



**REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH
AUGUST 7, 2022
THE NINTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST
IN-PERSON WORSHIP, FACEBOOK LIVE,
YOUTUBE, AND PARKING LOT WORSHIP –
RADIO FM 101.7**

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In-Person Worship, Facebook Live, YouTube,
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Pastor Jack Way
Organist/Keyboard: Claudine Hanson

God's Spirit Gathers Us

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

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During worship today, we will be exploring the various seasons of the church year through hymns. While the Worship Team has selected 2 or 3 hymns for the service, we will be calling upon some of you to suggest hymns from the various seasons. While you are listening to the Prelude, feel free to explore hymns in the following sections of your Hymnal and be prepared to suggest your favorites for us to sing.

ADVENT: Hymns 239-267

CHRISTMAS: Hymns 268-300 (our Christmas hymn has already been selected)

EPIPHANY: Hymns 301-318

LENT: Hymns 319-343

HOLY WEEK: Hymns 344-360

EASTER: Hymns 361-394

PENTECOST: Hymns 395-407

Call To Worship

L: God calls us into beloved community.

C: Let us love one another.

L: God calls us to live justly.

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Confession and Forgiveness

L: We confess our sins before God and one another.

Pause for silence and reflection.

L: God of liberation,

C: We are quick to forget all that you have done for us. We ignore your commandments, choosing ourselves over you and our neighbors time and again. Lead us out of the wilderness of our sin, and into new lives of love.

L: Our God bears us on eagle's wings and lovingly gathers us as a mother eagle cares for her young. Receive the entire forgiveness of all your sins and walk in the freedom and confidence of God's deliverance, in Jesus Christ, our savior. **Amen.**

ADVENT

Select a hymn from Advent (239-267)

Greeting

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

L: Let us pray. (Pause)

L: Blessed YAHWEH,

C: You have blessed us with guidance on how to live in peace with one another. Help us to respect one another in all that we say and do, for the sake of your son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

CHRISTMAS

O Come, All Ye Faithful - #283 (from Christmas Hymns 268-300)

1 O come, all ye faithful,
joyful and triumphant!
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
come and behold him,
born the king of angels:

Refrain

O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
Christ the Lord!

- 2 The highest, most holy,
light of light eternal,
born of a virgin, a mortal he comes;
Son of the Father
now in flesh appearing! **Refrain**
- 3 Sing, choirs of angels,
sing in exultation,
sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!
Glory to God
in the highest: **Refrain**
- 4 Yea, Lord, we greet thee,
born this happy morning;
Jesus, to thee be glory giv'n!
Word of the Father,
now in flesh appearing: **Refrain**

Text: attr. John Francis Wade, 1711-1786; tr. Frederick Oakeley, 1802-1880, sts. 1, 3-4; tr. unknown, st. 2

EPIPHANY

Select a Hymn from Epiphany (301-318)

God's Word Enlivens Us

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

For everything there is a season and a time for every matter under heaven: A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted; a time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up; a time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance; a time to throw away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing; a time to seek, and a time to lose; a time to keep and a time to throw away; a time to tear, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak; a time to love, and a time to hate; a time for war, and a time for peace.

L: Word of God. Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

LENT

Select a Hymn from Lent (319-343)

HOLY WEEK

Select a Hymn from Holy Week (344-360)

Apostle's Creed

L: Let us confess our faith using the words of the Apostle's Creed.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the
Father,
and he will come to judge the living and
the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.**

Amen.

Prayers of Joys and Concerns

L: Trusting in god's extraordinary love, let us come near to the Holy One in prayer.

A brief silence.

L: Merciful God,

C: Receive our prayer.

**In honor of the church's 119th anniversary on August 10, we will sing our
Anniversary Hymn – Little White Church (sung to the tune: Little Brown Church)
(by Geri Gorman, written for the 100th Anniversary of Redeemer Lutheran Church – August 10, 2003)**

There's a church in our village by the highway,
No lovelier place in our town;
Where we meet ev'ry Sunday to worship,
Share the Peace, sing some songs, 'gather round.

CHORUS:

***Oh, come, come, come, come,
Come to the church by the highway;
Oh, come to the church in our town.
No spot is so dear to its people
Than the little white church in our town.***

For one hundred nineteen years she has stood there,
Her cross reaching high in the air;
Her bell chimes the start of each service,
And petitions said in The Lord's Prayer.

CHORUS

Her windows of stained glass are gorgeous,
The scenes of our Lord really shine.
Babes are welcomed with love by our angel,
With the cross they are sealed, "You are Mine."

CHORUS

From the pulpit His Word is spoken.
From the table we all are fed.
We rejoice as we're blessed with forgiveness
When we share in the wine and the bread.

CHORUS:

There are choirs for all generations
To ring or sing praises to Him.
There are ushers and greeters and readers,
Many tasks where we all can fit in.

