



**REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**Baptism of Our Lord**  
**Sunday, January 10, 2021**

# REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

Order of Worship

Baptism of Our Lord

January 10, 2021, 9:30 a.m.

*Our re-creation in baptism is an image of the Genesis creation, where the Spirit of God moved over the waters. Both Mark's gospel and the story in Acts make clear that it is the Spirit's movement that distinguishes Jesus' baptism from John's. The Spirit has come upon us as upon Jesus and the Ephesians, calling us God's beloved children and setting us on Jesus' mission to re-create the world in the image of God's vision of justice and peace.*

*Key to hymnals:*

*ELW = Evangelical Lutheran Worship (red); page numbers are in front, hymns in back*

*WOV = With One Voice (blue); page numbers are in front, hymns in back*

*STS = Spirit Touching Spirit (grey)*

*\* = Please rise*

## **GATHERING**

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

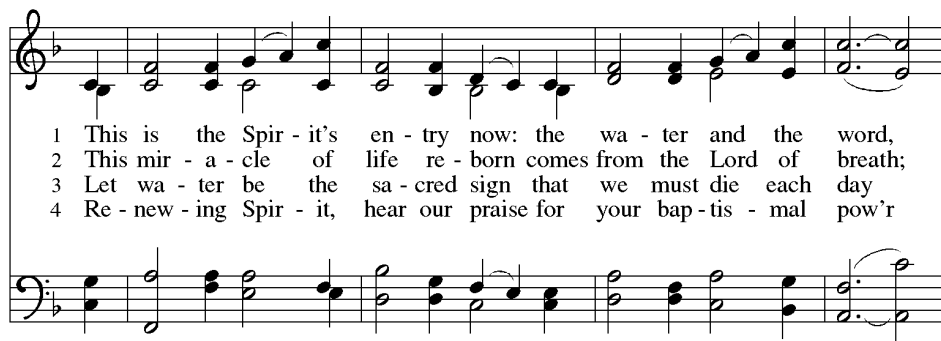
*We welcome all who are gathered with us for worship, whether in person or via the livestream! If you are worshipping with us via the livestream, please send a text message to Rev. Darrel Cory at 218-791-0141 to let us know from where you are worshipping.*

## \*Gathering Hymn

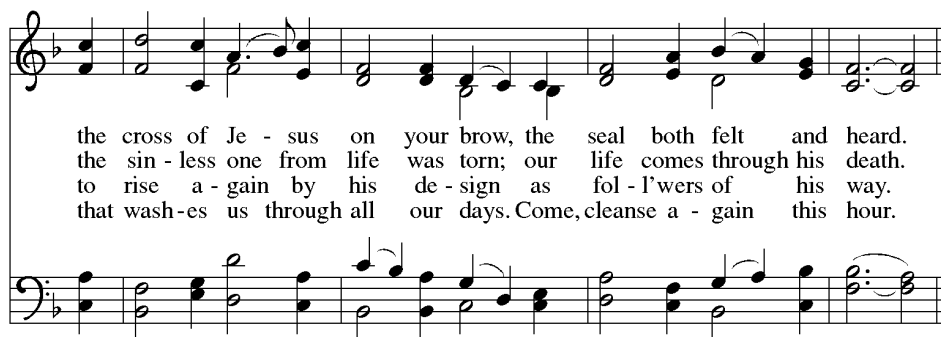
## This Is the Spirit's Entry Now

ELW #448

All turn and face the processional cross as it is carried into the sanctuary.



1 This is the Spir - it's en - try now: the wa - ter and the word,  
2 This mir - a - cle of life re - born comes from the Lord of breath;  
3 Let wa - ter be the sa - cred sign that we must die each day  
4 Re - new - ing Spir - it, hear our praise for your bap - tis - mal pow'r



the cross of Je - sus on your brow, the seal both felt and heard.  
the sin - less one from life was torn; our life comes through his death.  
to rise a - gain by his de - sign as fol - l'wers of his way.  
that wash - es us through all our days. Come, cleanse a - gain this hour.

Text: Thomas E. Herbranson, b. 1933  
Music: North American traditional; arr. hymnal version  
Text © Thomas E. Herbranson, admin. Augsburg Fortress.  
Arr. © 2006 Augsburg Fortress.

