

15TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SEPTEMBER 21, 2025

(DIVINE SERVICE 4) 10:00 AM

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 worshipping with us.

PRAYER UPON ENTERING

Lord Jesus, we can become satisfied with the material things around us. We can become so filled with these things and the desire for them, that we forget how passing they are. Open our eyes, our hearts, so that we can gradually and daily let go of all possessions. Even little things in our lives can become too important to us. Open our hands, so we don't hold on to anything, open our lives, so we will be anxious only for Your love and Your presence to us. Amen.

MEDITATION Why labor for that which does not endure? Rather, *make friends for yourselves by unrighteous mammon, that when you fail, they may receive you into an everlasting home.* This is a curious saying, for elsewhere Jesus says, *You cannot serve God and mammon.* Then what use is unrighteous mammon? Only this, that it can be used to make friends, that is, eternal friends who shall receive you into an everlasting home. For unrighteous mammon is the goods of this earth. The shrewd steward used these goods for his own benefit when he lost his employment. Oil and wheat became instruments of help for him when the days of his stewardship were over. So also do these earthly elements aid the faithful when pressed into heavenly use. Oil is used for anointing, in connection with Baptism; and wheat for bread, for the Holy Sacrament. Even the money used to purchase them and to support those who administer them is thus given a holy use. So do these unrighteous mammon become aids to salvation when consecrated by the word of God, for those who have the Sacraments shall have an eternal home when the earthly fails.

- Burnell F. Eckhardt, Jr., *Every Day Will I Bless Thee*, pg. 321.

OPENING VERSE

Pastor: This is the day the Lord has made.

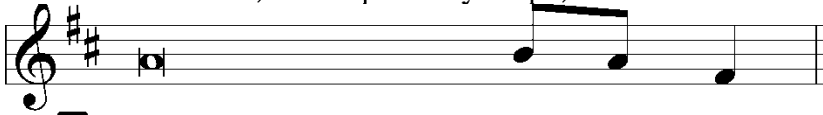
Cong.: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

(Psalm 118:24)

✠ PREPARATION ✠



L O Lord, o - pen my lips,



C and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.

HYMN OF THE MONTH

“Fight the Good Fight” [LSB hymn 664]



1 Fight the good fight with all your might; Christ is your
2 Run the straight race through God's good grace; Lift up your
3 Cast care a - side, lean on your guide; His bound - less
4 Faint not nor fear, His arms are near; He chang - es



strength, and Christ your right. Lay hold on life, and
eyes, and seek His face. Life with its way be -
mer - cy will pro - vide. Trust, and en - dur - ing
not who holds you dear; On - ly be - lieve, and



it shall be Your joy and crown e - ter - nal - ly.
fore us lies; Christ is the path, and Christ the prize.
faith shall prove Christ is your life and Christ your love.
you will see That Christ is all e - ter - nal - ly.

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 119:137-140, 142; Psalm 119:144)

Pastor: Your testimonies are righteous forever; give me understanding that I may live.
Righteous are you, O Lord, and right are your just decrees.

**Cong.: You have appointed your testimonies in righteousness
and in all faithfulness.**

Pastor: My zeal consumes me, because my foes forget your words.

Cong.: Your promise is well tried, and your servant loves it.

Pastor: Your righteousness is righteous forever and your law is true.

**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: Your testimonies are righteous forever; give me understanding that I may live.

KYRIE

(Mark 10:47)



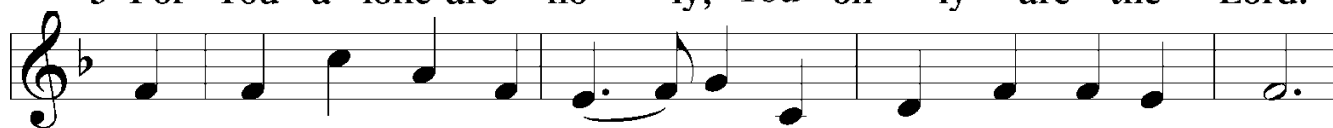
C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

(Luke 2:14; John 1:29)



1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



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: O Lord, keep Your Church in Your perpetual mercy; and because without You we cannot but fall, preserve us from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Cong.: Amen.

