



**Redeemer Lutheran Church
May 7, 2023
The Fifth Sunday of Easter
Music Sunday
9:00 am Worship**

Welcome to Worship!

What a joy it is to come together as beloved children of God!
God invites us. God accepts us as we are. In this spirit of acceptance, we are brought together to live and grow as companions on this journey of faith. We are joined together by the river of life flowing through each of us. In our diversity we are formed into one by the love of God in Christ. Together we gather to give thanks and praise and to walk alongside each other in love.

ORDER OF WORSHIP
Sunday, May 7, 2023
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Music Sunday
Pastor: Jack Way
Organist/Keyboard: Claudine Hanson

God's Spirit Gathers Us

Prelude
Welcome & Announcements
Call to worship
Gathering Hymn "Earth and All Stars" v. 1, 2, 4 #731
Confession and Forgiveness
Bell Choir – My Lord, What a Morning
Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee
Greeting
Prayer of the Day
Men – Holy, Holy, Holy & To God Be the Glory

God's Word Enlivens Us

Reading Psalm 150
Amazing Grace – Rick Olson on Harmonica
Hymn of the Day "O Sing to the Lord" #822
Sprouts: I'm Gonna Sing, When the Saints, Skinamarink
Prayers of Joys and Concerns
How Great Thou Art – Trish McNeill on Flute
Gayle Krueger on Piano
Sharing the Peace
Sr. Choir – Come Christians, Sing!
And the Father Will Dance

Offering

Offering Hymn "Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil" #512
Offertory Prayer
Sr. Choir – Old Time Religion
The Lord's Prayer – ELW, Page 134
Bell Choir - I'm So Glad!
Bell Choir, Sr. Choir, Sprouts – I Love to tell the Story

God's Spirit Sends Us

Blessing
Sending **Hymn "On Our Way Rejoicing" #537**
Dismissal

Response for Confession/Forgiveness: You have redeemed us through the gift of your son, yet we often act as though we don't know what that means. We fail to see where we need to change, and where we need to work to bring positive change to the world. We remain fixated on ourselves rather than living in love and service for others. Forgive us our sins of thought, word, and action or lack of action, that we might better do your will.

Prayer of the Day: You have made your salvation known to us in our risen Lord, Jesus Christ. Give us courage to proclaim your saving love in our words and actions, through your redeeming son. Amen

Offertory Prayer: God, you call us to live by faith, and provide all that is needed. Accept now these gifts, which you first gave us, as a sign of our trust in you. Use them for the benefit of all who are in need, in the risen Jesus' name. Amen

Prayers

We hold in prayer this week those who have immediate concerns: Kathy Jasper, Trish McNeill's sister; Bonnie Pribbenow-Paddock; Lynn Bubolz; Brian Cutsforth; Brian Kearney, son of Norm and Donna Kearney; Dianna Pryse; Preston Pope; Bill and Nancy (Skare) Mitchell; and Nancy Drehmel.

We continue to hold in prayer those who have requested ongoing prayer: Sally Hohlstein; April Landphier; Donovan Selle; Bob Adams; Janet Corning; Alfred and Barb Nelson; Bev Stankiewicz; Janet Jevens; Sandy Amis, Spencer and Nancy Wescott's daughter; Joel Wescott, Spencer and Nancy Wescott's son; Bob Strauss; Lisa Priske, friend of Larry & Geri Gorman; Marissa Follman (Val and Pastor Jack's niece); Duane Nelson; 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; Ron Huebner; Virginia Olson; Betty Laper; Ken Wescott; Sarah Thompson; Heidi Bimrose; and Raymond Endres.

We Need Your Help!

Redeemer's Property Committee and Redeemer's Council have worked together to give a trial run on creating a gathering/fellowship area in the back of our Sanctuary. Feedback has been very positive, and we are now ready to make this a more permanent space.

Our goals include a new floor covering in this area, two round tables with padded folding chairs for seating; two tall tables for people to stand near but have a place to set their beverage, etc.; a safe and portable coffee server; and perhaps eventually a counter/cupboard for serving and storage.

We have been getting estimates on what funds we may need to develop this space and are looking at up to \$2500 to make it an attractive area in our Sanctuary.

Anyone choosing to help support this endeavor is invited to designate additional offerings for this purpose.

Sincerely,

Redeemer Council and Property Committee

Don Hohlstein Celebration of Life

A Celebration of Life will be held for Don Hohlstein on Saturday, May 13 at Firemen's Park in Rio. In case of inclement weather, this event will be moved to Redeemer's Fellowship Hall.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

- Sunday, May 14** Worship with Communion. Fellowship to follow. Mother's Day
- Sunday, May 21** Worship with Communion. Fellowship to follow.
- Sunday, May 28** ***No Service at Redeemer***
Memorial Day Service at Bonnet Prairie – 9:30

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MUSIC SUNDAY PARTICIPANTS:

ORGANIST: Claudine Hanson **PIANIST:** Gayle Krueger

MUSIC DIRECTOR: Geri Gorman

BELL CHOIR:

Bonnie Pribbenow-Paddock
Stephen Gilbert
Kathy Olson
Beth Laufenberg
Kristi Fehrman
Trish McNeill
Linda Olson
Debbie Reiersen
Patti Borde
Joleen Frank
Melanie Gilbert

SENIOR CHOIR:

Bob Risgaard
Kurt Johnson
Stephen Gilbert
Pastor Jack Way
Valerie Way
Trish McNeill
Nancy Washington
Debbie Reiersen
Darlene Cutsforth
Renee Miles

TROMBONE: Steve Gilbert

SPROUTS:

Emily Laufenberg
Amelia Maynard
Emma Dahnke
Abby Dahnke
Cooper Husom
Brynwen Moe
Odessa Roat
Luisa Roat

FLUTE: Trish McNeill

HARMONICA: Rick Olson

THANK YOU

Thank you to all who participated in today's Music Sunday Service.

Special thanks to all who supported our Sprouts throughout this past season:

Lead Teacher: Beth Laufenberg

Support Staff: Pastor Jack Way

Toni Roberts

Trish McNeill

Geri Gorman

Ashley Laufenberg

Aaron Scott

Parents, Grandparents, and Friends