

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH
Third Sunday after Epiphany
Wednesday, January 23, 2019

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Order of Worship

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The glory of the Lord is revealed in the reading of scripture. People stand at attention. People weep. People prostrate themselves in prayer. The unity of the church is another reflection of the glory of God. Most gloriously, the promises of God are fulfilled in the person of Jesus Christ. Gather round. Listen up. Glimpse the glory of God.

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**

God, Whose Almighty Word

ELW #673

***Confession and Forgiveness**

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

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who creates us and forms us,
who redeems us and calls us,
who unites us and sends us.

Amen.

Gathered in God's presence, let us confess our sin.

(Those who choose to may kneel.)

(Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination.)

Mighty and loving God,
**we confess that we are captive to sin
and cannot free ourselves.
We seek our own way.
We divide the body of Christ.
In your mercy, cleanse us and heal us.
Let the words of our mouths,
the thoughts of our hearts,
and everything that we do
be filled with faith, hope, and love.
Amen.**

Hear the voice of Jesus:
“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me
to proclaim release to the captives.”

(Water is poured into the baptismal font.)

In the name of † Jesus Christ,
I proclaim to you
that your sins are forgiven and you are released.
The joy of the Lord is your strength,
and the gifts of the Holy Spirit are yours forever.
Amen.

(Please rise.)

***Greeting**

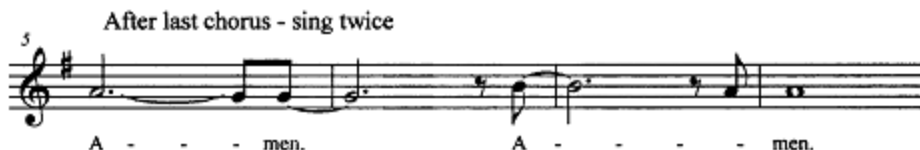
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you

*Kyrie

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

C:



*Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray...

C: **Blessed Lord God, you have caused the Holy Scriptures to be written for the nourishment of your people. Grant that we may hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that, comforted by your promises, we may embrace and forever hold fast to the hope of eternal life, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

WORD

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

¹All the people [of Israel] gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the LORD had given to Israel. ²Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. ³He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. ⁵And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the

people stood up. ⁶Then Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God, and all the people answered, “Amen, Amen,” lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the LORD with their faces to the ground. ⁸So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

⁹And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, “This day is holy to the LORD your God; do not mourn or weep.” For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. ¹⁰Then he said to them, “Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our LORD; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD is your strength.”

Psalm 19

¹The heavens declare the glory of God,
and the sky proclaims its maker’s handiwork.

²**One day tells its tale to another,
and one night imparts knowledge to another.**

³Although they have no words or language,
and their voices are not heard,

⁴**their sound has gone out into all lands, and their message to the ends of
the world,
where God has pitched a tent for the sun.**

⁵It comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;
it rejoices like a champion to run its course.

⁶**It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the
end of it again;
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.**

⁷The teaching of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul;
the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to | the simple.

⁸**The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart;
the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the eyes.**

⁹The fear of the LORD is clean and endures forever;
the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

¹⁰**More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold,
sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.**

¹¹By them also is your servant enlightened,
and in keeping them there is great reward.

¹²Who can detect one's own offenses?

Cleanse me from my secret faults.

¹³Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me;

then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.

¹⁴Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight,

O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.

1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

¹²For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

¹⁴Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. ¹⁵If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁶And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁷If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? ¹⁸But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. ¹⁹If all were a single member, where would the body be? ²⁰As it is, there are many members, yet one body. ²¹The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." ²²On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, ²³and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; ²⁴whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, ²⁵that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. ²⁶If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it.

²⁷Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. ²⁸And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. ²⁹Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work

miracles? ³⁰Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? ^{31a}But strive for the greater gifts.

***Gospel: Luke 4:14-21**

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

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁴Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. ¹⁵He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

¹⁶When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, ¹⁷and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

¹⁸“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring good news to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free,
¹⁹to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.”

²⁰And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. ²¹Then he began to say to them, “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.”

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Rev. Darrel Cory

Hymn of the Day

Hark the Glad Sound

ELW #239

***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

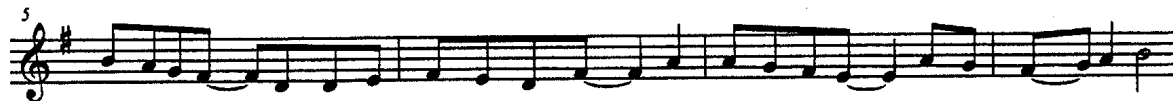
We welcome you to Redeemer Lutheran Church this day! As our tithes and offerings are being collected, please take a moment to sign the red Friendship Pad at the end of the pew and pass it down to the next person.

*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 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.

*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...

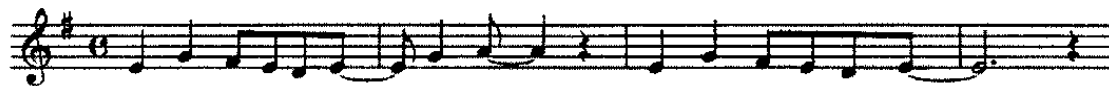
*Sanctus

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

C:

Sanctus

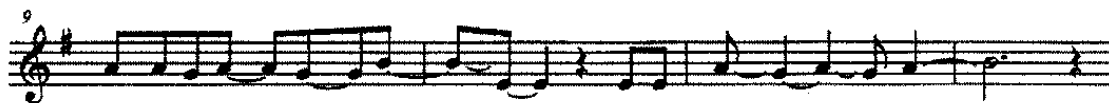
arr. Neil Gladen



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.