CHORUS:

'Tis our purpose to tell Jesus' story,
For some have never heard
The message of love and salvation
From God's own Holy Word.

CHORUS:

Sharing of the Peace

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

C: **And also with you.**

Offertory Prayer

L: Let us pray

C: **God of blessed community, we offer now these gathered gifts, signs of our love and respect for you and our neighbors. Bless them for your work of bringing peace and justice to the world. Amen.**

EASTER

Select a Hymn from Easter (361-394)

PENTECOST

Select a Hymn from Pentecost (395-407)

The Lord's Prayer

L: Let us pray together the words our savior taught us.

God's Spirit Sends Us

Benediction: *The Doxology* - #884

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heav'nly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637-1711

Let us joyfully sing "Praise and Thanksgiving" for all our blessings throughout the seasons of the church year!

***Sending Hymn – Praise and Thanksgiving* - #689**

1 Praise and thanksgiving, God, we would offer
for all things living, you have made good:
harvest of sown fields, fruits of the orchard,
hay from the mown fields, blossom and wood.

- 2 God, bless the labor we bring to serve you,
that with our neighbor we may be fed.
Sowing or tilling, we would work with you,
harvesting, milling for daily bread.
- 3 Father, providing food for your children,
by Wisdom's guiding teach us to share
one with another, so that, rejoicing
with us, all others may know your care.
- 4 Then will your blessing reach ev'ry people,
freely confessing your gracious hand.
Where you are reigning, no one will hunger;
your love sustaining showers the land.

Text: Albert F. Bayly, 1901-1984, alt.

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Dismissal

L: God laid down commandments in the desire for us to do better—to treat each other as the beloved, precious, irreplaceable human beings that God created us to be. We go bearing God's peace, to love and serve the Lord in all the earth.

C: Thanks be to God!

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Watch for More Information on:

- *First Communion Classes on Wednesday, August 17 and Wednesday, August 24*
- *The Blessing of the Backpacks on Sunday, August 28*



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OFFICE HOURS

Administrative Assistant - Mondays/Tuesdays 9 a.m. - Noon

Pastor – Mondays 9:30 a.m. – Noon

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C: To inherit a blessing.

L: Let us receive it with joy

C: And in turn bless others.

Confession and Forgiveness

L: We confess our sins before God and one another.

Pause for silence and reflection.

L: Saving God,

C: Too often we have turned away from you and toward ourselves. We have not had unity of spirit, sympathy, love for one another, a tender heart, or a humble mind. We have repaid evil for evil. We have failed to serve. Draw us back into the joy of your beloved community, and give us eager hearts to love our neighbors.

L: God who redeems all flesh gives you new life in Christ and forgives you all your sins. Rejoice in the grace and mercy of God, through Jesus Christ, our savior. **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn – Be Thou My Vision - #793

- 1 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art:
thou my best thought both by day and by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.
- 2 Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord.
Thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tow'r,
raise thou me heav'nward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
- 3 Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise,
thou mine inheritance, now and always:
thou and thou only, the first in my heart,
great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.
- 4 Light of my soul, after victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Text: Irish, 8th cent.; vers. Eleanor H. Hull, 1860-1935, alt.; tr. Mary E. Byrne, 1880-1931

Greeting

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

L: Let us pray (pause)

L: Merciful God,

C: You have called us into a unity of spirit as your beloved community. Help us to set aside outward appearances and cultivate the best in ourselves, in order that others might do the same. For the sake Jesus Christ. Amen.

God's Word Enlivens Us

1 Peter 3

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

P: Wives, in the same way, accept the authority of your husbands, so that, even if some of them do not obey the word, they may be won over without a word by their wives' conduct, when they see the purity and reverence of your lives. Do not adorn yourselves outwardly by braiding your hair, and by wearing gold ornaments or fine clothing; rather, let your adornment be the inner self with the lasting beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is very precious in God's sight. It was in this way long ago that the holy women who hoped in God used to adorn themselves by accepting the authority of their husbands. Thus Sarah obeyed Abraham and called him lord. You have become her daughters as long as you do what is good and never let fears alarm you. Husbands, in the same way, show consideration for your wives in your life together, paying honor to the woman as the weaker sex, since they too are also heirs of the gracious gift of life—so that nothing may hinder your prayers.

Finally, all of you, have unity of spirit, sympathy, love for one another, a tender heart, and a humble mind. Do not repay evil for evil or abuse for abuse; but, on the contrary, repay with a blessing. It is for this that you were called—that you might inherit a blessing. For “Those who desire life and desire to see good days, let them keep their tongues from evil and their lips from speaking deceit; let them turn away from evil and do good; let them seek peace and pursue it. For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, and his ears are open to their prayer. But the face of the Lord is against those who do evil.”

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water.

