



The Lutheran Church of The Redeemer

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November 29, 2015

1st SUNDAY OF ADVENT

11:00 am

LBW-Green Hymnal

WOV-Blue Hymnal

GATHERING

PRELUDES

Rejoice, Rejoice Believers

Creator of the Stars of Night

Oh, Come, Oh, Come, Emmanuel

Paul Manz

Charles Callahan

Michael Burkhardt

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

<We stand.>

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God, the Lord of Israel who comes to set us free,
the mighty Savior who comes to show mercy,
the Dawn from on high who guides us into peace.

C: **Amen.**

P: Let us come before God in confession.

<We kneel.>

P: To you, O God

C: We lift up our souls. You know us through and through; we confess our sins to you. Remember not our sins; remember us with your steadfast love. Show us your ways; teach us your paths; and lead us in justice and truth, for the sake of your goodness in Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

<We stand.>

P: Sisters and brothers, come with joy and draw water from the well of salvation.

Remember the gift of baptism: your sin is washed away in the name of + Jesus; you belong to Christ; you are anointed to serve. Stand up and raise your heads! The reign of God is near!

C: **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN

Oh, Come, Oh Come Emmanuel

LBW Hymn 34

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



Se - ñor, Se - ñor, ten pie - dad; ten pie - dad de no -
Lord, . . have mer - cy on us; O . . . Lord, have . . .



so - tros. Se - ñor, Se - ñor, ten pie -
mer - cy. Lord, . . have mer - cy on



dad; ten pie - dad de no - so - tros.
us; O . . . Lord, have . . mer - cy.



Cris - to, Cris - to, ten pie - dad; ten pie - dad de no -
Christ, . . have mer - cy on us; O . . . Christ, have . .



so - tros. Cris - to, Cris - to, ten pie -
mer - cy. Christ, . . have mer - cy on



dad; ten pie - dad de no - so - tros.
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PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray...

C: Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection alert us to the threatening dangers of our sins, and redeem us for your life of justice, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

<We sit.>

THE BLESSING AND LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH (Verse 1)



- 1 Light one can-dle to watch for Mes-si - ah: let the light ban-ish dark - ness.
- 2 Light two can-dles to watch for Mes-si - ah: let the light ban-ish dark - ness.
- 3 Light three can-dles to watch for Mes-si - ah: let the light ban-ish dark - ness.
- 4 Light four can-dles to watch for Mes-si - ah: let the light ban-ish dark - ness.



He shall bring sal - va - tion to Is - ra-el, God ful - fills the prom - ise.
He shall feed the flock like a shep-herd, gent - ly lead them home-ward.
Lift your heads and lift high the gate-way for the King of glo - ry.
He is com - ing, tell the glad tid - ings. Let your lights be shin - ing!

WORD

FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 33:14-16

¹⁴The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ¹⁵In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ¹⁶In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

PSALM 25:1-10

(Sung responsively, led by Cantor)

¹To | you, O LORD,
I lift | up my soul.
²**My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be | put to shame,
nor let my enemies triumph | over me.**
³Let none who look to you be | put to shame;
rather let those be put to shame | who are treacherous.
⁴**Show me your | ways, O LORD,
and teach | me your paths.**
⁵Lead me in your | truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all | the day long.
⁶**Remember, O LORD, your compas- | sion and love,
for they are from | everlasting.**
⁷Remember not the sins of my youth and | my transgressions;
remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your good- | ness,
O LORD.
⁸**You are gracious and up- | right, O LORD;
therefore you teach sinners | in your way.**
⁹You lead the low- | ly in justice
and teach the low- | ly your way.
¹⁰**All your paths, O LORD, are steadfast | love and faithfulness
to those who keep your covenant and your | testimonies.**

SECOND LESSON

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

⁹How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? ¹⁰Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

¹¹Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. ¹²And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. ¹³And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

<We stand.>

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

¡A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

¡A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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a - le - lu - ya! ¡A - le - lu - ya!
 al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

GOSPEL

Luke 21: 25-36

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ²⁵“There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. ²⁶People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ²⁷Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in a cloud’ with power and great glory. ²⁸Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

²⁹Then he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree and all the trees; ³⁰as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. ³¹So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. ³²Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. ³³Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

³⁴“Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, ³⁵like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you O Christ.