## \*Thanksgiving for Baptism

Just as God's work of creation never ends, so the gifts received in baptism are renewed every day. Let us give thanks together for the life given in baptism.

*(Water is poured)*

We give thanks, O God, for the waters of life: for water to bathe in, water to drink, for waters to play in and waters that inspire wonder, for water that gives life to our planet.

**We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of life.**

*(Water is poured)*

We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of this place: for water from our tap, for rain and snow, for the Thief River, the Red Lake River, and the Red River.

**We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of this place.**

*(Water is poured)*

We give you thanks for your salvation through water: for delivering Noah and his family through the floodwaters, for leading your people Israel through the sea to freedom, for preserving your prophet Elijah through the time of drought, for guiding your people across the Jordan into a new land, for quenching the Samaritan woman's thirst with living water.

**We give you thanks for your salvation through water.**

*(Water is poured)*

We give you thanks for the life of all the baptized, and for all who gather here: for godparents and baptismal sponsors, for children and grandchildren, for our brothers and sisters in Christ whom we have never seen but to whom we are bound.

**We give you thanks for the life of all the baptized.**

*(Water is poured)*

We give you thanks for life in Christ through your Holy Spirit: for our entry into Jesus' death through these waters, for our new birth into a life of freedom and service, for our calling to be your people, sent out for the life of the world.

**We give you thanks, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever. Amen.**

**\*Greeting**

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

**C: And also with you.**

## \*Kyrie

L: ...let us pray to the Lord:

C:

Lord have mer - cy. - - Lord -- have mer - - - cy. -

After last chorus - sing twice

A - - - men. A - - - men.

## \*Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray...

C: **Holy God, creator of light and giver of goodness, your voice moves over the waters. Immerse us in your grace, and transform us by your Spirit, that we may follow after your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## WORD

### Genesis 1:1-5

<sup>1</sup>In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, <sup>2</sup>the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. <sup>3</sup>Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. <sup>4</sup>And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. <sup>5</sup>God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 29

- <sup>1</sup>Ascribe to the LORD, you gods,  
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
- <sup>2</sup>**Ascribe to the LORD the glory due God's name;  
worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.**
- <sup>3</sup>The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders;  
the LORD is upon the mighty waters.
- <sup>4</sup>**The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice;  
the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.**
- <sup>5</sup>The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees;  
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- <sup>6</sup>**the LORD makes Lebanon skip like a calf,  
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.**
- <sup>7</sup>The voice of the LORD  
bursts forth in lightning flashes.
- <sup>8</sup>**The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;  
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.**
- <sup>9</sup>The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare.  
And in the temple of the LORD all are crying, "Glory!"
- <sup>10</sup>**The LORD sits enthroned above the flood;  
the LORD sits enthroned asking for evermore.**
- <sup>11</sup>O LORD, give strength to your people;  
give them, O LORD, the blessings of peace.

## Acts 19:1-7

<sup>1</sup>While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the interior regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. <sup>2</sup>He said to them, “Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?” They replied, “No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.” <sup>3</sup>Then he said, “Into what then were you baptized?” They answered, “Into John’s baptism.” <sup>4</sup>Paul said, “John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus.” <sup>5</sup>On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. <sup>6</sup>When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied—<sup>7</sup>altogether there were about twelve of them.

L: The word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## \*Gospel: Mark 1:4-11

P: The holy gospel according to St. Mark...


**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>4</sup>John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. <sup>5</sup>And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. <sup>6</sup>Now John was clothed with camel’s hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. <sup>7</sup>He proclaimed, “The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. <sup>8</sup>I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.”

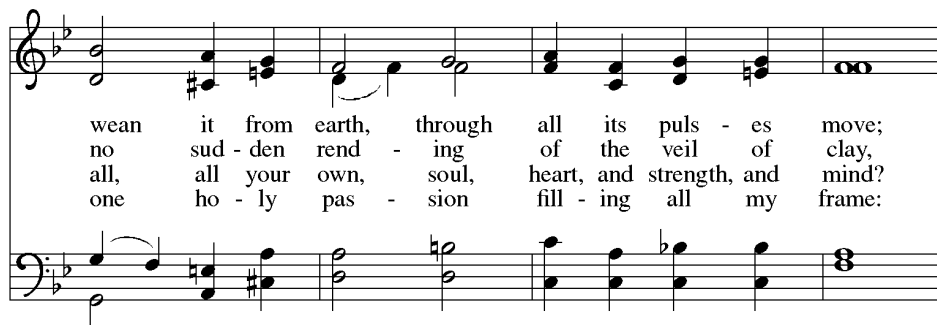
<sup>9</sup>In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. <sup>10</sup>And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. <sup>11</sup>And a voice came from heaven, “You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.”