And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

P: Word of God. Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Message – Pastor Jack Way

Hymn of the Day – Day by Day - #790

- 1 Day by day, your mercies, Lord, attend me,
bringing comfort to my anxious soul.
Day by day, the blessings, Lord, you send me
draw me nearer to my heav'nly goal.
Love divine, beyond all mortal measure,
brings to naught the burdens of my quest;
Savior, lead me to the home I treasure,
where at last I'll find eternal rest.

- 2 Day by day, I know you will provide me
strength to serve and wisdom to obey;
I will seek your loving will to guide me
o'er the paths I struggle day by day.
I will fear no evil of the morrow,
I will trust in your enduring grace.
Savior, help me bear life's pain and sorrow
till in glory I behold your face.

- 3 Oh, what joy to know that you are near me
when my burdens grow too great to bear;
oh, what joy to know that you will hear me
when I come, O Lord, to you in prayer.
Day by day, no matter what betide me,
you will hold me ever in your hand.
Savior, with your presence here to guide me,
I will reach at last the promised land.

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**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.**

Amen.

Prayers of Joys and Concerns

P: Trusting in the faithful promises of our God, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

Prayer Hymn – Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying - #752

Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying,
send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

P: Faithful God,

C: Your mercy is great.

Prayer Hymn – Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying - #752

Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
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Text: Ken Medema, b. 1943

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Sharing of the Peace

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

C: And also with you.

Offertory Prayer

P: We pray.

C: Gracious God, you shower us with blessing upon blessing. Now we offer our gifts so that we may in turn bless the world. Accept them, we pray, that all may flourish. Amen.

God's Meal Nourishes Us

Communion

Words of Institution

P: In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Let us pray together the words our Savior taught us,

The Lord's Prayer

P: The body of Christ given for you (Eat)

P: The blood of Christ shed for you (Drink)

Post Communion Prayer

God's Spirit Sends Us

Benediction:

P: God calls us into unity at the table of Christ. By God's blessing we set aside all resentment and strife to join with our siblings in the holy meal, in prayer, in praise and in worship. Nourished and replenished we go to share these blessings of God in Christ Jesus with everyone.

C: Amen

Sending Hymn – Precious Lord, Take My Hand - #773

1. Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on,
let me stand, I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.
Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light.
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.
2. When my way grows drear, precious Lord,
linger near, when my life is almost gone,
hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall.
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.
3. When the darkness appears and the night draws near,
and the day is past and gone,
at the river I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand.
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Dismissal

P: Let us go into the world in peace and dedicated to your service, O Lord. Let us hold fast to that which is good, render no person evil for evil, strengthen the faint-hearted, support the weak, help those in need and those afflicted, honor all people and all creation. We go to love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in God's Holy Spirit as God's blessing through Christ is upon us now and always.

C: Thanks be to God!

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The family of Dick and Joan Reiersen and the family of Jim and Loretta Hagen (Joan's brother and sister-in-law), whose son, Jim, Jr. passed away unexpectedly; Dorothy Stark (Darlene Cutsforth's mother); Bob Strauss; Nancy Drehmel; the family of Jesus Valencia, who passed away on July 24; Julie Schairer-Snave and family, friend of Pastor Jack and Val.

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A first communion class is offered on Wednesday August 17th and the same class will be repeated on Wednesday August 24th from 6:00 – 6:45 PM. Pastor Jack is leading these classes for any elementary school aged students who, along with their parents agreement, want to participate in the class in order to begin receiving communion at Redeemer. The class is oriented toward fifth grade. Younger youth that are interested in receiving first communion can have their parents contact Pastor Jack to arrange for instruction.

The class will focus on the Lutheran perspective in the receiving of communion as a blessing and a gift of love from God. God's love comes to us, especially in and through Jesus, God's son. Communion both symbolizes how God is with us through the divine and human connection through Jesus. We will grapple with this mystery of God who has become flesh in Jesus for the salvation of creation. This union with Christ is what we receive in, with and under the bread and the wine of Jesus' Last Supper. We will use a small portion of a resource by Rev. Daniel Erlanger, reference the Scriptures and review a brief portion of the Small Catechism of Martin Luther.

Contact the church office **before noon on August 16th** to let pastor know if your youth will be participating in class, so that materials can be prepared.

A letter with this information has been emailed to the parents of the families who had children participating in Sprouts at Redeemer in 2021-2022. Contact Pastor Jack Way at Redeemer if you have any questions, or if you know of any others that may want to participate.

