# 10<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (DIVINE SERVICE 4)

AUGUST 17, 2025 8:00 AND 11:00

WELCOME GUESTS If you're looking for a church home, we hope you'll consider Redeemer. Check out the resources on the information cart, the library in the narthex, or www.redeemer-lutheran.net. If you have questions about this congregation or about the Lutheran Church, feel free to ask an usher or the Pastor. Please fill out a fellowship card (found in this worship bulletin) and drop it in today's collection plate, providing a phone number and e-mail address. To offer a special public thanksgiving prayer or for those in need, please fill out a blue "Prayer Card" found in the narthex. Give the card to an usher or place it in the offering plate. Large print versions of this bulletin are available upon request at the ushers' station. Thank you for worshiping with us.

#### PRAYER UPON ENTERING

O God of Truth, who requires truth in the inner person, hold Your mirror before our souls so that we may see our sins and failures for what they really are; and then inspire us with Your Holy Spirit on this morning of worship, and help us to see ever clearer our Lord Jesus Christ, who has taught us that only His truth can set us free. Amen.

-Martin Luther

A FIRE THAT DESTROYS AND REFINES (Luke 12:49-53) "But a baptism I have to be baptized with, and how I am in distress until it is accomplished!" (Luke 12:50). Here, Jesus summarizes all He has previously said to His disciples, as He points to His work upon the Cross as the central goal of His saving mission. His Word is both shocking and comforting. His fire will both destroy and purify:

Jesus' ministry generates the fire that destroys, divides, and refines – the fire by which the kingdom comes. His death sparks it. After His death, His ministry will spread like wildfire over all the earth through the apostles, whom He will baptize with the Spirit and fire (Luke 3:14; Acts 2:3-4). Jesus earnestly longs for the completion of His earthly mission and its continuation through the ministry of the watching and serving church. Jesus moves from encouraging watchfulness to a word about the divisive effect of His suffering and death, since the ensuing division and persecution are additional potential impediments to the church's faithful service.

Fire can either *destroy* or it can *purify*. The fire of God's wrath laid on Jesus will lead to His death and will destroy the power of sin and hell. This fire is first laid on Jesus when He enters the waters of His Baptism of John. From His baptism, Jesus stands under the Father's wrath and continues to stand under the Father until that wrath is satiated in His crucifixion. From the moment He steps forward publicly in His baptism as the world's Messiah, this process begins. For this He came. Jesus knows that He is to bear this fiery wrath and judgment, and His passionate plea (12:50b) expresses His wish that it were already accomplished. Jesus knows that the fullness of God's wrath is yet to fall on Him, and He yearns that His substitutionary atonement on the cross would come soon (12:49).

-Arthur Just

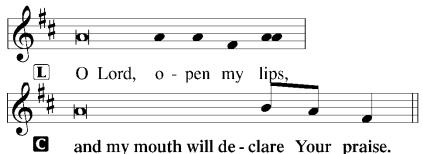
#### **PRELUDE**

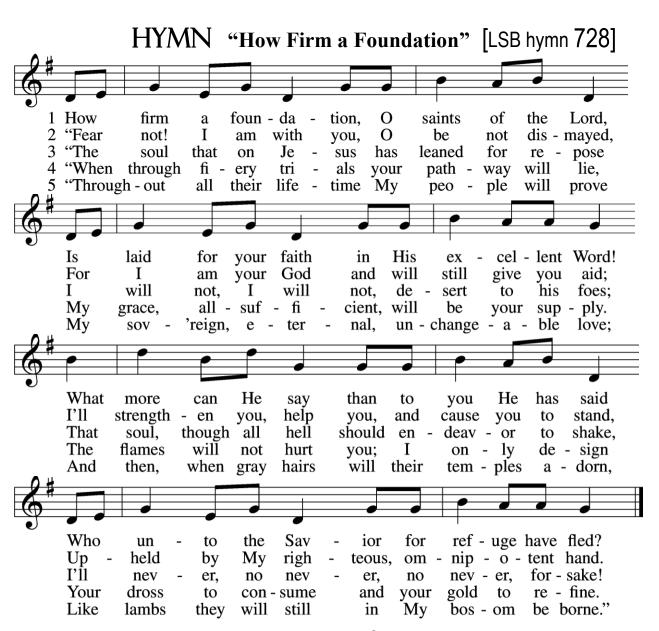
# **OPENING VERSE**

Pastor: This is the day the Lord has made. Cong.: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

(Psalm 118:24)

# + PREPARATION +





Stand

#### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Cong.: Amen. (Matthew 28:19b)

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

Cong.: who made heaven and earth.

