14TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SEPTEMBER 14, 2025 (DIVINE SERVICE 4)

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.redeemerlutheran.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

Heavenly Father, I thank You that for my Savior's sake, You have promised to hear my prayer. Help me this morning to see more clearly the two kinds of sacrifice: the one-of-akind sacrifice of Your Son in my place, and then my sacrifice of repentant joy in response. Keep me and guide me this day by Your grace. In the name of Jesus. Amen.

THE PARABLE OF THE LOST SHEEP / THE PARABLE OF THE LOST COIN (Luke 15:1-10) Last week we heard of Jesus' explanation of the cost of true discipleship – the losing of family and possessions and one's life for the greater gifts from the hand of the great Gift-giver. Following these words of Our Lord, Saint Luke records the Parable of Salt (Luke 14:34-35) and then three parables concerning the lost: (1) the lost sheep (Luke 15:1-7); (2) the lost coin (Luke 15:8-10); and (3) the lost son (Luke 15:11-32).

Many of the hymns we sing include a reference to the lost condition of sinful humanity and the gracious act of God in Christ Jesus as the light of salvation comes and seeks out all who have been lost and cannot find their own way home. What Scripture reveals about the lost humanity and a merciful God who seeks us out is put to music in a hymn we will sing next month in celebration of Reformation Day. In "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God," Martin Luther proclaims:

"No strength of ours can match [Satan's] might. We would be lost, rejected.

But now a champion comes to fight, Whom God himself elected.

You ask who this may be? The Lord of Hosts is He,

Christ Jesus, mighty Lord, God's only Son, adored! He holds the field victorious."

(LSB 657)

PRELUDE

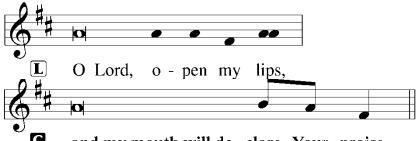
OPENING VERSE

Pastor: This is the day the Lord has made.

Cong.: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

(Psalm 118:24)

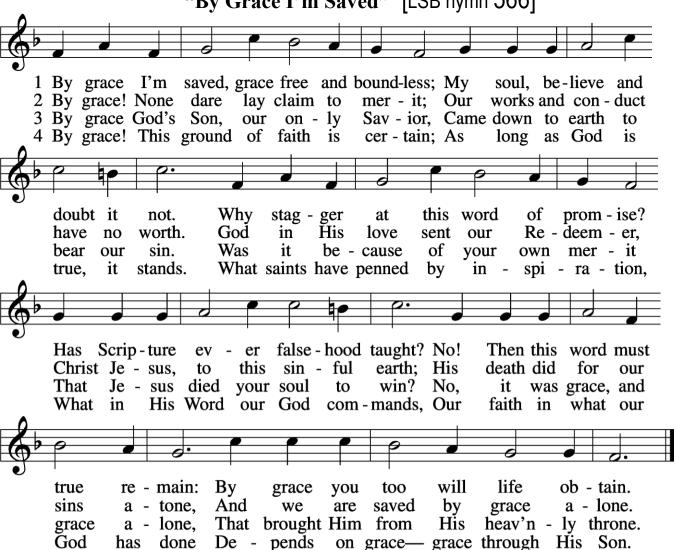
+ PREPARATION +



and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.

HYMN





By grace to timid hearts that tremble,
In tribulation's furnace tried,
By grace, in spite of fear and trouble,
The Father's heart is open wide.
Where could I help and strength secure
If grace were not my anchor sure?

By grace! On this I'll rest when dying;
In Jesus' promise I rejoice;
For though I know my heart's condition,
I also know my Savior's voice.
My heart is glad, all grief has flown
Since I am saved by grace alone.

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, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, 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 30:2-5; antiphon: Psalm 30:11a, 12b)

Pastor: You have turned for me my mourning into dancing;

O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever!

O LORD my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me.

Cong.: O LORD, you have brought up my soul from Sheol; you restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit.

Pastor: Sing praises to the LORD, O you his saints, and give thanks to his holy name.

