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Jesus does great deeds of power and gives his disciples authority over demons. Yet none of this power is unilateral; it all must be received by faith. Jesus asks his disciples to go out without money or supplies, so that they will be dependent on how others receive them. When we are sent from the assembly to witness and to heal, we are asked to be vulnerable, to be dependent on the reception of others. The Spirit always operates in the "between": between Jesus and his Abba, between Jesus and us, between you and me, between us and those to whom we are sent.

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)

<u>Hymnals we do not have in the pews but use their resources in our bulletins:</u> ACS = All Creation Sings (purple; the new hymnal supplement of the ELCA) LBW = Lutheran Book of Worship (green) TFF = This Far by Faith (an African-American resource for worship)

* = Please rise

GATHERING

Prelude: Hymntunes from the early days of United States Independence

(9:30) Prelude Hymns

Lift Every Voice and Sing ELW #841 Many and Great, O God ELW #837 O Beautiful for Spacious Skies TFF #298 (see the following pages of the order of service)

The hymns we sing as a part of our prelude in recognition of this Independence Day weekend in the United States represent the traditions of the United States, both before and after its independence from England. Additionally, our sending hymn has connections to the heritage of the United States.

Lift Every Voice and Sing, composed first as a poem and then set to music in 1900 for a celebration of the birthday of Abraham Lincoln by brothers James Weldon Johnson and J. Rosamond Johnson, is often referred to as the "Black National Anthem" and was a symbol of the civil rights movement in the 1960s.

Many and Great, O God was composed by Joseph R. Renville, a member of the Dakota nation in Minnesota. He helped found the Lac Qui Parle mission in 1935; the tune name for this hymn is LAC QUI PARLE in recognition, and the hymn was first published in the Dakota Hymnal of 1916.

O Beautiful for Spacious Skies was composed by Katherine Lee Bates, incorporating sights of her trip across the United States from Massachusetts to Colorado Springs.

Before You, Lord, We Bow, our sending hymn, was composed by Francis Scott Key, author of *The Star-Spangled Banner*, as a hymn of thanksgiving for the Fourth of July in 1832; it reminds us that regardless of whichever nation on Earth we live in, we are first and foremost thankful to be people of God and live in a creation of God.

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.

Lift Every Voice and Sing



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Text: James W. Johnson, 1871–1938 Music: LIFT EVERY VOICE AND SING, J. Rosamond Johnson, 1873–1954



Text: Joseph R. Renville, 1779–1846; para. Philip Frazier, 1892–1964, alt. Music: LAC QUI PARLE, Dakota tune; arr. *Songs of the People*, 1986 Arr. © 1986 Augsburg Pottbishing House, admin. Augsburg Fortress.

O Beautiful for Spacious Skies



Text: Katherine L. Bates, 1859–1929 Music: MATERNA, Samuel A. Ward, 1848–1903 *Gathering Hymn

How Firm a Foundation

ELW #796



Text: J. Rippon, A Selection of Hymns, 1787, alt. Music: FOUNDATION, Early American

*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.

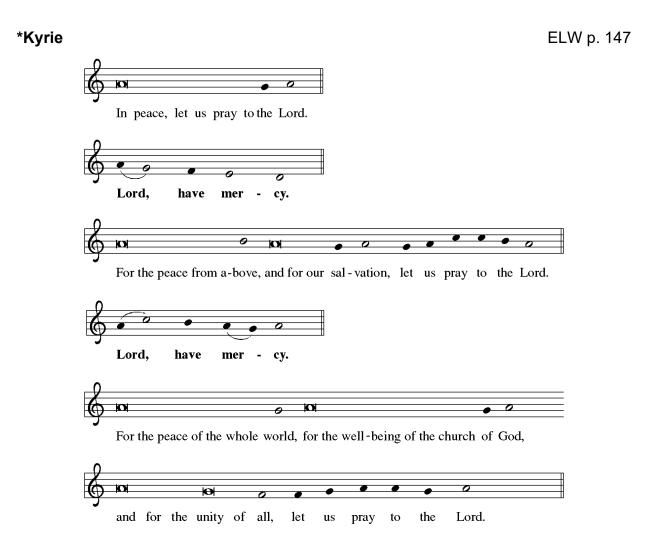
(Water is poured into the baptismal font.)

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.**

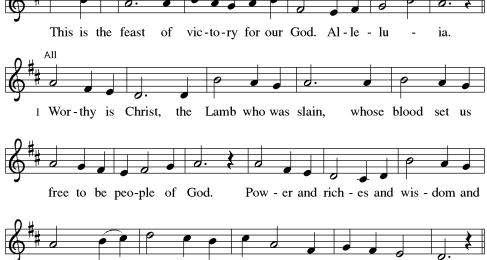
(Please rise.)

*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.







strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.



