

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH Service of Affirmation of Baptism Confirmation Sunday Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 25, 2022

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Order of Worship
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Consideration of and care for those in need (especially those "at our gate," visible to us, of whom we are aware) is an essential component of good stewardship. It is in the sharing of wealth that we avoid the snare of wealth. It is the one whom death could not hold—who comes to us risen from the dead—who can free us from the death grip of greed.

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)

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

We welcome all who are gathered with us for worship, whether in person or via the livestream!

*Gathering Hymn

Lift High the Cross

ELW #660

*Confession and Forgiveness

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

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days. **Amen.**

^{* =} Please rise

Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

(The assembly kneels or stands. Silence is kept for reflection.)

God of mercy and forgiveness,
we confess that sin still has a hold on us.
We have harmed your good creation.
We have failed to do justice,
love kindness,
and walk humbly with you.
Turn us in a new direction.
Show us the path that leads to life.
Be our refuge and strength on the journey,
through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend.
Amen.

(Water is poured into the baptismal font.)

Beloved of God:

your sins are forgiven \pm and you are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road.

Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit. **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.

*Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray...

C: O God, rich in mercy, you look with compassion on this troubled world. Feed us with your grace, and grant us the treasure that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Ministry of Music

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

Chris Cuppett, Soloist

WORD

Amos 6:1a,4-7

^{1a}Alas for those who are at ease in Zion, and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria.

⁴Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory, and lounge on their couches, and eat lambs from the flock, and calves from the stall;
⁵who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp, and like David improvise on instruments of music;
⁶who drink wine from bowls, and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!
⁷Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile, and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 146

¹Hallelujah! Praise the LORD, O my soul!

²I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

- ³Put not your trust in rulers, in mortals in whom there is no help.
- ⁴When they breathe their last, they return to earth, and in that day their thoughts perish.
- ⁵Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help, whose hope is in the LORD their God;
- ⁶who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; who keeps promises forever;
- ⁷who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to those who hunger. The LORD sets the captive free.
- ⁸The LORD opens the eyes of the blind; the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;

the LORD loves the righteous.

- ⁹The LORD cares for the stranger;
 - the LORD sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.
- ¹⁰The Lord shall reign forever,
 - your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!

1 Timothy 6:6-19

⁶Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; ⁷for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; ⁸but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. ⁹But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

¹¹But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. ¹²Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. ¹³In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you ¹⁴to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. ¹⁶It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

¹⁷As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty,

or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. ¹⁸They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, ¹⁹thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.



Music: Caribbean traditional; arr. Mark Sedio, b. 1954 Arr. $\ @$ 1995 Augsburg Fortress.

*Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

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

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] 19"There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. ²²The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. 23In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. ²⁴He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' 25But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. ²⁶Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' ²⁷He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house— ²⁸ for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' ²⁹Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets: they should listen to them.' 30He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' 31He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"

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

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Sermon

Rev. Terri Cuppett

*Hymn of the Day

Will You Come and Follow Me

ELW #798

Rite of Affirmation of Baptism for those making Public Profession of Faith

PRESENTATION

(The president of the congregation presents the candidates.)

Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of baptism and for these young people who are making public affirmation of their baptism.

I present Dawson Beito, Hayden Comstock, Jett Cornelius, McKenzie Hintz, Parker Milender, Casey Nelson, Ike Olson, and Braylee Wienen who desire to make public affirmation of their baptism.

(The presiding minister continues when confirmands face the altar.)

Let us pray.

Merciful God, we thank you for these sisters and brothers, whom you have made your own by water and the Word in baptism. You have called them to yourself, enlightened them with the gifts of your Spirit, and nourished them in the community of faith. Uphold your servants in the gifts and promises of baptism, and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ.

Amen.

*PROFESSION OF FAITH

(The presiding minister addresses those making public affirmation of baptism. The assembly rises to join 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 the devil 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.

Together we proclaim our faith using the words of the Apostles' Creed...let us say what we believe:

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.

*AFFIRMATION

(The presiding minister addresses those making public affirmation of baptism as they face the minister..)

You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism:

to live among God's faithful people,

to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper,

to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,

to serve all people, following the example of Jesus,

and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

Each candidate responds: I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

Let us pray.

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

(Each individual kneels for the laying on of hands and the blessing as family members stand behind them.)

Stir up in Dawson, Hayden, Jett, McKenzie, Parker, Casey, Ike, and Braylee 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.

(The "Alleluia" is sung after each blessing of the confirmand. Each individual and their family return to their places as the next comes to kneel.)



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(Those making public affirmation stand in their places as the assembly also rises.)