Cong.: For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime. Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

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: You have turned for me my mourning into dancing;

O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever!

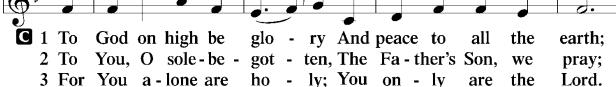




C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.



(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: Lord Jesus, You are the Good Shepherd, without whom nothing is secure. Rescue and preserve us that we may not be lost forever but follow You, rejoicing in the way that leads to eternal life; for You live and reign with the Father 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 722 in the pew Bibles)

Ezekiel 34:11-24

"For thus says the Lord God: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice.

"As for you, my flock, thus says the Lord GoD: Behold, I judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and male goats. Is it not enough for you to feed on the good pasture, that you must tread down with your feet the rest of your pasture; and to drink of clear water, that you must muddy the rest of the water with your feet? And must my sheep eat what you have trodden with your feet, and drink what you have muddied with your feet?

"Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: Behold, I, I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you push with side and shoulder, and thrust at all the weak with your horns, till you have scattered them abroad, I will rescue my flock; they shall no longer be a prey. And I will judge between sheep and sheep. And I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them. I am the LORD; I have spoken."

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

Cong: Thanks be to God.

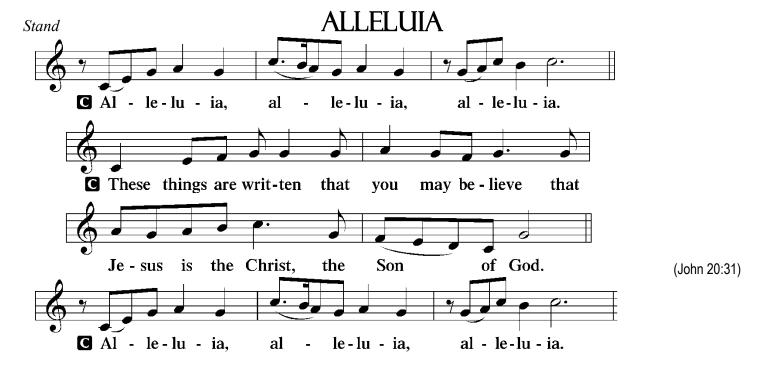
Epistle (page 991 in the pew Bibles)

1 Timothy 1:12-17

I thank him who has given me strength, Christ Jesus our Lord, because he judged me faithful, appointing me to his service, though formerly I was a blasphemer, persecutor, and insolent opponent. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

Cong: Thanks be to God.



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

Cong: Glory to You, O Lord.

Holy Gospel (page 874 in the pew Bibles)

Luke 15:1-10

Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear [Jesus]. And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, "This man receives sinners and eats with them."

So he told them this parable: "What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it? And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

"Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek diligently until she finds it? And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

Pastor: This the Gospel of Our Lord.

Cong: Praise to You, O Christ.

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I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried.

And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord and giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Jesus Sinners Doth Receive" [LSB hymn 609]



- 6 Now my conscience is at peace;
 From the Law I stand acquitted.
 Christ hath purchased my release
 And my ev'ry sin remitted.
 Naught remains my soul to grieve:
 Jesus sinners doth receive.
- Jesus sinners doth receive;
 Also I have been forgiven;
 And when I this earth must leave,
 I shall find an open heaven.
 Dying, still to Him I cleave:
 Jesus sinners doth receive.

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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.

Heavenly Father, heaven rejoices when a sinner repents. Guard us against self-righteousness that sees no need to hear of Christ and His redemption, and preserve us in Your Word and grace, that as Your people we might always be about the proclamation of repentance and the forgiveness of sins for the sake of Jesus. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Stand