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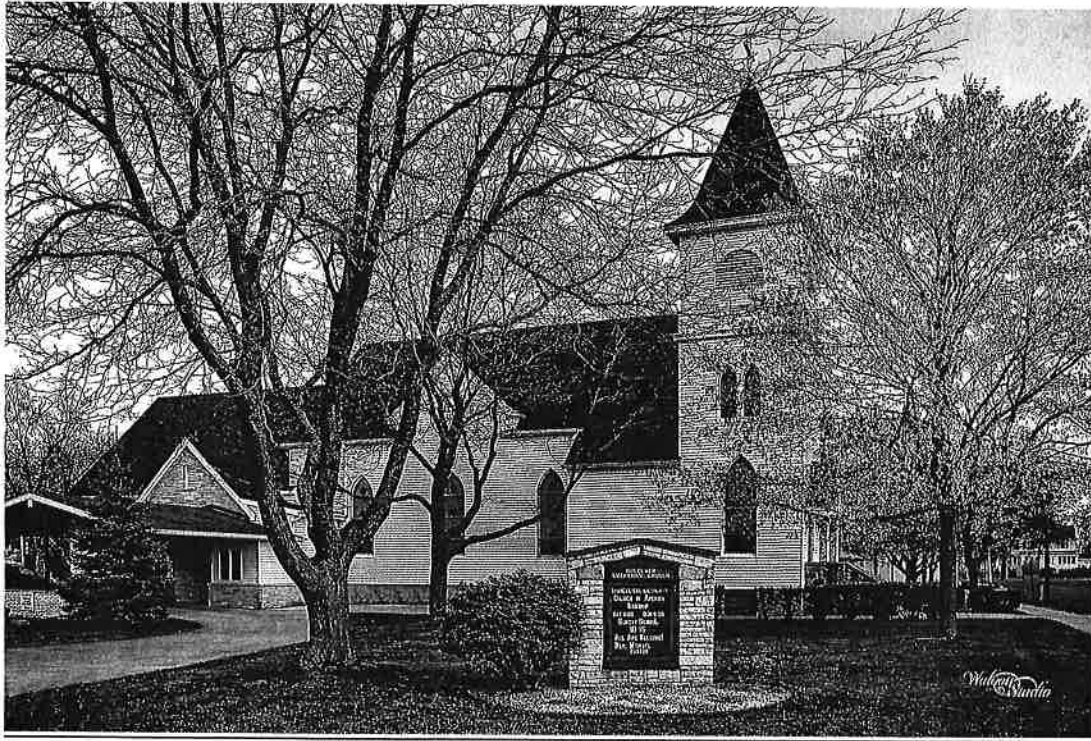
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Call To Worship

L: God calls us to love one another.

C: Let us practice hospitality,

L: And in all humility

C: Serve one another with joy.

Special Music – Quartet: Steve Gilbert, Kurt Johnson, Trish McNeill, and Bob Risgaard

Confession and Forgiveness

L: We confess our sins before God and one another.

Pause for silence and reflection.

L: Saving God,

C: Too often we have turned away from you and toward ourselves. We have not had unity of spirit, sympathy, love for one another, a tender heart, or a humble mind. We have repaid evil for evil. We have failed to serve. Draw us back into the joy of your beloved community, and give us eager hearts to love our neighbors.

L: God who redeems all flesh gives you new life in Christ and forgives you all your sins. Rejoice in the grace and mercy of God, through Jesus Christ, our savior. **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn – Glorious Things of You Are Spoken - #647

1. Glorious things of you are spoken, Zion, city of our God!
He whose word cannot be broken formed you for his own abode.
On the Rock of Ages founded, what can shake your sure repose?
With salvation's walls surrounded, you may smile at all your foes.
2. See, the streams of living waters, springing from eternal love,
Well supply your sons and daughters, and all fear of want remove.
Who can faint, while such a river ever will their thirst assuage?
Grace which, like the Lord, the giver, never fails from age to age.
3. Round each habitation hov'ring, see the cloud and fire appear
For a glory and a cov'ring, showing that the Lord is near.
Thus deriving from their banner light by night and shade by day,
Safe they feed upon the manna which God gives them on their way.
4. Savior, since of Zion's city I through grace a member am,
Let the world deride or pity, I will glory in your name.
Fading are the world's vain pleasures, all their boasted pomp and show;
Solid joys and lasting treasures none but Zion's children know.
Text: John Newton, 1725-1807, alt.

Greeting

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

L: Let us pray. (Pause)

L: Merciful God,

C: You have called to be stewards of your grace. Inspire us to serve one another with whatever gifts we have received, for the sake of your son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

God's Word Enlivens Us

1 Peter 4

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

P: Since therefore Christ suffered in the flesh, arm yourselves also with the same intention (for whoever has suffered in the flesh has finished with sin), so as to live for the rest of your earthly life no longer by human desires but by the will of God. You have already spent enough time in doing what the Gentiles like to do, living in licentiousness, passions, drunkenness, revels, carousing, and lawless idolatry. They are surprised that you no longer join them in the same excesses of dissipation, and so they blaspheme. But they will have to give an accounting to him who stands ready to judge the living and the dead. For this is the reason the gospel was proclaimed even to the dead, so that, though they had been judged in the flesh as everyone is judged, they might live in the spirit as God does.