P: The gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**



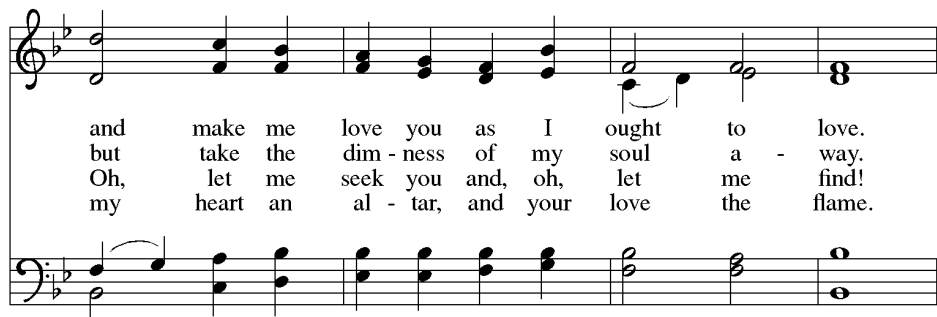
1 Spir - it of God, de - scend up - on my heart;  
 2 I ask no dream, no proph - et ec - sta - sies;  
 3 Have you not bid me love you, God and King;  
 4 Teach me to love you as your an - gels love,



wean it from earth, through all its puls - es move;  
 no sud - den rend - ing of the veil of clay,  
 all, all your own, soul, heart, and strength, and mind?  
 one ho - ly pas - sion fill - ing all my frame:



stoop to my weak - ness, strength to me im - part,  
 no an - gel vis - i - tant, no op - 'ning skies;  
 I see your cross; there teach my heart to cling.  
 the bap - tism of the heav'n - de - scend - ed dove,



and make me love you as I ought to love.  
 but take the dim - ness of my soul a - way.  
 Oh, let me seek you and, oh, let me find!  
 my heart an al - tar, and your love the flame.



## **\*Apostles' 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 the Church**

**L: ...let us pray.**

**C: Have mercy, O God.**

## **\*Peace**

**P: The peace of Christ be with you always.**

**C: And also with you.**

## **MEAL**

### **Offering**

*We welcome you to Redeemer Lutheran Church this day! In-person worshippers can place their offering in the offering box before the service or at this time. Your tithes and offerings submitted via the Postal Service or electronically are also gratefully appreciated.*

## \*Offertory

### Let the Vineyards



Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful Lord and fill to the brim the cup of bless - ing.



Gath-er a har - vest from the seeds that were sewn that we may be fed with the bread of life.



Gath-er the hopes and dreams of all u - nite them with the prayers we off - er.



Grace our ta - ble with your pre-sence and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

## \*Offering Prayer

O God,  
Receive and bless these gifts and commitments of giving for this year  
as you receive us:  
like a mother receives her child, with arms open wide.  
Nourish us anew in your tender care,  
and empower us in faithful service  
to tend to others with this same love,  
through Jesus Christ, our saving grace.  
Amen.

## \*The Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

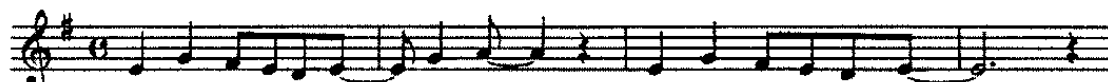
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise...**

## \*Sanctus

L: ...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:


C:



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of pow - er and might.



Heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho - sa - na - in the high - est.



Bless-ed is he who co - mes in the name - of the Lord,



Ho - sa - na in the high - est Ho - sa - na in the high - est.

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 all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

\*Lord's Prayer

A/D D F#m Bm/F# Bm

Our Fa - ther, \_\_\_\_\_ who art in heav - en, \_\_\_\_\_ hal - low - ed

The first system of musical notation for the Lord's Prayer. It features a treble and bass clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. Chord symbols A/D, D, F#m, Bm/F#, and Bm are placed above the staff. The lyrics are: "Our Fa - ther, \_\_\_\_\_ who art in heav - en, \_\_\_\_\_ hal - low - ed".

