

The Third Sunday after Pentecost
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8:30 a.m.

Redeemer Lutheran Church and School

Reaching Out into the Community
To Do What's Best for the Community

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Welcome to worship with the Redeemer family! We are pleased that you joined us for worship today. Our regular worship schedule each Sunday is **8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.** Adult and youth Bible classes are held at **9:45 a.m.** as listed in the information page. If infants/toddlers become restless during worship, you are welcome to use the parent's room, located at the right of the narthex as you leave the sanctuary, but please come back. Children's quiet bags for use during church services are available in the narthex.

Order of Worship

*The worshipers are invited to sing or speak the words in **bold print** throughout the worship service.*

Welcome and Announcements

Welcome & Reception of New Members

Call to Worship

“River of Life”

Powell

Chorus: **Brothers, sisters, come on down to that river.**

Guaranteed you’ll never be the same

There’s a fountain flowing from the heart of the Savior.

Bring your sins and all your guilty stains;

Let that river of life wash it all away.

**If you’ve been searching, carrying burdens,
If you’ve been lost and looking for a home,
If you’ve been drifting and something is missing,
You should know that you are not alone. (*Chorus*)**

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Confession and Forgiveness

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In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and one another. Holy and gracious God,

I confess that I have sinned against You. Some of my sin I know-the thoughts and words and deeds of which I am ashamed-but some is known only to You. In the name of Jesus Christ I ask forgiveness. Deliver and restore me that I may rest in peace.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Song of Praise

“There Is a Redeemer”

Melody Green-Sievrigh

**There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God’s own Son,
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.**

Chorus: **Thank You, O my Father, for giving us Your Son;
And leaving Your Spirit ‘til the work on earth is done.**

**Jesus, my Redeemer, Name above all names,
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, hope for sinners slain. (*chorus*)**

**When I stand in glory I will see His face,
And there I’ll serve my King forever, in that holy place. (*chorus*)**

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Prayer of the Day

Thank You, Lord, for working out Your plan and purposes for us even when our sinful fallen state affects us. Keep working in our lives. Keep us trusting You in Jesus’ name. Amen.

The First Reading

Genesis 45:1-15 ESV

Joseph’s brothers meant evil. But God meant good.

Then Joseph could not control himself before all those who stood by him. He cried, “Make everyone go out from me.” So no one stayed with him when Joseph made himself known to his brothers. ² And he wept aloud, so that the Egyptians heard it, and the household of Pharaoh heard it. ³ And Joseph said to his brothers, “I am Joseph! Is my father still alive?” But his brothers could not answer him, for they were dismayed at his presence. ⁴ So Joseph said to his brothers, “Come near to me, please.” And they came near. And he said, “I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. ⁵ And now do not be distressed or angry with yourselves because you sold me here, for God sent me before you to preserve life. ⁶ For the famine has been in the land these two years, and there are yet five years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. ⁷ And God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. ⁸ So it was not you who sent me here, but God. He has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. ⁹ Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, ‘Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt. Come down to me; do not tarry. ¹⁰ You shall dwell in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children’s children, and your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. ¹¹ There I will provide for you, for there are yet five years of famine to come, so that you and your household, and all that you have, do not come to poverty.’ ¹² And now your eyes see, and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see, that it is my mouth that speaks to you. ¹³ You must tell my father of all my honor in Egypt, and of all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here.” ¹⁴ Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin’s neck and wept, and Benjamin wept upon his neck. ¹⁵ And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them. After that his brothers talked with him.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

The Second Reading

Romans 8:18-23, 28-39 ESV

We will experience difficult days living in a fallen and sinful world, but God works things out for us and we are never separated from His love.

For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. ¹⁹ For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God. ²⁰ For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of him who subjected it, in hope ²¹ that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to corruption and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. ²² For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. ²³ And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁸ And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. ²⁹ For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. ³⁰ And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified. ³¹ What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³² He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? ³³ Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴ Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. ³⁵ Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? ³⁶ As it is written, “For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.” ³⁷ No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸ For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹ nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

The Gospel Reading

Matthew 9:1-8 ESV

Some religious folks object to Jesus forgiving sins. But Jesus does anyway and heals the paralyzed man.

