

Old Testament Reading:

Isaiah 56:1, 6–8

¹ Thus 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—

⁷ these 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.”

⁸ The Lord God,
who gathers the outcasts of Israel,
declares,
“I will gather yet others to him
besides those already gathered.”

Epistle:

Romans 11:1–2a, 13–15, 28–32

¹I ask, then, has God rejected his
people? By no means! For I myself
am an Israelite, a descendant of Abra-
ham, a member of the tribe of Benja-
min. ^{2a}God has not rejected his people
whom he foreknew. . . .

¹³Now I am speaking to you Gen-
tiles. 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 irrevoc-
able. ³⁰Just as you were at one time
disobedient to God but now have
received mercy because of their dis-
obedience, 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 con-
signed all to disobedience, that he may
have mercy on all.

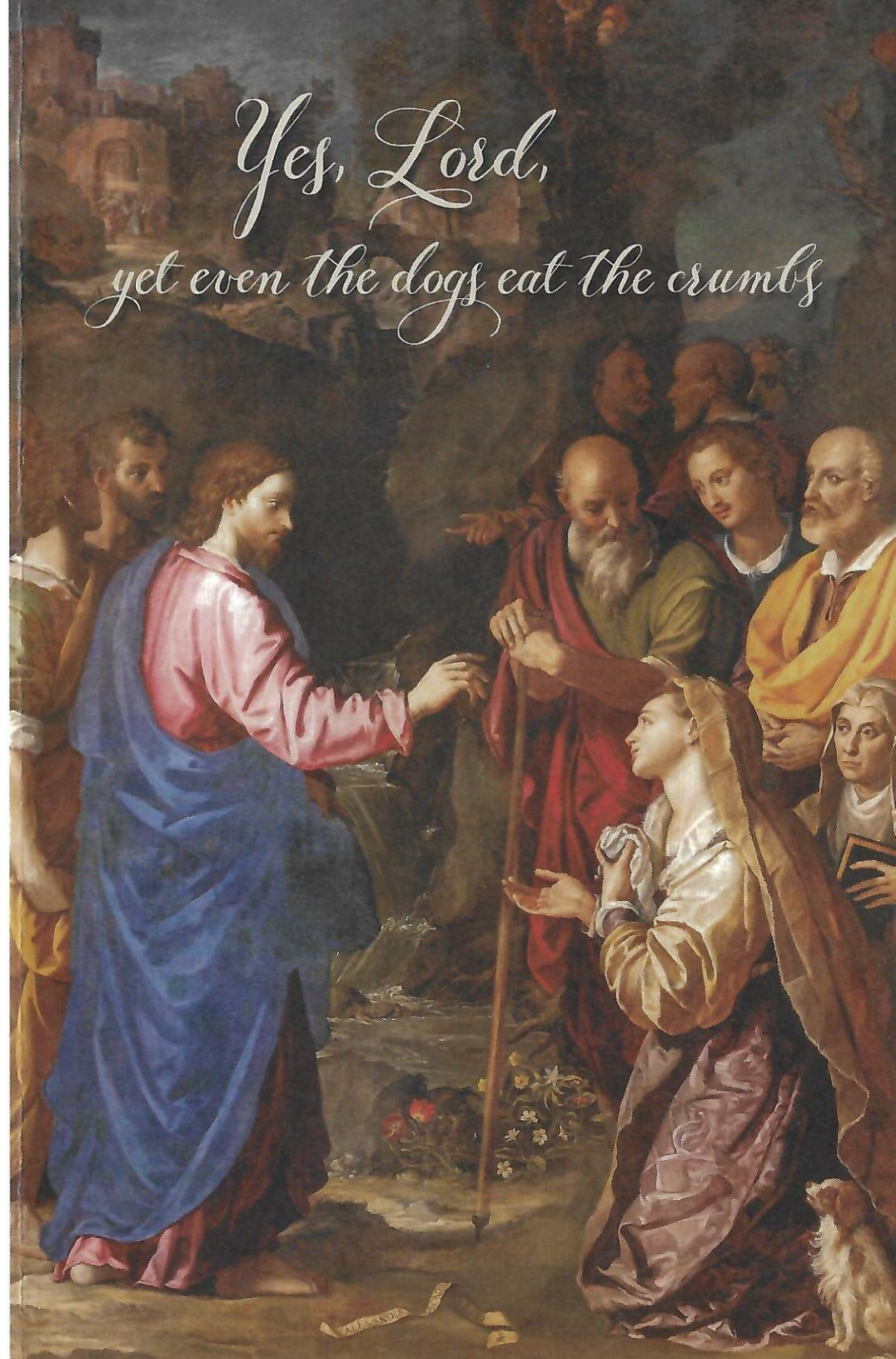
Holy Gospel: Matthew 15:21–28

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, say-
ing, “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.

About the Cover: As a Gentile, the Canaanite woman knelt from the outside looking in as she begged Jesus to heal her daughter, who was possessed by a demon. Jesus tested the woman to reveal a faith that even crumbs from the Lord would provide for her deepest need. Jesus does not overlook us either. To the world, it may look like crumbs, but just a little word from Jesus works the miracle of faith to receive the salvation and eternal life that He has accomplished for us through His cross and resurrection.



Pentecost



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DIVINE WORSHIP -10AM

**12th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
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Hymn . . . “The Lord, My God, Be Praised” LSB #794

Divine Service Three

Invocation

Confession & Absolution p.184 LSB

Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Our help is in the name of the Lord.

Who made heaven and earth.

I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

(PAUSE FOR SELF EXAMINATION)

O almighty God, merciful Father,

I a poor miserable sinner, confess to You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserve Your punishment now and forever. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent,

bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being.

Upon this your confession, I as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Introit

Surely God is my help;

The Lord is the one who sustains me.

Praise the Lord. Praise, O Servants of the Lord,

Praise the name of the Lord.

Let the name of the Lord be praised,

Both now and forevermore.

From the rising of the sun to the place where it sets

The name of the Lord is to be praised.

He raises the poor from the dust

And lifts the needy from the ash heap;

He seats them with princes,

With the Princes of their people. 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.

Kyrie, “Gloria In Excelsis”, Salutation & Collect p.186-189

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Hymn . . . “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” #790

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Prayers of the Church

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Lord’s Prayer

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I Want to Remember _____

What Response Does God Want? _____
