



# The Lutheran Church of The Redeemer

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May 6, 2018

Sixth Sunday of Easter

8:45 am

+ GATHERING +

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*<We stand.>*

**THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Just as God's work of creation never ends, so the gifts received in baptism are renewed every day. Let us give thanks together for the life given in baptism.

We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of life: for water to bathe in, water to drink, for waters to play in and waters that inspire wonder, for water that gives life to our planet.

**We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of life.**

We give thanks, O God, for the waters of this place: for water from our tap, for rain, for Scott's Creek and Lake Murray.

**We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of this place.**

We give you thanks for your salvation through water: for delivering Noah and his family through the floodwaters, for leading your people Israel through the sea into freedom, for preserving your prophet Elijah through the time of drought, for guiding your people across the Jordan into a new land, for quenching the Samaritan woman's thirst with living water.

**We give you thanks for your salvation through water.**

We give you thanks for the life of all the baptized, and for all who gather here; for godparents and baptismal sponsors, for children and grandchildren, for those newly baptized through your church, for our brothers and sisters in Christ whom we have never seen, but to whom we are bound.

**We give thanks for the life of all the baptized.**

We give you thanks for life in Christ through your Holy Spirit: for our entry into Jesus' death through these waters, for our new birth into a life of freedom and service, for our calling to be your people, sent out for the life of the world.

**We give you thanks, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever. Amen.**

**GATHERING HYMN      Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee      ELW Hymn 836**

## **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 together. . . .

**C: O God, you have prepared for those who love you joys beyond understanding. Pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all we can desire; through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*<We sit.>*

## **+ WORD +**

### **FIRST READING**

**Acts 10:44-48**

**Pew Bible page 895**

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

### **SECOND READING**

**1 John 5:1-6**

**Pew Bible page 991**

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

*<We stand.>*

## **GOSPEL**

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John

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

**John 15:9-17**

**Pew Bible page 878**

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*<We sit.>*

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

Pastor Matt

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*<We stand.>*

**HYMN OF THE DAY    Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love    ELW Hymn 708**

## 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.*

*<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.*

**+ MEAL +**

**OFFERTORY HYMN**

**We Are An Offering**

**ELW Hymn 692**

**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

P: Let us pray.

**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: Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age..... With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's Passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

O God of resurrection and new life: ... Grace our table with your presence.

**C: Come, Holy Spirit.**

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. ... Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

**C: Come, Holy Spirit.**

With all your holy ones of all times ... blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

**LORD'S PRAYER**

**ELW Page 112**

<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.*

*<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      Love Divine, All Loves Excelling      ELW Hymn 631**

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

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

You are the body of Christ raised up for the world. Go in peace. Share the good news.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Worship Leadership

**Presiding Minister:** The Reverend Matthew Titus

**Pianist:** Huger Caughman, Jr.

|   | TODAY        | NEXT SUNDAY     |
|---|--------------|-----------------|
| <b>Lector &amp; Communion Assistant</b> | Nancy Riggan | Kelly Bannister |
| <b>Usher</b>                            | James Long   | James Long      |
| <b>Communion Prep</b>                   | Nancy Riggan | Nancy Riggan    |

### This week at Redeemer

| Today                               | Monday, 5/07                   | Tuesday, 5/08              | Wednesday, 5/09        | Thursday, 5/10 |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|----------------|
| 9:30 am- Jr. & Children's<br>Choirs | 6:30 pm - Inspiring<br>Worship | 10:30 am - Prayer<br>Shawl | 6:30 pm - Handbells    |                |
| 4:00 pm - Confirmation              |                                |                            | 7:30 pm - Senior Choir |                |
| 6:00 pm - Property Com-<br>mittee   |                                |                            |                        |                |

## 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.

**Altar Flowers** are given to the glory of God and in honor of my mother, Willene Shealy and my sisters, Patricia Stiles and Murrie Alice Johnson by Ernie Shealy.

**Manna House** needs hamburger helper, tuna helper, packages of dry milk, 2 lb. bags of sugar, flour, and grits, loaves of bread and anything you would like to give. Monetary donations may be made to Sue Mitchell, 2210 Timber Lane, Newberry, SC 29108.

**The new flower chart** is in the narthex. There are still many available dates if you would like to provide flowers for the worship services.

**Graduates** – Anyone graduating in the year 2018 is asked to give your name to either Amanda Richardson or Anne Caughman as soon as possible. Thank you.

**Gift Cards for the SCWELCA Convention Project** – Anyone wishing to participate in the SCWELCA Convention Project may purchase a Target or Wal-Mart Gift Card, place it in an envelope, put the value of the card on the envelope, and turn it into the office. Donations will be accepted until Sunday, June 3rd. Thank you for your continued support of SCWELCA and its projects.

**Synod Assembly** - This year's Synod Assembly is fast approaching. This year's Synod Assembly will be held in Columbia, SC at the Convention Center downtown and will take place from May 31 - June 2. Would you like to and are willing to be a part of the Synod Assembly this year? If so, please contact PM for more information.

Each year Redeemer is allotted three (3) voting members to attend the assembly. We need at least two - a male and female voting member. Also, each year we are also eligible to bring an additional voting member who is under the age of 30 (a total of four participants).

This year's theme is "Blessed are the Peacemakers." Join in the fun, fellowship, worship, service, and learning!



**Vacation Bible School 2018** - Join Redeemer and friends for an exciting week of growing in our faith as we all get to be a part of RENEW. VBS will be held - Monday, June 18 - Thursday, June 21. Supper starts at 5:45pm and classes will end each night at 8pm.

**Confirmand and Graduate Luncheon** – There will be a luncheon honoring our Confirmands and Graduates on Sunday, May 27<sup>th</sup> following the 11:00 A.M. service. This is a special time for these young people, so make plans to attend. Congregational Care will provide the meat and some cupcakes. Please bring a covered dish. If you plan to attend, make sure to sign-up on the sheet in the narthex by Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup>. Thank you.

**WELCA** will meet on Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, at 3:45 in the church library for its business meeting. The book study will begin at 4:00. Please read Chapter 5 in Really Bad Girls of the Bible. All women of the congregation are invited to attend.

**Supper Club** will meet on May 20 at 6:30 pm at Rusty Spoon in Whitmire. Please contact the office by May 17 if you plan to attend.

**Relay for Life Survivor Dinner** – Survivor and a Guest are invited to the Newberry County Relay for Life Survivor Dinner on Thursday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, from 6:30 P.M. – 8:00 P.M. at St. Philip’s Lutheran Church Family Life Center. The meal will be catered by Shealy’s BBQ.

**Relay for Life will be held on Saturday, May 12, 2018**, on the campus of Newberry College from 3:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M. Survivors who have registered will receive their shirts at the Relay. To register, please call 1-800-227-2345 and press option 2.

**Refreshments for June and July** – We are in need of volunteers for refreshments these two months. If you would like to provide refreshments, please sign the sheet in the narthex.

**Attendance for April 29, 2018**

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|---------------|------------|
| Sunday School | 38         |
| 8:45 Service  | 38         |
| 11:00 Service | 75         |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>113</b> |

**Offering for this Week:**  
**Needed Weekly - \$6,074.00**  
**Received 4-29-18 - 3,659.00**

