



*I still have
many things
to say to you*

JOHN 16:12

**REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH
Second Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, June 22, 2025, 9:30 a.m.
Rev. Stephanie White**

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Order of Worship

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This Sunday's texts paint startling pictures of the horrific nature of sin. The church's repeated celebration of holy communion counters that tragic reality in a continued showing forth of the death of Jesus until he comes again. It is a dramatic declaration of "how much God has done for you."

* = Please rise

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Gathering Hymn

Wonderful Grace of Jesus

TFF #184

1 Won-der-ful grace of Je - sus, great - er than all my sin;
2 Won-der-ful grace of Je - sus, reach - ing to all the lost,
3 Won-der-ful grace of Je - sus, reach - ing the most de - filed,

how shall my tongue de - scribe it, where shall its praise be - gin?
by it I have been par - doned, saved to the ut - ter - most.
by its trans - form - ing pow - er I now am God's dear child.

Tak - ing a - way my bur - den, set - ting my spir - it free—
 Chains have been torn a - sun - der, giv - ing me lib - er - ty—
 Pur - chas - ing peace and heav - en for all e - ter - ni - ty—

the won - der - ful grace of Je - sus reach - es me.
 the won - der - ful grace of Je - sus reach - es me.
 the won - der - ful grace of Je - sus reach - es me.

Refrain

Won - der - ful the match - less grace of Je - sus, deep - er than the might - y roll - ing

sea; high - er than the moun - tain, spar - kling like a foun - tain,

all suf - fi - cient grace for e - ven me; broad - er than the scope of my trans -

gres - sions, great - er far than all my sin and shame; oh,

mag - ni - fy the pre - cious name of Je - sus, praise his name!

Text: Haldor Lillenas, 1885–1959
 Music: WONDERFUL GRACE, Haldor Lillenas, 1885–1959

*Confession and Forgiveness

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

In the name of the Father,
 and of the ✠ Son,
 and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection. Those who wish to may kneel.

Merciful God,
you free us to love others,
but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way.
You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace,
but we turn away from the abundant life you offer.
You surround us with patience, kindness,
and generosity,
but we grow weary in doing what is right.
In your mercy, forgive us.

**Do not give up on us.
Heal us, break our bonds,
and show us the path of life.
Amen.**

Water is poured into the baptismal font..

You belong to Christ Jesus
and you are God's children through faith.
In the cross of † Christ,
and through the power of the Holy Spirit,
your sins are forgiven.
Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.
Amen.

***Sharing the Peace**

God Welcomes All

ACS #978

Sing 4 times; share a sign of the peace with each other while singing.

The musical score is written for two staves, Treble and Bass clef, in G major (one sharp). The melody is simple and homophonic, using mostly quarter and eighth notes with some rests. The lyrics are written below the notes.

God wel - comes all, strang - ers and friends;

God's love is strong and it nev - er ends.

Text: John L. Bell, b. 1949

Music: AMEN THEMBA, South African traditional; transc. and arr. John L. Bell.

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***Prayer of the Day**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray...O Lord God,

we bring before you the cries of a sorrowing world. In your mercy set us free from the chains that bind us, and defend us from everything that is evil, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture, preaching and song.

First Reading: *Elijah has defeated the prophets of Baal through the power of God. Now, fleeing from Queen Jezebel, Elijah comes to Mount Horeb (another name for Sinai). God appears to him there not in power but in “the sound of sheer silence” and reassures him that he is not alone.*

1Kings 19:1-16

¹ Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. ² Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, “So may the gods do to me, and more also, if I do not make your life like the life of one of them by this time tomorrow.” ³ Then he was afraid; he got up and fled for his life, and came to Beer-sheba, which belongs to Judah; he left his servant there.

⁴ But he himself went a day’s journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: “It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors.” [⁵ Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, “Get up and eat.” ⁶ He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. ⁷ The angel of the Lord came a second time, touched him, and said, “Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you.”] ⁸ He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God. ⁹ At that place he came to a cave, and spent the night there.

Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, “What are you doing here, Elijah?” ¹⁰ He answered, “I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.”

¹¹ He said, “Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is

about to pass by.” Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; ¹²and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. ¹³When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, “What are you doing here, Elijah?” ¹⁴He answered, “I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.” ^{15a}Then the Lord said to him, “Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. ¹⁶Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place.”

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God!

Psalms 42-43

¹ As the deer longs for the water-brooks,
so longs my soul for you, O God.

² **I thirst for God, for the living God;
when shall I come to appear before the presence of God?**

³ My tears have been my food day and night,
while all day long they say to me, “Where now is your God?”