And getting into a boat he crossed over and came to his own city. ² And behold, some people brought to him a paralytic, lying on a bed. And when Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, “Take heart, my son; your sins are forgiven.” ³ And behold, some of the scribes said to themselves, “This man is blaspheming.” ⁴ But Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said, “Why do you think evil in your hearts? ⁵ For which is easier, to say, ‘Your sins are forgiven,’ or to say, ‘Rise and walk’? ⁶ But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins”—he then said to the paralytic—“Rise, pick up your bed and go home.” ⁷ And he rose and went home. ⁸ When the crowds saw it, they were afraid, and they glorified God, who had given such authority to men.

This is the Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ!

Children's Message

Sermon Song of Praise

“Speak, O Lord”

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Speak, O Lord, as we come to You to receive the food of Your holy Word.

Take Your truth; plant it deep in us. Shape and fashion us in Your likeness

That the light of Christ might be seen today in our acts of love and our deeds of faith.

Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us all Your purposes for Your glory.

Teach us, Lord, full obedience, holy reverence, true humility.

Test our thoughts and our attitudes in the radiance of Your purity.

Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see Your majestic love and authority.

Words of power that can never fail, let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds. Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us.

Truths unchanged from the dawn of time that will echo down through eternity

And by grace we'll stand on Your promises, and by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.

Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built and the earth is filled with Your glory.

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Message

The 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.

Prayers of the People

Gathering of the Tithes and Offerings

(Please stand when the pastor stands and approaches the altar.)

“All To Us”

Tomlin/Reeves/Redman/Maher

Precious cornerstone, sure foundation, you are faithful to the end.

We are waiting on You, Jesus. We believe You're all to us. *(Repeat)*

(Chorus) **Let the glory of Your name be the passion of the Church.
Let the righteousness of God be a holy flame that burns.
Let the saving love of Christ be the measure of our lives.
We believe You're all to us.**

**Only Son of God, sent from heaven, hope and mercy at the cross.
You are ev'rything, You're the promise. Jesus, You are all to us. *(Chorus twice)***

**When this passing world is over, we will see You face to face,
And forever we will worship.**

Jesus, You are all to us. Jesus, You are all to us.

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The Offering Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

The Words of Institution

The Sharing of the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Distribution Songs of Praise

(Holy Communion is a special meal for the baptized followers of Jesus. Jesus is present in the bread and wine. He says, "This is My body...This is My blood." If you share this belief in His real presence, are repentant of your sins, and are baptized in the Triune God, you are welcome. Children who have not received instruction in the meaning of Holy Communion are invited forward for a blessing; please fold your arms in front of you. Wine is offered via the common cup and individual glass. Non-alcoholic wine is offered in the center of each tray. Hand your connection card to the usher as you go up for communion..) (Please join in singing:)

"Lamb of God"

Marty Haugen

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world:

Have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You are the way of mercy and love:

Have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You are the bread of life for us all:

Have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world:

Grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

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"How Deep the Father's Love For Us"

Townend

How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure

That He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure.

How great the pain of searing loss, The Father turns His face away

As wounds which mar the Chosen One bring many sons to glory.

**Behold the Man upon a cross, my sin upon His shoulders.
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished;
His dying breath has brought me life. I know that it is finished.**

**I will not boast in anything: No gifts, no pow'r, no wisdom.
But I will boast in Jesus Christ: His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer.
But this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ransom.**

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“Let the Light Shine Down”

Geoff Fawcett

Let the light shine down on me. Lift my eyes that I may see.

Chorus: **Let the light shine down on this wayward ground.
Let the light shine down on me.**

When the path I walk is dark, when the clouds are all I see (*chorus*)

When my faith is weak and small, when my fears are all I see (*chorus*)

Let the light shine down on me.

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The Communion Blessing

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Benediction

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 peace.

Amen.

Forgiven and fed, you are now entering the mission field.

Here am I, Lord, send me!

Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

Closing Song of Praise

“Your Grace is Enough”

Matt Maher

Great is Your faithfulness, O God of Jacob;

You wrestle with the sinner's restless heart.

You lead me by still waters into mercy

Where nothing can keep us apart.

Chorus: **So, remember Your people, remember Your children;**

Remember Your promise, O God.

For Your grace is enough, yeah, Your grace is enough.

Yeah, Your grace is enough; yeah, Your grace is enough for me.

**Great is Your love and justice, God of Jacob;
You use the weak to lead the strong.
You lead us in the song of heaven's vict'ry
And all Your people sing along. (*chorus*)**

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