

*Martha
welcomed
Jesus into
her home*

LUKE 10:38



**REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, July 20, 2025, 9:30 a.m.
Rev. Stephanie White**

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

Order of Worship Sixth Sunday after Pentecost Sunday, July 20, 2025

Perhaps the church, at its best, is “all ears.” God urges the faithful, again and again, to “listen up!”—to heed the word that gives life. So it was with Abraham and Sarah, Mary and Martha, and the early church at Colossae. So it is today as we join the assembly to hear the word of God, the word of life.

Key to hymnals in the pews:

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)

Hymnals we do not have in the pews but use their resources in our bulletins:

ACS = All Creation Sings (purple; the new hymnal supplement of the ELCA)

** = Please rise*

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

***Gathering Hymn**

Praise and Thanks and Adoration

ELW #783

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

Praise and Thanks and Adoration



1 Praise and thanks and ad - o - ra - tion, Son of God, to you we give,
2 Hold me ev - er in your keep - ing, com - fort me in pain and strife;



for you chose to serve cre - a - tion, died that sin - ers all might live.
through my laugh - ter and my weep - ing, lift me to a no - bler life.



Dear Lord Je - sus, guide my way; faith - ful let me day by day
Draw my fer - vent love to you; con - stant hope and faith re - new



fol - low where your steps are lead - ing, find ad - ven - ture, joys ex - ceed - ing!
in your birth, your life and pas - sion, in your death and res - ur - rec - tion.

Text: Thomas H. Kingo, 1634-1703; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*
Music: FREU DICH SEHR, *Trente quatre psaumes de David*, Geneva, 1551
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***Confession and Forgiveness**

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

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

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection. Those who wish to may kneel.

Merciful God,
**you free us to love others,
but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way.
You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace,
but we turn away from the abundant life you offer.
You surround us with patience, kindness,
and generosity,
but we grow weary in doing what is right.
In your mercy, forgive us.
Do not give up on us.
Heal us, break our bonds,
and show us the path of life.
Amen.**

Water is poured into the baptismal font..

You belong to Christ Jesus
and you are God's children through faith.
In the cross of ✠ Christ,
and through the power of the Holy Spirit,
your sins are forgiven.
Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.
Amen.

***Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

***Prayer of the Day**

The Lord be with you!

And also with you.

Let us pray...Eternal God,

you draw near to us in Christ, and you make yourself our guest. Amid the cares of our lives, make us attentive to your presence, that we may treasure your word above all else, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture, preaching and song.

First Reading: *Amos announces God's judgment upon the people of Israel who sin by oppressing the poor and engaging in deceitful business practices. Amos uses a Hebrew wordplay: a basket of summer fruit (qayits) symbolizes the end (qets) of Israel. That end will come through a famine of "hearing the words of the LORD."*

Amos 8:1-12

¹ This is what the Lord GOD showed me—a basket of summer fruit. ² He said, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A basket of summer fruit." Then the LORD said to me,

"The end has come upon my people Israel;
I will never again pass them by.

³ The songs of the temple shall become wailings in that day,"
says the Lord GOD;

"the dead bodies shall be many,
cast out in every place. Be silent!"

⁴ Hear this, you that trample on the needy,
and bring to ruin the poor of the land,

⁵ saying, "When will the new moon be over
so that we may sell grain;
and the sabbath,

so that we may offer wheat for sale?
We will make the ephah small and the shekel great,
and practice deceit with false balances,
⁶ buying the poor for silver
and the needy for a pair of sandals,
and selling the sweepings of the wheat.”
⁷ The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob:
Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.
⁸ Shall not the land tremble on this account,
and everyone mourn who lives in it,
and all of it rise like the Nile,
and be tossed about and sink again, like the Nile of Egypt?

⁹ On that day, says the Lord GOD,
I will make the sun go down at noon,
and darken the earth in broad daylight.

