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Order of Worship

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Mark's gospel makes clear how great is the press of the crowd, with its countless needs to be met, on Jesus and his disciples. Yet in today's gospel Jesus advises his disciples to get away and rest, to take care of themselves. Sometimes we think that when others are in great need we shouldn't think of ourselves at all; but Jesus also honors the caregivers' need. We are sent from Christ's table to care for others and for ourselves.

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**

Baptized in Water

ELW #456

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

1 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, cleansed by the
2 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, dead in the
3 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, marked with the

blood of Christ our king: heirs of sal - va - tion, trust - ing his
tomb with Christ our king: one with his ris - ing, freed and for -
sign of Christ our king: born of the Spir - it, we are God's

prom - ise, faith - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.
giv - en, thank - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.
chil - dren; joy - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.

Text: Michael Saward, b. 1932

Music: BUNESSAN, Gaelic tune; arr. hymnal version

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Sacrament of Holy Baptism of Spencer Nathan Carlson

PRESENTATION

God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word, God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

The sponsors present the candidates.

I present Spencer Nathan Carlson for baptism.

The presiding minister addresses parents or others who bring for baptism children who are not able to answer for themselves.

Called by the Holy Spirit,
trusting in the grace and love of God,
do you desire to have Spencer baptized into Christ?

Response: I do.

As you bring Spencer to receive the gift of baptism,
you are entrusted with responsibilities:

to live with him among God's faithful people,
bring him to the word of God and the holy supper,
teach him the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments,
place in his hands the holy scriptures,
and nurture him in faith and prayer,
so that he may learn to trust God,
proclaim Christ through word and deed,
care for others and the world God made,
and work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to help Spencer grow in the Christian faith and life?

The parents respond: I do.

The presiding minister addresses sponsors.

Sponsors, do you promise to nurture Spencer in the Christian faith
as you are empowered by God's Spirit,
and to help him live in the covenant of baptism
and in communion with the church?

The sponsors respond: I do.

The presiding minister addresses the assembly.

People of God, do you promise to support Spencer and pray for him in his new life in Christ?

We do.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

The presiding minister addresses candidates for baptism as well as the parents and sponsors of young children. The assembly joins in the responses.

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce evil and all the forces that defy God, the powers of this world that rebel against God, and the ways of sin that draw you from God?

Response: **I renounce them.**

The presiding minister addresses the candidates and the assembly.

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**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.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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.**

THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT

The presiding minister leads the thanksgiving.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Water is poured into the font.

We give you thanks, O God,
for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters
and by your Word you created the world,
calling forth life in which you took delight.
Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family,
and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom.
At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.
By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection
you set us free from the power of sin and death
and raise us up to live in you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word,
that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life.
To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

BAPTISM

The presiding minister baptizes candidate. Water is poured on the candidate's head, as the presiding minister says:

Spencer is baptized in the name of the Father,
Water is poured on the candidate's head a second time:

and of the Son,

Water is poured on the candidate's head a third time:

and of the Holy Spirit,

Amen.

ALLELUIA

All sing the Alleluia in response.

You be - long to Christ, in whom you have been bap - tized.

al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Text: *Holy Baptism and Related Rites*, Renewing Worship 3
Music: Robert A. Hobby, b. 1962
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The presiding minister continues:

Let us pray...

We give you thanks, O God,
that through water and the Holy Spirit
you give your daughters and sons new birth,
cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life.

Laying both hands on the head of each of the newly baptized, the minister prays for each:

Sustain Spencer with the gift of your Holy Spirit:
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the spirit of counsel and might,
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord,
the spirit of joy in your presence, both 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.

*Kyrie

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

C:

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

5 After last chorus - sing twice

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, powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal each of us, and make us a whole people, that we may embody the justice and peace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

Jeremiah 23:1-6

¹Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. ²Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil

doings, says the LORD. ³Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

⁵The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: “The LORD is our righteousness.”

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 23

¹The LORD is my shepherd;
I shall not be in want.

²**The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures
and leads me beside still waters.**

³You restore my soul, O LORD,
and guide me along right pathways for your name’s sake.

