

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH
Fourth Sunday of Easter
Wednesday, May 8, 2019

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Order of Worship
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The gift of new life, of eternal life, is the gift of the risen Christ. It is the promise of Jesus. It was true for Dorcas in Joppa. It was true for those "who have come out of the great ordeal" in the Revelation vision. It is true for us and for all the baptized: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

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** *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing* ELW #385
Please turn and face the processional cross as it is carried into the sanctuary.

***Thanksgiving for Baptism**

Alleluia, Christ is risen!!

Christ is risen indeed!! Alleluia!!!

Just as God's work of creation never ends, so the gifts received in baptism are renewed every day. Let us give thanks together for the life given in baptism.

(Water is poured)

We give thanks, O God, for the waters of life: for water to bathe in, water to drink, for waters to play in and waters that inspire wonder, for water that gives life to our planet.

We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of life.

(Water is poured)

We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of this place: for water from our tap, for rain and snow, for the Thief River, the Red Lake River, and the Red River.

We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of this place.

(Water is poured)

We give you thanks for your salvation through water: for delivering Noah and his family through the floodwaters, for leading your people Israel through the sea to freedom, for preserving your prophet Elijah through the time of drought, for guiding your people across the Jordan into a new land, for quenching the Samaritan woman's thirst with living water.

We give you thanks for your salvation through water.

(Water is poured)

We give you thanks for the life of all the baptized, and for all who gather here: for godparents and baptismal sponsors, for children and grandchildren, for our brothers and sisters in Christ whom we have never seen but to whom we are bound.

We give you thanks for the life of all the baptized.

(Water is poured)

We give you thanks for life in Christ through your Holy Spirit: for our entry into Jesus' death through these waters, for our new birth into a life of freedom and service, for our calling to be your people, sent out for the life of the world.

We give you thanks, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever. Amen.

Alleluia, Christ is risen!!

Christ is risen indeed!! Alleluia!!!

***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

***Hymn of Praise**

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

ELW #172

***Prayer of the Day**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray...

C: O God of peace, you brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great shepherd of the sheep. By the blood of your eternal covenant, make us complete in everything good that we may do your will, and work among us all that is well-pleasing in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

Acts 9:36-43

³⁶Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. ³⁷At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs.

³⁸Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." ³⁹So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. ⁴⁰Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. ⁴¹He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive.

⁴²This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord.

⁴³Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

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.**

You 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.**

Revelation 7:9-17

⁹After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

“Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!”

¹¹And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God,
¹²singing,

“Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honor
and power and might
be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?” ¹⁴I said to him, “Sir, you are the one that knows.” Then he said to me, “These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

¹⁵For this reason they are before the throne of God,
and worship him day and night within his temple,

and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

¹⁶They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat;

¹⁷for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

***Gospel: John 10:22-30**

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

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

²²At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter,
²³and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. ²⁴So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, “How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.” ²⁵Jesus answered, “I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father’s name testify to me; ²⁶but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. ²⁷My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father’s hand. ³⁰The Father and I are one.”

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Rev. Darrel Cory

Hymn of the Day

Have No Fear, Little Flock

ELW #764

***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: ...Hear us, O God.

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! 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

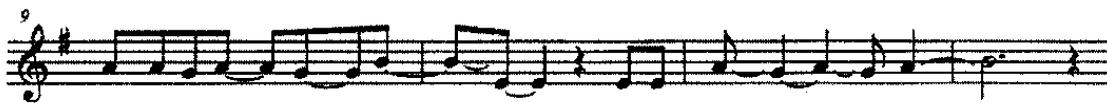
arr. Neil Gladen



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,

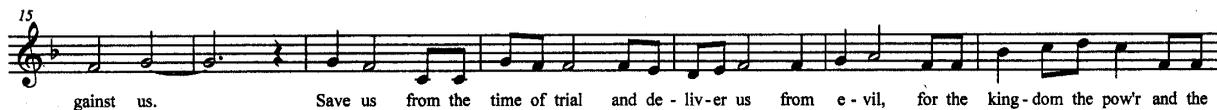
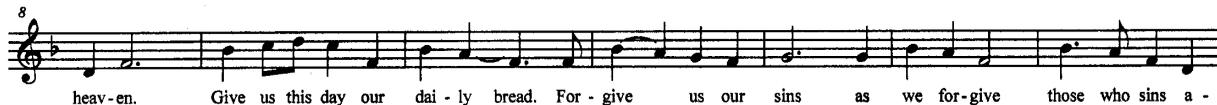