G D/F# A G/A A A/D D

be thy name. \_\_\_\_\_ Thy king - dom come, \_\_\_\_\_ thy

The second system of musical notation. Chord symbols G, D/F#, A, G/A, A, A/D, and D are placed above the staff. The lyrics are: "be thy name. \_\_\_\_\_ Thy king - dom come, \_\_\_\_\_ thy".

F#m Bm G D/F#

will be done \_\_\_\_\_ on earth, as it is in

The third system of musical notation. Chord symbols F#m, Bm, G, and D/F# are placed above the staff. The lyrics are: "will be done \_\_\_\_\_ on earth, as it is in".

A G/A A Gmaj7

heaven. \_\_\_\_\_ Give us this day \_\_\_\_\_ our

The fourth system of musical notation. Chord symbols A, G/A, A, and Gmaj7 are placed above the staff. The lyrics are: "heaven. \_\_\_\_\_ Give us this day \_\_\_\_\_ our".

F#m Em

dai - ly bread, \_\_\_\_\_ and for - give our sin as

The fifth system of musical notation. Chord symbols F#m and Em are placed above the staff. The lyrics are: "dai - ly bread, \_\_\_\_\_ and for - give our sin as".

G/A A Bm Bm/A Gmaj7

we for - give those who sin a - gainst us. And

Em9 D/A

lead us not in - to temp - ta -

A Em9 D/A A

tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil, for

Gmaj7 F#m

thine is the king - dom, and the

Gmaj7 F#m

pow - er, and the glo - ry. for

Em G/A D

ev - er - more and ev - er - more. A - men.

## **Distribution**

*If you are worshipping with us via the livestream, we invite you to join in celebrating at Christ's table wherever you are, with bread and wine, grape juice, or water, as we remain physically separated yet "together met, together bound by all that God has done" and "the love that makes us one." ("I Come with Joy", ELW #482)*

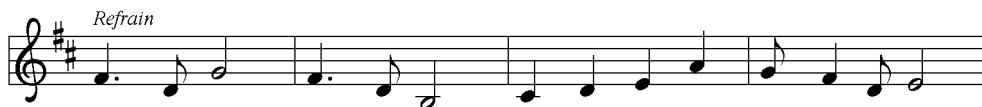
*If you are worshipping with us in person today, know that all who come seeking Jesus are invited to receive these gifts of God. Please approach the serving station at the front of the church using the center aisle. One side of the church will be served at a time.*

*Please wait to leave your pew until the last person in the pew ahead of yours has reached the serving station, so that we maintain proper social distancing.*

*As you approach the serving station, please cup your hands together and stretch them out toward the server; the bread will be dropped into your hands. Then as you move to the wine, a server will remove an individual pre-filled cup, place it on the table, and step back; you may then pick up the cup from the table. Then return to your pew via the outside aisles. Be mindful of the cables for the livestream running across the floor.*

*Our bread is a new recipe that is gluten- and other allergen-free.*

*If you wish to receive grape juice instead of wine, please indicate that to the server; a cup of white grape juice will be given to you.*



Eat this bread, drink this cup. Taste and see the good-ness of God.



Bread of life, cup of love, we re-joice in your pres-ence.



- 1 I will bless the Lord at all times, praise with heart and voice;
- 2 Look up - on the Lord, be ra - diant, nev - er turn a - way.
- 3 An - gels fold their wings a - round us, guard through good and ill.
- 4 Saints of God, bow down and wor - ship, bless the ho - ly name.



*Refrain*  
 in my God I glo - ry for - ev - er: lis - ten and re - joice!  
 God will save in ev - 'ry af - flic - tion, hear us when we pray.  
 Those who seek the Lord will lack noth - ing; taste, and have your fill.  
 Rise to tell God's great - ness for - ev - er, won - drous deeds pro - claim!

Text: Jeremy Young, b. 1948, refrain; *With One Voice*, stanzas, based on Ps. 34  
 Music: STONERIDGE, Jeremy Young  
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### \*Post-Communion Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

## SENDING

### \*Benediction

**\*Sending Hymn**

*This Little Light of Mine*

ELW #677

*All face the processional cross as it is carried from the sanctuary.*

1 This lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine;  
2 Ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine;  
3 Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine;

oh, oh,

this lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine;  
ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine;  
Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine;

oh,

this lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine,  
ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine,  
Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine,

oh,

let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.



