

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
August 5, 2018

OUR REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Our Mission:

*True to God's Word, We Walk with Christ:
Welcoming, Loving, Serving, Sharing.*

Good Morning and Welcome! What a great joy to have you here with us today praising God and receiving His gifts! Please join us for refreshments and a time of fellowship right after church. If you are a guest or visiting with us, please do sign our guest register located in the narthex—we'd love to connect. Should you need it, there is a "cry room" next to the church office on the main level. Feel free to ask an usher if you need assistance. Welcome!

A Word about Holy Communion

We celebrate the Lord's Supper every Sunday at ORLC. In this meal, instituted by the Lord Himself, we receive the True Body and True Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine for the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith. We believe that the Lord is truly present during this Holy Meal, and we approach the altar in humility and gratitude. Baptized believers in Christ who also believe and confess this are welcome to commune.

COMMUNION CUPS The cups directly behind the white markers are alcohol-free.

GLUTEN FREE WAFERS Available upon request; simply ask the pastor or an elder.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Creative Service

AS WE GATHER *There's nothing Satan would like more in a church than to create disunity and chaos. The Apostle Paul encourages us today, as a family, to always seek unity in the things that matter most.*

Call to Worship - Welcome

Opening Hymn

From All That Dwell Below the Skies

LSB 816

Invocation

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Congregation: **Amen.**

P: This is the day which the Lord has made;

C: **let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

Psalm 118:24

P: From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C: **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

Psalm 113:3

P: Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;

C: **I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell
in the tents of the wicked.**

Psalm 84:10

P: Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.

C: **Teach me Your paths.**

Psalm 25:4

P: Sanctify us in Your truth.

C: **Your Word is truth.**

John 17:17

Confession and Absolution

P: We confess our sins before God and one another.

C: **I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my
brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by
my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to
have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.**

P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and given to us His only
Son to suffer and die for our salvation. As a called and ordained servant of Christ
and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father
and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

Introit

Psalm 78

P: With upright heart he shepherded them
and guided them with his skillful hand.

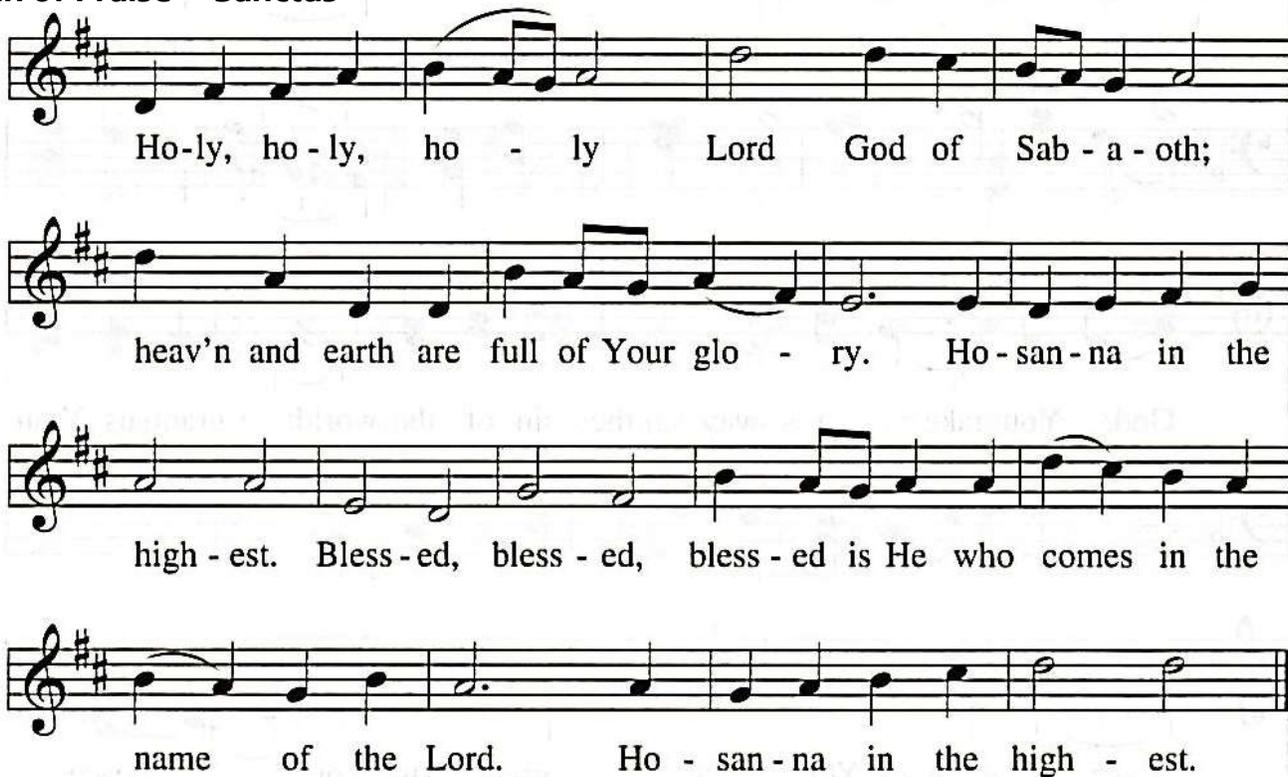
C: **He commanded the skies above
and opened the doors of heaven,**