The end of all things is near; therefore be serious and discipline yourselves for the sake of your prayers. Above all, maintain constant love for one another, for love covers a multitude of sins. Be hospitable to one another without complaining. Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received. Whoever speaks must do so as one speaking the very words of God; whoever serves must do so with the strength that God supplies, so that God may be glorified in all things through Jesus Christ. To him belong the glory and the power forever and ever. Amen.

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you. But let none of you suffer as a murderer, a thief, a criminal, or even as a mischief maker. Yet if any of you suffers as a Christian, do not consider it a disgrace, but glorify God because you bear this name. For the time has come for judgment to begin with the household of God; if it begins with us, what will be the end for those who do not obey the gospel of God? And "If it is hard for the righteous to be saved, what will become of the ungodly and the sinners?" Therefore, let those suffering in accordance with God's will entrust themselves to a faithful Creator, while continuing to do good.

P: Word of God. Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Special Music – God of the Sparrow – Duet: Pastor Jack and Valerie Way

Message – Pastor Jack Way

Hymn of the Day – Great Is Thy Faithfulness - #733

- 1 Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
there is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not;
as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.

Refrain

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided;
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

2 Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. **Refrain**

3 Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! **Refrain**

Text: Thomas O. Chisholm, 1866-1960

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Apostle's Creed

L: Let us confess our faith using the words of the Apostle's Creed.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
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**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.**

Amen.

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

C: And also with you.

Offertory Prayer

P: We pray. (Pause)

C: God you have entrusted us with the stewardship of all that you have given us. In a spirit of generosity we offer these gifts in service to others. Pour out your blessing on them, that they might change lives. Amen.

God's Meal Nourishes Us

Communion

Words of Institution

P: In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Let us pray together the words our Savior taught us,

The Lord's Prayer

P: The body of Christ given for you (Eat)

P: The blood of Christ shed for you (Drink)

Post Communion Prayer

God's Spirit Sends Us

Benediction:

P: Our God of grace and mercy extends hospitality to all God's children. Having received God's hospitality within and through the holy meal of Jesus, we are remembered and reminded of being the beloved children of God.

C: Amen.

Sending Hymn – God Be with You Till We Meet Again - #536

1. God be with you till we meet again;
By good counsels guide, uphold you,
With a shepherd's care enfold you;
God be with you till we meet again.

Refrain

Till we meet, till we meet, till we meet at Jesus' feet;
Till we meet, till we meet, God be with you till we meet again.

2. God be with you till we meet again;
Holy wings securely hide you,
Daily manna still provide you;
God be with you till we meet again. ***Refrain***
3. God be with you till we meet again;
When life's perils thick confound you,
Put unfailing arms around you;
God be with you till we meet again. ***Refrain***

Text: Jeremiah E. Rankin, 1828-1904
Music: William G. Tomer, 1833-1896

Dismissal

P: Be serious about your faith.

C: We will make the effort to grow in God.

P: Love one another,

C: For Christ's love counteracts all sin.

P: Serve one another,

C: With the gifts God has provided us.

P: Speak with respect and act with honor, as if our words and our deeds are God's own.

C: Through Jesus let us go to glorify God in all things. Thanks be to God.

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Prayers

We hold in prayer this week those who have immediate concerns:

The family of Dick and Joan Reiersen and the family of Jim and Loretta Hagen (Joan's brother and sister-in-law), whose son, Jim, Jr. passed away unexpectedly; Dorothy Stark (Darlene Cutsforth's mother); Bob Strauss; Nancy Drehmel; Julie Schairer-Snave and family, friend of Pastor Jack and Val.

We continue to hold in prayer those who have requested ongoing prayer:

George Scott; Don Hohlstein; Duane Nelson; Bev Stankiewicz; Joe Thompson, Harry Thompson's son; Gloria Lang; Knute Nelson, Susan Brusveen's brother, who has prostate cancer; Max Pribbenow and Family; Sue Pulver; Brenda Vogeler, Harry Thompson's daughter; Beth Welter, Julie Thompson's niece; Barb and Alfred Nelson; Sally Hohlstein; Marie Nobbs; Ron Huebner; Ryan & Kindra Bender; Virginia Olson; Betty Laper; Ken Wescott; Sarah Thompson; Heidi Bimrose; and Raymond Endres.



School Kits for Lutheran World Relief

Once again, we will be collecting school supplies for Lutheran World Relief. We are inviting you to donate any or all of the items listed below needed for each school kit by Sunday, September 11th. A donation box will be placed in the north (covered) entrance. If you would prefer, cash donations can be made and we will do the shopping for you. Please indicate on your envelope or check that the donation is for "School Kits". To allow time for shopping, we would appreciate cash donations be made by Sunday, August 28th.

On Sunday, September 11th we will assemble the kits after church (approx. 10:15 am). All are invited to help.