<We sit.>

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

My God Is With Me

Mark Patterson

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Pastor Matt

SERMON

Pastor Matt

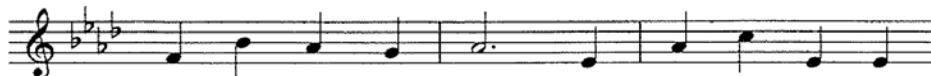
<We stand.>

HYMN OF THE DAY

Rejoice, Rejoice Believers



All: 1. Re - joice, re - joice, be - liev - ers, And
Men: 2. The watch - ers on the moun - tain Pro -
Choir: 3. The saints, who here in pa - tience Their
All: 4. Our hope and ex - pec - ta - tion, O



let your lights ap - pear; The eve - ning is ad -
claim the Bride - groom near; Go forth as He ap -
cross and suf - f' rings bore, Shall live and reign for -
Je - sus, now ap - pear; A - rise, O Sun so



vanc - ing, And dark - er night is near.
proach - es With al - le - lu - ias clear.
ev - er When sor - row is no more.
longed for, O'er this be - night - ed sphere.



The Bride - groom is a - ris - ing And
The mar - riage feast is wait - ing; The
A - round the throne of glo - ry The
With hearts and hands up - lift - ed, We



soon is draw - ing nigh. Up, pray and watch and
gates wide o - pen stand. A - rise, O heirs of
Lamb they shall be - hold; In tri - umph cast be -
plead, O Lord, to see The day of earth's re -



wres - tle; At mid - night comes the cry.
glo - ry; The Bride - groom is at hand.
fore Him Their di - a - dems of gold.
demp - tion That sets Your peo - ple free!

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.

<We sit.>

RECEPTION OF THE OFFERING

SENIOR CHOIR

Advent Carol

Robert Powell

<We stand.>

OFFERTORY

For The Fruit Of All Creation (verse 1)

WOV Hymn 760

For the fruit of all creation, thanks be to God.

For these gifts to every nation, thanks be to God.

For the plowing, sowing, reaping, silent growth while we are sleeping,

Future needs in earth's safekeeping, thanks be to God.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

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.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

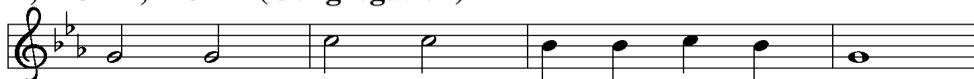
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn.

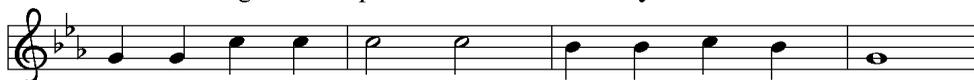
HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (Congregation)



San - to, san - to, san - to_es el Se - ñor,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God,



Dios del u - ni - ver - so; san - to_es el Se - ñor.
God of might and pow - er; ho - ly is the Lord.



San - to, san - to, san - to, san - to_es el Se - ñor,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord . . . God,



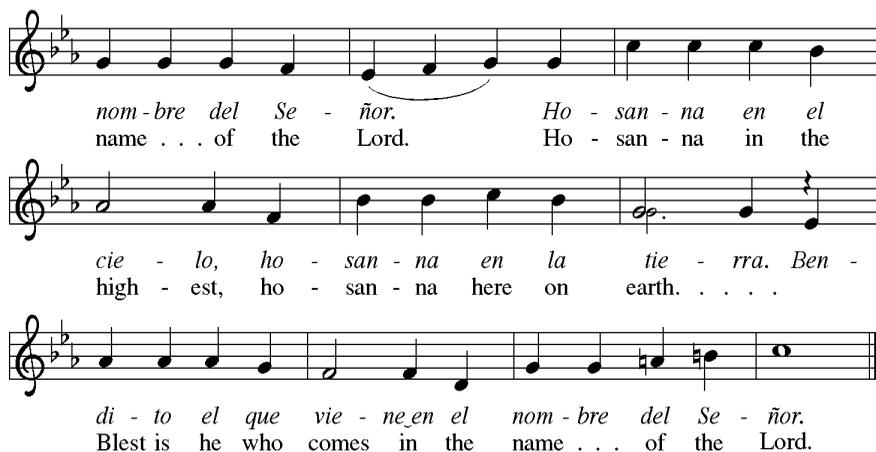
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God of might and pow - er; ho - ly is the Lord.