Sit READINGS FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE

Elder: The Lord be with you.

Cong.: And also with you.

First Reading (page 769 in the pew Bibles)**Amos 8:4-7**

Hear this, you who trample on the needy and bring the poor of the land to an end, saying, “When will the new moon be over, that we may sell grain? And the Sabbath, that we may offer wheat for sale, that we may make the ephah small and the shekel great and deal deceitfully with false balances, that we may buy the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals and sell the chaff of the wheat?” The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob: “Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.”

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

Cong: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading (page 991 in the pew Bibles)**1 Timothy 2:1-15**

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time. For this I was appointed a preacher and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth. I desire then that in every place the men should pray, lifting holy hands without anger or quarreling; likewise also that women should adorn themselves in respectable apparel, with modesty and self-control, not with braided hair and gold or pearls or costly attire, but with what is proper for women who profess godliness—with good works. Let a woman learn quietly with all submissiveness. I do not permit a woman to teach or to exercise authority over a man; rather, she is to remain quiet. For Adam was formed first, then Eve; and Adam was not deceived, but the woman was deceived and became a transgressor. Yet she will be saved through childbearing—if they continue in faith and love and holiness, with self-control.

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

Cong: Thanks be to God.

Stand

ALLELUIA

C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

C These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

(John 20:31)

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

Cong: Glory to You, O Lord.

Holy Gospel (page 875 in the pew Bibles)

Luke 16:1-15

[Jesus] also said to the disciples, “There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was wasting his possessions. And he called him and said to him, ‘What is this that I hear about you? Turn in the account of your management, for you can no longer be manager.’ And the manager said to himself, ‘What shall I do, since my master is taking the management away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do, so that when I am removed from management, people may receive me into their houses.’ So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he said to the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ He said, ‘A hundred measures of oil.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.’ Then he said to another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ He said, ‘A hundred measures of wheat.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, and write eighty.’ The master commended the dishonest manager for his shrewdness. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous wealth, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal dwellings. “One who is faithful in a very little is also faithful in much, and one who is dishonest in a very little is also dishonest in much. If then you have not been faithful in the unrighteous wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful in that which is another’s, who will give you that which is your own? No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.”

The Pharisees, who were lovers of money, heard all these things, and they ridiculed him. And he said to them, “You are those who justify yourselves before men, but God knows your hearts. For what is exalted among men is an abomination in the sight of God.”

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

Cong: Thanks be to God.

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.

Sit

COMMISSIONING OF SUNDAY SCHOOL & PRESCHOOL TEACHERS

Pastor: Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, you are to be installed as teachers at Redeemer Lutheran Church and Preschool, a work in which our Father in heaven has great joy.

Hear the Word of the Lord: “Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise.”

Deuteronomy 6:4-7

Beloved in the Lord, You are to assist me, the minister of Word and Sacrament, in the instruction of God’s people according to His holy Word. You are to prepare yourselves for this work by your individual and corporate study of the Word of God and the faith drawn from it as it has been delivered to us in the Small Catechism.

While holiness of life and obedience to Christ are expected of all members of the congregation, it is especially important that you show yourselves, by word and example, to be faithful to Him in service and Christian devotion.

In the presence of God and of this congregation, I therefore ask you: Do you accept the position entrusted to you, and do you promise faithfully to carry out your duties, trusting in the Lord and conforming yourself to His Word in accordance with the faith of the Evangelical Lutheran Church?

Teachers: We will, with the help of God.

Pastor addresses the congregation

Pastor: Beloved in the Lord, you have heard the promises of faithfulness spoken by these teachers. Do you promise to support them in their work, to remember them in your prayers, and to work with them to the best of the abilities that God has given you, so that He may be glorified and His work be done in our midst? If so, then answer: We do.

Cong.: We do.

Pastor addresses the staff

Pastor: Brothers and sisters in Christ, I install you as teachers at Redeemer Lutheran Church and Preschool in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Cong.: Amen.

Pastor: The almighty and most merciful God enlighten and strengthen you in your service that you may be good and faithful leaders to the glory of His name and the salvation of His people.

Cong.: Amen.

