



Jesus and the Canaanite Woman

Matthew 15:21-28

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LAURENS, NY

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+ **Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost** +
Holy Communion (LBW Setting 1)
August 20th, 2023

(* = Stand as you are able; LBW = Lutheran Book of Worship-green book)

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome

Parish News

Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness

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* **Entrance Hymn**

Dearest Jesus, at Your Word

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* **Apostolic Greeting & Kyrie**

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* **Hymn of Praise:**

This is the feast . . .

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(1-women, 2-men)

* **First Prayer** (*6th Century Leonine -- revised*)

Almighty, eternal God, increase in us your gifts of faith, hope and love. And in order that love may abide in us, help us to celebrate what your love has done for us, through Jesus Christ, your Son our Lord. He lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Musical Offering

WORD

First Lesson: Isaiah 56:1, 6-8 A lesson from Isaiah:

Thus says the Lord: Maintain justice, and do what is right,
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,

all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it,
and hold 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] Thus says the Lord God,
who gathers the outcasts of Israel,

I will gather others to them
besides those already gathered.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalmody: 67 (tones 26-single; 9-double)

May God be gracious to / us and bless us*

and make his face to / shine upon us,

that your way may be known / upon earth,*

your saving power a- / mong all nations.

Let the peoples praise / you, O God;*

let all the / peoples praise you.

Let the nations be glad and / sing for joy,*

for you judge the peoples with equity

and guide the nations / upon earth.

Let the peoples praise / you, O God;*

let all the / peoples praise you.

The earth has yielded / its increase;*

God, our God, / has blessed us.

May God continue / to bless us;*

let all the ends of the / earth revere him.

Glory to the Father, and / to the Son,* and to the / Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginn- / ing, is now,* and will be forev- / er. Amen.

Second Lesson: Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

A lesson from Romans:

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. [2] God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. [29] for the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. [30] Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, [31] so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. [32] For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

* **Alleluia Verse**

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* **Gospel Acclamation** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

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Holy Gospel: Matthew 15:10-28 **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Then he called the crowd to him and said to them, "Listen and understand: [11] it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles." [12] Then the disciples approached and said to him, "Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?" [13] He answered, "Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. [14] Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit." [15] But Peter said to him, "Explain this parable to us." [16] Then he said, "Are you also still without understanding? [17] Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? [18] But what

comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. [19] For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. [20] These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile."

[21] Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. [22] Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." [23] But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." [24] He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." [25] But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." [26] He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." [27] She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." [28] Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ

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Homily

SAM Tom Collins (A/ St. M)
Pr. Paul (E/ St. J)

* **Hymn of the Day**

Come, ye Disconsolate

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RESPONSE

* **Apostles' Creed**

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* **Prayers of the Church**

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First Intercession:

Almighty God, we praise you for the promising opportunities that you program into our daily lives. You honor us by your willingness to use us to accomplish your way; you lead us to the places where the gifts you have given us can be exercised. May our joy be ever more the satisfaction of having been your servant for the good of your helpless ones. Let mercy stir us to imitate your Son.

* **Sharing the Peace of the Lord**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Offering

Musical Offering

* **Presentation of Gifts and Offertory**

Let the Vineyards

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*** Offertory Prayer**

Almighty Father, you open your hand with a harvest that can satisfy all your creatures. With these offerings we pledge to share your gifts. Help us to see you working through our charity, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

MEAL

*** Great Thanksgiving/Dialog**

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Preface & Sanctus *Holy, Holy, Holy*

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*** Eucharistic Prayer & Lord's Prayer**

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Agnus Dei *Lamb of God*

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Distribution Hymns

LBW #479, 203, 406

*** Post Communion Blessing & Canticle** *Thank the Lord . . .*

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*** Post Communion Prayer**

O Lord, may we who have received you in the eating and drinking of this Sacrament, forever abide in you because you now abide in us. We bless you now and evermore. **Amen.**

SENDING

*** Benediction**

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*** Recessional Hymn**

How Great Thou Art

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*** Dismissal**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Pastors Pericope Paragraph 8/20

(a "pericope" is a selected reading from scripture used as a lesson at worship)

Jesus preaches to fellow Jews and to foreign gentiles. He is hard on both, but shows unexpected mercy to the one who needs and welcomes it (Gospel). All who keep shabbat - ALL will be welcomed, as God gathers ALL His people who are the outcasts of this world's folly.

(1st lesson). Do Jews need to "accept" Jesus as Lord and Savior or are the promises of God, once given, still valid? "God has NOT rejected His people!" (2d lesson).

Weekly Worship Practice:

Please turn off cell phones and pagers or switch to silent mode when entering the sanctuary, so we can all enjoy a quiet and stress-free environment in which to pray and reflect.

All baptized Christians are welcome to God's Table of Grace.

