

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH Fifth Sunday after Pentecost Sunday, July 13, 2025, 9:30 a.m. Rev. Stephanie White

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To love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, strength, and mind is to reflect God's mercy in responding to one's neighbor. That mercy found its most profound expression in the "gospel that has come to you"—namely the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. That gospel mercy comes to us again today: at the font, at the table, and from the pulpit. It is very near to you.

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)

* = Please rise

GATHERING

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

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Gathering Hymn

What Is the World Like

ACS #1047 (facing page)

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



Text: Adam M. L. Tice, b. 1979 Music: NEW WORLD, Sally Ann Morris, b. 1952 Text and music © 2009 GIA Publications, Inc., giamusic.com. All rights reserved.

*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.

*Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

*Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you!

And also with you.

Let us pray...O Lord God,

your mercy delights us, and the world longs for your loving care. Hear the cries of everyone in need, and turn our hearts to love our neighbors with the love of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture, preaching and song.

First Reading: Amos, a shepherd from the southern village of Tekoa, is called by God to preach against Israel, the Northern Kingdom, in a time of economic prosperity. Today's reading illustrates how Amos's stinging criticism of Israel alienated him from those in authority, including King Jeroboam and the priest Amaziah.

Amos 7:7-17

⁷ This is what [the Lord GoD] showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. ⁸ And the LORD said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said,

"See, I am setting a plumb line

in the midst of my people Israel;

I will never again pass them by;

⁹ the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate,

and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste,

and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword."

¹⁰ Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. ¹¹ For thus Amos has said,

'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land."

¹² And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; ¹³ but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom."

¹⁴ Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, ¹⁵ and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'

¹⁶ "Now therefore hear the word of the LORD.

You say, 'Do not prophesy against Israel, and do not preach against the house of Isaac.'

¹⁷ Therefore thus says the LORD:

'Your wife shall become a prostitute in the city, and your sons and your daughters shall fall by the sword, and your land shall be parceled out by line; you yourself shall die in an unclean land, and Israel shall surely go into exile away from its land.'"

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God!

Psalm 82

¹ God stands to charge the divine council assembled, giving judgment in the midst of the gods:

² "How long will you judge unjustly, and show favor to the wicked?

³ Save the weak and the orphan; defend the humble and needy;

⁴ rescue the weak and the poor; deliver them from the power of the wicked.

- ⁵ They do not know, neither do they understand; they wander about in darkness; all the foundations of the earth are shaken.
- ⁶ Now I say to you, 'You are gods, and all of you children of the Most High;
- ⁷ nevertheless, you shall die like mortals, and fall like any prince.' "
- 8 Arise, O God, and rule the earth, for you shall take all nations for your own.



Music: Caribbean traditional; arr. Mark Sedio, b. 1954 Arr. $\ensuremath{\mathbb{O}}$ 1995 Augsburg Fortress.

Gospel: Jesus is challenged to explain what is involved in obeying the greatest commandment. He tells a parable rich in surprises: those expected to show pity display hard hearts while the lowly give and receive unexpected and lavish mercy.

*Gospel: Luke 10:25-37

The holy gospel according to St. Luke...

Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁵ Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ²⁶ He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" ²⁷ He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your

neighbor as yourself." ²⁸ And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live."

²⁹ But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" ³⁰ Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. ³¹ Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. ³² So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³ But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. ³⁴ He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. ³⁵ The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.' ³⁶ Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" ³⁷ He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

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

Where We See God

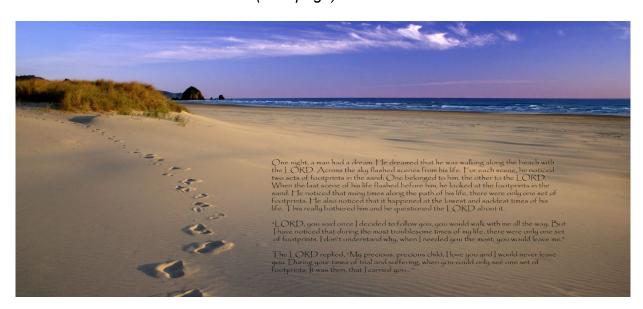
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*Hymn of the Day

Message

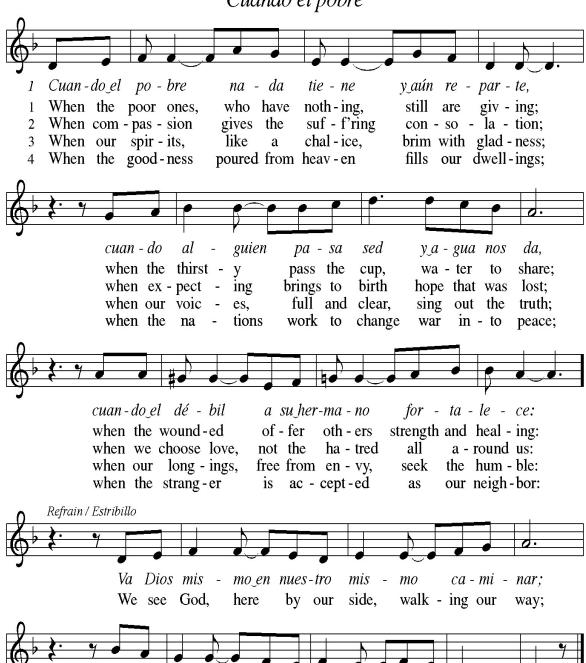
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When the Poor Ones

Cuando el pobre



va Dios mis - mo en nues-tro mis - mo ca - mi - nar. we see God, here by our side, walk - ing our way.

