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**Prayer:** Almighty, Kind, Loving Heavenly Father, it is only by Your gift of grace in Christ Jesus, that I come into Your presence and offer true and faithful service. Grant that my worship on earth may always be pleasing to You, and in the life to come give me the fulfillment of what You have promised; through the merits and intercession of Your Son Jesus Christ my Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. AMEN



### **Order of Worship – The Common Service With L.S. – pg. 15**

- Greeting by the Pastor

- Invocation (Liturgy pg. 15)

Opening Hymn **C.W. 584 / TLH 541** sung by the Congregation

- Confession of Sins

- Absolution

- Prayer and Praise (pg. 16)

- Prayer of The Day (pg. 17)

**First Lesson** – Isaiah 56:1-8 – God’s House is for All Nations.

**PSALM OF THE DAY** Psalm 133-134 (C.W. pg. 115 – Sung by Cantor)

**Second Lesson** – Romans 11:11-16; 25-32 – All Israel Saved.

**Gospel Lesson** – Matthew 15:21-28 – A Gentile Woman’s Faith.

**Nicene Creed** by the Congregation: (Liturgy pg. 18)

Sermon Hymn: **C.W. 405 / TLH 396** sung by the Congregation

**Sermon Text:** Romans 11:25-27

Sermon Theme: All Israel Will Be Saved.

"Create in Me" – (pg. 20)

Offering (The plates will not be passed but are at the entrance doors)

Offering Prayer

Prayer of The Church

Lord’s Prayer

**Communion Liturgy** (Liturgy - pg. 21)

*Sanctus* (Holy, Holy, Holy – Liturgy pg. 22)

Words of Institution (Liturgy pg. 23)

**Agnus Dei** (O Christ Lamb of God – Lit. pg. 23)

RECEPTION of Christ’s Body & Blood which are Really Present, In / With and Under the Bread and the Wine for the forgiveness of sins.

Communion Hymn **C.W. 310 vss. 1 & 15 / TLH 315** sung by the Congregation after everyone has communed including the Pastor

*Nunc Dimittis* (Song of Simeon - Liturgy pg. 24)

Collect / Prayer (pg. 24)

Benediction

Closing Hymn **C.W. 566 / TLH 492** sung by the Congregation.

**Dear Guests!** – Welcome to St. John’s! It is an honor and joy that you were able to come and join together with us in public worship of our Lord. If you would like to learn more about the Holy Bible or would like to become a member, please contact the Pastor either via phone or e-mail as noted on the back cover.

## Wherever You Are, There Is God’s Mission Field.

SERMON TEXT: Romans 11:25-27

Vs. 25 – I do not want you to be ignorant of this mystery, brothers, so that you may not be - *πρωωσις* - conceited: Israel has experienced a hardening in part until the full number of the Gentiles - *εθνη* - (Nations) has come in.

Vs. 26 – And so **all Israel will be saved**, as it is written: The Deliverer will come from Zion; He will turn godlessness away from Jacob.

Vs. 27 – And this is My covenant with them when I take away their sins.

GREETING: Jesus says: heaven & Earth will pass away, but My Words will never pass away. . (Matt. 24:35)

How many people will be in heaven?

In **Revelation 7:9-10** this question is answered.

**“After this I (The Apostle John) looked and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people, and language, standing before the throne and in front of the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. And they cried out in a loud voice: Salvation belongs to our God, Who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb.”**

Even though this passage from Revelation chapter seven does not give us an exact number, we are told that it is “A Great Multitude”.

We are also told that this “Great Multitude” will come from “EVERY nation, tribe, people and language.”

Today in this section of Paul’s letter to the Romans chapter eleven, the Apostle Paul refers to those who are saved as “ALL Israel”.

“All Israel” includes all those who believe in Jesus as their One and Only Savior from sin from among the Jewish nation and all those who believe in Jesus as their One and Only Savior from sin among the Gentiles.

This word – Gentiles – is important to us, because that includes those of us who are not Jewish.

Gentiles includes all the other nations of the earth.

Thus, Salvation in Christ Jesus has come to both Jew and Gentile.

As the Apostle Paul writes these words of the Lord God to the congregation of Believers in Rome (many of them Gentiles) and to us, The Apostle Paul warns against become conceited (stubborn pride).

The Jewish nation as a whole had hardened its heart against Jesus their Savior, (Yet there are some Jews who believe in Jesus as their Savior: Example – Peter-James-John-The Apostle Paul – Abraham-Isaac-Jacob-Moses) and so God in His Grace and mercy sent messengers to proclaim the message of Salvation to the Gentiles.

Of which the Apostle Paul was one of those messengers.

We see that the loss of the Jewish people is gain for the Gentiles.

But to this, God through the Apostle Paul warns the Gentiles not to be conceited / stubborn into thinking that God cannot and will not take the message of salvation away from them.

In verses prior to our text we as Gentiles are told:

**Romans 11:22-24 – “Consider therefore the kindness and sternness of God: sternness to those who fell (Jews), but kindness to you (Gentiles), provided that you continue in his kindness. Otherwise, you also will be cut off. 23 And if they (Jews) do not persist in unbelief, they will be grafted in, for God is able to graft them in again. 24 After all, if you (Gentiles) were cut out of an olive tree that is wild by nature, and contrary to nature were grafted into a cultivated olive tree, how much more readily will these (Jews), the natural branches, be grafted into their own olive tree!”**

There are some teachers of Scripture who falsely teach that the Lord Jesus will come and establish some type of earthly kingdom in Jerusalem before Judgment Day.

We know this is false because Jesus Himself told Pontius Pilate: “*My Kingdom is Not of This World.*” (John 18:36).

There are also some teachers of Scripture who falsely teach that there will be a mass conversion of Jews and that Every Single Jew by blood will be in heaven.

Unfortunately: Vs. 25b - “**Israel has experienced a hardening in part until the full number of the Gentiles - εθνῶν - (Nations) has come in.**”

It would be nice if every single Jew who ever lived ended up in heaven, unfortunately we know that there were those Jews who saw Jesus when He walked upon this earth, and yet they plotted on how they might kill Him (Luke 22:2, John 5:18), and then they joined together by crying out: (Mark 15:14; John 19:15) “Crucify Him.”

By Grace, though Faith in Christ Jesus, we are part of New Testament Israel.

We are by God’s Grace “Children of Abraham and heirs of Eternal Life in heaven.”

We know this because God through His Holy writers tells us, specifically in Paul's letter to the Galatians.

**Galatians 3:6-9** – Consider Abraham: He believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness. 7 – Understand then, that those who believe are children of Abraham. 8 – The Scripture foresaw that God would justify the Gentiles by faith and announced the gospel in advance to Abraham. ‘All nations will be blessed through you. 9 – So those who have faith are blessed along with Abraham, the man of faith.’”

**Galatians 3:29** – “If you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.”

Fellow believers in Christ, and part of “All Israel”, how many individuals do you know personally who have stood before the altar of God, and promised to be faithful to God all the days of their life, even unto death, and yet they are .....???

The Lord God has sent the Deliverer from Zion. His name is Jesus Christ.  
Jesus is The Lamb of God Who has taken away the sin of the World.  
Jesus is The Deliverer, the One Who has Rescued us from sin, death and hell. The One Who has defeated Satan and won heaven for us.

The Lord God in His grace has grafted us into Christ through the Gospel in Word and Sacrament, and we are now part of “ALL Israel”.  
So do not jump out of the Hand of the Lord Jesus - our Savior. (John 10:28-29)

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THEME: All Israel Will Be Saved!