Do you promise to support these sisters and brothers and pray for them in their life in Christ?

We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

The council president responds:

Let us rejoice with these sisters and brothers in Christ!!!

We rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.

*Prayers of the Church

L: ...God of grace,

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 box before the service or at this time. Your tithes and offerings submitted via the Postal Service or electronically are also gratefully appreciated.

*Offertory



*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.

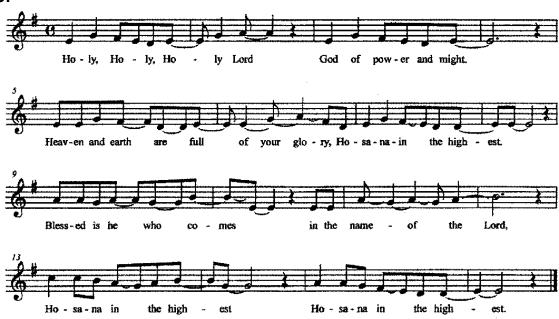
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise...

*Sanctus

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

C:



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 in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. 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.

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	Let Us Break Bread Together	ELW #471	
	Here is Bread	ELW #483	
	Eat this Bread, Drink this Cup	ELW #492	

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



*Sending Hymn

The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve

ELW #551

*Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord!!

C. Thanks be to God!!!

Postlude

ASSISTING IN MINISTRY TODAY

Presiding Minister: Rev. Terri Cuppett Assisting the Minister: Jan Anderson

Lector: Sandy Sunsdahl Acolyte: Clay Nelson

Crucifiers: Dawson Beito, Braylee Wienen

Communion Ministers: Rev. Terri Cuppett, Jan Anderson, Kristie Huseth, Scott Pream

Serving at the Altar: Renae Dalen

Musicians: Paula Adamson, Greg Dally, Dean Dalen, Chris Cuppett

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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.

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CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER 25 - October 1, 2022

Sunday, September 25	9:30am	Worship with Holy Communion
		Confirmation Sunday

Tuesday, September 27 6:00pm Altar Guild

Wednesday, September 28 5:45pm BLAST and Confirmation

6:30pm Worship

Friday, September 30 5:00pm Eeg/Borg Wedding Rehearsal

Saturday, October 1 4:00pm Eeg/Borg Wedding

Looking Ahead

Sunday, October 2	9:30 am	Worship with Holy Communion
Monday, October 3	5:00pm	Hospice Spaghetti Dinner
Tuesday, October 4	9:30am	Martha Unit Meets/Emmaus Roon
Wednesday, October 5	5:45pm 6:30pm	BLAST and Confirmation Worship with Holy Communion
Sunday, October 9	9:30am	Worship
October 10-14		WIC Meals on Wheels
Wednesday, October 12	5:45pm 6:30pm	BLAST and Confirmation Worship
Sunday, October 16	9:30am	Worship with Holy Communion
Tuesday, October 18	6:00pm	Church Council Meeting
Wednesday, October 19	5:45pm 6:30pm	BLAST and Confirmation Worship with Holy Communion
Friday, October 21		Newsletter Information Due Anyone is welcome to contribute
Sunday, October 23	9:30am	Worship
Tuesday, October 25	6:00pm	Altar Guild Meeting

Wednesday October 26 5:45pm BLAST and Confirmation

6:30pm Worship

Sunday, October 30 9:30am Worship with Holy Communion

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

In your prayers this week please remember Jamie Elleson (Carol Ihle's niece), Sandy Niemi, Ken Froschheiser, Leona Bugge, Travis Forsberg, Bob Horien, Barb Horien, Morgan Martell, Maxine Holmstrom, Rick Hanson, Tami Hanson, David Grovum, Dan Parker (Mike Parker's brother), Scott Hickerson, Karen Burgus (Chris Burnham's sister), Dale Folger, Mike Gilbertson, Rose Teie, Fern Melbye, Mark Thompson (Dale & Jan Dillon's son-in-law), Larry Forsberg, LaVonne Forsberg, Annabelle Cuppett, and Jeremy Johnson.

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 Greg and Sue Brekke in loving memory of their parents and also by Shirley Booth in loving memory of Douglas Booth.

We need you!! We need the following volunteers...

- Acolytes for Sunday's worship service.
- Worship readers and communion servers for Sunday worship.

Volunteers will have a rotation schedule. If you are interested, please put your name down on our sign-up sheet in the Narthex or let Dianne know at the church office.