*Words of Institution

*Lord's Prayer

Lord's Prayer



Our Fa-ther in heav-en, hal-low-ed be your name, your king-dom come, your will be done on earth as in
heav-en. Give us this day our dai-ly bread. For-give us our sins as we for-give those who sins a -
gainst us. Save us from the time of trial and de-liv-er us from e-vil, for the king-dom the pow'r and the
glor - ry are yours, now and for ev - - - - er. A - men.

Distribution

*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

In Christ There Is No East and West

ELW #650

*Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord!!

C. Thanks be to God!!!

Postlude

ASSISTING IN MINISTRY TODAY

Reader: Denice Nelson

Ushers: Scott Pream and 7th grade student

Communion Ministers: Denice Nelson, Maryel Anderson, Linda Olson

Serving at the Altar (Altar Guild): Brenda Russ, Patsy Lindquist

Musicians: Greg Dally, Paula Adamson

Church Offering Bank Run: Tony Olson

ASSISTING IN MINISTRY SUNDAY (JANUARY 27)

Reader: Jan Huebsch

Ushers: Dave Ulrich and John Wollenzien

Serving at the Altar (Altar Guild): Brenda Russ, Patsy Lindquist

Organist: Reid Froiland

Cantor: Chris Cuppett

Sunday Coffee Fellowship: Annual Meeting Baked Potato Bar

Church Offering Bank Run: Denice Nelson, Brooks Vigen

ASSISTING IN MINISTRY NEXT WEDNESDAY (JANUARY 30)

Reader: Megan Eickman

Ushers: Cecil and Maryel Anderson

Communion Ministers: Chad and Becky Berg and Renae Dalen

Serving at the Altar (Altar Guild): Brenda Russ, Patsy Lindquist

Musicians: Reid Froiland, Dean Dalen, Scott Pream

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 23-30, 2019

Wednesday, January 23	5:10pm 5:30-6:15pm 5:40-6:15pm 6:30pm	Sing & Ring BLAST 6 th grade Confirmation Worship with Holy Communion
Friday, January 25	February Newsletter articles and announcements due by 9:00am	
Sunday, January 27	8:15am 9:30am 10:30am	Choir rehearsal and sing Worship Annual meeting
Monday, January 28	9:00am-12:00pm 6:00-8:00pm	Quilting Quilting
Tuesday, January 29	9:00am-12:00pm 6:00-8:00pm	Quilting Quilting
Wednesday, January 30	5:10pm 5:30-6:15pm 5:40-6:15pm 6:00pm 6:30pm	Sing & Ring BLAST 6 th grade Confirmation Choir rehearsal and sing Worship with Holy Communion

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

In your prayers this week please remember Kelly Amundgaard, Jason Miller, Sandra Sundahl, Ione Poole, Jovie Defrang, Shelley Steva, Molly Dahlin and family.

Altar flowers this day are given by Jan Huebsch in memory of her father, Jim Huebsch.

Please complete an **Estimate of Giving Card** by Wednesday January 23rd and place it in the gift box in the Narthex.

Attention Committees!!! Please make sure you look in the library to see if there is stuff that belongs to your committees. **This needs to be done by February 1;** anything left will be disposed of.

The Quilt Kits are now available on a table in the Narthex! These quilts are gifts for Redeemer's 2019 graduating seniors. We are making two patterns this year, the jelly roll race and the disappearing nine patch. We will need about 26 quilts, so everyone's help is appreciated. There is a fund for donations to help finance this project. If you have questions or need help with the patterns, please talk to Pauline Helgeland or Christine Burnham (681-2412). Thank you! Many hands make light work.

The Stained Glass fund has a zero balance, and we still have projects that need to be completed. We encourage to consider this fund when you give a memorial.

The annual meeting is coming up on January 27th following the 9:30 worship service.

Altar Guild is in need of new members due to members moving. If you're interested please contact Bev Thompson. Also in need of large yogurt containers. Lids not needed.

Church directory pictures: If you haven't submitted your picture for the church directory, please do so. You can bring your photo to the church or e-mail your family photo to (redeemer@mncable.net).

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.

The electronic giving cards are now in the pews, so for those of you who give electronically you can now put these cards in the offering plate.

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, and our different programs; and, you can also donate thru our website.

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@gmail.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.

Fourth Quarter Financial Status

	First Quarter	Second Quarter	Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter	
2018	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Year to Date
Budget Income	\$74,034.99	\$74,034.99	\$74,034.99	\$74,034.99	\$296,139.96
Actual Income	\$54,044.08	\$57,132.80	\$50,522.69	\$72,829.98	\$234,529.55
Budget Expense	\$74,034.99	\$74,034.99	\$74,034.99	\$74,034.99	\$296,139.96
Actual Expense	\$49,600.51	\$59,828.02	\$51,578.62	\$61,488.13	\$222,495.28