**\*Dismissal**

P: Go in peace. Share the gift of Jesus.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

ASSISTING IN MINISTRY TODAY

Presiding: Rev. Darrel Cory

Lector: Paula Adamson

Serving at the Altar: Denice Nelson and Becky Smith

Musicians: Paula Adamson, Greg Dally, Dean Dalen

Communion Minister: Reid Froiland

Acolyte/Video: Dave Ulrich

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**Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Monday-Friday**

**Our Mission Statement:** Being chosen by God and strengthened by the Holy Spirit, Redeemer Lutheran Church gathers together to worship, serve and proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ to all people, to provide meaning and purpose for daily living.

## **Our Staff:**

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# CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 10-17,2021

Sunday, January 10	9:30am	Worship with Holy Communion
Wednesday, January 13	5:30pm	Live streamed BLAST
Sunday, January 17	9:30am	Worship with Holy Communion

## CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**In your prayers** this week please remember Pearl Johnson, David Grovum, David Jarvi (Susan Froiland's brother), Dan Parker (Mike Parker's brother), Tami Hanson, Julie Kiesow (Lavonne Forsberg's sister), Scott Hickerson, Karen Burgus (Chris Burnham's sister), Dale Folger, Joyce Froschheiser, Ken Poole, Mike Gilbertson, Rose Teie, Fern Melbye, Brooklyn Poe, Brenna Stenberg (Dale & Jan Dillon's great-granddaughter), Mark Thompson (Dale & Jan Dillon's son-in-law), Gloria Leach, Larry Forsberg, Annabelle Cuppett, Jeremy Johnson, Chad Gunderson, Shelley Steva, and Molly Dahlin and family.

Especially during these uncertain times, God calls us to certain tasks, and we call on God's help to fulfill them.

Dear Lord, we call on you now to guide us through the tasks ahead of us. Amen

**Altar flowers this day** are given to the glory of God by the Altar Guild.

**Happy 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday** to Annabelle Cuppett!!

**Redeemer's Annual Meeting** will be Sunday, January 31, 2021 at 10:30 a.m.

**A big thank you from Dale and Jan Dillon and family** for the thoughts and prayers for Brenna Stenberg, their great-granddaughter. Brenna is now 8 months old, weighing 14 lbs., and she got home in time to celebrate Christmas with the family.

**2021 Offering envelopes** are now available for pickup; they are in the Narthex. Please pick up your envelopes by Wednesday, February 17<sup>th</sup>. You can pick them up anytime the church is open, either during business hours 8:30-1:30, during another activity, or Sunday morning. If you are unable to pick up your envelopes by February 17, please let the church office know. Also, if you give electronically and would like to decline your envelopes, please let the church office know.

**Anybody that does not pick up their envelopes or notify the office to hold their envelopes by February 17 will not receive envelopes for 2022.**

**Altar flower purchases for 2021 are available now.** Please contact the church office if you would like to purchase flowers. Any flowers that were purchased for the time when indoor public worship was suspended in 2020 will be moved to the corresponding week in 2021.

**Indoor public worship services!** At this time there will be one service each week, at 9:30 a.m. on Sundays. **You must call the church office each week by 8:00 a.m. the Friday prior to worship to reserve seats for your family unit; we are limited to 55 worshippers in the Sanctuary to allow for adequate spacing.** Please see the COVID-19 Preparedness Plan for more information. The livestream of worship will continue.

**BLAST will continue to be livestreamed** at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesdays. Families who have not yet picked up their packages of materials for BLAST can do so anytime the church is open.

**We are now back to normal office hours, 8:30am-1:30pm.** For your safety and the safety of our staff, we are requesting when you come to Redeemer that you wear a mask and practice social distancing.

**Most other in-person events at Redeemer have been cancelled.**

**Church Announcements:** Please make sure to have your announcements in every week to Vanessa VanDam by **Monday at 10:00 a.m.** so that the preparation of bulletins does not get delayed.

**Quarterly statements** are available upon request; please contact Vanessa at the church office.

**Monthly Treasurer's Reports** are available anytime for viewing. Contact Marit Knutson or the church office.