P: and he rained down on them manna to eat
and gave them the grain of heaven.

C: **Man ate of the bread of the angels;
he sent them food in abundance.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Hymn of Praise ~ Sanctus



Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;
heav'n and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Bless - ed, bless - ed, bless - ed is He who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Salutation

- P: The Lord be with you.
C: **And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

- P: Let us pray. Merciful Father, You gave Your Son Jesus as the heavenly bread of life. Grant us faith to feast on Him in Your Word and Sacraments that we may be nourished unto life everlasting; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C: **Amen.**

The First Reading..... Exodus 16:2-15
(Manna; p.61 of your pew bible)

In the desert the whole community grumbled against Moses and Aaron. ³ The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the LORD's hand in Egypt! There we sat around pots of meat and ate all the food we wanted, but you have brought us out into this desert to starve this entire assembly to death." ⁴ Then the LORD said to Moses, "I will rain down bread from heaven for you. The people are to go out each day and gather enough for that day. In this way I will test them and see whether they will follow my instructions. ⁵ On the sixth day they are to prepare what they bring in, and that is to be twice as much as they gather on the other days."

⁶ So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, "In the evening you will know that it was

the LORD who brought you out of Egypt, ⁷ and in the morning you will see the glory of the LORD, because he has heard your grumbling against him. Who are we, that you should grumble against us?" ⁸ Moses also said, "You will know that it was the LORD when he gives you meat to eat in the evening and all the bread you want in the morning, because he has heard your grumbling against him. Who are we? You are not grumbling against us, but against the LORD." ⁹ Then Moses told Aaron, "Say to the entire Israelite community, 'Come before the LORD, for he has heard your grumbling.'" ¹⁰ While Aaron was speaking to the whole Israelite community, they looked toward the desert, and there was the glory of the LORD appearing in the cloud.



¹¹ The LORD said to Moses, ¹² "I have heard the grumbling of the Israelites. Tell them, 'At twilight you will eat meat, and in the morning you will be filled with bread. Then you will know that I am the LORD your God.'" ¹³ That evening quail came and covered the camp, and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. ¹⁴ When the dew was gone, thin flakes like frost on the ground appeared on the desert floor. ¹⁵ When the Israelites saw it, they said to each other, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread the LORD has given you to eat.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

The Epistle Reading..... Ephesians 4:1-16
(Unity in the Body of Christ; p.988 of your pew bible)