¹⁰ I will turn your feasts into mourning,
and all your songs into lamentation;
I will bring sackcloth on all loins,
and baldness on every head;
I will make it like the mourning for an only son,
and the end of it like a bitter day.

¹¹ The time is surely coming, says the Lord GOD,
when I will send a famine on the land;
not a famine of bread, or a thirst for water,
but of hearing the words of the LORD.

¹² They shall wander from sea to sea,
and from north to east;
they shall run to and fro, seeking the word of the LORD,
but they shall not find it.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God!

Psalm 52

¹ You mighty, why do you boast of wickedness
against the godly all day long?

² **Continually you plot ruin;**

your tongue is like a sharpened razor that commits deceit.

³ You love evil more than good
and lying more than speaking the truth.

⁴ **You love all words that devour,
O you deceitful tongue.**

⁵ Oh, that God would demolish you utterly,
topple you, and snatch you from your dwelling, and root you out of the land of the living!

⁶ **The righteous shall see and be awestruck,
and they shall laugh at you, saying,**

⁷ “This is the one who did not take God for a refuge,
but trusted in great wealth and found strength in destruction.”

⁸ **But I am like a green olive tree in the house of God;
I trust in the steadfast love of God forever and ever.**

⁹ I will thank you forever for what you have done;
in the presence of the faithful I will long for your name, for it is good.

***Gospel Acclamation**

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!

ELW #172

sing twice

The musical score is written for two voices, Soprano and Alto, in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are: Hal-le, hal-le, hal-le-lu-jah. Hal-le, hal-le, hal-le-lu-jah. Hal-le-lu-jah. Hal-le, hal-le, hal-le-lu-jah.

System 1:

- Vocal Line:** Starts with a half note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, a half note C5, a quarter note B4, a quarter note A4, a half note G4. Then a half note F#4, a quarter note E4, a quarter note D4, a half note C4. Ends with a half note G3, a quarter note F#3, a quarter note E3, a half note D3.
- Piano Line:** Accompanies the vocal line with chords and moving lines in the left hand.

System 2:

- Vocal Line:** Starts with a half note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, a half note C5, a quarter note B4, a quarter note A4, a half note G4. Then a half note F#4, a quarter note E4, a quarter note D4, a half note C4. Ends with a half note G3, a quarter note F#3, a quarter note E3, a half note D3.
- Piano Line:** Accompanies the vocal line with chords and moving lines in the left hand.



Music: Caribbean traditional; arr. Mark Sedio, b. 1954
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Gospel: *During his visit to the home of Mary and Martha, Jesus reminds Martha that her concern for her many tasks distracts from the one thing that precedes all else: abiding in the presence of God.*

***Gospel:** Luke 10:38-42

The holy gospel according to St. Luke...

Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁸ Now as [Jesus and his disciples] went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. ³⁹ She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. ⁴⁰ But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." ⁴¹ But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; ⁴² there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Message

Hospitality

Rev. Stephanie White

***Hymn of the Day**

We Eat the Bread of Teaching

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We Eat the Bread of Teaching

Refrain



We eat the bread of teach-ing, drink wine of wis-dom, are
giv-en here a taste of the king-dom. To-geth-er
joined, the great-est and the least, we all are
one at Wis-dom's ho-ly feast.

1 Wis-dom calls through-out the cit-y, knows our
2 Sim-ple ones whose hearts are yearn-ing, come and
3 En-ter with de-light and sing-ing, for her

hun-ger, and in pit-y gives her lov-ing in-vi-
gain from Wis-dom's learn-ing; bread and wine she is pre-
rich-ness now is bring-ing us this joy-ous cel-e-

Refrain

ta-tion to the ban-quet of sal-va-tion.
par-ing, know her lov-ing in the shar-ing.
bra-tion; eat and drink in ju-bi-la-tion.

Text: Omer Westendorf, 1916–1997

Music: WISDOM'S FEAST, Jerry Ray Brubaker, b. 1946

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***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 People**

...God of grace,
hear our prayer.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Christ.