School supplies needed for each kit:

- Four 70-sheet 8"x10½" notebooks, wide or college rule
- One 30-centimeter ruler, can have both inches and centimeters
- One pencil sharpener
- One pair of blunt scissors
- Five unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers
- Five black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink)
- One box of 16 or 24 crayons
- One 2 ½" eraser

Other Kits for Lutheran World Relief – Lists of items for each kit are available at the north entrance. Completed kits must be at church by Sunday, September 11th.

- Baby Kit
- Fabric Kit
- Personal Care Kit

First Communion Class

A first communion class is offered on Wednesday August 17th and the same class will be repeated on Wednesday August 24th – both from 6:00 – 6:45 PM. Pastor Jack is leading these classes for any elementary school aged students who, along with their parents agreement, want to participate in the class in order to begin receiving communion at Redeemer. The class is oriented toward fifth grade. Younger youth that are interested in receiving first communion can have their parents contact Pastor Jack to arrange for instruction.

The class will focus on the Lutheran perspective in the receiving of communion as a blessing and a gift of love from God. God's love comes to us, especially in and through Jesus, God's son. Communion both symbolizes how God is with us through the divine and human connection through Jesus. We will grapple with this mystery of God who has become flesh in Jesus for the salvation of creation. This union with Christ is what we receive in, with and under the bread and the wine of Jesus' Last Supper. We will use a small portion of a resource by Rev. Daniel Erlanger, reference the Scriptures and review a brief portion of the Small Catechism of Martin Luther.

Contact the church office **before noon on August 23rd** to let pastor know if your youth will be participating in class, so that materials can be prepared.

A letter with this information has been emailed to the parents of the families who had children participating in Sprouts at Redeemer in 2021-2022. Contact Pastor Jack Way at Redeemer if you have any questions, or if you know of any others that may want to participate.

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WOMEN OF THE ELCA – Retreat

All women are invited to attend a Retreat: “Rise Up – Overcoming Life’s Obstacles”, which is being held on Saturday, September 24 at Our Savior’s Lutheran Church in Sun Prairie. A flyer is attached to this bulletin. Registration forms are available in the elevator entry-way. If you are unable to get to the website or need a registration form mailed to you, please contact Redeemer’s office. Registration forms with payment must be postmarked by September 8.

NEW GREETING CARDS AVAILABLE

During COVID when we were unable to worship in-person, there were several inquiries about purchasing greeting cards and whether or not the stock would be re-plenished. There is now a good supply of cards available. There has been a rise in cost, so the new price (\$5) is reflected for the new supply. The cards that were purchased previously will continue to be sold at the previous price (\$4). Please check out the new cards in the front entryway (on Lincoln Avenue).

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Saturday Retreat, September 24, 2022

Our Savior's Lutheran Church – 550 Lincoln Drive, Sun Prairie, WI 53590

8:30 am Registration, 9:30 am Program, ending at 3:30 pm

“Rise Up – Overcoming Life's Obstacles”

Tricia Clason & Ginger Shomberg

Romans 8:28 “And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.” (NIV)

Afternoon Workshop at 12:55 pm, choose one of these –

- Connecting with Jesus
- Engaging with the news and government as people of faith
- Qigong as Self-Care for Mind, Body, and Spirit
- Caring for God's Creation - Solving the Climate Crisis
- Service Project – Days for Girls

Afternoon Workshop at 1:55 pm, choose one of these –

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Renewal Service at 3:00 pm

Help spread the word - Use the ½ sheet bulletin insert

Want to help with the Retreat? Sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084BADAB29AB9-women>

Return your registration and payment, postmarked by September 8 to:

Helen Sheahan, 1106 Valley Stream Drive, Madison, WI 53711

Make Checks payable to WELCA or Women of the ELCA

We can not accommodate Child Care or Special Dietary Needs on late Registrations

If email is provided, your registration will be acknowledged.

Questions: 608-692-7553 or sheahan1@sbcglobal.net

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C: Let us worship God together.

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L: God who redeems all flesh gives you new life in Christ and forgives you all your sins. Rejoice in the grace and mercy of God, through Jesus Christ, our savior. **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn – Come ye Thankful People, Come - #693

- 1 Come, ye thankful people, come;
raise the song of harvest home.
All be safely gathered in
ere the winter storms begin.
God, our maker, doth provide
for our wants to be supplied.
Come to God's own temple, come,
raise the song of harvest home.

- 2 All the world is God's own field,
fruit unto his praise to yield;
wheat and tares together sown,
unto joy or sorrow grown.
First the blade, and then the ear,
then the full corn shall appear.
Lord of harvest, grant that we
wholesome grain and pure may be.

- 3 For the Lord our God shall come
and shall take his harvest home;
from his field shall in that day
all offenses purge away;
give his angels charge at last
in the fire the tares to cast,
but the fruitful ears to store
in his garner evermore.

- 4 Even so, Lord, quickly come
to thy final harvest home.
Gather then thy people in,
free from sorrow, free from sin,
there, forever purified,
in thy garner to abide.
Come, with all thine angels, come,
raise the glorious harvest home!

