

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH
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Jesus begins his public ministry by calling fishers to leave their nets and follow him. In Jesus the kingdom of God has come near. We who have walked in darkness have seen a great light. We see this light most profoundly in the cross—as God suffers with us and all who are oppressed by sickness, sin, or evil. Light dawns for us as we gather around the word, the font, and the holy table. We are then sent to share the good news that others may be “caught” in the net of God’s grace and mercy.

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

***Gathering Hymn**

Will You Come and Follow Me

ELW#798

***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

***Hymn of Praise**

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

ELW #172

*Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray...

C: Lord God, your lovingkindness always goes before us and follows after us. Summon us into your light, and direct our steps in the ways of goodness that come through the cross of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

Isaiah 9: 1-4

¹There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time [the LORD] brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

²The people who walked in darkness
have seen a great light;
those who lived in a land of deep darkness—
on them light has shined.

³You have multiplied the nation,
you have increased its joy;
they rejoice before you
as with joy at the harvest,
as people exult when dividing plunder.

⁴For the yoke of their burden,
and the bar across their shoulders,
the rod of their oppressor,
you have broken as on the day of Midian

Psalm 27:1, 4-9

¹The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear?
The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

⁴**One thing I ask of the LORD; one thing I seek;
that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life; to gaze**

upon the beauty of the LORD and to seek God in the temple.

⁵For in the day of trouble God will give me shelter,

hide me in the hidden places of the sanctuary, and raise me high upon a rock.

⁶**Even now my head is lifted up above my enemies who surround me.**

Therefore I will offer sacrifice in the sanctuary, sacrifices of rejoicing; I will sing and make music to the LORD.

⁷Hear my voice, O LORD, when I call;

have mercy on me and answer me.

⁸**My heart speaks your message— “Seek my face.”**

Your face, O LORD, I will seek.

⁹Hide not your face from me, turn not away from your servant in anger.

Cast me not away—you have been my helper; forsake me not, O God of my salvation.

1 Corinthians 1:10-18

¹⁰Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. ¹¹For it has been reported to me by Chloe’s people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. ¹²What I mean is that each of you says, “I belong to Paul,” or “I belong to Apollos,” or “I belong to Cephas,” or “I belong to Christ.” ¹³Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? ¹⁴I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, ¹⁵so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. ¹⁶(I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) ¹⁷For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

¹⁸For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

***Gospel: Matthew 4:12-23**

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

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹²Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. ¹³He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, ¹⁴so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

¹⁵“Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,
on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—
¹⁶the people who sat in darkness
have seen a great light,
and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death
light has dawned.”

¹⁷From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

¹⁸As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen.

¹⁹And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.”

²⁰Immediately they left their nets and followed him. ²¹As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. ²²Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

²³Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Rev. Terri Cuppett

Hymn of the Day

You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore

ELW #817

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

P: ...Lord in your mercy,
C: hear our prayer.

*Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.
C: And also with you.

MEAL

Offering

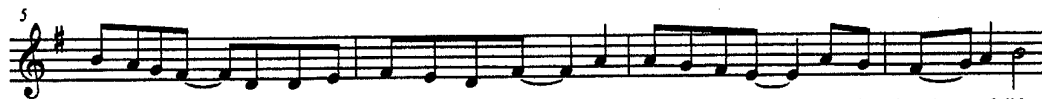
We welcome you to Redeemer Lutheran Church this day! As our tithes and offerings are being collected, please take a moment to sign the red Friendship Pad at the end of the pew and pass it down to the next person.

*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 sown 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.

*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...

Distribution

All who come seeking Jesus are invited to receive these gifts of God. Please follow the direction of the ushers, exiting your pew on the outside and returning to your pew via the center aisle. Communion will be served at two stations in the front of the sanctuary. Gluten-free wafers and grape juice (in pre-filled cups) are available as you approach the front.

***Blessing**

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

C: Amen.

SENDING

***Benediction**

***Sending Hymn**

I Love to Tell the Story

ELW #661

***Dismissal**

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

ASSISTING IN MINISTRY TODAY

Reader: Sharon Odegaard

Ushers: Jan and Diedre Nordin

Acolytes: Evan Anderson and Gavin Smith

Communion Ministers: Jan Anderson, Chad and Becky Berg

Serving at the Altar (Altar Guild): Renae Dalen, Mary Jo Mugaas

Musicians: Greg Dally, Paula Adamson

Church Offering Bank Run: Tony Olson

ASSISTING IN MINISTRY SUNDAY (JANUARY 26)

Reader: Chris Cuppett

Ushers: Rocky & Barb Ammerman

Acolytes:

Serving at the Altar (Altar Guild): Renae Dalen, Mary Jo Mugaas

Organist: Reid Froiland

Cantor: Chris Cuppett

Sunday Coffee Fellowship: Annual Meeting Potluck

Church Offering Bank Run: Brooks Vigen

ASSISTING IN MINISTRY NEXT WEDNESDAY (JANUARY 29)

Reader: Paula Adamson

Ushers: Angie Westling and Open

Acolytes: Lysie Westling and Payton Leier

Communion Ministers: Cindy Dally, Linda Olson, Open

Serving at the Altar (Altar Guild): Renae Dalen, Mary Jo Mugaas

Musicians: Greg Dally, Paula Adamson

Church Offering Bank Run: Tony Olson

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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.