*Prayer of the Day

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: Let us pray...
- C: God of the covenant, in our baptism you call us to proclaim the coming of your kingdom. Give us the courage you gave the apostles, that we may faithfully witness to your love and peace in every circumstance of life, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

Ezekiel 2:1-5

¹[A voice] said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you.²And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. ³He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. ⁴The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, "Thus says the Lord GOD." ⁵Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 123



The tone is played once; all hum the tone once; then the psalm is chanted responsively.

¹To you I lift [|] up my eyes,

to you enthroned | in the heavens.

²As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, and the eyes of a maid to the hand ¹ of her mistress,

so our eyes look to you, O LORD our God, until you show ¹ **us your mercy.** ³Have mercy upon us, O ¹ LORD, have mercy,

for we have had more than enough | of contempt,

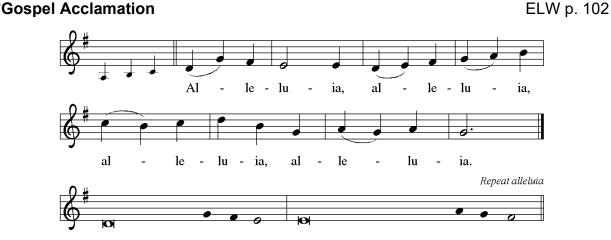
⁴too much of the scorn of the in-¹ dolent rich,

and of the derision | of the proud.

2 Corinthians 12:2-10

²I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven-whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. ³And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows—⁴was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. ⁵On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. ⁶But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, ⁷even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. ⁸Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, ⁹but he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness." So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. ¹⁰Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

- L: The word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.



*Gospel Acclamation

- P: The holy gospel according to St. Mark...
- C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹[Jesus] came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him.²On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! ³Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. ⁴Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." ⁵And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. ⁶And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. ⁷He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. ⁸He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; ⁹but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. ¹⁰He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. ¹¹If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." ¹²So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. ¹³They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

- P: The gospel of the Lord.
- C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Rev. Darrel Cory

*Hymn of the Day

Lord, You Give the Great Commission





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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 Church

- L: ...Lord in your mercy,
- C: hear our prayer.

*Peace

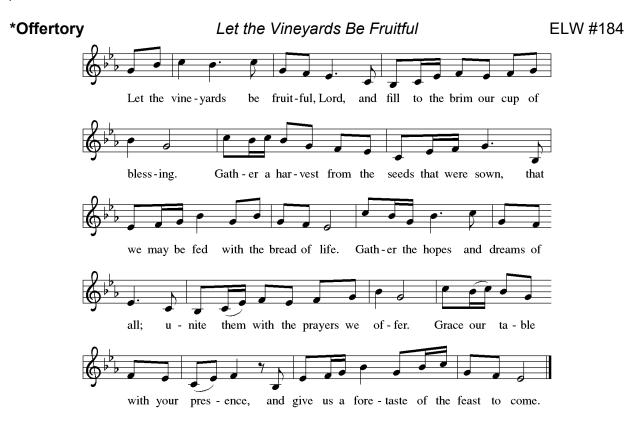
P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

<u>MEAL</u>

Offering

We welcome you to Redeemer Lutheran Church this day! In-person worshippers can place their offering in the offering plate in the narthex before the service or at this time. Your tithes and offerings submitted via the Postal Service or electronically are also gratefully appreciated. Please take a moment to sign the red Friendship Pad at the end of the pew and pass it down to the next person.



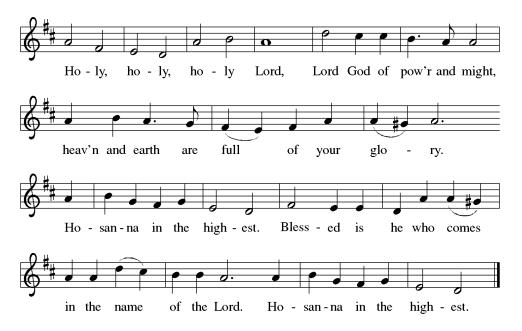
*Thanksgiving at the Table

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.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

*Sanctus

ELW p. 153

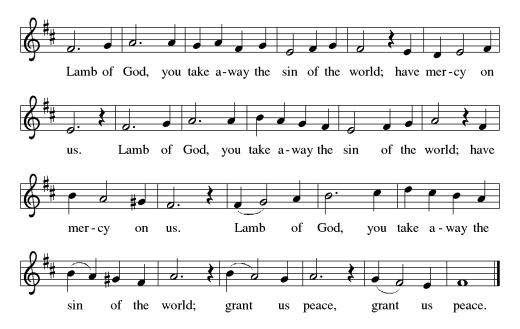


In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

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. 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.