Text: Henry Alford, 1810-1871, alt.

Blessing of the Backpacks – Pastor Jack Way

P: Backpacks and school supplies remind us that school soon begins for students of all ages. Children begin preschool and kindergarten; others are moving up in elementary grades. Youth are moving to middle school and high school. Adults of all ages are attending colleges, universities and other places of learning.

P: Let us lift our hands together as we pray a blessing from this congregation, Redeemer Lutheran in Rio WI, upon all those involved in ongoing learning.

C: We thank you, O Lord, for books and playgrounds, for new friends and field trips, for crayons and computers, for classrooms and for the joys of recess.

P: We are called to pray for, support and encourage all students and all who assist and support learning.

C: We thank you for the excitement of a new school year and the new discoveries that will spark imaginations and expand knowledge.

P: We especially lift up backpacks that will carry books and papers, drawings and markers, lunches and snacks, hopes and dreams, blessings and friendships.

C: Bless, O Lord, those who will carry and wear these backpacks we bless today in our presence or as we stream our prayer of blessing. May they know and be surrounded by your love.

P: We lift up all forms of technology used in education including tablets, iPads and computers. May these gifts be used wisely and responsibly.

C: Bless, O Lord, those who will be using and teaching the gifts of technology that they may use them responsibly and explore new ways to use them.

P: We pray for students of all ages as they begin this new school year.

C: Spirit of God, grant the gifts of wisdom and understanding to all students. May they experience excitement in learning and take delight in new discoveries.

P: We pray for bus drivers and all who transport students. We pray for kitchen workers and all who prepare and serve food. We pray for custodial staff and all who clean and maintain school buildings, sports venues and playground equipment.

C: Spirit of God, we give thanks for all who provide safe travel, those working in food service and maintenance duties. Bless them in their ministry of service.

P: We pray for teachers and aides and helpers, office staff, counselors, librarians, school nurses, coaches, school administrators, principals and school board members.

C: Spirit of God, may those in authority share their knowledge with gentleness and patience and exercise wise and fair judgment in their decisions.

P: In all and through all these petitions we remember your Son, Jesus, who surprised his parents by going to sit at the feet of the rabbis to learn of your divine dreams for all of creation.

C: For all the various gifts of education; and especially for students, teachers, parents, and for all those we have named or perhaps we have missed naming, we give you thanks and praise. Through your gracious and loving hand, Lord, bless them all and bless this year of learning. We ask this and all blessings in the name of Jesus.

Amen

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C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

L: Let us pray. (Pause)

L: God of all grace,

C: You call us to your eternal glory in Christ. Restore us, support us, and strengthen us, so that we might bear witness to your salvation, for the sake of your son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

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1 Peter 5

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

P: Now as an elder myself and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, as well as one who shares in the glory to be revealed, I exhort the elders among you to tend the flock of God that is in your charge, exercising the oversight, not under compulsion but willingly, as God would have you do it—not for sordid gain but eagerly. Do not lord it over those in your charge, but be examples to the flock. And when the chief shepherd appears, you will win the crown of glory that never fades away. In the same way, you who are younger must accept the authority of the elders.

And all of you must clothe yourselves with humility in your dealings with one another, for “God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble.” Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you.

Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

Through Silvanus, whom I consider a faithful brother, I have written this short letter to encourage you and to testify that this is the true grace of God. Stand fast in it. Your sister church in Babylon, chosen together with you, sends you greetings; and so does my son Mark. Greet one another with a kiss of love. Peace to all of you who are in Christ.

P: Word of God. Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Message – Pastor Jack Way

Hymn of the Day – God of the Sparrow - #740 vs. 1,3,& 6

- 1 God of the sparrow God of the whale
God of the swirling stars
How does the creature say Awe
How does the creature say Praise

- 3 God of the rainbow God of the cross
God of the empty grave
How does the creature say Grace
How does the creature say Thanks

- 6 God of the ages God near at hand
God of the loving heart
How do your children say Joy
How do your children say Home

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P: In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Let us pray together the words our Savior taught us,

The Lord's Prayer

P: The body of Christ given for you (Eat)

P: The blood of Christ shed for you (Drink)

Post Communion Prayer

God's Spirit Sends Us

Benediction:

P: May the Lord bless us and keep us.

May the Lord's face shine upon us and be gracious to us.

May the Lord look upon us with favor and give us peace.

Amen.

Sending Hymn – For the Fruit of All Creation - #679

- 1 For the fruit of all creation,
thanks be to God.
For these gifts to ev'ry nation,
thanks be to God.
For the plowing, sowing, reaping,
silent growth while we are sleeping,
future needs in earth's safekeeping,
thanks be to God.
- 2 In the just reward of labor,
God's will is done.
In the help we give our neighbor,
God's will is done.
In our worldwide task of caring
for the hungry and despairing,
in the harvests we are sharing,
God's will is done.
- 3 For the harvests of the Spirit,
thanks be to God.
For the good we all inherit,
thanks be to God.
For the wonders that astound us,
for the truths that still confound us,
most of all, that love has found us,
thanks be to God.

