



**REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**Third Sunday after Pentecost**  
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## Order of Worship

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*The mustard seed becomes a great shrub that shelters the birds, recalling ancient images of the tree of life. We'd expect a cedar or a sequoia, but Jesus finds the power of God better imaged in a tiny, no-account seed. It's not the way we expect divine activity to look. Yet the tree of life is here, in the cross around which we gather, the tree into which we are grafted through baptism, the true vine that nourishes us with its fruit in the cup we share. It may not appear all that impressive, but while nobody's looking it grows with a power beyond our understanding.*

### 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)

LBW = Lutheran Book of Worship (green)

\* = 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**

*We Are Baptized in Christ Jesus*

ELW #451

*All turn and face the processional cross as it is carried into the worship space.*



1 We are bap-tized in Christ Je - sus, we are bap - tized in his death;  
2 In the wa - ter and the wit-ness, in the break-ing of the bread,  
3 Glo-ry be to God the Fa - ther, glo - ry be to Christ the Son,



that as Christ is raised vic - to - rious, we might live a brand new life.  
in the wait - ing arms of Je - sus who is ris - en from the dead,  
glo - ry to the Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er three and ev - er one;



And if we have been u - nit - ed in a dread-ful death like his,  
God has made a new be - gin-ning from the ash - es of our past;  
as it was in the be - gin-ning, glo - ry now re-sounds a - gain



we will all be re - u - nit - ed, for he lives.  
in the los - ing and the win - ning we hold fast.  
in a song that has no end - ing. . . . A - men.

Text: John C. Ylvisaker, b. 1937  
Music: OUIMETTE, John C. Ylvisaker  
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## **\*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,  
the God of manna,  
the God of miracles,  
the God of mercy.

**Amen.**

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance,  
let us confess our sin.

*(Those who choose to may kneel. Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination.)*

God, our provider,

**help us.**

**It is hard to believe there is enough to share.**

**We question your ways when they differ from the ways  
of the world in which we live.**

**We turn to our own understanding  
rather than trusting in you.**

**We take offense at your teachings and your ways.**

**Turn us again to you.**

**Where else can we turn?**

**Share with us the words of eternal life  
and feed us for life in the world. Amen.**

*(Water is poured into the baptismal font.)*

Beloved of God,

in Jesus, the manna from heaven,  
you are fed and nourished.

By Jesus, the worker of miracles,  
there is always more than enough.

Through Jesus, † the bread of life,  
you are shown God's mercy:

you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

**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:

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

After last chorus - sing twice

5  
A - - - men. A - - - - - men.

### \*Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray...

C: **O God, you are the tree of life, offering shelter to all the world. Graft us into yourself and nurture our growth, that we may bear your truth and love to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## WORD

Ezekiel 17:22-24

<sup>22</sup>Thus says the Lord GOD:

I myself will take a sprig  
from the lofty top of a cedar;  
I will set it out.

I will break off a tender one  
from the topmost of its young twigs;  
I myself will plant it  
on a high and lofty mountain.  
<sup>23</sup>On the mountain height of Israel  
I will plant it,  
in order that it may produce boughs and bear fruit,  
and become a noble cedar.  
Under it every kind of bird will live;  
in the shade of its branches will nest  
winged creatures of every kind.  
<sup>24</sup>All the trees of the field shall know  
that I am the LORD.  
I bring low the high tree,  
I make high the low tree;  
I dry up the green tree  
and make the dry tree flourish.  
I the LORD have spoken;  
I will accomplish it.

L: The word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15**

<sup>1</sup>It is a good thing to give thanks to the LORD,  
to sing praise to your name, O Most High;  
<sup>2</sup>**to herald your love in the morning  
and your faithfulness at night;**  
<sup>3</sup>on the psaltery, and on the lyre,  
and to the melody of the harp.  
<sup>4</sup>**For you have made me glad by your acts, O LORD;  
and I shout for joy because of the works of your hands.**  
<sup>12</sup>The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree,  
and shall spread abroad like a cedar of Lebanon.  
<sup>13</sup>**Those who are planted in the house of the LORD  
shall flourish in the courts of our God;**  
<sup>14</sup>they shall still bear fruit in old age;  
they shall be green and succulent;

**<sup>15</sup>that they may show how upright the LORD is,  
my rock, in whom there is no injustice.**

2 Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-17

<sup>6</sup>So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord—<sup>7</sup>for we walk by faith, not by sight. <sup>8</sup>Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. <sup>9</sup>So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. <sup>10</sup>For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

<sup>14</sup>For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. <sup>15</sup>And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them.

<sup>16</sup>From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. <sup>17</sup>So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

L: The word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**\*Gospel: Mark 4:26-34**

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

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

<sup>26</sup>[Jesus] said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground,<sup>27</sup> and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. <sup>28</sup>The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. <sup>29</sup>But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come."

<sup>30</sup>He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? <sup>31</sup>It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; <sup>32</sup>yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds

of the air can make nests in its shade.”

<sup>33</sup>With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it;

<sup>34</sup>he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Rev. Darrel Cory

**\*Hymn of the Day**

*Lord, Your Hands Have Formed*

ELW #554



1 Lord, your hands have formed this world, ev - 'ry part is shaped by  
2 Yours the soil that holds the seed, you give warmth and mois - ture,  
3 Like a mat you roll out land, space to build for us and



you— wa - ter tum - bling o - ver rocks, air, and sun - light:  
too. Sprout-ing blos - soms, crops and buds, trees and plants: the  
you earth - ly homes and, bet - ter still, homes for Christ: the



each day's signs that you make all things new.  
sea - son's signs that you make all things new.  
tru - est sign that you make all things new.