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CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 22-29, 2020

Wednesday, January 22	5:15pm 5:15-6:15pm 5:45pm 6:30pm 7:30pm	Sing and Ring 6 th & 7 th Confirmation BLAST Worship with Holy Communion 8 th Confirmation
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Sunday, January 26	Annual Meeting 9:30am 7:00pm	Worship Youth group 9 th -12 th at Zion
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Monday, January 27	9:00am-12:00pm 6-8pm	Quilting
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Tuesday, January 28	9:00am-12:00pm 6-8pm	Quilting
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Wednesday, January 29	5:15pm 5:15-6:15pm 5:45pm 6:30pm 7:30pm	Sing and Ring 6 th & 7 th Confirmation BLAST Worship with Holy Communion 8 th Confirmation
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“Looking Ahead at Youth Events”

Sunday, February 2	3-5pm	Middle School Youth event at Redeemer
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Sunday February 9	3-5pm 5:30-7pm	PreK-5 th grade Movie event at Zion Middle School event at Redeemer
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Monday, February 10	Buena Vista trip registration due!	
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Wednesday, February 12	6:30pm	3 rd graders will be receiving their bibles
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Thursday, February 13	6:00pm	Family Event: Sweet Time at Zion
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Sunday, February 16	Buena Vista Trip	6 th -12 th grade
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Monday, February 17	Buena Vista Trip	6 th -12 th grade
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Saturday, February 22	Sr High Youth Gathering at Luthercrest Bible Camp	
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Wednesday, February 26	Sr High Youth Group: Zion, 7:30-9 pm in Youth Room!	
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CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

In your prayers this week please remember Barb Lien, Linda Olson, Ingrid Anderson, Obert Sundahl, Delores Ault, Rev. Darrel Cory, Gloria Leach, Larry Forsberg, Annabelle Cuppett, Erika Kahlhamer, Jeremy Johnson, Brenda Russ, Chad Gunderson, Kelly Amundgaard, Jason Miller, Shelley Steva, and Molly Dahlin and family.

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

Redeemer's Annual Meeting will be Sunday, January 26, following the 9:30 worship service. Annual reports are available on the table in the Narthex.

Wednesday, January 29th we will be commissioning Madison Crane as the Director of Children, Youth and Family Ministry. This will be a joint worship with Zion and Redeemer.

Committees please make sure you are checking your mail box in the office.

Youth Events for Redeemer Youth!!!

9th-12th Grade Youth Group will start on Sunday, January 26th from 7-8:30pm at Zion.

Middle School Youth Event on Sunday, February 2 from 3-5pm at Redeemer. SUPER Games! Before the Big Game, come play some games, learn why we play for Gods Team, and strengthen our faith!

Gift quilts for the graduating seniors: Precut quilt top kits are available on a small table in the narthex. If you need help with the kit, please talk to Pauline Helgeland or Christine Burnham. These quilts are a gift from our congregation. Your support of time, talent, or finance, is greatly appreciated.

We are looking for a wheelchair in great shape for the church; please contact the church office if you have any information.

We still have openings for Altar Flowers on the following dates in:

Jan 29/Feb 2, Feb 5/9

If interested in buying altar flowers please contact the church office.

Just a friendly reminder to make sure you visit our website www.redeemertrf.org, we have plenty of information on how you can volunteer, newsletters, bulletins, our different programs, and you can also donate thru our website.

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.

A support group for people who are caregivers and/or family members of those with dementia/Alzheimer's will be held the third Monday of each month at the Grand Stay hotel meeting room in Thief River Falls. This caregiver support group is sponsored by the Alzheimer's Association. It is designed to provide emotional, educational, and social support for caregivers through regularly scheduled meetings. For more information, please contact the facilitator Kari Jesme at 218-686-4487 or at kari.jesme@outlook.com.

Free services for seniors wishing to remain independent: The RSVP Groceries to go and Handyman Programs are vital services for seniors 60+ wishing to remain independently in their homes. G2G Volunteers shop for and deliver groceries or assist with shopping 2-4 times per month.

Handyman volunteers assist with minor home maintenance issues. Caring volunteers are ready to help you! Contact Tammy or Jennifer at 218-281-8288 or 800-862-6466, or e-mail tsyles@umn.edu or jkerdman@umn.edu.

If you are struggling with grief, please check the kiosk in the Narthex for various grief support groups being offered by Hospice of the Red River Valley