Stand

Pastor: O Lord, grant to these Your people the gifts of wisdom and discretion, kindness and faithfulness, so that they may effectively teach and guide, and grant to all Your people a ready willingness to learn. Let the knowledge of Your Word be preserved and extended among us so that all may know and praise You now and forever.

Go in the name of the Lord. Be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain. The almighty and most merciful God, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.

Cong.: Amen.

Preschool Teachers

Mindy Weiss, Briana Shrimpton, Jann Johnson, Christine Perkinson, Annabell Joyce

Sunday School (for all ages) and Confirmation Teachers

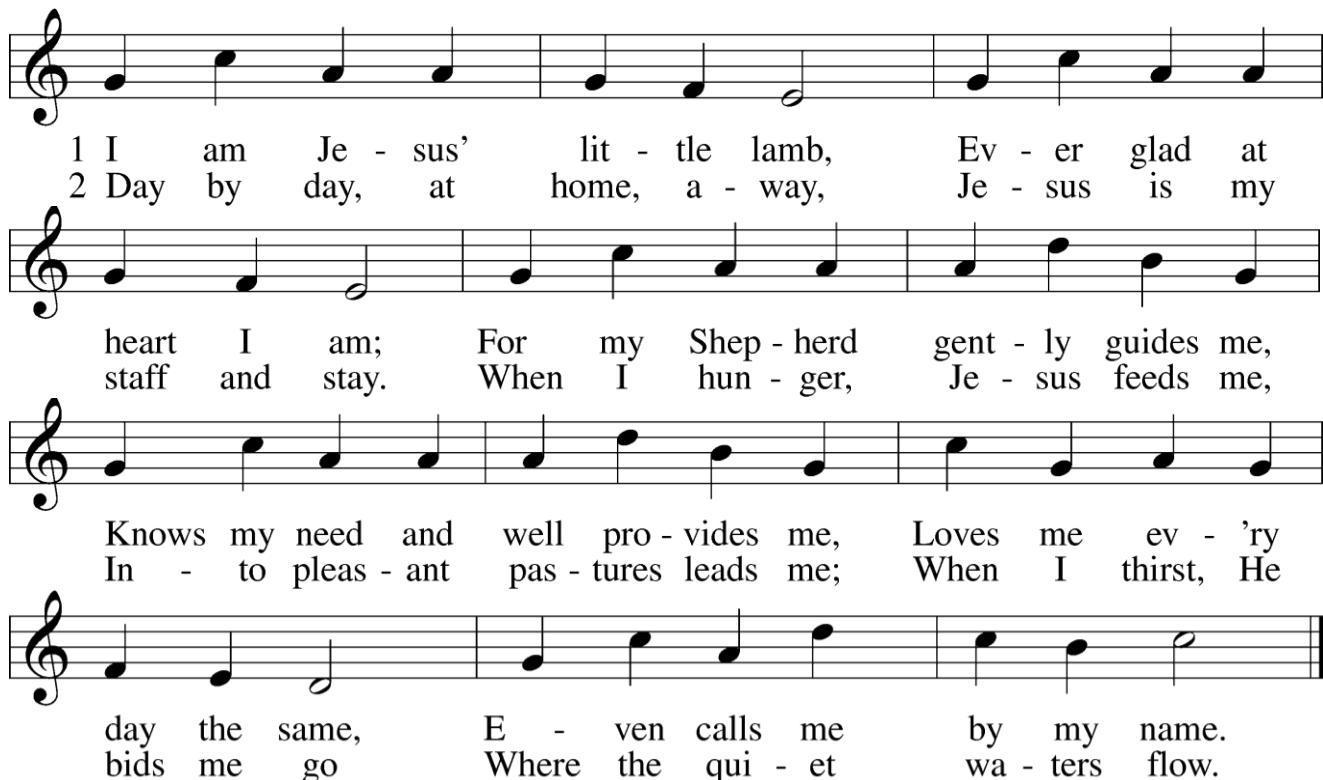
Adam & Bonnie Volkert, Brian & Heidi Viers, Jan Flores, Jennifer Zurawski, Alyssa Deen, Pastor Miller, Pastor Jeong

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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

“I Am Jesus’ Little Lamb” [LSB 740:1-2]