As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. ² Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. ³ Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. ⁴ There is one body and one Spirit-- just as you were called to one hope when you were called-- ⁵ one Lord, one faith, one baptism; ⁶ one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

⁷ But to each one of us grace has been given as Christ apportioned it. ⁸ This is why it says: "When he ascended on high, he led captives in his train and gave gifts to men." ⁹ (What does "he ascended" mean except that he also descended to the lower, earthly regions? ¹⁰ He who descended is the very one who ascended higher than all the heavens, in order to fill the whole universe.) ¹¹ It was he who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, ¹² to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up ¹³ until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

¹⁴ Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of men in their deceitful scheming. ¹⁵ Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into

him who is the Head, that is, Christ. ¹⁶ From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Reading..... John 6:22-35
(Jesus the Bread of Life; p.901 of your pew bible)

The next day the crowd that had stayed on the opposite shore of the lake realized that only one boat had been there, and that Jesus had not entered it with his disciples, but that they had gone away alone. ²³ Then some boats from Tiberias landed near the place where the people had eaten the bread after the Lord had given thanks. ²⁴ Once the crowd realized that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they got into the boats and went to Capernaum in search of Jesus. ²⁵ When they found him on the other side of the lake, they asked him, "Rabbi, when did you get here?"

²⁶ Jesus answered, "I tell you the truth, you are looking for me, not because you saw miraculous signs but because you ate the loaves and had your fill. ²⁷ Do not work for food that spoils, but for food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. On him God the Father has placed his seal of approval." ²⁸ Then they asked him, "What must we do to do the works God requires?" ²⁹ Jesus answered, "The work of God is this: to believe in the one he has sent." ³⁰ So they asked him, "What miraculous sign then will you give that we may see it and believe you? What will you do?" ³¹ Our forefathers ate the manna in the desert; as it is written: 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'"

³² Jesus said to them, "I tell you the truth, it is not Moses who has given you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³ For the bread of God is he who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." ³⁴ "Sir," they said, "from now on give us this bread." ³⁵ Then Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never go hungry, and he who believes in me will never be thirsty.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

Children’s Message

Hymn of the Day

Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer

LSB 918

Sermon “All for One and One for All”..... Ephesians 4:1-16

Nicene Creed

**I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,**

maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.
And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Offering

Following the Offering, we greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

Installation of Ericka Stoltenberg – Youth Leader

Prayers of the Church

Preface

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 Him thanks and praise.**

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to you, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and arch-angels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify your glorious name, evermore praising you and saying:

C: There is one body and one Spirit... one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

Eph. 4:4-6

Words of Institution

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

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.**

Distribution Hymns

At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing	<i>LSB 633</i>
How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds	<i>LSB 524</i>
Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord	<i>LSB 637</i>

Post-Communion Collect

P: Hear the prayer of Your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised You here may glorify You in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of Your Son may long for His coming again, and that all who have received in His true Body and Blood the forgiveness of Christ may be restored to live a new and holy life, through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Blessing

P: The Lord bless us, defend us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life.

C: Amen.

Announcements

Departing Hymn

Onward, Christian Soldiers

LSB 662

P: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God!**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

From the Church Office

Church Member Updates - Help us keep our records up to date and keep you informed with what's happening at Our Redeemer. Please contact the office if your email, phone number, address or number of members in your family has changed. Family Update Forms are located in the Visitors Corner and can be returned to the secretary box outside the office door.

The Power of Prayer! ORLC has an electronic prayer group who will pray for you and/or your loved ones. Email your electronic prayer request to orlc.prayers@gmail.com. It is sent Bcc (blind) to a group of people who will pray for your concerns. Prayer requests are sent out Monday through Friday. Prayers are listed for one week unless the request is renewed. (If you do not have a computer, call the ORLC office and it will be added for you.)

Pastor's Bible Study –Summer series on *Ephesians* Sundays @9am for anyone!