Text: Ramon and Sario Oliano; para. James Minchin, b. 1942; tr. Delbert Rice  
Music: GAYOM NI HIGAMI, Ikalahan (Philippines) traditional  
Text © James Minchin, admin. Asian Institute for Liturgy & Music., admin. Augsburg Fortress.



## **\*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:** 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! In-person worshippers can place their offering in the offering plate 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.

## \*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.**

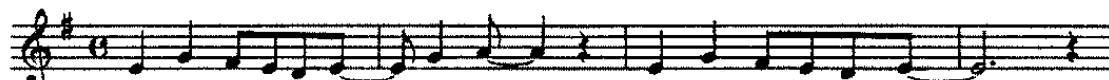
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**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

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

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

F#m Bm G D/F#

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

A G/A A Gmaj7

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

F#m Em

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.

We have resumed "pre-pandemic" serving of Holy Communion. Please take an empty cup as you approach the head of an aisle; 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

### As the Grains of Wheat

ELW #465

*Refrain*

As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were  
gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from  
all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.

1 As this cup of bless - ing is shared with - in our midst,  
2 Let this be a fore - taste of all that is to come when

*Refrain*

may we share the pres - ence of your love.  
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

The image shows musical notation for the hymn 'As the Grains of Wheat'. It consists of five staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first three staves are the main melody, and the last two are the refrain. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff is labeled 'Refrain'. The second and third staves have lyrics: 'As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were' and 'gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from'. The fourth staff has lyrics: 'all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.' The fifth staff has two verses of lyrics: '1 As this cup of bless - ing is shared with - in our midst,' and '2 Let this be a fore - taste of all that is to come when'. The sixth staff is labeled 'Refrain' and has lyrics: 'may we share the pres - ence of your love.' and 'all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.'

Text: Didache, 2nd cent.; Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: AS THE GRAINS, Marty Haugen

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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

### *Go, My Children, with My Blessing*

ELW #543



- 1 "Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, nev - er a - lone.
- 2 "Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.
- 3 "Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, clos - er to me.



Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.  
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.  
Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free.



In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er.  
Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.  
Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here my ten - der com - fort stilled you.



Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, you are my own."  
Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure."  
Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, joy - ful and free."

**\*Dismissal**

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

ASSISTING IN MINISTRY TODAY

Presiding: Rev. Darrel Cory

Acolyte:

Lector: Denice Nelson (9:30), Jan Anderson (6:30)

Communion Minister: Denice Nelson (9:30), Jan Anderson (6:30)

Musicians: Paula Adamson, Greg Dally, Dean Dalen

Serving at the Altar: Renae Dalen, Sue Bendickson

Video: Dave Ulrich (9:30)

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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.

## **Our Staff:**

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## CALENDAR FOR JUNE 13-23, 2021

Sunday, June 13	9:30am	Worship with Holy Communion
Monday, June 14	5:30pm	Property Committee meeting
Tuesday, June 15	6:00pm	Church council meeting
Wednesday, June 16	6:30pm	Worship with Holy Communion
Sunday, June 20	<b><i>Happy Father's Day!!</i></b> 9:30am	Worship with Holy Communion
Wednesday, June 23	<b><i>Outdoor Worship Service</i></b> 5:30pm 6:30pm	Supper in a sack Worship with Holy Communion

## CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**In your prayers** this week please remember Neil Peterson, Donna Manning (Carol Ihle's mother), Maxine Holmstrom, Sharon Bugge, Rick Hanson, Lowell Burkel, 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, Mark Thompson (Dale & Jan Dillon's son-in-law), 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 by Dale and Jan Dillon in memory of Jan's parents.

**We give our Christian sympathy** to Tom Kays and family on the death of Tom's brother, Scott Kays. Scott died Friday, June 4.

**We give our Christian sympathy** to the family of Lowell Gene Burkel. Lowell died Tuesday, June 1; his funeral was held at Redeemer on Thursday, June 10.

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!** Vacation Bible School will be happening August 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>

from 5:30-7:30pm at Redeemer for students entering grades K-5<sup>th</sup> grade. Registration forms are available on the church website, Facebook, or in the office.

Register by July 15<sup>th</sup>. Any questions please contact Madison Crane 608-535-9151 or [rzyouthfam@gmail.com](mailto:rzyouthfam@gmail.com)

**From the COVID Preparedness Team:** As of June 1, 2021, Redeemer's COVID-19 Preparedness Plan has been rescinded; we are essentially "back to normal" at Redeemer. Those who have not been vaccinated are encouraged to wear masks. We encourage everyone to continue to stay safe and to contact the COVID-19 Preparedness Team with any questions or concerns regarding COVID and life at Redeemer.

**We are getting close to reach our roofing fund goal;** as of right now the roof fund is at \$17,565.00. Thank you to all those who have contributed!

**We remind the congregation** that if you are contributing to the Roof fund, please submit a check separate from your weekly offering; it makes it easier for record keeping.

### **Financial Stewardship for 2021:**

**Weekly Giving – week of May 31-June 6:** \$xxxx (\$5,283 needed each week to meet budgeted expenses)

**May Income:** \$xxxx (\$22,894 needed each month to meet budgeted expenses)

**Year-to-Date Income (through May 31):** \$xxxx (\$114,470 budgeted year-to-date)

*Weekly Giving includes cash and envelopes mailed to the church, dropped off at the church, or placed in the plate each week; it also includes some forms of electronic giving (e.g.: Vanco). Monthly income includes all forms of electronic giving.*

**Wednesday services have resumed!** Services at 6:30 p.m. each Wednesday will follow the same liturgy as the previous Sunday. (This is a change from prior to the pandemic.) The Sunday service will continue to be livestreamed.

**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 Martell or the church office.