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



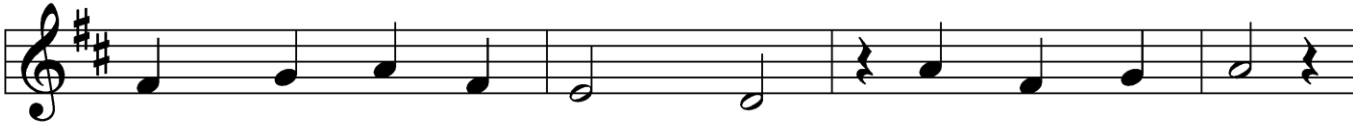
1 I am Je - sus' lit - tle lamb, Ev - er glad at
2 Day by day, at home, a - way, Je - sus is my
heart I am; For my Shep - herd gent - ly guides me,
staff and stay. When I hun - ger, Je - sus feeds me,
Knows my need and well pro - vides me, Loves me ev - 'ry
In - to pleas - ant pas - tures leads me; When I thirst, He
day the same, E - ven calls me by my name.
bids me go Where the qui - et wa - ters flow.

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Seek Where You May to Find a Way” [LSB 557]



1 Seek where you may To find a way That
2 Seek whom you may To be your stay, None
3 Seek Him a - lone Who did a - tone, Who
4 My heart's de - light, My crown most bright, O



leads to your sal - va - tion. My heart is stilled,
can re - deem his broth - er. All help - ers failed;
did your souls de - liv - er. O seek Him first,
Christ, my joy for - ev - er. Not wealth nor pride



On Christ I build, He is the one foun - da - tion.
This man pre - vailed, The God - man and none oth - er,
All you who thirst For grace that fails you nev - er.
Nor for - tune's tide Our bonds of love shall sev - er.



His Word is sure, His works en - dure; He o - ver - throws
Our Ser - vant - King Of whom we sing. We're jus - ti - fied
In ev - 'ry need Seek Him in - deed; To ev - 'ry heart
You are my Lord; Your pre - cious Word Shall guide my way



All e - vil foes; Through Him I more than con - quer.
Be - cause He died, The guilt - y be - ing guilt - less.
He will im - part His bless - ings with - out mea - sure.
And help me stay For - ev - er in Your pres - ence.

SERMON

(Pastor Jeong)

OFFERTORY

(Psalm 51:10-12)



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

OFFERING

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

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

(1 Timothy 2:1- 4)

Stand

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

Kind Father, Your Son declared to us that we cannot serve You and also be devoted to money. Free all Your baptized children from obsession with the goods of this world, that they may set their hearts on the joys of the kingdom and the inheritance that never fades. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Almighty God, guide Your Holy Church here and everywhere, that those who have been called to serve as her pastors and church workers and those preparing for and considering full-time church work may be guarded against the assaults of the evil one, encouraged in their callings, and prepared to serve faithfully for the sake of the kingdom. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Maker of heaven and earth, You have created man and woman for different offices and with different gifts, that they might complement one another and glorify You. Grant that, in our homes and congregations, Your people might rejoice in the callings You have given them. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: God, our Savior, uphold our president; our governor; and all whom You have placed in high positions with wisdom and mercy, that we may lead peaceable and quiet lives, godly and dignified in every way. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Heavenly Father, be with the sick and those who suffer, those troubled in mind, those grieving in their sorrows, and the dying in their last hours *especially*..... Grant them the comfort of Your presence, relief according to Your will and peace in their hearts. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Almighty God, You provide us with daily bread and with everything we need for this body and life. Free us from greed and covetousness, that we might be content with Your blessing and glad to share with those in need. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: O Lord, our God, whose mercies are new every morning, we give You thanks and praise for all Your kindness toward us, and we pray You to grant us the will and desire to worship You joyfully, to serve You faithfully and to proclaim boldly Your mighty acts of deliverance through our Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom we offer to You these prayers, and in whom we trust for all things; to You alone be glory, honor, worship and praise, O Lord, Father, Son and 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 THE CHURCH

Pastor: Almighty God, grant to Your Church Your Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes down from above, that Your Word may not be bound but have free course and be preached to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, that in steadfast faith we may serve You and, in the confession of Your name, abide unto the end; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

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.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you His peace.