Financial Stewardship for 2022:

Weekly Giving – week of Sept. 12 - 18: \$2851.03(\$4,504 needed each week to meet budgeted expenses)

August 2022 Income: \$15,745.28 (\$19,517 needed each month to meet budgeted expenses)

Year-to-Date Income (through July 31): \$100,517.91 (\$136,619 budgeted) 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 Dianne Stroh at your earliest convenience.

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

Monthly Treasurer's Reports are available anytime for viewing. Contact Marit Martell or the church office.

The Personnel Committee at Redeemer is looking for new members. Minimal time and work are involved. The committee meets 1-2 times yearly and occasionally when important issues arise. If interested, please contact Myron Peterson @ 218-686-0297.

We are also looking for a BLAST Coordinator. If interested, please contact Megan Eickman or Kate Anderson.

Sign-up sheet for October treats is available in the Narthex. Two volunteers each week to supply 3 dozen treats to go with coffee before the worship service. Fellowship and coffee are served **following services**.

The Altar Guild will be having the annual Flower Sign-up towards the end of October for two weeks. Be thinking of the Sunday/Wednesday you would like to designate. Please note that the price has gone up to \$25.00. Thank you for your order!

Volunteers are needed to help the property committee with some of the repairs around the church. Help is needed to refinish the picnic benches, install new screws in the rain gutters, do some window caulking, etc...If you possess any of these talents or if you would like to help, please contact Gary Tischer at 218-686-5028.

The Annual Hospice Spaghetti Dinner will be held Monday, October 3rd from 5:00 – 7:00pm at Redeemer. A sign up board is in the Narthex for sweet treats and Volunteers to help in other areas. Please take a minute to donate your time and talents for this worthy cause.

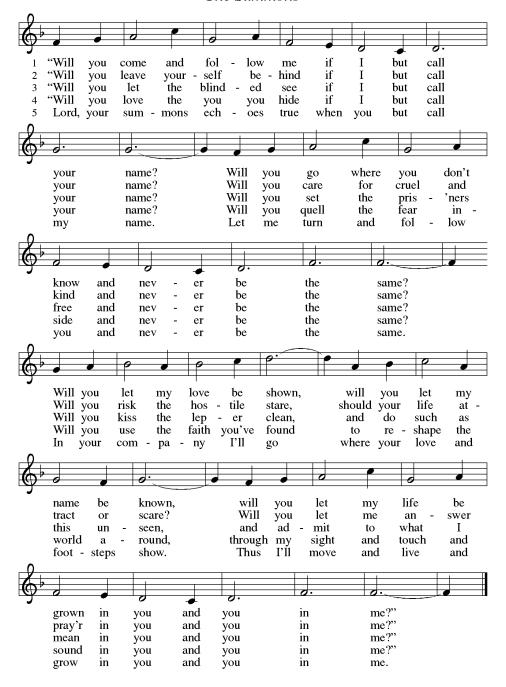
Congratulations to Linda and Dave Ulrich on the marriage of their son, Mike Conely to Aleah Gruhot. Mike and Aleah were married in Deadwood, SD this weekend. May their marriage be blessed.

Lift High the Cross



Will You Come and Follow Me

The Summons



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Music: KELVINGROVE, Scottish traditional

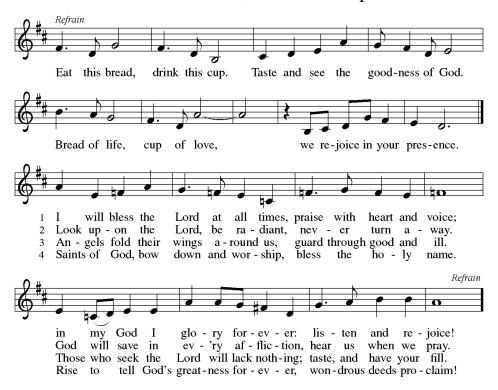
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Let Us Break Bread Together



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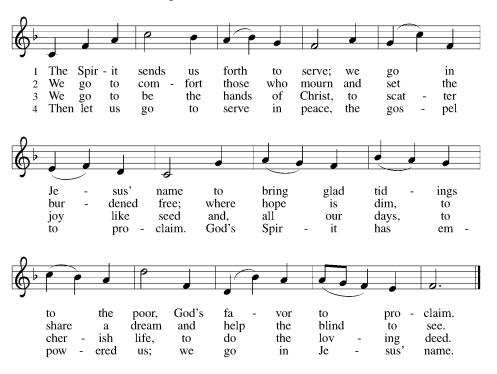
Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup



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The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve



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Music: CHESTERFIELD, attr. Thomas Haweis, 1734-1820

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