Text: James K. Manley, b. 1940 Music: SPIRIT, James K. Manley Text and music © 1978 James K. Manley, admin. Augsburg Fortress.

*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 and Threefold Amen



Before You, Lord, We Bow

ELW #893



Text: Francis Scott Key, 1779–1843, alt. Music: DARWALL'S 148TH, John Darwall, 1731–1789

*Dismissal

- P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

ASSISTING IN MINISTRY TODAY

Presiding: Rev. Darrel Cory Acolyte: Madison Crane (6:30) Lector: Jan Anderson (9:30), Denice Nelson (6:30) Communion Minister: Jan Anderson (9:30), Denice Nelson (6:30) Serving at the Altar: Renae Dalen, Sue Bendickson Cantor: Chris Cuppett Organist: Reid Froiland Video: Dave Ulrich (9:30)

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<u>**Our Mission Statement:</u>** 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.</u>

Our Staff:	
Pastor	Darrel Cory (phone: 218-791-0141, email: <u>darrelcory@gmail.com</u>)
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CALENDAR FOR JULY 4-14, 2021

Sunday, July 4	Happy 4th of July 9:30am	Worship with Holy Communion
Tuesday, July 6	4:30pm 6:40pm	Evangelism and Social Ministry meeting Worship & Music meeting
Wednesday, July 7	6:30pm 7:30pm	Worship with Holy Communion S'mores & Snacks, 6 th -8 th grade, Redeemer's Fire pit
Sunday, July 11	9:30am	Worship with Holy Communion
Monday, July 12	5:30pm	Property Committee meeting
Wednesday, July 14	6:30pm	Worship with Holy Communion

Looking Ahead

Thursday, July 15	VBS registrations are due		
Sunday, July 18	9:30pm	Worship with Holy Communion	
Tuesday, July 20	6:00pm	Council meeting	
Wednesday, July 21	6:30pm	Worship with Holy Communion	
Sunday, July 25	9:30am 10:30am 6:45-7:45pm	Worship with Holy Communion Box Brunches F.I.R.E. 6-8 th grade, Redeemer's fire pit	

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

In your prayers this week please remember Neil Peterson (husband of Linda Peterson), Donna Manning (Carol Ihle's mother), Maxine Holmstrom, Sharon Bugge, Rick Hanson, 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 Dave and Bev Thompson in memory of Forrest and LaVonne Ammerman.

We give our Christian sympathy to the family of Kevin Iliff. Kevin's mom passed away, her funeral was held Saturday, June 26th.

Readers needed: we are in need of volunteer readers for our Sunday worship services. Readers will have a rotation schedule. If you are interested please put your name down on our sign-up sheet in the Narthex or let Vanessa know at the church office.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!! Vacation Bible School will be happening August 2nd-5th from 5:30-7:30pm at Redeemer for students entering grades K-5th grade. Registration forms are available on the church website, Facebook, or in the office. <u>Register by July 15th</u>. Any questions please contact Madison Crane 608-535-9151or rzyouthfam@gmail.com

Dear siblings in Christ, **on Sundays July 11 and 18 and Wednesdays July 14 and 21**, your congregational council is asking you to participate with them in supporting two global missions which were presented to all congregations at the Northwestern Minnesota Synod Assembly in May. You may recall that we have shared a hand-in-hand walk with our companion synod, The Andhra Evangelical Lutheran Church in India, since 1997. Our siblings In Christ have suffered greatly because of COVID-19 and they desperately need our help. There has also been flooding along the India/Nepal border, and many have lost everything. Lutheran World Relief is doing its part to provide supplies, food, and clean drinking water. You will be provided with materials concerning these global missions before the offering is held. The entire "India Appeal" offering will be split between the two missions of our synod. Matching funds have been requested for Redeemer's offering. To participate in the offering, please summit a separate check from your weekly offering, make checks to Redeemer Lutheran Church with India Appeal in the memo. We appreciate your participation in this global appeal.

Your sister in Christ, Terri Cuppett Council President The Evangelism & Social Ministry Committee wants to extend a huge "Thank you" to Redeemer members for your generous donations of 348 pairs of socks during our "Sock-It-to-Me" drive. The socks were donated to the Violence Intervention Project here in TRF and the Northlands Rescue Mission in Grand Forks. We appreciate your generosity and outreach to others in our community and beyond!

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 \$18,430.00. Thank you to all those who have contributed!

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

Financial Stewardship for 2021:

Weekly Giving – week of June 21-27: \$3,381.00 (\$5,283 needed each week to meet budgeted expenses)

May Income: \$15,151.05 (\$22,894 needed each month to meet budgeted expenses) **Year-to-Date Income (through May 31):** \$110,129.70(\$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.

Church Announcements: Please make sure to have your announcements in every week to Vanessa VanDam by <u>Monday at 10:00 a.m.</u> 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.