Pastor: Almighty God, You call pastors and set them to the task of shepherding Your people. Bless them in their work of providing Your gifts to those You have gathered and as they seek those who have wandered away. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: O Lord, look with favor on the households of this congregation, and grant that all may live in love that issues from a pure heart, a good conscience and a sincere faith. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: King of the ages, immortal and invisible, the only God, look in kindness upon all entrusted with public office in our land, and grant them wisdom and courage to serve our nation according to Your will. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Lord God, You promise to shepherd Your sheep for the sake of Jesus. According to Your Word, seek the lost, bring back the stray, bind up the injured and strengthen the weak. Have mercy *especially for*...and upon all who look to You for deliverance. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: God of the ages, in the fullness of time Your Son became flesh, and He received sinners and ate with them on His way to the cross. Bless all those He feeds today with His own holy body and blood. Guard them from impenitence and resistance to Your promises, and with forgiveness grant them life and salvation. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: We recall with thanksgiving, O Lord, those who served You in days past and now rest from their labors, and we pray that You would keep us in fellowship with all Your saints. By this holy communion, give us grace to sustain us through the changes and chances of this mortal life, and keep us to that day when Christ shall call us unto Himself and we shall know Him face to face in the marriage supper of the Lamb that knows no end. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: We entrust all these petitions to Your care, loving Father, confident in Your great mercy for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who is worshiped together with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Cong.: Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT + PREFACE

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

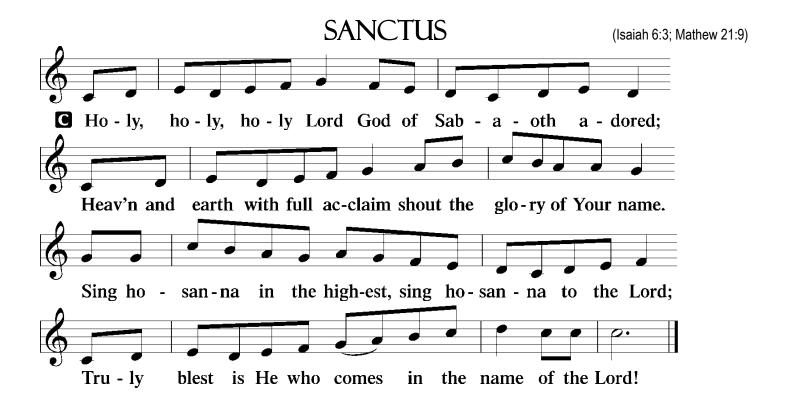
Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

Cong.: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Cong.: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:



PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

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.

WORDS OF OUR LORD

(Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25)

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

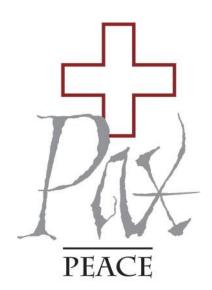
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

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(John 20:19)

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Cong.: Amen.



(John 1: 29)



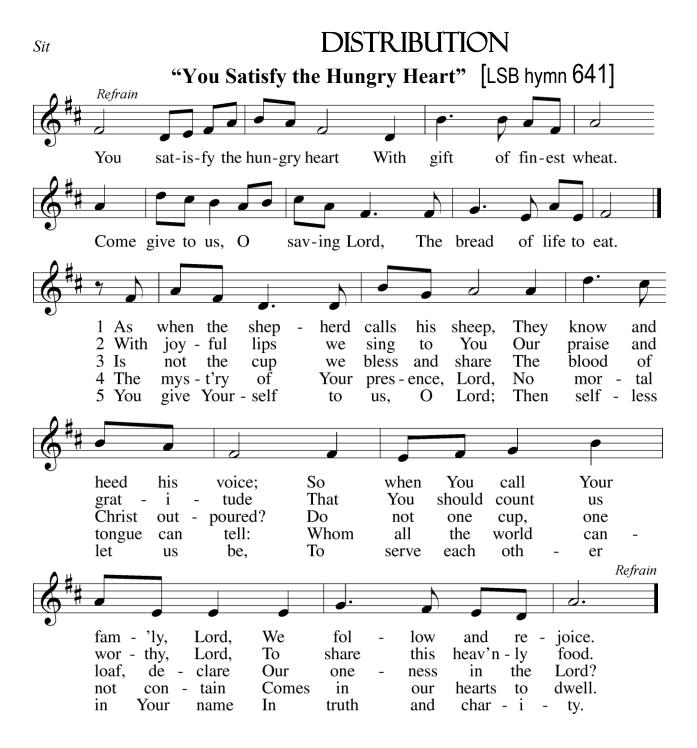
The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this altar in the confession and glad confidence that our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine, but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust in His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, are in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor of this congregation. For further study, see Matthew 5:23ff, 10:32ff, 18:15-35, 26:26-29; 1 Corinthians 11:17-34.