(Psalm 124:8)

Pastor: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

Cong.: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared. (Psalm 130:3-4)

Pastor: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner. (Luke 18:13b)

Cong.: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Cong.: Amen. (John 20:19-23)

# → SERVICE OF THE WORD →

INTROIT

(Psalm 55:1, 12-14, 16; antiphon: Psalm 55:22)

Pastor: Cast your burden on the LORD, and he will sustain you;

he will never permit the righteous to be moved.

Give ear to my prayer, O God, and hide not yourself from my plea for mercy!

Cong.: For it is not an enemy who taunts me – then I could bear it; it is not an adversary who deals insolently with me – then I could hide from him.

Pastor: But it is you, a man, my equal, my companion, my familiar friend.

Cong.: We used to make sweet counsel together; within God's house we walked in the throng.

Pastor: But I call to God, and the LORD will save me.

All: 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.

Pastor: Cast your burden on the LORD, and he will sustain you; he will never permit the righteous to be moved.

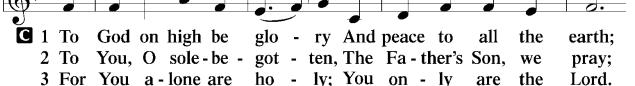




C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.



(Luke 2:14; John 1:29)





Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth! O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way. For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry, You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King. Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—In God the Fa-ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

## **SALUTATION**

(2 Timothy 4:22)

Pastor: The Lord be with you. Cong.: And with your spirit.

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pastor: Merciful Lord, cleanse and defend Your Church by the sacrifice of Christ. United with Him in Holy Baptism, give us grace to receive with thanksgiving the fruits of His redeeming work and daily follow in His way; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Cong.: Amen.

## READINGS FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE

Elder: The Lord be with you. Cong.: And also with you.

Sit

#### **Old Testament Reading** (page 651 in the pew Bibles)

Jeremiah 23:16-29

Thus says the Lord of hosts: "Do not listen to the words of the prophets who prophesy to you, filling you with vain hopes. They speak visions of their own minds, not from the mouth of the Lord. They say continually to those who despise the word of the Lord, 'It shall be well with you'; and to everyone who stubbornly follows his own heart, they say, 'No disaster shall come upon you."

For who among them has stood in the council of the Lord to see and to hear his word, or who has paid attention to his word and listened?

Behold, the storm of the Lord!

Wrath has gone forth,

a whirling tempest;

it will burst upon the head of the wicked.

The anger of the Lord will not turn back until he has executed and accomplished the intents of his heart.

In the latter days you will understand it clearly.

"I did not send the prophets,

yet they ran;

I did not speak to them,

yet they prophesied.

But if they had stood in my council,

then they would have proclaimed my words to my people,

and they would have turned them from their evil way,

and from the evil of their deeds.

"Am I a God at hand, declares the Lord, and not a God afar off? Can a man hide himself in secret places so that I cannot see him? declares the Lord. Do I not fill heaven and earth? declares the Lord. I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, 'I have dreamed,' How long shall there be lies in the heart of the prophets who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart, who think to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, even as their fathers forgot my name for Baal? Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let him who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? declares the Lord. Is not my word like fire, declares the Lord, and like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces?"

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

Cong: Thanks be to God.

#### **Epistle** (page 1008 in the pew Bibles)

#### Hebrews 11:17-31, 12:1-3

By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was in the act of offering up his only son, of whom it was said, "Through Isaac shall your offspring be named." He considered that God was able even to raise him from the dead, from which, figuratively speaking, he did receive him back. By faith Isaac invoked future blessings on Jacob and Esau. By faith Jacob, when dying, blessed each of the sons of Joseph, bowing in worship over the head of his staff. By faith Joseph, at the end of his life, made mention of the exodus of the Israelites and gave directions concerning his bones.

By faith Moses, when he was born, was hidden for three months by his parents, because they saw that the child was beautiful, and they were not afraid of the king's edict. By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, choosing rather to be mistreated with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. He considered the reproach of Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking to the reward. By faith he left Egypt, not being afraid of the anger of the king, for he endured as seeing him who is invisible. By faith he kept the Passover and sprinkled the blood, so that the Destroyer of the firstborn might not touch them.

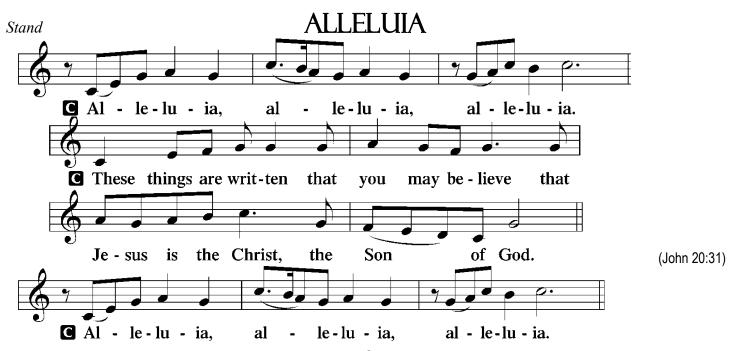
By faith the people crossed the Red Sea as if on dry land, but the Egyptians, when they attempted to do the same, were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had given a friendly welcome to the spies.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted.