Ho - sa - na in the high - est Ho - sa - na in the high - est.

*Words of Institution

*Lord's Prayer

Lord's Prayer



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

I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me

ELW #860

Please turn and face the processional cross as it is carried from the sanctuary.

***Dismissal**

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord!!

C. Thanks be to God!!!

Postlude

ASSISTING IN MINISTRY TODAY

Reader: Cindy Dally

Ushers: Dale and Denice Nelson

Acolytes: Paul Anderson, Spencer Hempel

Communion Ministers: Jan and Diedre Nordin, Terri Cuppett

Serving at the Altar (Altar Guild): Sue Bendickson, Phyliss Johnson, Carol Ihle

Musicians: Greg Dally, Paula Adamson

Church Offering Bank Run: Dean Dalen

ASSISTING IN MINISTRY SUNDAY (MAY 12)

Reader: Tommy Van Camp

Ushers: Rocky and Barb Ammerman

Acolyte: Brianna Berg

Communion Ministers: Alan and Phyliss Johnson, John Wollenzien

Serving at the Altar (Altar Guild): Sue Bendickson, Phyliss Johnson, Carol Ihle

Organist: Reid Froiland

Cantor: Chris Cuppett

Sunday Coffee Fellowship: Faith Formation

Church Offering Bank Run: Chis Burnham

ASSISTING IN MINISTRY NEXT WEDNESDAY (MAY 15)

Reader: Teresa Fay

Ushers: Jan and Diedre Nordin

Communion Ministers: Scott Pream, Leslie Rogalla, Kylie Westling

Serving at the Altar (Altar Guild): Sue Bendickson, Phyliss Johnson, Carol Ihle

Musicians: Greg Dally, Paula Adamson

Church Offering Bank Run: Dean Dalen

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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 MAY 8-15, 2019

Wednesday, May 8	6:30pm	Worship with Holy Communion	
Sunday, May 12		Happy Mother's Day No Choir 9:30am	Worship with Holy Communion
Monday, May 13	5:30pm	Spring cleaning at Redeemer; all are welcome	
Tuesday, May 14	10:00am 7:00pm	Martha Unit at Valley Home Hannah Unit at Elaine Gunderson Home	
Wednesday, May 15	Sing and Ring at Oakland Park Nursing Home 6:30pm	Worship with Holy Communion	

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

In your prayers this week please remember Jeremy Johnson, Jamison Westling, Brenda Russ, Chad Gunderson, Kelly Amundgaard, Jason Miller, Shelley Steva, and Molly Dahlin and family.

Altar flowers this day are given by Jan Anderson in honor of Bob Anderson's birthday.

Redeemer delivers Meals on Wheels on May 13-17th; we need 3 drivers per day. Signup sheet is in the narthex; thank you for your help.

The Altar Guild is in need of volunteers due to members moving, illness, and resignations. If you are willing to help out, please contact Bev Thompson.

The Property Committee is planning a work night at Redeemer, on Monday May 13th at 5:30pm. Yard cleanup, window washing and general all-around spring cleanup are in the works. Please join the Property Committee; many hands make light work. Please bring shovels, rakes or whatever you may want to roll up our sleeves and pitch in to make our church shine.

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 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.

First Quarter Financial Status

2019	Jan-March
Budget Income	\$73,324.74
Actual Income	\$55,207.61
Budget Expense	\$73,324.74
Actual Expense	\$55,757.48