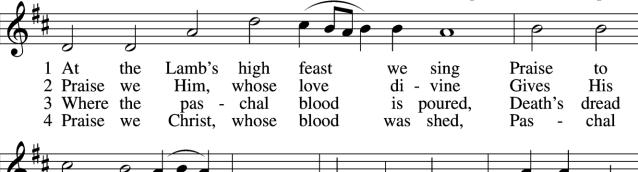
What actually is the Lord's Supper? The Lord's Supper (Holy Communion) should be received, after proper instruction and preparation, in the sure and certain confidence that Jesus Christ is truly present in, with and under the bread and wine to forgive the sin of all who receive him in repentance (according to 1Corinthians 10:14-17; 11: 17-33; Matthew 26:17-30; Mark 14:12-26; Luke 22:7-30). Please review the questions on pages 326-27 and 329-330 in the front part of "Lutheran Service Book" for a proper understanding of this holy meal. Who may properly come to the Lord's Supper? You are invited to receive Christ's true body and blood if you: □ have been Baptized into the name of the Triune God (Father, Son and Holy Spirit); repent of your sin against God and recognize your need to forgive others as God has forgiven you; uput your trust in Jesus Christ alone for your salvation; are old enough to examine your own faith and life (according to 1Corinthians 11:27-32); Delieve in the words of Jesus himself when he declares that his Body and Blood are truly present in, with and under the bread and wine, offering life, salvation and the forgiveness of sins; sincerely intend to live a God-pleasing life in accordance with God's will as revealed in the Bible; ☐ have received instruction about the Supper at a Lutheran Church Missouri Synod congregation. I now come to the Lord's Table having read, understood and agreed with these beliefs.

PRAYER BEFORE COMMUNING

Almighty Lord Jesus Christ, as often as I shall come to Your holy table to refresh my spirit, I pray You to make me, unworthy as I am, worthy through Your grace; impure as I am, to make me clean; naked as I am, to clothe me, so that Your body, so full of divine power, and Your most precious blood may not become for me, Your servant, the occasion for judgment or punishment, but a memorial of the death You underwent for me, a strengthening of my faith, a proof of the taking away of my sins, a bond of closer union with You and Your people, an increase of holiness, the basis of a glad resurrection, and a pledge of everlasting life. Amen.

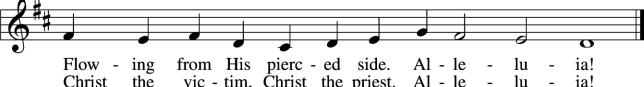






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Who tide has washed us in the Gives His the feast bod y for Is rael's hosts tri - um-phant go With sin - cer i ty and love



A1 - le Christ vic - tim, Christ the priest. the lu Al - le Through the wave that drowns the foe. lu a - bove. Al - le lu Eat we man - na from

- Mighty Victim from the sky,
 Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath You lie;
 You have conquered in the fight,
 You have brought us life and light.
 Alleluia!
- Now no more can death appall,
 Now no more the grave enthrall;
 You have opened paradise,
 And Your saints in You shall rise.
 Alleluia!

7 Easter triumph, Easter joy!
This alone can sin destroy;
From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free,
Newborn souls in You to be.
Alleluia!