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Dismissal

P: As Peter proclaimed to the faithful two thousand years ago, let us go to share the peace of Christ Jesus so that God may restore, support, strengthen and establish the good news of salvation for all.

C: Thanks be to God.

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Prayers

We hold in prayer this week those who have immediate concerns:

The family of Dan and Lynn Bubolz on the recent death of Isaac Bubolz; Tim McNeill, Scott McNeill's brother; the family of Dick and Joan Reiersen and the family of Jim and Loretta Hagen (Joan's brother and sister-in-law), whose son, Jim, Jr. passed away unexpectedly; Dorothy Stark (Darlene Cutsforth's mother); Bob Strauss; Nancy Drehmel; Julie Schairer-Snave and family, friend of Pastor Jack and Val.

We continue to hold in prayer those who have requested ongoing prayer:

George Scott; Don Hohlstein; Duane Nelson; Bev Stankiewicz; Joe Thompson, Harry Thompson's son; Gloria Lang; Knute Nelson, Susan Brusveen's brother, who has prostate cancer; Max Pribbenow and Family; Sue Pulver; Brenda Vogeler, Harry Thompson's daughter; Beth Welter, Julie Thompson's niece; Barb and Alfred Nelson; Sally Hohlstein; Marie Nobbs; Ron Huebner; Ryan & Kindra Bender; Virginia Olson; Betty Laper; Ken Wescott; Sarah Thompson; Heidi Bimrose; and Raymond Endres.

CALL COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS

Redeemer's Council met August 21st to open the sealed nominations of candidates tabulated by Helen Risgaard. 30 member names were submitted. Two names were removed from the list because they are council members (council members are not to serve on a call committee). One name is a member who notified Redeemer that they are moving away from the Rio area. The council prayed for God's will to be present in guiding them in selecting a slate to present for a congregational vote (at a date/time yet to be scheduled).

Council members were invited to sleep on, and pray further about the members who may become those selected by council to go forward on the slate.

Pastor Way agreed to call each of the 27 nominated members. He will verify whether or not each is willing to continue being considered for the slate. If so, Pastor will ask them if they will commit to serving. The council will keep all names in confidence until every nominated person has been contacted regarding whether they will continue as a potential person on the slate.

Some members will receive this notice after the council reconvenes on August 24th for further discussions and decisions regarding the slate. Please pray for all council members, and for all nominees.

Pastor Jack

WOMEN OF THE ELCA – Retreat

All women are invited to attend a Retreat: “Rise Up – Overcoming Life’s Obstacles”, which is being held on Saturday, September 24 at Our Savior’s Lutheran Church in Sun Prairie. A flyer is attached to this bulletin. Registration forms are available in the elevator entry-way. If you are unable to get to the website or need a registration form mailed to you, please contact Redeemer’s office. Registration forms with payment must be postmarked by September 8.

NEW GREETING CARDS AVAILABLE

During COVID when we were unable to worship in-person, there were several inquiries about purchasing greeting cards and whether or not the stock would be re-plenished. There is now a good supply of cards available. There has been a rise in cost, so the new price (\$5) is reflected for the new supply. The cards that were purchased previously will continue to be sold at the previous price (\$4). Please check out the new cards in the front entryway (on Lincoln Avenue).



School Kits for Lutheran World Relief

Once again, we will be collecting school supplies for Lutheran World Relief. We are inviting you to donate any or all of the items listed below needed for each school kit by Sunday, September 11th. A donation box will be placed in the north (covered) entrance. If you would prefer, cash donations can be made and we will do the shopping for you. Please indicate on your envelope or check that the donation is for “School Kits”. To allow time for shopping, we would appreciate cash donations be made by Sunday, August 28th.

On Sunday, September 11th we will assemble the kits after church (approx. 10:15 am). All are invited to help.

School supplies needed for each kit:

- Four 70-sheet 8”x10½” notebooks, wide or college rule
- One 30-centimeter ruler, can have both inches and centimeters
- One pencil sharpener
- One pair of blunt scissors
- Five unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers

- Five black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink)
- One box of 16 or 24 crayons
- One 2 ½" eraser
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Other Kits for Lutheran World Relief – Lists of items for each kit are available at the north entrance. Completed kits must be at church by Sunday, September 11th.

- Baby Kit
- Fabric Kit
- Personal Care Kit

OFFICE HOURS

Administrative Assistant - Mondays/Tuesdays 9 a.m. - Noon
 Pastor – Mondays 9:30 a.m. – Noon
 Tuesdays 1:00 p.m. – 3:30
 Thursdays Available by Appointment

(Voice mail and E-mail are monitored daily during non-office hours)

Note: The office will be closed on Monday, September 5 for the Holiday

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