⁴ **I pour out my soul when I think on these things;
how I went with the multitude and led them into the house of God, with
shouts of thanksgiving, among those keeping festival.**

⁵ Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul, and why are you so disquieted within me?

Put your trust in God, for I will yet give thanks to the one who is my help and my God.

⁶ **My soul is heavy within me;
therefore I will remember you from the land of Jordan, and from the peak of
Mizar among the heights of Hermon.**

⁷ One deep calls to another in the roar of your cascades;
all your rapids and floods have gone over me.

⁸ **The Lord grants lovingkindness in the daytime;
in the night season the Lord’s song is with me, a prayer to the God of my**

life.

⁹ I will say to the God of my strength, "Why have you rejected me,
and why do I wander in such gloom while the enemy oppresses me?"

¹⁰ **While my bones are being broken, my enemies mock me to my face;
all day long they mock me and say to me, "Where now is your God?"**

¹¹ Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul, and why are you so disquieted
within me?

Put your trust in God, for I will yet give thanks to the one who is my help and my
God.

43: 1 ¹ **Give judgment for me, O God, and defend my cause against an
ungodly people;**

deliver me from the deceitful and the wicked.

² For you are the God of my strength; why have you rejected me,
and why do I wander in such gloom while the enemy oppresses me?

³ **Send out your light and your truth, that they may lead me,
and bring me to your holy hill and to your sanctuary;**

⁴ that I may go to the altar of God, to the God of my joy and gladness;
and on the harp I will give thanks to you, O God my God.

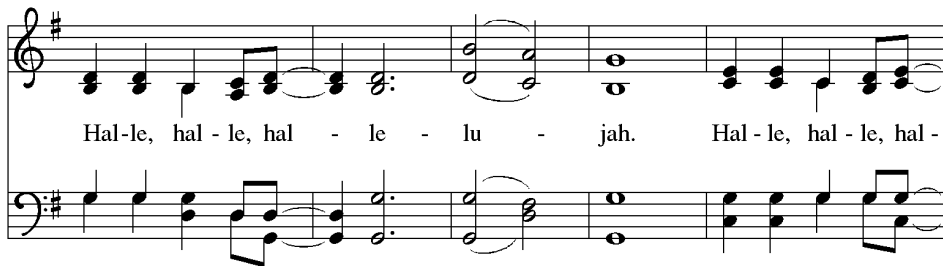
⁵ **Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul, and why are you so disquieted
within me?**

Put your trust in God, for I will yet give thanks to the one who is my help
and my God.

***Gospel Acclamation**

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!
sing twice

ELW #172





Music: Caribbean traditional; arr. Mark Sedio, b. 1954
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Gospel: *Jesus’ mission includes foreigners and his authority extends to the casting out of demons. Some who witness Jesus’ work are seized with confusion and fear, but the man who was healed is commissioned to give testimony to God’s mercy and power.*

***Gospel:** Luke 8:26-39

The holy gospel according to St. Luke...
Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁶ Then [Jesus and his disciples] arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. ²⁷ As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. ²⁸ When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, “What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me”—²⁹ for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) ³⁰ Jesus then asked him, “What is your name?” He said, “Legion”; for many demons had entered him. ³¹ They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

³² Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons

begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. ³³ Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

³⁴ When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. ³⁵ Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid.

³⁶ Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. ³⁷ Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. ³⁸ The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, ³⁹ "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

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

Message

Return on Your Way

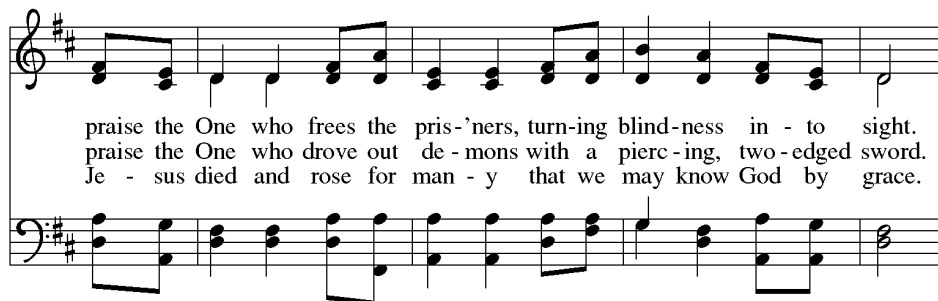
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***Hymn of the Day** *Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness*