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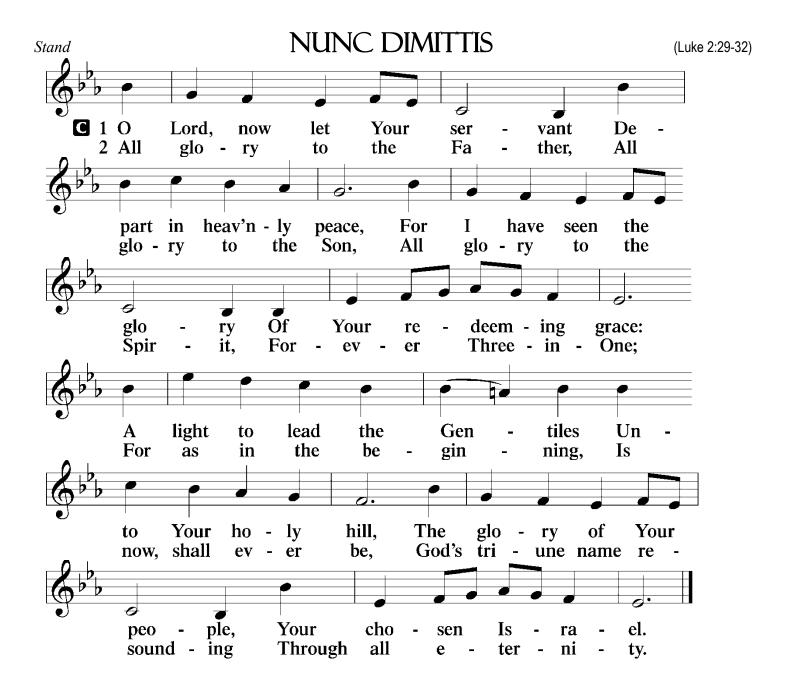
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Father, who the crown shall give, Savior, by whose death we live, Spirit, guide through all our days: Three in One, Your name we praise. Alleluia!

Sit

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POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

Pastor: O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Cong.: Amen.

BENEDICAMUS

(Psalm 103:1)

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

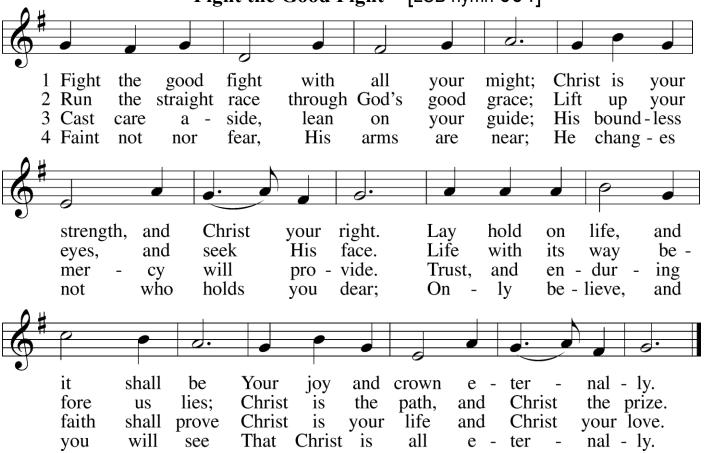
Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

Cong.: Amen.

HYMN OF THE MONTH

"Fight the Good Fight" [LSB hymn 664]



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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: Dan Rugg Kaden Onak Ushers: Warren Woodbury Gary Yudin

Kevin Woodbury James Burns

Elders/Readers: Dan Rugg Manny Flores

Steve Snyder Brian Viers

Organist: Matt Laub

Altar Guild: Chris Ohlendorf, Marie Jurenka, Margaret Button, Mary Tesmer,

Cherie Silcox

LAST SUNDAY WE PRAYED FOR:

HEALING Oliver (great-grandson of Ana Stewart) is in ICU at the Phoenix Children's Hospital following a suicide attempt. Hopefully Oliver will have a full recovery. He has been responding to hospital staff. Marsha Anderson is on hospice. Margie Cantrell is asking prayers of healing for her father, Jacob Fix. He is in the VA Hospital due to infections. Barbara Lundgren is currently recovering and healing from a recent brain surgery.

THANKSGIVING Margaret Hanscom is thankful for her new job. Please continue to pray for Margaret to trust in God. Proverbs 3:5-6. Please keep her co-workers in your prayers.

SAFETY DURING TRAVEL Mercy for Manuel Flores Senior as he travels out of state visiting his relatives.

