

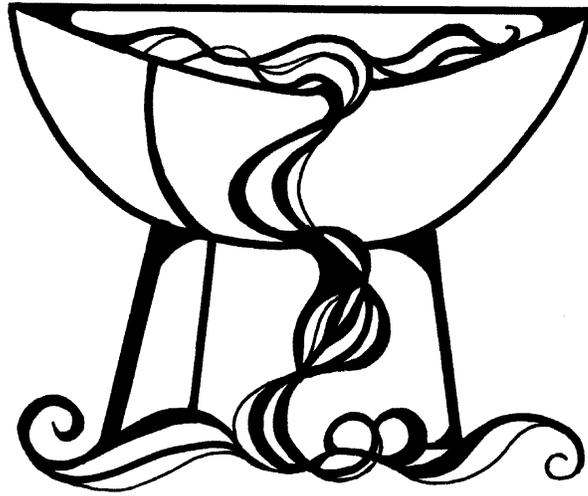
+ Contemporary Worship +
At Redeemer Lutheran Church

9:45 am March 8, 2026

Our mission is to share Christ's love with the greatest number of people.



In today's gospel the Samaritan woman asks Jesus for water, an image of our thirst for God. Jesus offers living water, a sign of God's grace flowing from the waters of baptism. The early church used this gospel and those of the next two Sundays to deepen baptismal reflection during the final days of preparation before baptism at Easter. As we journey to the resurrection feast, Christ comes among us in word, bath, and meal—offering us the life-giving water of God's mercy and forgiveness.



PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Based on Psalm 95

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| Pastor | Come, let us sing to the Lord. |
| All | Let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation. |
| Pastor | Let us come before God's presence with thanksgiving |
| All | and raise a loud shout to the Lord with psalms. |
| Pastor | For you, Lord, are a great God, |
| All | and a great ruler above all gods. |
| Pastor | Come, let us worship and bow down. |
| All | Let us kneel before the Lord our maker. |

GATHERING SONG
Please stand and sing.

Lord, My Strength

1 Lord, my strength, Lord, my rock, lead me through the dark;
2 Lord, my strength, Lord, my rock, you and you a - lone:

Lord, my strength, Lord, my rock, heal this wan - d'ring heart.
Lord, my strength, Lord, my rock, lead me safe - ly home.

Be my eyes, be my ears, be the on -
Ev-'ry step that I make, be the road

- ly voice I hear; guide my soul, give me sight,
I will take; be the thoughts that I keep

help me walk with - in your light.
and in ev - 'ry word I speak.

3 Lord, my strength, Lord, my rock, lead me through the dark;
Lord, my strength, Lord, my rock, heal this wan - d'ring heart.

Lord, my strength, Lord, my rock, you and you a - lone:

Lord, my strength, Lord, my rock, lead me safe - ly home.

Text: Dean Krippaehne
Music: LORD, MY STRENGTH, Dean Krippaehne

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CONFESSION

Pastor Blessed be the Holy Trinity, + one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

All Amen.

Pastor Held in God's mercy,
let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence and reflection

Pastor Compassionate God,
**All you are slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love,
but our lives do not always reflect you and your love for the world.**

**We do not show others the tender compassion
you have shown to us.**

**We do not welcome others with the radical hospitality
you grant to all people.**

**We oppress others,
even though you have set us free.**

We squander the abundant gifts of the earth.

**Transform our lives and guide us again
in the way of the cross. Amen.**

Pastor Beloved in Christ,
God's arms are always open and stretched wide to welcome everyone home.
You have a place in God's house forever.

All Amen.



Rock Of My Salvation

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Teresa Muller

Fm⁹ Gm⁷ Cm B^b/C
 You are the Rock — of my — sal - va - tion,
 A^bmaj⁷ B^b Cm B^b/C
 You are the strength — of my life.
 Fm⁹ Gm⁷ Cm B^b/C
 You are my hope — and my in - spir - a - tion,
 A^bmaj⁷ B^b Cm A^bmaj⁷ B^b
 Lord, un - to You — will I cry. I be - lieve in You, — be -
 Gm⁷ Cm⁷ A^bmaj⁷ B^b Cm⁷ B^b/C Cm⁷
 lieve in You, — for Your faith - ful love to me. — You have
 A^bmaj⁷ B^b Gm⁷ Cm⁷
 been my help — in time of need; —
 Fm Fm/A^b Gsus G
 Lord, un - to You will I cleave. —
 Fm⁹ Gm⁷ Cm B^b/C
 You are the Rock — of my — sal - va - tion,
 A^bmaj⁷ B^b Cm
 You are the strength — of my life.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor The Lord be with you.
All **And also with you.**

Pastor Let us pray.
 Merciful God, the fountain of living water, you quench our thirst and wash away our sin. Give us this water always. Bring us to drink from the well that flows with the beauty of your truth through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

All **Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE



Reading: Exodus 17:1-7

Because the thirsty Israelites quarreled with Moses and put God to the test, Moses cried out in desperation to God. God commanded Moses to strike the rock to provide water for the people. The doubt-filled question—“Is the Lord among us or not?”—received a very positive answer.