Cong.: Amen.

HYMN

“Praise to You and Adoration” [LSB 692]

1 Praise to You and ad - o - ra - tion, Bless - ed Je - sus,
2 Hold me ev - er in Your keep - ing; Com - fort me in
Son of God, Who, to serve Your own cre - a - tion, Came to
pain and strife. In my laugh - ter and my weep - ing Be with
share our flesh and blood. Guide me that I nev - er may
me through - out my life. Give me great - er love for You,
From Your fold or pas - tures stray, But with zeal and
And my faith and hope re - new In Your birth, Your
joy ex - ceed - ing Fol - low where Your steps are lead - ing.
life, and pas - sion, In Your death and res - ur - rec - tion.

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

10:00 Service

Acolyte: Lochlan Deen

Usher: Gary Yudin, James Burns

Elders/Readers: Dan Deen
Reinhard Stenzel

Organist: Matt Laub

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

LAST SUNDAY WE PRAYED FOR:

HEALING Please pray for Dick Erickson. He is suffering from macular degeneration. Please pray that God's healing hand can comfort Sandie Zurawski as she continues to have health issues. Continue to pray for Jacob Fix, (Margie Cantrell's dad). He is doing much better, but still in the hospital. Pray for Jenny, (Elaine Ohgi's daughter), she is very sick with Covid. Please keep Charlie Kirk's wife Erica and kids and the rest of his family in your prayers. Chris Beilby, a disabled friend of the Lundgrens, is in ICU due to his diabetes. Also, his wife Lara is very upset and scared.

SAFETY DURING TRAVEL Safe travels for Helen Dickinson, sister-in-law of Margaret Button. She is flying in from San Antonio, Texas on Thursday.

COMFORT FOR THOSE WHO MOURN Please keep Charlie Kirk's wife Erica and kids and the rest of his family in your prayers.

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS: Heather Jurenka 9/21; Dan Rugg 9/22; Heidi Viers 9/22; Alan Olson 9/23; Chris Malvin 9/23; Audrey Gralewski 9/25; Susan McMackin 9/25; David Miller 9/26; Carol Yudin 9/27; Emberlynn Visinger 9/27; Savannah Visinger 9/27

THIS WEEK'S BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS: Blaire Martin 9/22; Miriam Evans 9/24

Copies of the First Aid Kit II
that Pastor Mark Jasa talked about at the Breakfast Bible Study
are available in the narthex

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NEWS AND NOTES

SEPTEMBER 21, 2025

Opportunities This Week To Serve Our Lord And Our Neighbor

21 Sunday	<i>Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost</i> Service of the Word	10:00 AM
	Church and Preschool Picnic	11:15 AM
22 Monday	Church Office Closed <i>Pastor Jeong's Day off</i>	
	Al Anon	10:00 AM
	Boy Scouts	7:00 PM
23 Tuesday	Worship Committee Meeting	6:00 PM
	Al Anon	6:00 PM
	Sanctuary Choir	7:00 PM
24 Wednesday	Preschool Chapel	10:00 AM
	Foundations of the Faith with Pastor Jeong	7:00 PM
	Hitchhiking with Prophets with Pastor Miller	7:00 PM
25 Thursday		
26 Friday		
27 Saturday	Oratio, Meditatio, Tentatio Prayer group	8:30/9:00 AM
	Sewing Group	9:30 AM-5:00 PM
28 Sunday	<i>Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost</i> Divine Service	8:00 & 11:00 AM
	Sunday School/Youth Bible Study/6 th grade Confirmation	9:30 AM
	Adult Bible Study "Didache" (in the Sanctuary with Pastor Jeong)	9:30 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: 135

*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".*



SPOTLIGHT ON STEWARDSHIP Luke 16:8b “For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light.” The sons of this world know that they should use their wealth wisely to provide for their future. Shouldn’t we, as “sons of light,” know that the wealth God has allowed us to manage should be managed for God’s purposes in roles He has given us to play in church, home and society?

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/@redeemerlutheranchurhhb7093/streams and accessible from www.redeemer-lutheran.net. Join us in the Fellowship Hall at 9:30 AM for Sunday School.

BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY will be October 11th. Plan to attend this very informative presentation. Please RSVP to the church office for breakfast.

YOUTH BIBLE STUDY SUNDAY MORNING grades 7-12 at 9:30 AM with Pastor Miller. We will use Higher Things materials and the group will help choose the topics.

WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY *Hitchhiking with Prophets A Ride Through the Salvation Story of the Old Testament* by Chad Bird with Pastor Miller starting 9/24 at 7:00 PM.

WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY geared toward those who are new to the faith, **Foundations of the Faith** with Pastor Jeong starting September 24 at 7:00 PM.

NEW LADIES MORNING BIBLE STUDY will begin on October 17th at 11:30 AM. We will meet on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Fridays of the month in the Music Room. Our Study of **Matthew** will be based on the Concordia Commentary Bible Study Series.

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.

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.

SEPTEMBER HYMN OF THE MONTH

FIGHT THE GOOD FIGHT 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 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.” These 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.

PRESCHOOL NEWS

FREE REGISTRATION – ENROLLING NOW!

HELP A CHILD GO TO SCHOOL The Redeemer Lutheran Preschool Board has established a Preschool Scholarship Fund. We have had families visit our school who simply cannot afford the tuition and were not approved for governmental assistance. We would like to offer these families a good Christian education for their children. To donate to this fund, please make your check payable to Redeemer Lutheran Church with “Preschool Scholarship Fund” on the memo line. Thank you for your continued support of Redeemer Lutheran Preschool.



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BENJAMIN & REBECCA HELGE for information see <https://www.lcms.org/helge>

VICAR/SEMINARIAN CORY WILLWEBER email at cwillweber@gmail.com

For information on where you can send support, contact the church office.

LIFE THOUGHTS IN THE CHURCH YEAR

First-century tax collectors like Matthew exploited their neighbors, their own kin, for personal profit. Yet Jesus in forgiveness and fellowship made them an illustration of how family ought to be treated (even when embryos or elderly relatives make us uncomfortable). Let us, like the repentant evangelist, proclaim how Christ crucified can release even from abortion's guilt.

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NICENE CREED SERIES.. Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. You can listen to a series of interviews with Pastor Timothy Winterstein, author of the new book “Worshipped & Glorified: A Study of the Nicene Creed” at issuesetc.org/nicenecreed.

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New Wednesday Evening Bible Studies 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

Foundations of the Faith with Pastor Jeong in the Music Room

I am excited to be teaching the "Foundations of the Faith" course beginning on September 24th at 7 PM! This course will cover many questions you or someone you know may have about the Christian Faith. We will cover many aspects of the faith through the study of Holy Scriptures and Luther's Small Catechism. If you know any unchurched person who is spiritually curious, invite him/her to join you in attending this course. This class is geared toward those who are interested in the faith as well as those who would like a refresher course on Lutheranism.

Sunday Mornings at 9:30 AM

Sunday School in the Fellowship Hall

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

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

Tuesdays starting on September 30th at 4:30 PM

7th and 8th grade confirmation class with Pastor Jeong

New Friday Morning Ladies Bible Study at 11:30 AM - starting October 17th

We will Study **Matthew** based on the Concordia Commentary Bible Study Series
in the Music Room with Elaine Ohgi

**DAILY, CHRIST OFFERS HIS RICH BLESSINGS THROUGH THE SCRIPTURES.
SUGGESTED READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 21, 2025:**

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
Monday, September 22:	Nehemiah 7:1-4; 8:1-18 & 1 Timothy 5:1-16
Tuesday, September 23:	Nehemiah 9:1-21 & 1 Timothy 5:17-6:2
Wednesday, September 24:	Nehemiah 9:22-38 & 1 Timothy 6:3-21
Thursday, September 25:	Malachi 1:1-14 & Matthew 3:1-17
Friday, September 26:	Malachi 2:1-3:5 & Matthew 4:1-11
Saturday, September 27:	Malachi 3:6-4:6 & Matthew 4:12-25
Sunday, September 28:	Deuteronomy 1:1-18; Amos 6:1-7; 1 Timothy 6:6-19; Luke 16:19-31

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– LUKE 16:13 –