COMFORT FOR THOSE WHO MOURN Comfort for the Lundgren family who lost their Aunt Carol of Illinois after a long battle with cancer. Please keep Barbara in your prayers as she mourns her younger sister Carol.

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS: Esther Grove 9/15; Sharon Olson 9/16; Annika Keller 9/16; Dina Erickson 9/20

THIS WEEK'S WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES: Wayne & Pat Anderson 9/17

THIS WEEK'S BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS: Bonnie Volkert 9/15; Mikayla Coble 9/16; Kyle Aube 9/17; Scott Prior 9/17; Christina Jones 9/18; Robert Vogtmann 9/19; Ethan Rugg 9/20

Sunday School Rally Day today at 9:30 AM

Youth Bible Study for grades 7-12 with Pastor Miller in the youth room. We will use Higher Things materials and the group will help choose the topics.

 6^{th} grade confirmation with Adam Volkert in the Priscilla Circle Room

Wednesday Evenings at 7:00 PM - starting September 24th

A new Bible Study Hitchhiking with Prophets

A Ride Through the Salvation Story of the Old Testament by Chad Bird with Pastor Miller in the Priscilla Circle Room

A new Bible Study geared toward those who are new to the faith. **Foundations of the Faith** with Pastor Jeong in the Music Room

NEWS AND NOTES

SEPTEMBER 14, 2025

Opportunities This Week To Serve Our Lord And Our Neighbor

14 Sunday Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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

Sunday School Rally Day/Youth Bible Study/ 9:30 AM

6th grade Confirmation

Adult Bible Study "Didache" 9:30 AM

(in the Sanctuary with Pastor Jeong)

Church Office Closed 15 Monday

Pastor Jeong's Day off

Al Anon 10:00 AM **Boy Scouts** 7:00 PM Al Anon 6:00 PM Sanctuary Choir 7:00 PM **Preschool Chapel** 10:00 AM

17 Wednesday 18 Thursday **Pastors Meeting** 9:30 AM

Quilting Group 10:00 AM

19 Friday

16 Tuesday

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

Sewing Group 9:30 AM-5:00 PM Faith, Hope, and Board Games 5:30 - 10:00 PM

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost 21 Sunday

Service of the Word 10:00 AM

Preschool and Sunday School Teacher Commissioning

Redeemer Church and Preschool Picnic 11:15 AM

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

"Didache" (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".

Offerings for August: \$40,434.00 Expenses for August: \$36,626.00 August Offering Goal: \$36,676.00 September Offering Goal: \$38,135.00 SPOTLIGHT ON STEWARDSHIP Luke 15:2 "And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, 'This man receives sinners and eats with them.'" Thanks be to God: Jesus receives us sinners! What the Pharisees can't understand, we praise with all our being. We give thanks for the grace of God, and we live by that grace. The more of it we receive, the more we will want to conform ourselves to the image of our generous and gracious Lord. Knowing the Lord and trusting Him come first, and the desire to imitate Him can't help but follow.

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 www.youtube.com/@redeemerlutheranchurchhb7093/streams and accessible from www.redeemer-lutheran.net. Join us in the Fellowship Hall at 9:30 AM for Sunday School.

TODAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL the children will learn about "Jesus Heals a Man Who is Paralyzed". Mark 2:1-12. The miracle of healing the paralyzed man confirmed that Jesus, the Son of Man, has authority on earth to forgive sins and to deliver all believers from death and the power of the devil.

WOMEN'S MORNING BIBLE STUDY We would like to start a <u>morning</u> women's Bible study here at Redeemer if there is enough interest. If you would like to attend, please contact Elaine Ohgi at <u>ohgi@aol.com</u> or Carol Waidner at <u>churchoffice@redeemer-lutheran.net</u>. Would you prefer a weekly, monthly or bi-weekly morning Bible study? What day (or days) of the week work best for you?

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.