Ho - san - na en el cie - lo, ho - san - na en la
Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na here on



tie - rra. Ben - di - to el que vie - ne en el
earth. Blest is he who comes in the



nom - bre del Se - ñor. Ho - san - na en el
name . . . of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

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THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: Holy One, the beginning and the end, Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

C: Christ has died.

Christ has risen.

Christ will come again.

P: With this bread and cup.....We look with hope for his coming.

C: Come, Lord Jesus.

P: Holy God, we long for your Spirit....Bring the gift of peace on earth.

C: Come, Holy Spirit.

P: All praise and glory are yours, 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

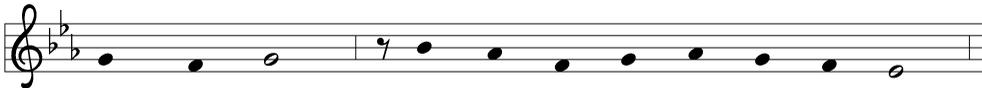
<We sit.>

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD – (*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.*)

COMMUNION HYMN Creator of the Stars of Night ELW Hymn 245



1 Cre - a - tor of the stars of night, your peo - ple’s ev - er -
 2 When this old world drew on toward night, you came; but not in
 3 At your great name, O Je - sus, now all knees must bend, all
 4 Come in your ho - ly might, we pray, re - deem us for e -
 5 To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, and God the Spir - it,



last - ing light, O Christ, re - deem - er of us all,
 splen - dor bright, not as a mon - arch, but the child
 hearts must bow: all things on earth with one ac - cord,
 ter - nal day; de - fend us while we dwell be - low
 Three in One, praise, hon - or, might, and glo - ry be



we pray you hear us when we call.
 of Mar - y, bless - ed moth - er mild.
 like those in heav’n, shall call you Lord.
 from all as - saults of our dread foe.
 from age to age e - ter - nal - ly. A - men.

<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.

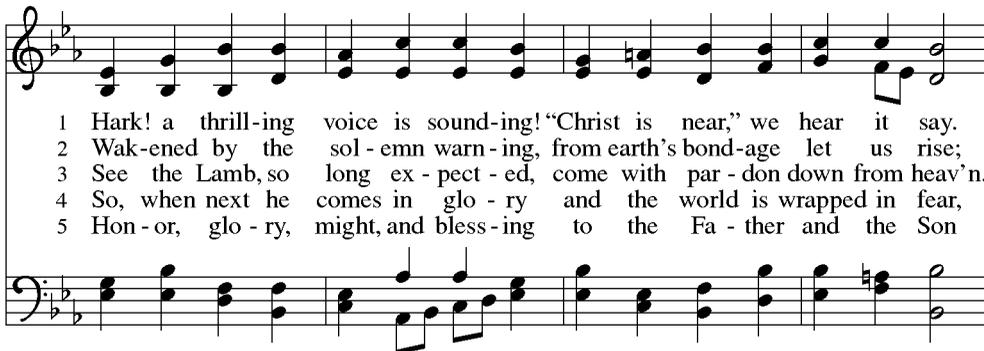
C: Amen.

SUNG BLESSING

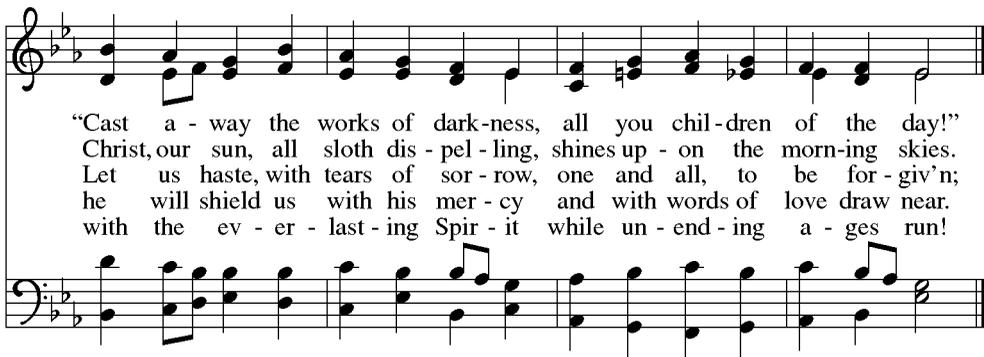
SENDING HYMN

Hark! A Thrilling Voice Is Sounding

ELW Hymn 246



1 Hark! a thrill-ing voice is sound-ing! "Christ is near," we hear it say.
2 Wak-ened by the sol-lemn warn-ing, from earth's bond-age let us rise;
3 See the Lamb, so long ex-pect-ed, come with par-don down from heav'n.
4 So, when next he comes in glo-ry and the world is wrapped in fear,
5 Hon-or, glo-ry, might, and bless-ing to the Fa-ther and the Son



