



The Lutheran Church of The Redeemer

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July 26, 2015

NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

8:30 am

*Your offering may be placed in the offering plate in the narthex.
LBW-Green Hymnal WOV-Blue Hymnal*

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

<We stand.>

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. C: **Amen.**

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

<We kneel.>

P: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

<We stand.>

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray...

C: Gracious God, you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth. Grant that we may know your Son to be the true bread of heaven and share this bread with all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

<We sit.>

WORD**FIRST LESSON****2 Kings 4:42–44**

⁴²A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, "Give it to the people and let them eat." ⁴³But his servant said, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" So he repeated, "Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the LORD, "They shall eat and have some left.'" ⁴⁴He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the LORD.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

SECOND LESSON**Ephesians 3:14–21**

¹⁴For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. ¹⁶I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, ¹⁷and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. ¹⁸I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

²⁰Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, ²¹to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

<We stand.>

GOSPEL

John 6:1–21

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. ²A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. ³Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. ⁴Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. ⁵When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" ⁶He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. ⁷Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little."⁸One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, ⁹There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people? ¹⁰Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. ¹¹Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. ¹²When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." ¹³So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. ¹⁴When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world." ¹⁵When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself. ¹⁶When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, ¹⁷got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. ¹⁸The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. ¹⁹When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. ²⁰But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid."²¹Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you O Christ.

<We sit.>

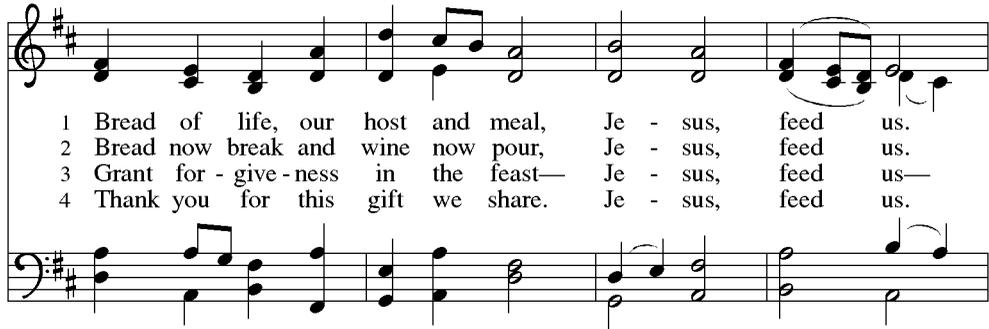
CHILDREN'S SERMON

Pastor Matt

THE SERMON

Pastor Matt

<We stand.>



1 Bread of life, our host and meal, Je - sus, feed us.
 2 Bread now break and wine now pour, Je - sus, feed us.
 3 Grant for - give - ness in the feast— Je - sus, feed us—
 4 Thank you for this gift we share. Je - sus, feed us.



Christ, by faith, to see and feel, feed us with your love.
 Make us one, our hope re - store; feed us with your love.
 for the great - est and the least; feed us with your love.
 Save God's chil - dren ev - 'ry - where; feed us with your love.

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 INTERCESSION

P: Trusting the Spirit's power, we pray for the church, the world, and all of God's creation.

<We kneel.>

A brief silence is kept.

Response after each petition: P: Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

P: Receive these prayers, gracious God, and those prayers known only to you. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

<We stand.>

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

At this time, you may greet one another in the name of Christ.

OFFERTORY Accept, O Lord, the Gifts We Bring WOV Hymn 759

Verse 1

Accept, O Lord, the gifts we bring to place upon your table.

We do not worship as we ought but only as we're able.

P: Let us pray. God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord.

C: Amen.

DIALOGUE

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.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink,

saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

<We sit.>

COMMUNION OF THE FAMILY OF GOD

<We stand.>

THE TABLE BLESSING

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

POST- COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Let us pray. God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

SENDING

SUNG BLESSING

DISMISSAL (*Please face the rear of the nave.*)

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

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**WORSHIP LEADERSHIP**

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|------------------------------|------------------------|
| Presiding Minister           | The Rev. Matthew Titus |
| Pianist                      | Lloan McCracken        |
| Lector/Communion Assistant   | Claire Grosshuesch     |
| Communion Preparation, 8:30: | Claire Grosshuesch     |
| 11:00:                       | Rosemary Dominick      |
| Usher                        | Ernie Shealy           |

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Announcements



Welcome to Redeemer! We are pleased to have you with us at worship this morning. If you have any questions or need any assistance, please see an usher.

Refreshments are provided after the 8:30 am worship service in the St. John's room to promote and encourage fellowship. All are invited to attend!

The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Nick Nicosia by Marie Nicosia, Joey Nicosia, and Anna Marie Berley.

Refreshment volunteers are needed November 1, 8, 15, 22, 29. Please prayerfully consider participating in this special ministry. Contact the church office or Anne Caughman if you are interested in serving on one of these dates.

Altar Flower Volunteers are needed on October 25, November 29, and December 13 and 27. If you would like to sign up for them, please do so on the chart in the narthex.

Administrative Assistant Position: Please share the word that we have an immediate opening for a part-time, non-exempt administrative assistant at the church. For a complete job description, please contact Clint Harshaw (charshaw@presby.edu) or Pastor Matt (pastormtitus@outlook.com).

Check out our Website: Weekly bulletins, monthly newsletters, calendar of events, and much more are published on our website. www.lutheranredeemer.org

Cottage Meetings: Pastor Matt would like to meet as many people in the church as possible to introduce himself to us and for him to learn more about The Lutheran Church of The Redeemer, so we will be hosting cottage meetings throughout the months of August and September to do that. We are looking for at least 10 volunteers who would be interested in hosting these 90 minute meetings for about 15-20 members in their homes. Please contact Pastor Matt if you are interested.

Back to School Bash: Mark your calendars and join us as we prepare for the upcoming school year with activities, fellowship, games, music, and food on Sunday evening, August 16 from 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm in the Family Life Center. If you plan to attend, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex. *We must have a head count for meal preparation.* Everyone is invited to attend! *There is no cost for this event, but we do ask that you bring a canned good and school supplies to donate.*

WELCA Book Study will resume on Sunday, August 2 at 4:00 pm in the church library. All women in the church are invited to attend!

<u>Calendar July 26- August 1, 2015</u>	<u>Thursday</u>
	6:00 pm Library Reserved
<u>Today</u>	
8:30 am Worship	
9:45 am Sunday School	
11:00 am Worship	
<u>Tuesday</u>	
10:30 am Prayer Shawl Ministry	

<u>Attendance for July 19</u>	
<u>Sunday School</u>	27
8:30 am	48
11:00 am	103
<u>Total Worship</u>	151