

THE ORDER FOR GROUND-BREAKING
of
THE NEW ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

7th Sunday after Trinity, July 20, 1958

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

R. Amen.

O Lord, open Thou my lips:

R. And my mouth shall show forth Thy praise.

Make haste, O God, to deliver me:

R. Make haste to help me, O Lord.

Our help is in the Name of the Lord:

R. Who made heaven and earth.

Except the Lord build the house:

R. They labor in vain that build it.

Blessed are they that dwell in Thy house:

R. They will be still praising Thee.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:

R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Psalm 100 (read responsively)

Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands:
serve the Lord with gladness, come before his presence
with singing.

Know ye that the Lord he is God: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his Name.

For the Lord is good, his mercy is everlasting: and his truth endureth to all generations.

The LESSON: Exodus 3:1-6

Lord, have mercy upon us.

R. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

R. Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

R. Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

The Prayers

(The Pastor shall then take the spade and go to the place prepared for the ground-breaking and shall say the Invocation and Intercession here following. As he names each Person of the Holy Trinity in the Invocation, he shall turn over a spadeful of earth.)

In the Faith of Jesus Christ this work is begun and this ground is broken, In the Name and to the glory of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: That true faith may flourish here and the fear of God and love of the brethren; and that this may be a place destined for prayer and the invocation and adoration of the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, Who with the Father, and the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth, One God, world without end. Amen.

Bless we the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

The BENEDICTION