All the baptized may commune in the OCLP with no age restriction. Those not yet communing of any age and for any reason may come forward to receive a verbal blessing. Indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest. Baptized children may begin communing after parents have consulted with Pastor. The Lutheran Church believes, teaches and confesses that in, with and through the elements of bread and wine, Our Lord gives us His true body and blood for the forgiveness of our sin and the salvation of our lives. Anyone who has a legitimate impediment to receiving either element of the meal may receive in one kind only (bread or wine) and trust the Lord's grace that they are receiving full communion. Members, please fill out a "Voice From the Pew" folder to record your communion at least once a year. This is a constitutional requirement to determine our "Active" Voting membership roster. Thank You.

In the OCLP We Practice The "Reserved Sacrament". When laity "preside" at Holy Communion, they will use elements (bread and wine) previously consecrated by Pr. Paul at a prior worship service. Reserved elements are kept in an ambry for subsequent use in worship and distribution to the sick and shut-ins.

+OCLP+

We welcome SAM Tom Collins to lead worship at Atonement and St. Matthew
 Next Sunday Deacon Dave Forbes will lead worship at Evangelical and St. John

Serving Today	Atonement	Evangelical	St. Matthew
Asst. Minister	Peg Serra-Lima	Lee Sliviak	Jim Crouthamel
Comm. Asst.	Peg Serra-Lima	Cindy L	
Lector	Cindy Heaney	Gabe L	Dave Forbes
Cantor	Peg Serra-Lima	Gabe L	
*Altar Care	Christine Brown	Carol B & Dorothy	
Ushers/Greeters	John Mushtare & Victor G	Pelcers	
Coffee Hour			
Acolyte	Logan Temming	Max Pelcer	Victoria Stevens
Sound System		Sliviak	
Bell Ringer			
Church Cleaner			

Readings Through This Week

See website: <https://www.otsegocountylutheranparish.com>

+Prayers of the Church+

(Please take this prayer list home and use with your personal devotion time)

+Atonement+

For healing in body, mind and spirit in our own congregation: Joan Lambiaso, Rebecca Pollack (Joan Carman), Juan Perez (D. Sherrill), Bridgette Shepardson (Thompson), Rene Prins, Heather Mendoza, Grace & Chuck Dietzman, Rita Nelson, Thoranne Winkler, Monica Koulis (Winkler), Valerie England, Jennifer Carman, Lisa Cooper (Syvertsen), Janna Benston (Sherrill), Gary Williams, Jill A. (Cindy), Jason Pallack (Carman), Barb Delaney (Serra-Lima/ Winkler), Stash Tarka (Thompson), Ed (Joe Sherrill), Doug & Barbara Gee

For senior and/ or homebound members and friends: Linda Syvertsen

For young adult: Evan Heaney

+Evangelical+

For healing in body, mind and spirit in our own congregation: Yvonne Cornell, Alex Reynolds (C. Butts), Marilyn Urbiss (Burda), Roz Winne (C. Butts), Janet Underwood (Burda), Gloria Hendricks, Susan Howard, John & Pam Miller, David Glynn, Bill Jacobson (D. Brown), Kenny Medor (Butts), Joan Ackerman (Butts), Ansley (Butts), Wendy Wenck Craighill (Miller), Julie Sharrett, Lynne Hecker

For senior and/ or homebound members and friends: Yvonne Cornell

For Young Adult: Abe Lippitt

+St. Matthew+

For healing in body, mind and spirit in our own congregation: Scott Forbes, Tina Keator, Sherrie Roy (Lawyer), Barbara Gesile, Gina Pywar, Melissa McLaughlin (S. Eggers), Cathy Walsh (Stevens), Owen Basher (Marsh), Rennie Brown (Janet), Jason Hahn, Kathy & Rich Parsons, Maureen McAndrew (Greenleaf), Mike McAndrew (Greenleaf), Jack Anthony (Stevens), Troy Lutz (Bush), Alan & Linda Peeters, Corinne Pollak, James Wikoff (Hulbert), Vicky Vesely (Bush), Helmut Boehl, Ray Gilmore (Winslow), Anna Elwyn (Rose Nelson), Ellie Bauman, Carol Evans, Patti Hulbert

For senior and/ or homebound members and friends: Roberta Vesely

For Young Adult: Jordan Shaul

+Beyond the Parish+

For healing in body, mind and spirit: Jackie Hesse (Lawyer), Rosemary Pepe (Eggers), Dorothy Fernandez, (Eggers), Dick Armstrong, Gina Utter (Thompson), Cathy Deleski (Thompson), Alicia Biesler (Thompson), Margie Ortega (Thompson), Pr Lynn Ash, former President Jimmy Carter & 1st Lady Rosalyn Carter, David Wolff, Davilynn Cifonelli (Doane-Nelson), Kathryn Morris (Messner), Sue Stevens (Mansbach), Joe Bales (Messner), Dave Powell (Simmerly), The Rev Richard Johnson (STS, Lutheran Forum Letter, editor), The Rev Pari Bailey (STS Treasurer), Robert Potter (Crouthamel), Janet Testa (Shear)

For those celebrating marriage: Colleen (Fellner) & Joseph Tecklenburg

For those preparing for childbirth: Pastor Phil & Rachel Roushey

For those in the military, law enforcement and emergency services: Hanley Metzler (U.S. Army, deployed)