Men's Study - August 7th at Pastor James' house, 7pm. We'll be discussing the rest of Book 3 of Mere Christianity. Join us!

Sunday School Teachers Needed-Seeking those with a heart for teaching the younger generation about JESUS! To find out more, or volunteer, please contact Britt @ 907-310-0341/ britt@orlc-ak.org or Ericka @907-440-0367 / office@orlc-ak.org

Youth Ministry Information* Ericka Stoltenberg- Youth Leader

NYG Carwash Fundraiser- A big thank you to those who supported our youth on Saturday, either at the carwash or by pledging. And also for your continued prayers as we prepare for NYG 2019.

Back to School Blessing- Join us August 19th during our worship service for a special blessing as we head back to school. This is for all students, teachers, bus drivers and administrators. Bringing a backpack is optional!

Jr. High Bowling Event- August 19th 1-3pm we will kick off the year with a back to school bowling event. The church van will leave ORLC at 12:45pm and return at 3:15pm. Cost is \$10pp RSVP with Ericka or sign up on the youth board.

Sr. High Scavenger Hunt- August 26th we will have our Sr. High State Fair Scavenger Hunt. The ORLC van will leave the church at 11:45am and return 5:30pm. Cost is \$10pp RSVP with Ericka by August 20th or sign up on the youth board!

Worshipping last Sunday July 29, 2018: 84

Offering last Sunday: \$ 4,894

In order to lift up to God the people of Our Redeemer, we will include a staff member, church leader, and three families from our church directory to pray for each week.

*Sally Coburn-Faith Community Nurse

*LWML

*Lauren Beskow, Christian & Meg Bicher, Todd & Becca Carroll and their families.

Contributions last week: \$4,894

Budget: \$4,025

Over (**under**) \$869

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

If we missed your birthday or anniversary please let us know.

BIRTHDAYS

- 10 Carol Shearer
- 11 Judy Kleven
- 12 Teri Jarnagin

ANNIVERSARIES

- 8 Chad & Aree Newkirk
- 12 Dennis & Cheryl Harms

OUR REDEEMER ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

08/05/2018-08/12/2018

Today	Pastors Bible Study	9:00am
	Creative Worship Service	10:00am
	Hmong Bible Study	1:00pm
	Hmong Worship Service	2:00pm
Tuesday	Men's Bible Study	7:00pm
Thursday	Council Meeting	7:00pm
Saturday	Food Pantry	10-12pm
Next Sunday	Pastors Bible Study	9:00am
	Worship Service 3	10:00am

SERVING OUR LORD AND EACH OTHER

HOW	THIS WEEK (08/05)	NEXT WEEK (08/12)
Altar Guild	Sue Rajek Lydia Wirkus	Teri Jarnagin Evelyn Sampson
Acolyte	Volunteer	Volunteer
Accompanist	Carol Shearer	Jess DellaCroce
Greeters	Jason & Lauren Johnston	Len & Mary Ann Nelson
Lector	Chuck Semmler	Jason Johnston
Elders	Johnny Jarnagin Forrest Wacker	Jason Johnston Johnny Jarnagin
Ushers	Volunteers	Volunteers
Cleaners	Stoltenberg (1) Cheeseman (2) Wirkus/Dabbs (3)	Beaulieu (1) Coburn (2) Sitz (3)
Food Pantry	Jess DellaCroce	Gaye Sarvela

students teachers support staff
 bus drivers administrators

Back to School + Blessing

Sunday August 19th during 10:00am Service

✱✱ Feel free to bring your backpacks ✱✱

August 19th 1-3pm

Open to all Middle Schoolers (6-8th Grade)

Cost \$10pp ** Meet @ORLC 12:45 return by 3:15pm

BOWLING
Fun



High School Youth Scavenger Hunt

August 26th

11:30-5pm

\$10pp

@ the

9-12th Grade

ALASKA
STATE FAIR



Sign up Today!! Contact Ericka
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