

The Lutheran Church of The Redeemer

1515 Boundary Street - Newberry, South Carolina 29108 - Tel: (803) 276-2003

March 31, 2019

Fourth Sunday in Lent

8:45 & 11:00 am

+ GATHERING +

PRELUDES

I Call to Thee, Lord Jesus Christ
Rhosymedre
Abide with Us, O Dearest Jesus

J. S. Bach
Ralph Vaughan Williams
Max Reger

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

<We stand.>

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity ✝ one God, who gathers us in the wilderness to redeem us, anoint us, and make us new.

C: **Amen.**

P: In these forty days of Lent, let us be honest, confess our sin, and receive God's promise of mercy.

<We kneel.>

P: God at the margins,

C: **We have wandered far from your home; again and again, we lose our way. We turn inward, afraid of the world around us. We forget that you have saved your people before and promise to do so again. Do not remember the deeds of our past, but turn our faces toward the future, where your forgiveness is sure, your welcome is clear, and your love overflows. Amen.**

<We stand.>

P: Like a hen who gathers her chicks, God embraces you in tender care. Like manna in the desert, God feeds you with surprising mercy. Like a loving parent, God runs to meet you again this day, forgiving your sins for the sake of ✝ Christ, leading you from death into life.

C: **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.

KYRIE

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray together...

C: God of compassion, you welcome the wayward, and you embrace us all with your mercy. By our baptism clothe us with garments of your grace, and feed us at the table of your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

<We sit.>

+ WORD +

FIRST READING

Joshua 5:9-12

Pew Bible page 171

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

PSALM

32

(Sung responsively, led by Cantor)

¹Happy are they whose transgressions | are forgiven,
and whose sin is | put away!

²Happy are they to whom the LORD im- | putes no guilt,
and in whose spirit there | is no guile!

³While I held my tongue, my bones with- | ered away,
because of my groaning | all day long.

⁴For your hand was heavy upon me | day and night;
my moisture was dried up as in the | heat of summer.

⁵Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not con- | ceal my guilt.
I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the LORD.” Then you forgave me the guilt | of my
sin.

⁶**Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in | time of trouble;
when the great waters overflow, they | shall not reach them.**

⁷You are my hiding-place; you preserve | me from trouble;
you surround me with shouts | of deliverance.

⁸**“I will instruct you and teach you in the way that | you should go;
I will guide you | with my eye.**

⁹Do not be like horse or mule, which have no | understanding;
who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will | not stay near you.”

¹⁰**Great are the tribulations | of the wicked;
but mercy embraces those who trust | in the LORD.**

¹¹**Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice | in the LORD;
shout for joy, all who are | true of heart.**

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

Pew Bible page 940

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God!**

<We stand.>

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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GOSPEL

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Pew Bible page 850

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

<We sit.>

**CHILDREN'S SERMON
SERMON**

**Pastor Matt
Pastor Matt**

<We stand.>

**HYMN OF THE DAY Our Father, by Whose Name ELW Hymn 640
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

<We kneel.>

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

After the prayers have concluded we respond with **AMEN.**

PEACE

<We stand.>

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.

+ MEAL +

<We sit.>

RECEPTION OF THE OFFERING

ANTHEM

*Jesu, Our Hope, Our Heart's
Desire*

K. Lee Scott

<We stand.>

OFFERTORY HYMN

Restore in Us, O God
verse 1

ELW Hymn 328

OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Let us pray ... Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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PREFACE

P: It is indeed right, our duty, and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise... *Here the minister continues with the preface for the day, concluding...* we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: Blessed are you, O God of the universe as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

C: **Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again.**

P: ... Grace our table with your presence.

C: **Come, Holy Spirit.**

P: ... Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

C: **Come, Holy Spirit.**

P: ... we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

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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.

<We sit.>

COMMUNION

Participation in Holy Communion is open to all the baptized of this and other Christian congregations. We come in faith that Christ is truly present in, with, and under the bread and the wine. We receive this gift knowing that we are forgiven and are nourished to be sent to proclaim God's love to the world.