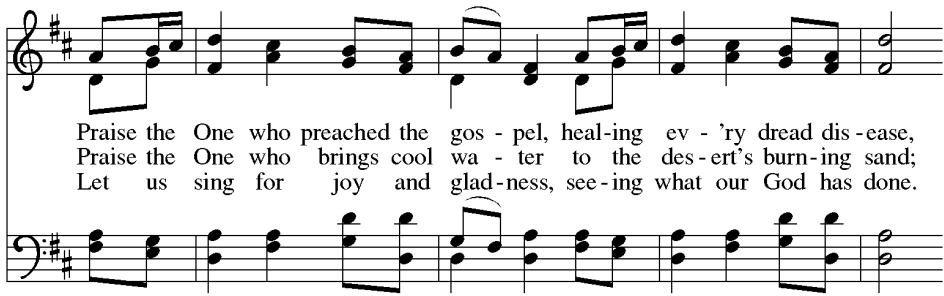
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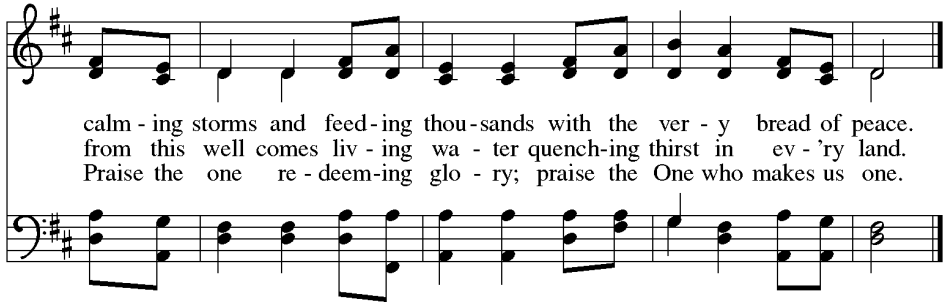
1 Praise the One who breaks the dark-ness with a lib - er - at - ing light;
2 Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren with a strong yet gen - tle word;
3 Praise the one true love in - car - nate: Christ, who suf - fered in our place;



praise the One who frees the pris - 'ners, turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight.
praise the One who drove out de - mons with a pierc - ing, two - edged sword.
Je - sus died and rose for man - y that we may know God by grace.



Praise the One who preached the gos - pel, heal-ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease,
Praise the One who brings cool wa - ter to the des-ert's burn-ing sand;
Let us sing for joy and glad-ness, see-ing what our God has done.



calm - ing storms and feed-ing thou-sands with the ver - y bread of peace.
from this well comes liv - ing wa - ter quench-ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.
Praise the one re - deem-ing glo - ry; praise the One who makes us one.

Text: Rusty Edwards, b. 1955

Music: NETTLETON, J. Wyeth. *Repository of Sacred Music*, Part II, 1813

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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.**

Offering

*We welcome you to Redeemer Lutheran Church this day! Tithes and offerings may be placed in the offering box before the service or at this time. As our tithes and offerings are being collected, **please take a moment to sign the red Friendship Pad.***



*Offertory

Take Me Lord
sing twice

STS #41

Take me, Lord, I give to you,
everything and all I do!
My love, my life, is my offering
that I give to you.

Offering Prayer

**Creator God,
in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good
and the harvest is plentiful.
Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth
and our labor,
that we may work for the good of all;
through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
Amen.**

*Prayers of the People

...God of grace,
hear our prayer.

*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



SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

*Blessing

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

ACS #1087



1 Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,
2 World with - out end, . . . with - out end. A - men.



and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,
World with - out end, . . . with - out end. A - men.

and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.
 World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

As it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be. A - men.

Text: Paul M. Vasile, b. 1976, based on the Gloria Patri
 Music: GLORY TO GOD (VASILE), Paul M. Vasile
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***Sending Hymn** *Wash, O God, Your Sons and Your Daughters* ELW #445

- 1 Wash, O God, our sons and daugh-ters, where your cleans-ing wa-ters flow.
- 2 We who bring them long for nur - ture; by your milk may we be fed.
- 3 Oh, how deep your ho - ly wis - dom! Un - im - ag - ined, all your ways!

Num - ber them a - mong your peo - ple; bless as Christ blessed long a - go.
 Let us join your feast, par - tak - ing cup of bless - ing, liv - ing bread.
 To your name be glo - ry, hon - or! With our lives we wor-ship, praise!

Weave them gar-ments bright and spark-ling; com-pass them with love and light.
 God, re - new us, guide our foot - steps; free from sin and all its snares,
 We your peo - ple stand be - fore you, wa - ter-washed and Spir - it - born.

Fill, a - noint them; send your Spir - it, ho - ly dove and heart's de - light.
 one with Christ in liv - ing, dy - ing, by your Spir - it, chil - dren, heirs.
 By your grace, our lives we of - fer. Re - cre - ate us; God, trans - form!