⁴**Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil;
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

⁵You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

⁶**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**

Ephesians 2:11-22

¹¹Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called “the uncircumcision” by those who are called “the circumcision”—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—¹²remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down

the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. ¹⁵He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, ¹⁶and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. ¹⁷So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; ¹⁸for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, ²⁰built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. ²¹In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; ²²in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

***Gospel: Mark 6:30-34, 53-56**

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

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁰The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³²And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. ³³Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. ³⁴As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

⁵³When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. ⁵⁴When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, ⁵⁵and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Hymn of the DayI Heard the Voice of Jesus Say*

ELW #611



1 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come un - to me and rest;
 2 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be - hold, I free - ly give
 3 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this dark world's light;



lay down, O wea - ry one, lay down your head up - on my breast."
 the liv - ing wa - ter, thirst - y one; stoop down and drink and live."
 look un - to me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright."



I came to Je - sus as I was, so wea - ry, worn, and sad;
 I came to Je - sus, and I drank of that life - giv - ing stream;
 I looked to Je - sus, and I found in him my star, my sun;



I found in him a rest-ing-place, and he has made me glad.
 my thirst was quenched, my soul re - vived, and now I live in him.
 and in that light of life I'll walk till trav-'ling days are done.

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808-1889
 Music: KINGSFOLD, English folk tune

***Prayers of the Church**

L: Hear us, O Good.

C: Your mercy is great.

***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 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.

*Offertory

Let the Vineyards

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful Lord and fill to the brim the cup of bless - ing.

5
Gath-er a har - vest from the seeds that were sewn that we may be fed with the bread of life.

9
Gath-er the hopes and dreams of all u - nite them with the prayers we off - er.

13
Grace our ta - ble with your pre-sence and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics printed below each staff. The first staff starts with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The second staff begins with a measure rest of 5 measures. The third staff begins with a measure rest of 9 measures. The fourth staff begins with a measure rest of 13 measures.

*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.

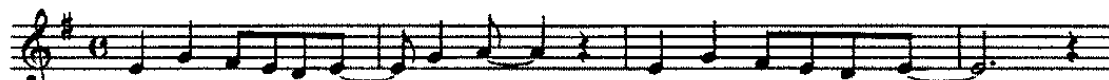
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

What Feast of Love

ELW #487



- 1 What feast of love is of - fered here, what ban - quet come from heav - en?
- 2 What light of truth is of - fered here, what cov - e - nant from heav - en?
- 3 What wine of love is of - fered here, what crim - son drink from heav - en?



What food of ev - er - last - ing life, what gra - cious gift is giv - en?
What hope of ev - er - last - ing life, what won - drous word is giv - en?
What stream of ev - er - last - ing life, what pre - cious blood is giv - en?



This, this is Christ the king, the bread come down from heav - en.
This, this is Christ the king, the sun come down from heav - en.
This, this is Christ the king, the sweet - est wine of heav - en.



Oh, taste and see and sing! How sweet the man - na giv - en!
Oh, see and hear and sing! The Word of God is giv - en!
Oh, taste and see and sing! The Son of God is giv - en!

Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b. 1939

Music: GREENSLEEVES, English ballad, 16th cent.

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Eat this bread, drink this cup. Taste and see the good-ness of God.



Bread of life, cup of love, we re-joice in your pres-ence.



- 1 I will bless the Lord at all times, praise with heart and voice;
- 2 Look up - on the Lord, be ra - diant, nev - er turn a - way.
- 3 An - gels fold their wings a - round us, guard through good and ill.
- 4 Saints of God, bow down and wor - ship, bless the ho - ly name.



Refrain
 in my God I glo - ry for - ev - er: lis - ten and re - joice!
 God will save in ev - 'ry af - flic - tion, hear us when we pray.
 Those who seek the Lord will lack noth - ing; taste, and have your fill.
 Rise to tell God's great - ness for - ev - er, won - drous deeds pro - claim!