At The Lutheran Church of The Redeemer, we receive communion by intinction, receiving the bread and then dipping it into the chalice of wine.

HYMN

Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling

ELW Hymn 608

<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 ...

C: **Amen.**

+ SENDING +

SUNG BLESSING

In the name of the Father.

In the name of the Father.

May the Lord bless and keep you.

May the Lord bless and keep you.

In the name of the Son.

In the name of the Son.

May God's face shine upon you.

May God's face shine upon you.

In the name of the Spirit.

In the name of the Spirit.

May God's blessings be with you.

May God's blessings be with you.

The Three-in-One.

The Three-in-One.

And give you peace.

And give you peace.

SENDING HYMN My Life Flows On in Endless Song ELW Hymn 763

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

P: Go in peace. Remember the poor.

C: **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE

Prelude in E minor

J. S. Bach

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Worship Leadership

Presiding Minister: The Reverend Matthew Titus

Organist: Huger Caughman, Jr.

Choir Director: Gayle Lindley

Ushers: 8:45 - Tommy Moose **11:00 -** Andy Senn, Rey Lominack, June Lominack,
Benji Lindsay

Communion Preparation: 8:45 –Vickie Wiseman, Beth Hipp; **11:00 -**

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| Lector & Communion Assistant | Amanda Richardson | Mary Maerckein |
| Greeter | Community of Redeemer | Community of Redeemer |
| Crucifer | | Madeleine Long |
| Acolyte | | Zoe Reid |

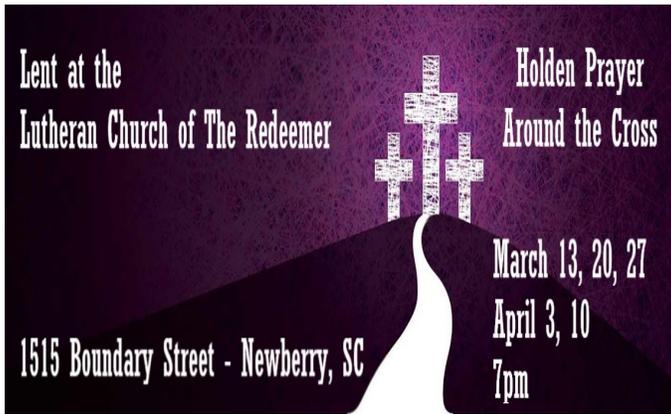
Worship Assistants' schedule for the entire year may be found in the Annual Directory.

This week at Redeemer

| Today | Monday, 4/01 | Tuesday, 4/02 | Wednesday, 4/03 | Thursday, 4/04 |
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| 8:45 am - Worship 9:30 am - Junior & Children's Choir | | 6:30 pm - Inspiring Worship | 6:00 pm - Handbells | |
| 10:00 am - Sunday School 11:00 am - Worship | | | 7:00 pm - Lenten Service | |
| | | | 7:30 pm - Senior Choir | |
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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, just ask!
We also invite you to fill out our friendship register at the end of each pew.



Holy Trinity Preschool is currently accepting applications for the 2019-2020 school year. Our program offers classes for 2-year-old, 3-year-old, & four-year-old children, as well as Mother’s Morning Out. If you are interested in our program, our website is: htlcpreschool.com Application forms can be downloaded, from this website, or you can call the church office, at 803-345-2841. You can also email Lynn Nichols, at preschool@holtytlc.org, if you have any questions.



Confirmation - Confirmation will gather this Sunday at 4pm down in the Youth Hall at Redeemer.

The Community of Faith here at Redeemer will be entering into 100 Days of Prayer and Discernment with one another. Come be a part of this great time at Redeemer.

Digital Newsletter - If you would be interested in receiving a digital ONLY version of the monthly Newsletter from Redeemer - please contact the church office. Alternatively, each newsletter (and bulletin) is available on our church website under the 'Info Center' tab.

Attendance for March 24, 2019

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| Sunday School | 39 |
| 8:45 | 35 |
| 11:00 | 86 |
| Total | 121 |

Offering for this Week:

Needed Weekly - \$6,000.00

Received 3-24-19 - \$3,571.15