Offering

*We welcome you to Redeemer Lutheran Church this day! Tithes and offerings may be placed in the offering box before the service or at this time. As our tithes and offerings are being collected, **please take a moment to sign the red Friendship Pad.***

*Offertory

Let the Vineyards be Fruitful

ELW #181



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the
brim our 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 the dreams of all; u - nite them with the
prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,
and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980

Music: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

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Offering Prayer

Creator God,
**in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good
and the harvest is plentiful.
Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth
and our labor,
that we may work for the good of all;
through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

***Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

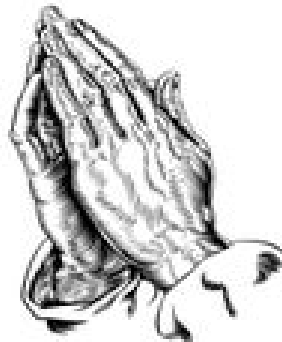
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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**

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory
forever and ever. Amen**



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. After receiving the Bread of Life, please take an empty cup before approaching the wine station; if you prefer grape juice instead of wine, please take one of the pre-filled cups of white grape juice from the center of the tray.

Our bread is gluten- and other allergen-free.

Hymn during Distribution

Taste and See

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***Post-Communion Blessing**

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

***Post Communion Prayer**

Mothering God,
**you gathered us to your table
and we drank deeply of your grace.
Send us out by your Spirit
to love our neighbors as ourselves
and proclaim your love in Jesus' name.
Amen.**

Taste and See

Refrain – All



Taste and see, taste and see the good-ness of the Lord. Oh,



taste and see, taste and see the good-ness of the Lord, of the Lord.

Leader or All



1 I will bless the Lord at all times.
2 Glo - ri - fy the Lord with . . me.
3 Wor-ship . . . the Lord, all you peo-ple.



Praise shall al - ways be on my lips;
To - geth - er let us all praise God's name.
You'll want for noth-ing . . . if you ask.



my soul shall glo - ry in the Lord;
I called the Lord, . . who an - swered me;
Taste and see . . . that the Lord is good;

Refrain



for God has been so good to me.
from all my trou - bles I was set free.
in God we need put all our trust.

Text: James E. Moore Jr., b. 1951, based on Ps. 34

Music: TASTE AND SEE, James E. Moore Jr.

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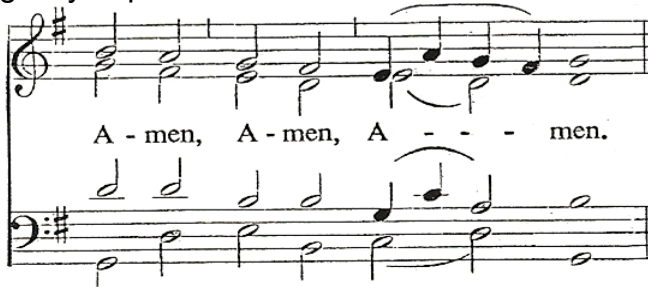
SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

***God's Word for the Church Today**

***Blessing**

The love of God abound in you;
the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts;
and the life of the Spirit
✠ bless you and give you peace.



***Sending Hymn**

O Savior, Precious Savior

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

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***Dismissal**

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude

O Savior, Precious Savior



1 O Sav - ior, pre - cious Sav - ior, whom yet un - seen we love;
2 O bring - er of sal - va - tion, who won - drous - ly hast wrought,
3 In thee all full - ness dwell - eth, all grace and pow'r di - vine;
4 Oh, grant the con - sum - ma - tion of this our song a - bove,



O name of might and fa - vor, all oth - er names a - bove:
thy - self the rev - e - la - tion of love be - yond our thought:
the glo - ry that ex - cel - leth, O Son of God, is thine.
in end - less ad - o - ra - tion and ev - er - last - ing love;



we wor - ship thee; we bless thee; to thee a - lone we sing;
we wor - ship thee; we bless thee; to thee a - lone we sing;
We wor - ship thee; we bless thee; to thee a - lone we sing;
then shall we praise and bless thee where per - fect prais - es ring,



we praise thee and con - fess thee, our ho - ly Lord and King.
we praise thee and con - fess thee, our gra - cious Lord and King.
we praise thee and con - fess thee, our glo - rious Lord and King.
and ev - er - more con - fess thee, our Sav - ior and our King!