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

#### Cong: Thanks be to God.



Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twelfth chapter.

Cong: Glory to You, O Lord.

#### **Holy Gospel** (page 872 in the pew Bibles)

Luke 12:49-53

[Jesus said:] "I came to cast fire on the earth, and would that it were already kindled! I have a baptism to be baptized with, and how great is my distress until it is accomplished! Do you think that I have come to give peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. For from now on in one house there will be five divided, three against two and two against three. They will be divided, father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

Cong: Praise to You, O Christ.

#### **APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life + everlasting. Amen.

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

## "God Loves Me Dearly" [LSB 392:1, 3]

The congregation is invited to sing the hymn as the children come forward



# HYMN OF THE DAY

"Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word" [LSB 655]



#### **SERMON**

(Pastor Jeong)





#### **OFFERING**

You may place your offering in the plate as you exit the service.

#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

(1 Timothy 2:1-4)

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Lord of hosts, our fathers in the faith gave a good confession of Your truth before the powers of this world. In the spirit of Jeremiah, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph and Moses, strengthen our hearts in days of division to confess in our words and lives the glory of Your name. Lord, in Your mercy,

#### Cong.: hear our prayer.

Stand

Pastor: O Lord, bless this congregation and our life together around the Word and table of the Lord. Grant that the work of God would go forth from this place, and that it would bless and prosper all things according to His will. Lord, in Your mercy,

#### Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Heavenly Father, be with those who have wandered from the faith, those who have been absent from the Lord's house, and those we have hurt or wounded in word and deed. Reconcile them to Yourself, that they would know the forgiveness of Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

#### Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Lord God, You called Jeremiah as a youth and used Him in Your service. We give You thanks for the young Christians You have made Your children. By Your Word, strengthen them for daily life, and help them to grow as Your people. Keep them and all youth in Your care. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Almighty God, You shepherd the nations according to Your Word. Grant our rulers wisdom and faith to serve for the good of their people and to promote peace and quietness for the flourishing of every godly endeavor. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Merciful Lord, grant healing to the sick, *especially*... strength to the weak, endurance to bear up under trial, patience to await His deliverance, and peace at the last. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Almighty Father, Your dear Son suffered and died for our redemption. Embolden us by the witness of that great company of saints who remained faithful unto death, that we would likewise fix our eyes on Christ and so share in His victory over the grave; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Cong.: Amen.

## LORD'S PRAYER

(Matthew 6:9-13)

Pastor: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

#### COLLECT FOR PEACE

Pastor: O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Cong.: Amen.

# **BENEDICTION**

(Numbers 6: 24-26)

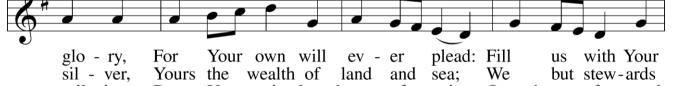
Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

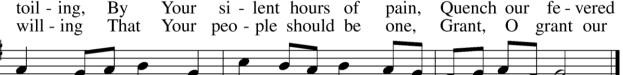
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

Cong.: Amen.

#### HYMN OF THE MONTH







love and pit - y, Heal our wrongs, and help our need. of Your boun - ty Held sol - emn will be. in trust thirst of plea - sure, Stem self - ish of gain. our greed Your hope's fru - i - tion: Here on earth will be done.

Sit

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## DISMISSAL

Pastor: Let us bless the Lord. Cong.: Thanks be to God.

(Psalm 103:1)

#### **POSTLUDE**

## SERVING OUR LORD AND HIS PEOPLE TODAY

8:00 Service 11:00 Service

Acolytes: Thomas Keller Matthew Witkamp

Ushers: Klinton Keller Mark Stenzel
Ron Smith James Burns

Elders/Readers: Dan Rugg Brian Viers

Dan Deen

Organist: Matt Laub

#### LAST SUNDAY WE PRAYED FOR:

ASSURANCE/ENCOURAGEMENT We pray for God's blessing on the marriage of John & Katie Volkert.

SAFETY DURING TRAVEL Safe travels for Shirley Lamar, cousin of Margaret Button. She is taking the train from San Diego to Orange County on Monday.