¹ From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. ² The people quarreled with Moses and said, “Give us water to drink.” Moses said to them, “Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?” ³ But the people thirsted there for water, and the people complained against Moses and said, “Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?” ⁴ So Moses cried out to the Lord, “What shall I do for this people? They are almost ready to stone me.” ⁵ The Lord said to Moses, “Go on ahead of the people and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile and go. ⁶ I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.” Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. ⁷ He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, “Is the Lord among us or not?”

Reader Word of God, word of life.
Congregation **Thanks be to God.**

Reading: Romans 5:1-11

Though we often hear that God helps those who help themselves, here Paul tells us that through Jesus' death God helps utterly helpless sinners. Since we who had been enemies are reconciled to God in the cross, we now live in hope for our final salvation.

¹ Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand, and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³ And not only that, but we also boast in our afflictions, knowing that affliction produces endurance, ⁴ and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵ and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

⁶ For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷ Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. ⁸ But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. ⁹ Much more surely, therefore, since we have now been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. ¹⁰ For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. ¹¹ But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Reader Word of God, word of life.
Congregation **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand and sing.

Hide Me in Your Holiness

WORDS and MUSIC: Steve Ragdale

Hide me, Lord, in your ho - li - ness; ev - 'ry
sin I now con - fess. Praise to you, for -
giv - ing Lord, hide me in your ho - li - ness,
hide me in your ho - li - ness.

Chords: E^b (D), E^b/G (D/F[#]), A^b/C (G/B), B^b7sus (A7sus), B^b7 (A7), A^b/C (G/B), B^b2/D (A2/C[#]), E^b2sus (D2sus), E^b (D), A^b (G), B^b/A^b (A/G), E^b2/G (D2/F[#]), A^b2 (G2), Fm7 (Em7), B^b (A), G (F[#]), Cm (Bm), Cm7/B^b (Bm7/A), A^bMaj7 (GMaj7), Fm7 (Em7), Fm/B^b (Em/A), B^b7sus (A7sus), E^b (D)

Pastor The Holy Gospel according to St. John.
All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel: John 4:5-42

Jesus defies convention to engage a Samaritan woman in conversation. Her testimony, in turn, leads many others to faith.

⁵ [Jesus] came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph.⁶ Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

⁷ A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink."⁸ (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.)⁹ The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.)¹⁰ Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water."¹¹ The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water?"¹² Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?"¹³ Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again,¹⁴ but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life."¹⁵ The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water."

¹⁶ Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back."¹⁷ The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband,'¹⁸ for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!"¹⁹ The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet.²⁰ Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem."²¹ Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem.²² You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews.²³ But the hour is coming and is now here when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him.²⁴ God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth."²⁵ The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us."²⁶ Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you."

²⁷ Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, "What do you want?" or, "Why are you speaking with her?"²⁸ Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people,²⁹ "Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?"³⁰ They left the city and were on their way to him.

³¹ Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, "Rabbi, eat something."³² But he said to them, "I have food to eat that you do not know about."³³ So the disciples said to one another, "Surely no one has brought him something to eat?"³⁴ Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work.³⁵ Do you not say, 'Four months more, then comes the harvest'? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting.³⁶ The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together.³⁷ For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.'³⁸ I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor."

³⁹ Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me everything I have ever done."⁴⁰ So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them, and he stayed there two days.⁴¹ And many more believed because of his word.⁴² They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Savior of the world."

Pastor The Gospel of the Lord. Congregation **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

Drenched
Pastor Sharon Core

Please stand and sing.

Amazing love

C Dm⁷ Gsus G

1 My Lord, what love is this that pays so
2 And so they watched him die, de - spised, re -
3 And now this love of Christ shall flow like

Csus C G C Dm⁷ F/G G C

dear - ly, that I, the guilt - y one, may go free?
ject - ed; but, oh, the blood he shed flowed for me.
riv - ers; come, wash your guilt a - way, live a - gain.

Refrain Gm⁷ C Eb

A - maz - ing love, oh, what sac - ri - fice, the Son of God giv'n for

G Gm⁷ C

me; my debt he pays and my death he dies, that

Gm⁷ C Gm⁷ C

I might live, that I might live.

APOSTLES' CREED

Asst. Min.

With the whole Church, let us confess our faith.

All

**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

Prayers are included for the whole Church, the nations, those in need, the parish and special concerns. After each portion of the prayers:

Asst. Min.

Hear us, O God.

All

Your mercy is great.

At the end of the prayer:

Pastor

Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray,
trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

All

Amen.

SHARING THE LORD'S PEACE

Pastor

The peace of Christ be with you always.

All

And also with you.

*Please greet one another with words such as "God's peace be with you."
Please sit.*

+ SHARING OUR GIFTS +

OFFERING

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. Our offerings to God are first of all just that – offerings of thanksgiving to God. As you are able please continue to support our ministry with your financial gifts.

Please sign the red attendance book and pass it down the pew.