In the Foothills Conference: Campus ministries especially those in our Conference: Hartwick College, SUNY Oneonta, SUNY Delhi, SUNY Cobleskill, Fulton-Montgomery Community College

Natural/Man-made Disasters: Victims of violence in our cities, suburbs and rural communities; those struggling with economic conditions, food insecurity, and homelessness

National/ International Concerns: For all refugees and migrants and those contending with the continuing crisis on our northern & southern borders; the people of Ukraine, Russia, Israel, Palestine

**+Blessed are the Dead+
Who Die in the Lord**

+ Elsie Nigro +
(7/22/33 – 4/11/22)

+ The Rt. Rev. Dan Herzog +
Bishop (Retired) Diocese of Albany, Episcopal Church USAS
(1941 – 2023)

+ The Rev. Larry Stiles +
(1939 – 2023)
Former pastor of Zion Lutheran Church, Cobleskill

+ Parish News and Notes +

+ A special welcome to all visitors, friends and guests. Please fill out a Voice from the Pew folder and sign our Guest Book. Please include your complete mailing, e-mail address, and phone number. If you are new to the community or are looking for a Church Home, please let us know how we can be of service and consider our Christian family your own.

Attendance & Offering Statistics

Date	Atonement	Evangelical	St. Matthew	St. John
8/13	33/ 828	12/ 501	12/ 696	7/ 215
8/16	1/ 98	1/ 58	8/ 273	
**	(\$1,290)	(\$850)	(\$1,309)	

**** Needed to meet weekly expenses**

+ THIS WEEK +

+ Today Sunday 8/20
Holy Communion

+ Wednesday 8/23
7:30am St. Matthew – worship
10:30am Clergy Bible Study, Christ Church, Cooperstown
Noon Evangelical – devotions
7:00pm Atonement – worship

+ Saturday 8/26
OCLP Deacon’s Breakfast, St. John, 8:30am
Memorial Service for Kevin Bonney

+ COMING UP +

+ Next Sunday 8/27
Service of Word & Prayer
Atonement Council follows worship

+ Friday & Saturday 9/ 1-2 & 9/ 8-9
Evangelical Rummage Sale

+ Sunday 9/3
St. Matthew “Sundae Sunday” community event follows worship

Come, Ye Disconsolate [H]

C F C F G⁷ C

1 Come, ye dis - con - so - late, wher - e'er ye lan - guish;
 2 Joy of the des - o - late, light of the stray - ing,
 3 Here see the Bread of life; see wa - ters flow - ing

F G D G

come to the mer - cy - seat, fer - vent - ly kneel.
 hope of the pen - i - tent, fade - less and pure;
 forth from the throne of God, pure from a - bove.

C Em F G C F G C

Here bring your wound - ed hearts, here tell your an - guish;
 here speaks the Com - fort - er, ten - der - ly say - ing,
 Come to the feast of love; come, ev - er know - ing

F Dm C G C

earth has no sor - row that heav'n can - not heal.
 "Earth has no sor - row that heav'n can - not cure."
 earth has no sor - row but heav'n can re - move.

OCLP DIRECTORY UPDATES

This summer the OCLP office will be updating our membership records and creating a new directory for each of our member churches. To assist in this matter, all members are requested to submit the following information. Please fill out the following form for each member of your family using one form per person. Submissions should be received by the OCLP office ASAP.

Congregation _____

Senior ___ Adult ___ Young Adult ___ Youth ___ Friend of ___

Name _____

Address _____

Phone (Home) _____ (Cell) _____

Email _____

Please do not include the following information in the directory
(Your name will still be listed in the membership roster)

Address _____ Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ Email _____

I would be interested in receiving a digital copy of the directory

Yes _____ No _____

I would be interested in receiving a physical copy of the directory

Yes _____ No _____

Otsego Country Lutheran Parish

Lutheran Church of the Atonement, Oneonta, NY
Sunday Worship 10:30 am (Holy Communion 1st and 3rd Sundays + festivals)
John Mushtare: President
Leslie Bauer: Organist

Evangelical Lutheran Church, Hartwick Seminary, NY
Sunday Worship 9:15 am (Holy Communion 1st and 3rd Sundays + festivals)
Tami Pelcer: President
Donna Brown: Organist

St. John Lutheran Church, West Burlington, NY
Sunday Worship 11:15 am (Holy Communion 2nd and 4th Sundays + festivals)
Paul Hecker: President
Ethel Mills: Accompanist

St. Matthew Lutheran Church, Laurens, NY
Sunday Worship 8:30 am (Holy Communion 1st and 3rd Sundays + festivals)
Ed Winslow: President
Janet Brown: Organist

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(texting is often the most effective way to reach pastor)

Services of Healing are usually held on the 5th Sunday of a month

<http://facebook.com/oclpny/>
<http://otsegocountylutheranparish.com>

Any news/ announcements/ or other information that you wish to have included in the weekly service bulletin must be received by Pr. Paul no later than 9am on Thursday of that week. Items received after this time cannot be guaranteed to appear in that week's bulletin.

Items should be emailed to the OCLP office and appear exactly as you wish them to in the bulletin.