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS: Matthew Dunlop 8/17; Avalon Doherty 8/18 Agnes Rice 8/19; Lois Jeong 8/19; Penny Pereboom 8/21; Jacob Aube 8/21

THIS WEEK'S BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS: Nolan Rugg 8/23

#### HUNTINGTON BEACH CONCERT BAND Concerts in the Park

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# **NEWS AND NOTES**

# **AUGUST 17, 2025**

#### Opportunities This Week To Serve Our Lord And Our Neighbor

17 Sunday *Tenth Sunday after Pentecost* 

Service of the Word 8:00 & 11:00 AM

Sunday School 9:30 AM
Adult Bible Study "Ephesians" 9:30 AM

(in the Sanctuary with Pastor Jeong)

18 Monday Church Office Closed

Pastor Jeong's Day off

Al Anon 10:00 AM
Boy Scouts 7:00 PM
Al Anon 6:00 PM

Preschool Chapel 10:00 AM
Quilting Group 10:00 AM

22 Friday

19 Tuesday

20 Wednesday

21 Thursday

23 Saturday Oratio, Meditatio, Tentatio Prayer group 8:30/9:00 AM

Sewing Group 9:30 AM-5:00 PM

24 Sunday Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

**Divine Service 8:00 & 11:00 AM** 

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For Further Information Please Call the Church Office at 714-846-6330

**Church Office Hours:** Tuesday – Friday 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM / 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

**Preschool Office Hours:** Monday – Friday 7:00 AM – 5:30 PM

#### **BIBLE STUDIES**

"Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of Christ" (Romans 10:17)

#### SUNDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE STUDY

"Ephesians" (9:30 AM with Pastor Jeong in the Sanctuary)

#### FIRST THURSDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

"Isaiah 40-55" (7:00 PM with Karen Miller in the Music Room)

#### REDEEMER'S STEWARDSHIP

Last Sunday's Attendance: 129

God has given each of us gifts and calls us in 1 Peter 4:10,11 to "use them to serve one another that God may be glorified through Jesus Christ".



## AROUND REDEEMER

WORSHIP SERVICES AT REDEEMER are offered in our Sanctuary on Sundays at 8:00 and 11:00 AM and available online at 8:00 AM as a YouTube live stream, on <a href="https://www.youtube.com/@redeemerlutheranchurchhb7093/streams">www.youtube.com/@redeemerlutheranchurchhb7093/streams</a> and accessible from <a href="https://www.redeemer-lutheran.net">www.redeemer-lutheran.net</a>. Join us in the Fellowship Hall at 9:30 AM for Sunday School.

TODAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL the children will learn about "Jesus and the Samaritan Woman". John 4:1-42. Jesus, the fountain of living water, gives the Holy Spirit, who cleanses us from sin and unrighteousness in the waters of Holy Baptism and gives us new life in Christ.

WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY with Pastor Miller will be starting mid September. Do you have a suggest for the topic? 1. A book of the Bible, 2. Another book, such as "The Theology of the Cross"; 3. A specific topic? If you have a specific suggestion within those options, please include them. You may email Pastor Miller at <a href="mailto:tmiller@redeemer-lutheran.net">tmiller@redeemer-lutheran.net</a> with your input.

SAVE THE DATE September 21<sup>st</sup> we are having one worship service at 10:00 AM with our church and preschool picnic following.

OLD GUYS BREAKFAST AT DENNY'S (You don't have to be old) If you would like to join in on the fellowship and food (everyone pays for their own meal) we meet at Denny's at 18477 Beach Blvd. HB (cross street is Ellis), on Fridays at 11:30 AM. Call the church office if you would like more information.

ORATIO, MEDITATIO, TENTATIO (OMT) PRAYER GROUP - Luther used the Latin phrase oratio, meditatio, tentatio to describe a life of prayer. Redeemer has a Saturday morning prayer group that meets over Zoom on Saturdays at 9 AM when there is no Breakfast Bible Study. We pray about many needs from the Redeemer prayer chain and other sources. If you would like to participate, please email to Wayne Anderson (wayneland123@sbcglobal.net) or contact the church office.

PRIVATE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION AND COMMUNION are by appointment. Please call the church office to arrange a date and time.

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DAILY, CHRIST OFFERS HIS RICH BLESSINGS THROUGH THE SCRIPTURES.	
SUGGESTED READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 17, 2025:	
Sunday, August 17:	2 Samuel 7:1-17; Jeremiah 23:16-29; Hebrews 11:17-31; 12:1-3;
	Luke 12:49-53
Monday, August 18:	2 Samuel 7:18-29 & 1 Corinthians 10:23-11:16
Tuesday, August 19:	2 Samuel 11:1-27 & 1 Corinthians 11:17-34
Wednesday, August 20:	2 Samuel 12:1-25 & 1 Corinthians 12:1-13
Thursday, August 21:	1 Kings 1:1-4, 15-35 & 1 Corinthians 12:14-31
Friday, August 22:	1 Kings 2:1-27 & 1 Corinthians 13:1-13
Saturday, August 23:	1 Kings 3:1-15 & 2 Corinthians1:1-22
Sunday, August 24:	1 Kings 5:1-18; Isaiah 66:18-23; Hebrews 12:4-24; Luke 13:22-30

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LUKE 12:49