GAME NIGHT Come join us in faith, friendship and Tabletop Board gaming every month on the 3rd Saturday of the month from 5:30 to 10:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. This is intended for all members of the Congregation who like games, and we encourage you to come and invite your friends. This is a fun outreach opportunity, and we have a few regular attendees who are not members of our Congregation. You can also contact Christopher Lundgren via the Church Office for more information.

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

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.

SEPTEMBER HYMN OF THE MONTH

FIGHT THE GOOD - LSB 664 John Samuel Bewley Monsell (1811-75) was a prolific writer of poetry, prose and hymnody, yet only a handful of his approximately three hundred hymns are considered to have enduring quality. Two are found in *LSB* (this one and "Sing to the Lord of harvest," *LSB* 893).

The four stanzas in *LSB* have been altered little from the original and largely for modernization of language. The hymn is properly located under the theme "The Church Militant"; though far from a triumphalistic call to arms, it is instead a call to remain in God-given faith, under the cross, during the daily assaults of temptation.

1 Timothy 6:12 serves as the basis for the first stanza, as St. Paul exhorts Timothy to "fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and about which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses." The preceding verses inform us that the battle is the daily struggle against temptation. Like Timothy, Christians have been called to new life in Christ; the victory over sin and death is the one He won on the cross (1 Corinthians 15:57) and gives to us in His Gospel. In the second line, Monsell makes clear that our might is the Lord's: "Christ is your strength, and Christ your right." "Right" should not be understood in the popular notion of "that which everyone naturally deserves." Rather, this "right" has the sense of the righteousness we possess because we are justified for Jesus' sake. To "lay hold on life" is a reference to faith that clings to Christ.

Stanza 2 is built on Hebrews 12:1-2: "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 perfector 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." Theses verses summarize the Christian's life and fight well: Jesus has already endured the cross for us. Now, as His forgiven people, we run our race. How? By repentance and laying aside the sin that clings so closely. As Monsell puts in, we run "through God's good grace." Alive in Christ, we continue toward our heavenly home.

Stanza 3 is rooted in 1 Peter 5:6-7: "Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time He may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on Him, because He cares for you." The chapter warns against both pride, which leads one to see no need for God's help, and worry, which tempts one to question it. Shortly thereafter, it warns that the devil prowls about like a lion, seeking someone to devour. Monsell thus bids the people of God to cast their cares upon the Lord, whose mercy is boundless: and while faith trusts in Christ's gifts of life and love now, it will be proved in the end.

Thus we have stanza 4, with its reference to Colossians 3:11: "Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free, but Christ is all, and in all." In the surrounding verses, St Paul reminds Christians that they have died to sin and now live in Christ. Thus they are to resist temptation, repent of their sin, and rejoice that their salvation is found in Jesus. For those weary of the grinding temptations, the final verse is of great comfort: the Lord is near, He will not fail, and He remains the Christian's help and life for eternity.

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DAILY, CHRIST OFFERS HIS RICH BLESSINGS THROUGH THE SCRIPTURES.	
SUGGESTED READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 14, 2025:	
Sunday, September 14:	2 Chronicles 33:1-25; Ezekiel 34:11-24; 1 Timothy 1:12-17;
	Luke 15:1-10
Monday, September 15:	2 Chronicles 34:1-4, 8-11, 14-33 & Colossians 2:8-23
Tuesday, September 16:	2 Chronicles 35:1-7, 16-25 & Colossians 3:1-25
Wednesday, September 17:	2 Chronicles 36:1-23 & Colossians 4:1-18
Thursday, September 18:	Nehemiah 1:1-2:10 & 1 Timothy 1:1-20
Friday, September 19:	Nehemiah 2:11-20; 4:1-6 & 1 Timothy 2:1-15
Saturday, September 20:	Nehemiah 4:7-23 & 1 Timothy 3:1-16
Sunday, September 21:	Nehemiah 5:1-16; 6:1-9, 15-16; Amos 8:4-7; 1 Timothy 2:1-15;
	Luke 16:1-15

Sunday September 21st One Service at 10:00 AM

Church and Preschool Picnic next Sunday at 11:15 AM
Please bring a salad or side dish to share
Sign up today in the narthex after services.

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