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879

Music: ANGEL'S STORY, Arthur H. Mann, 1850–1929

ASSISTING IN MINISTRY SUNDAY, JULY 20

Presiding: Rev. Stephanie White

Ushers: Ken Froschheiser and Deb Jacobson

Acolyte:

Lector: Jane Aandal

Communion Assistants: Wenda Sumrall and Imogene Helle

Serving at the Altar: Phyllis Johnson

Organist: Reid Froiland

Cantor: Chris Cuppett

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In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Sandra Sundahl, Cindy Hughes, Alan Johnson, Jim Potucek, Rick Harbott, Sara LaFayette Valentine, Rocky and Barb Ammerman, Michelle Kasprick, Neil Erickson, Shari Safranski, Trevor Sorter, Bob and Barb Horien, Rick and Tami Hanson, Rose Teie, and Fern Melbye .

Financial stewardship
2025 Budget
\$329,106.00
Needed monthly
\$27,425.50
Needed Weekly
\$6,328.96

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

Week Ending July 13, 2025
\$3,802.30
Offering June 2025
\$6,297.85
Weekly Shortage/Overage
(\$2,526.66)
Yearly Shortage/Overage
(\$58,693.59)

Altar flowers are given by
The Froiland family
In memory of loved ones.

Hootenanny – noun

a social gathering or informal concert featuring folk singing and, sometimes, dancing..

And you are invited to come and join in the fun as Greg, Paula, Dean and friends play some freewheeling, improvisatory music on Weds., July 23rd here at Redeemer. Fun and music begin at 6:30 pm. Grab a friend and come listen in!

The newsletter will be available on line at redeemertrf.org. the first week of every month. If you do have access to the internet and would like to receive a printed copy in the mail, please let the office know.

Reminder to confirmation students – the books are in the office that you need for summer study. Please use the sign out sheet.

This Week~

Hootenanny Wednesday, July 23rd @ 6:30pm

SWEETS @ the Bowling Alley Patio Thursday@5:30pm

Worship Sunday@9:30am

OFFICE CLOSED – Monday, July 21st.



July Birthdays

July Birthdays –

1 – 2 – Jason Schuster, Virginia Stensrud, Roger Forsberg, Francis Martell **3** Linda Ulrich, Olivia Maas, Cheri Benter **4** – United States of America **5** – Kristina Thompson, Diane Johnson **6 - 7** – Ryker Beito, Kaitlyn Norlin **8** – Casey Heimstras **9** – Madisyn Olson **10** – Erik Brateng, Rylin Nessen **11** – Marah Froiland, Chloe Lund, Jason Dennis, Liza Bjerklie **12 – 13 – 14** – Tanya Harbott, Andrew McClenahan **15 – 16 – 7** – David Mugaas **18** – Parker Milender, Abbie Houske **19** – Allen Melbye **20** – Matthew Wilson, Claire Schuster **21 – 22** – Awbree Lunsetter, Clay Nelson, Tyler Miller, Whitney Jacobson **23** – Jeff Davidson, Joe Cornelius, Jarin Newland **24** – Barb Forsberg, Rocky Ammerman **25** – Alan Johnson, Barry Froiland **26** – Oskar Anderson, Stevie Nordby, Sharon Fugelberg, Diane Schoon **27** – George Norlin **28** – Carol Gustafson, Joseph Ihle **29** – Hailey Rogalla, Lynda Raymond **30** – Taelyn Pray, Myron Peterson, **31** – Tegan Pray, Ron Rondorf

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