OFFERING MUSIC

"Great Are You Lord" by Jason Ingram, Leslie Jordan, and David Leonard

SONG OF OFFERING
Please stand and sing.

Text and music: Dwight Liles
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We are an offering

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our
 lives up to you: we are an offering, we are an offering.

OFFERING PRAYER

Asst. Min. With the breaking of bread and sharing the cup, Jesus offered the disciples peace and friendship, trust and forgiveness, the love and embrace of God. Jesus offers the same to all people.

All **Jesus, we are sinners hungry for grace.**
We come - eager to receive your gift of love.
Receive our gifts of love
and use them to further your care for the world.
Amen.

+ COME TO THE TABLE +

Pastor The Lord be with you.
All **And also with you.**

Pastor Lift up your hearts.
All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.
All **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.

Pastor Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

COMMUNION

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

Communion will be offered by intinction. For those not comfortable receiving from those who are distributing the elements, a separate tray is available. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

Anyone not comfortable receiving the bread or the wine is invited to come forward for a blessing. To receive a blessing, please cross your arms.

You are an important part of our faith community.
In Holy Communion we receive the true body and blood of Christ.

COMMUNION SONG

One Bread, One Body

Refrain



One bread, one bod-y, one Lord of all; one cup of



bles-sing which we bless, and we, though man-y



through-out the earth, we are one bod - y in this one Lord.



1 Gen - tile or Jew, ser - vant or free,
2 Man - y the gifts, man - y the works,
3 Grain for the fields, scat - tered and grown,



Refrain

wom - an or man, no more.
one in the Lord of all.
gath - ered to one for all.

Text: John Foley, SJ, b. 1939

Music: ONE BREAD, ONE BODY, John Foley, SJ

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Please stand.

Pastor

The body of our Lord Jesus Christ and his precious blood,
strengthen and preserve you unto eternal life.

All

Amen.

PRAYER

Asst. Min.

God of our salvation, we give you thanks for this meal that restores our souls, reconciles us to you, and strengthens us for the journey. Through the body and blood of your Son, may we become Christ's body in the world, bearing witness to your love for all creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

All

Amen.

+ THE SENDING +

BENEDICTION

Pastor

The God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus.

All

Amen.

Pastor

The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in love by the power of the Holy Spirit.

All

Amen.

Pastor

The God of all grace bless you now and forever in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All

Amen.



SENDING SONG
All sing.

The River Is Here

Revelation 22:1

$\text{♩} = 120$ *With energy*
E (no3) E (no3)

A E B E

1. Down the moun - tain the riv - er flows, and it
(2.) riv - er of God is teem - ing with life;

A E B E

brings re - fresh - ing wher - ev - er it goes.
all who touch it can be re - vived, and

A E B E

Through the val - leys and o - ver the fields the
those who lin - ger on this riv - er's shore will

A E B E

riv - er is rush - ing and the riv - er is here. The
come back thirst - ing for more of the Lord. The

§ E A E

riv - er of God sets our feet a - danc - ing; the

E B E

riv - er of God fills our hearts with cheer. The

riv - er of God fills our mouths with laugh - ter, and
 we re - joice for the riv - er is here.
 2. The 3. Up
 to the moun - tain we love to go to find the pres - ence
 of the Lord. A - long the banks of the riv - er we run; we
 dance with laugh - ter giv - ing praise to the Son. The
 CODA
 riv - er is here, and we re - joice for the riv - er is here.

DISMISSAL

Asst. Min.
All

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Lutheran Church of the Redeemer

Children are welcome in our worship. There is a children's worship bulletin for them. If you prefer, a nursery and/or childcare is available for children up to age 3 during all worship services.

Hearing help available: We have personal hearing amplification units available for your use. Please speak with the person at the sound board.

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Sunday Services

8:30 and 11:00 am for the traditional service and 9:45 am for the contemporary service

Next Sunday's Scripture:
 1 Samuel 16:1-13 Psalm 23 Ephesians 5:8-14 John 9:1-41

Redeemer's Lenten and Easter Services

<p style="text-align: center;">February 25- March 25 Wednesdays 6:15 pm - Din- ners 7:00 pm - Ser- vices</p>	<p>Wednesday Lenten Service and Dinner Pray with Redeemer for Holden Evening Prayer held every Wednesday at 7:00 pm until Holy Week. A light supper will be offered at 6:15.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">April 2 Thursday 7:00 pm</p>	<p>Maundy Thursday Remember Christ and his command to love one another.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">April 3 Friday Noon</p>	<p>Good Friday Worship On this sacred day, worship at noontime.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">April 3 Friday 7:00 pm</p>	<p>Tenebrae Service Experience the solemn majesty of this special service as we remember Christ's death.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">April 5 Sunday 8:30, 9:45, and 11:00</p>	<p>Easter Morning Services Celebrate our Risen Lord this great day. The brass musicians will accompany our talented choir, making this a festival celebration to honor our Lord.</p>

The flowers are given to the glory of God.

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