"Cast a-way the works of dark-ness, all you chil-dren of the day!"
Christ, our sun, all sloth dis-pel-ling, shines up-on the morn-ing skies.
Let us haste, with tears of sor-row, one and all, to be for-giv'n;
he will shield us with his mer-cy and with words of love draw near.
with the ev-er-last-ing Spir-it while un-end-ing a-ges run!

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

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Wake, Awake For Night is Flying

Paul Manz

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Worship Leadership

Presiding Minister: The Reverend Matthew Titus

Organist: Huger Caughman, Jr.

Choir Director: Gayle Lindley

Ushers: Lynn Cary, Benji Westwood, Bobby Willingham, Roy Mills

Communion Preparation: 8:30 am- Paula Harshaw/11:00 am-Donna Franklin

	Today	Next Sunday
Lector and Communion Assistant	Cathy Turner	Derryll Satterwhite
Greeter		
Crucifer	Vanessa Harshaw	Chelsea Ellisor
Acolyte	Morgan Harshaw	Gaillard Smith

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.

The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God, and in memory of her son, John Walter Cousins by Sybil Cousins.

The flowers in the Narthex are given in loving memory of Harriett Haltiwanger by her family.

Sympathy is extended to Tammy Wilson and her family upon the death of her father, Wayne Long on November 15.

Wednesday Advent Services

This year, we are happy to host Wednesday Advent Services at Redeemer. We will gather at 6:15pm in the Family Life Center on December 2nd, 9th, and 16th for a short meal (**please bring a dish to share**); then at 7pm we will gather for a short service of Holden Evening Prayer in the sanctuary. Come join in this mid-week pause from the hectic schedule of the holiday season, a time where we can continue to focus on the expectant hope to come on Christmas morning in the birth of Jesus.

SCLMM Needs your help! The South Carolina Lutheran Men in Mission are trying to raise money for the Pee Dee Indian Tribe. The Tribe has been given some land and are in need of a community/medical center. The SCLMM has set a goal of raising \$50,000 to go toward the building of this facility. Please consider helping us reach our goal. Please make checks payable to SC Synod ELCA and write "Pee Dee Indian Project" in the memo line. You may put your donations in the offering plate, or you may give them to Matt Bowers.

Angel Tree - Do you enjoy shopping? Do you like to buy clothes, toys, and needed stuff for those that you love? Do you enjoy caring for those in need around you? If so, we encourage you to support the Angel Tree this year! Soon the Angel Tree will be up in the narthex with ways you can help those in need in our area. This is a wonderful ministry to make sure that every child who is helped knows that they are loved and cared for. Angel Tree donations will run from November 29 through December 13.

Operation Christmas Child was quite a success with 1443 shoeboxes collected. Thank you to all who participated in this venture.

Offering Envelopes are ready and are in the narthex. Please pick yours up at your convenience.

Please join us as we celebrate Jesus' Birthday!

Sunday, December 13th

3:00 pm

Family Life Center

We will be collecting food donations for Manna House.

(For parents: We will have opportunities for children to participate, but no rehearsals, costumes, or speaking parts are required this year...just come and enjoy!)

Part-Time Pianist

The Lutheran Church of the Redeemer has an opening for church pianist beginning December 14, 2015. The successful candidate will possess the necessary technical skills to play the church pianos. A degree in music is not required, but the person selected must have the necessary experience to satisfactorily perform the required duties.

Candidates should send a letter of application to lutheranredeemer@bellsouth.net.

Calendar November 29-December 5

Today

8:45 am	Worship
9:30 am	Children's and Junior Choir
9:45 am	Sunday School
11:00 am	Worship

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

5:30 pm

Handbell Choir

6:15 pm

Advent Service – bring a dish to share

7:35 pm

Senior Choir

Thursday

6:00 pm

Library Reserved

Attendance for November 22

Sunday School	45
8:30 am	33
11:00 am	82
Total	115