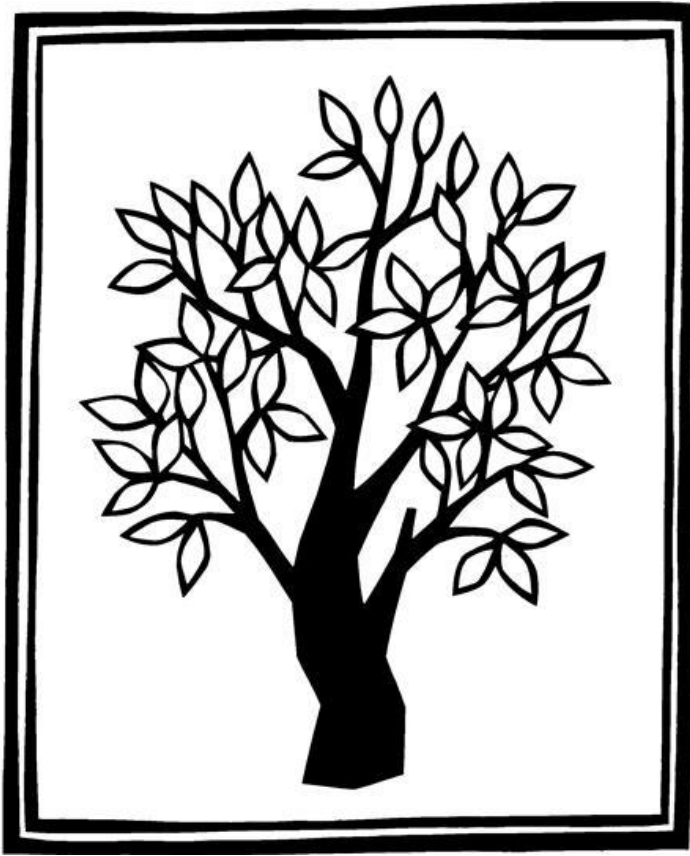


GRACE AT HOME



12TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

THE GIFTS ARE IRREVOCABLE

Thus says the Lord GOD, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, I will gather others to them besides those already gathered. – Isaiah 56:8

In Isaiah we hear that God's house shall be a house of prayer for all people and that God will gather the outcasts of Israel. The Canaanite woman in today's gospel is a Gentile, an outsider, who is unflinching in her request that Jesus heal her daughter. As Jesus commends her bold faith, how might our church extend its mission to those on the margins of society? In our gathering around word and meal we receive strength to be signs of comfort, healing, and justice for those in need.

Cheerfully



1 There's a wide-ness in God's mer-cy Like the wide-ness of the sea;
 2 There is no place where earth's sor-rows Are more felt than up in heav'n;
 3 For the love of God is broad-er Than the mea-sure of man's mind;

There's a kind-ness in his jus-tice, Which is more than lib-er-ty.
 There is no place where earth's fail-ings Have such kind-ly judg-ment giv'n.
 And the heart of the E-ter-nal Is most won-der-ful-ly kind.

There is wel-come for the sin-ner, And more gra-ces for the good;
 There is plen-ti-ful re-demp-tion In the blood that has been shed;
 If our love were but more sim-ple, We should take him at his word;

There is mer-cy with the Sa-viour; There is heal-ing in his blood.
 There is joy for all the mem-bers In the sor-rows of the Head.
 And our lives would be all sun-shine In the sweet-ness of the Lord.

PSALM FOR THE WEEK

Psalm 67

ROMANS READING

Matthew 15:21-28

QUESTIONS TO TALK ABOUT AT HOME

1. What do we know about the woman? Who is she?
2. Why does she need Jesus' help?
3. Why did Jesus not answer her?
4. What do you think of Jesus' answer to His disciples? His answer to the woman?
5. What does she say that gets Him to heal her daughter?
6. What does this story teach us about God, Jesus, and mercy?

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

God of all peoples, your arms reach out to embrace all those who call upon you. Teach us as disciples of your Son to love the world with compassion and constancy, that your name may be known throughout the earth, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

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We will not hide them from their children, but tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the LORD, and his might, and the wonders that he has done. – Psalm 78:4



Classes Resume September 13th!



DAILY READINGS

Mon. – Matt 10:1-16; Isaiah 50
Tues. – Luke 7:36-50; Isaiah 51
Wed. – Mark 13:1-23; Isaiah 52
Thur. – John 5:2-29; Isaiah 53
Fri. – John 5:30-47; Isaiah 54

GOD'S WORD BY HEART

The eyes of all wait upon you, O Lord, and you give them their food in due season. You open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing. – Psalm 145:15-16

CATECHISM CORNER

BAPTISM

What is baptism?

Baptism is not simply plain water. Instead, it is water used according to God's command and connected with God's word.

What then is this word of God?

Where our Lord Christ says in Matthew 28, "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit."

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