Text: Jeremy Young, b. 1948, refrain; *With One Voice*, stanzas, based on Ps. 34
 Music: STONERIDGE, Jeremy Young
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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

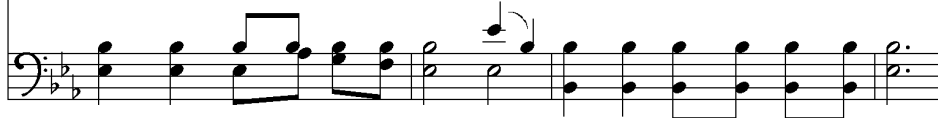
*Benediction



1 Sav - ior like a shep - herd lead us; much we need your ten - der care.
 2 We are yours; in love be - friend us, be the guard - ian of our way;
 3 You have prom - ised to re - ceive us, poor and sin - ful though we be;
 4 Ear - ly let us seek your fa - vor, ear - ly let us do your will;



In your pleas - ant pas - tures feed us, for our use your fold pre - pare.
 keep your flock, from sin de - fend us, seek us when we go a - stray.
 you have mer - cy to re - lieve us, grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.
 bless - ed Lord and on - ly Sav - ior, with your love our spir - its fill.



Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, you have bought us; we are yours.
 Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, hear us chil - dren when we pray.
 Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, ear - ly let us turn to you.
 Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, you have loved us, love us still.



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***Dismissal**

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

ASSISTING IN MINISTRY TODAY

Presiding: Rev. Darrel Cory

Acolytes: Cora and McKenzie Hintz

Lector: Jan Anderson

Communion Minister: Jan Anderson

Serving at the Altar: Renae Dalen, Sue Brekke

Musicians: Paula Adamson, Greg Dally, Dean Dalen

Video: Reid Froiland

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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 JULY 18-25, 2021

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

Looking Ahead

Tuesday, July 27	6:30pm	Altar Guild meeting
Wednesday, July 28	6:00pm	<i>Christmas in July event at Redeemer</i>
Sunday, August 1	9:30pm	Worship with Holy Communion
Mon-Thu, August 2-5	5:30-7:30pm	Vacation Bible School

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.

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 Dan and Patsy Linqvist in memory of Ancel Lindquist.

The Worship and Music Committee has suspended Wednesday evening worship through Labor Day weekend; Wednesday worship will resume on Wednesday, September 8, as we resume BLAST and related programming.

The outdoor service originally scheduled for Wednesday, August 18 has been moved to Sunday, August 22.

Christmas in July Event! Come join us on Wednesday, July 28...fun for all the family, we will have food trucks, yard games, caroling and lots more fun. Food trucks start serving at 6:00pm (food is at your own expense) with activities to follow. After sunset the movie "Elf" will be projected on a screen outdoors. We are also excited to partner with Pennington County Social Services and are looking for brand new Kids birthday party supplies (1 year old to 5th grade) to provide for kids in foster care. Things that can be donated are: boxed cake mixes, table cloths, crepe paper, party decorations, plates, napkins, cups, forks, etc. Donations can be brought to the designated Christmas tree during this event.

If you have any questions, please contact Madison (rzyouthfam@gmail.com)

Thank you to the Redeemer congregation for all your donations for the roofing fund. The project is now complete and has been paid in full.

Total roof cost	\$38,573.12
Congregation giving for roof	\$19,420
Balance paid by Capital Improvement	\$19,153.12

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.

[Register by July 15th](#). Any questions please contact Madison Crane 608-535-9151 or rzyouthfam@gmail.com

The quilters are in need of help! Precut quilt kits need to be sewn and are available in the narthex, instructions are included. Any questions please contact Shirley Booth. Your support of time, talent, or finance is greatly appreciated.

Dear siblings in Christ, 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 submit a separate check from your weekly offering by Sunday, August 1st**, 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

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.

Financial Stewardship for 2021:

Weekly Giving – week of July 5-11: \$3,406 (\$5,283 needed each week to meet budgeted expenses)

June Income: \$17,038.20 (\$22,894 needed each month to meet budgeted expenses)

Year-to-Date Income (through June 30): \$127,167.90 (\$137,364 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 **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.