*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 STS #41 sing twice

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 through your spirit, 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

The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit

 $\boldsymbol{+}$ bless you and give you peace.



*Sending Hymn Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me
All face the processional cross as it is carried from the sanctuary.

ELW #767

*Dismissal

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

ASSISTING IN MINISTRY SUNDAY, JULY 13

Presiding: Rev. Stephanie White

Ushers: Denice Nelson and Imogene Helle

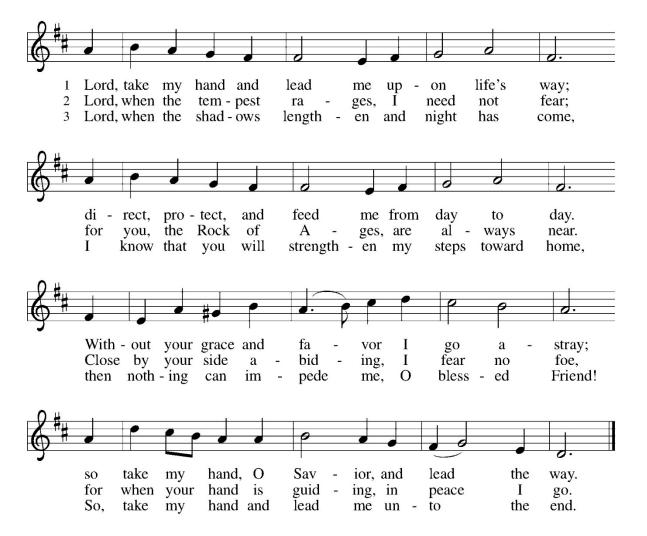
Acolyte:

Lector: Grant Nelson Communion Assistants:

Serving at the Altar: Denice Nelson

Organist: Reid Froiland Cantor: Chris Cuppett

Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me



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In Our Thoughts and Prayers

The family of David Stroh, Annabelle Cuppett Family, Jason, Mandy, Olivia and Claire Schuster, Cindy Hughes, 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 July 6, 2025 \$2,494.55 Offering June 2025 \$2,495.55 Weekly Shortage/Overage (\$3,833.41) Yearly Shortage/Overage (\$56,166.93)

Altar flowers are given by The Froiland family In memory of loved ones. Altar flowers are also from the funeral of David Stroh. Blessed is his memory. **Hearts in Action (HIA)– Hospice is the new name for Hospice of the Red River Valley.** They are celebrating with an Open House form 10am - 11am on July 17th along with a ribbon cutting ceremony to celebrate our office in Thief River Falls, Located at 1845 Hwy 59 S., Ste. 400(in the old Pamida building next to Papa Johns).

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.

Reminder to confirmation students – the books are in the office that you need for summer study. Please use the sign out sheet.

This Week~

Grief Support at Heritage Center Thursday 1:30 pm **SWEETS** @ the Fair Thursday@5:30pm **OFFICE CLOSED** Friday, July 18th **Worship** Sunday@9:30am **OFFICE CLOSED** – Monday, July 21st.



July Birthdays

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1 – 2 – Jason Schuster, Virginia Stensrud, Roger Forsberg, Francis Martell 3 Linda Ulrich, Olivia Maas, Cheri Benter 4 – United States of America 5 – Kristina Thompson, Diane Johnson 6 - 7 – Ryker Beito, Kaitlyn Norlin 8 – Casey Heimstras 9 – Madisyn Olson 10 – Erik Brateng, Rylin Nessen 11 – Marah Froiland, Chloe Lund, Jason Dennis, Liza Bjerklie 12 – 13 – 14 – Tanya Harbott, Andrew McClenahan15 – 16 – 7 – David Mugaas 18 – Parker Milender, Abbie Houske 19 – Allen Melbye 20 – Matthew Wilson, Claire Schuster 21 – 22 – Awbree Lunsetter, Clay Nelson, Tyler Miller, Whitney Jacobson 23 – Jeff Davidson, Joe Cornelius, Jarin Newland 24 – Barb Forsberg, Rocky Ammerman 25 – Alan Johnson, Barry Froiland 26 – Oskar Anderson, Stevie Nordby, Sharon Fugelberg, Diane Schoon 27 – George Norlin 28 – Carol Gustafson, Joseph Ihle 29 – Hailey Rogalla, Lynda Raymond 30 – Taelyn Pray, Myron Peterson, 31 – Tegan Pray, Ron Rondorf

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