Text: Ruth Duck, b. 1947
 Music: BEACH SPRING, *The Sacred Harp*, Philadelphia, 1844
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***Dismissal**

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude

ASSISTING IN MINISTRY SUNDAY, JUNE 22

Presiding: Rev. Stephanie White

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Acolyte:

Lector: Denice Nelson

Communion Assistants:

Serving at the Altar: Polly Gustafson

Organist: Reid Froiland

Cantor: Chris Cuppett

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In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Annabelle Cuppett Family, Jason, Mandy, Olivia and Claire Schuster, Cindy Hughes, Bonnie, Julie and Gregg Ornquist and family, Dave Stroh, Alan Johnson, Jim Potucek, Rick Harbott, Sara LaFayette Valentine, Rocky and Barb Ammerman, Michelle Kasprick, Neil Erickson, Shari Safranski, Trevor Sorter, Bob and Barb Horien, Rick and Tami Hanson, Rose Teie, and Fern Melbye .

**Financial stewardship
2025 Budget
\$329,106.00
Needed monthly
\$27,425.50
Needed Weekly
\$6,328.96**

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



**There are dates
available to purchase
Altar Flowers.**
Please contact
the office.

**Week Ending June 15, 2025
\$3,285.82
Offering June 2025
\$11,429.66
Weekly Shortage/Overage
(\$3,043.14)
Yearly Shortage/Overage
(\$49,819.13)**

**Altar flowers are given by
Denice Nelson
In loving memory of her Dad
and in honor of ALL Dads!**

The newsletter will be available on line at redeemertrf.org. the first week of every month. If you do have access to the internet and would like to receive a printed copy in the mail, please let the office know.

Thank You! Alan and I feel so blessed to be members of Redeemer. When things were not looking so good for Alan your prayers and concern helped us get through this. Alan received over 100 cards during his hospital stay and many of them were from Redeemer members. Alan has been home a few weeks now and his esophageal stent removed, so now he is working on gaining strength and enjoying more food choices. Again, thank you for all your prayers and support.

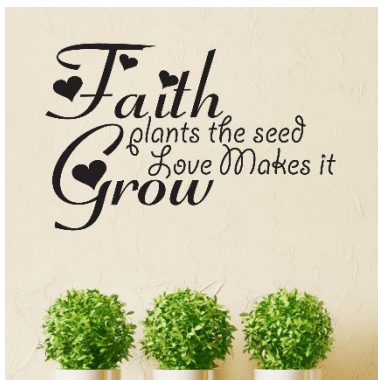
~Alan and Phyllis

This Week~

Altar Guild Tuesday @ 5:00pm
SWEETS Thursday@4:30pm

Youth

Wednesday@6:00pm



June Birthdays

June Birthdays –

1 – 2 - Jacinda Zemcik, Jodie Rondorf, Peter Ihle **3** Cayda Reiersen, Trevor Bergerson **4 – 5** – Nicole Dennis, Maya Johnson **6** - Kiptyn Anderson, Kassidy Mostrom, Dakota Garcia **7** – Melissa Comstock, Dennis Bendickson **8** – Art Anderson, Nathan Carlson, Diedre Hodgson, Kara Skiple **9** – Phyllis Johnson **10** – Corlynne Jorde, Vicki Halsa, Joyce Olson **11** – Kathy Carlson, Laureen Halvorson, Blake Walker, Trevor Thompson **12** – Braylee Weinen, Julie Tjelle, Aundriah Bucholz **13** – Nancy Kirkeide, Julie Olson **14** – Kelsi Wilson **15** – Reid Froiland, Owen McLean, **16** – Dave Ulrich, Jessica Klemetson **17** – Kimberly Ellefson, Ryder Hall **18** – Yvonne Wahlbeck, Michelle Barry **19** – Irvin Larson, David Ulrich, Alison Dennis, Ann Bregier, Keaden Kempert **20** – Kyeser Klaven, Mattea Bugge **21** – Sandy Parker **22** – Maryel Anderson, Mckenzie Hintz, Lane Anderson **23** – Darlene Kelley, Scott Mostrom, Emerson Carlson, David Vigen **24** – Corbyn Nessen **25** – Kathy Barry, Sharon Forsberg, Kallie Houske, Sheyenne Johnson **26** – Brayden Johnson, Jenae Johnson, Kim Heimstra, Brock Brockhardt **27** – Chad Berg **28** – Carol Ihle, Lynn Grahn, Don Hejlik, Mandi Shaaheim **29** – Mary Jo Mugaas **30** – Storm D Camp

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