



# The Lutheran Church of The Redeemer

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October 4, 2015

19<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

8:30 am

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*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.

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.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Let us pray...

**C: Sovereign God, you have created us to live in loving community with one another. Form us for life that is faithful and steadfast, and teach us to trust like little children, that we may reflect the image of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

<We sit.>

**WORD**

**FIRST LESSON**

**Genesis 2: 18-24**

<sup>8</sup>The Lord God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner." <sup>19</sup>So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. <sup>20</sup>The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. <sup>21</sup>So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. <sup>22</sup>And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. <sup>23</sup>Then the man said,

"This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken."

<sup>24</sup>Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

**SECOND LESSON**

**Hebrews 1: 1-4, 2:5-12**

<sup>1</sup>Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, <sup>2</sup>but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. <sup>3</sup>He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, <sup>4</sup>having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs. <sup>5</sup>Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. <sup>6</sup>But someone has testified somewhere,

"What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them?"

<sup>7</sup>You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, <sup>8</sup>subjecting all things under their feet."

Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them,<sup>9</sup>but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

<sup>10</sup>It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings.<sup>11</sup>For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters,<sup>12</sup>saying, “I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.”

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

<We stand.>

## **GOSPEL**

**Mark 10: 2-16**

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark.

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

<sup>2</sup>Some Pharisees came, and to test [Jesus] they asked, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?” <sup>3</sup>He answered them, “What did Moses command you?” <sup>4</sup>They said, “Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her.” <sup>5</sup>But Jesus said to them, “Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. <sup>6</sup>But from the beginning of creation, ‘God made them male and female.’ <sup>7</sup>‘For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, <sup>8</sup>and the two shall become one flesh.’ So they are no longer two, but one flesh. <sup>9</sup>Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.”

<sup>10</sup>Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. <sup>11</sup>He said to them, “Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; <sup>12</sup>and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.”

<sup>13</sup>People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. <sup>14</sup>But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, “Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. <sup>15</sup>Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.” <sup>16</sup>And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

<We sit.>

**CHILDREN’S SERMON**

Pastor Matt

**THE SERMON**

Pastor Matt



Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;

praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

**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.**

**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 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.)*

*<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**

**SENDING OF LAY EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

P: O God of tender compassion, as you healed the sick and welcomed the stranger, bless those who leave this assembly to share the gifts of this table with our sisters and brothers who are sick or homebound. May they be sustained by the love and prayers of this community, and by the Bread of life that satisfies all hunger, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

**SUNG BLESSING**

**SENDING HYMN**

**Blest Be the Tie That Binds**

**LBW Hymn 370**

**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**

Presiding Minister	The Rev. Matthew Titus
Pianist	Lloan McCracken
Lector/Communion Assistant	Ernie Shealy
Usher	Nancy Riggan
Communion Preparation	8:30-Jessica Draeger/Tony Chapman 11:00-Donna Franklin

**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, in loving memory of our parents, Thomas and Mattie Fellers, by Mary Louise Fellers, Tommy Fellers, Joye Fellers Senn, and Marie Fellers Nicosia.

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

**Bible Study** – Starting on Monday, October 12 join John Green as he leads us in a study of Galatians. This study will be done over five Mondays from October 12 through November 9. For those interested, meet in the Church Library each of those days at 6 pm . See you there!

**Organ Repair Donations** – The donations for repairs to the organ have generated sufficient funds to complete the needed work; therefore no further donations to the organ fund are needed. Thank you for all your support and donations to this fund.

**Confirmation begins TODAY!**

Confirmation is about to kick in high gear. This year there are a few exciting changes that will deepen and broaden the faith of those youth who get to participate in Confirmation. We will be partnering with Summer Memorial Lutheran Church and their pastor – Stephen Mims. Those youth who are in at least 6<sup>th</sup> grade are encouraged to participate. A letter was sent out to all families whose children will be participating. If you know of other potential 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders who would like to participate, send them to join us on **Sunday, October 4, at Redeemer at 4pm.** Get ready to see your faith **Ignite!** Confirmation classes will be held the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of each month, meeting at Redeemer on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday and at Summer on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday.

**New Member Sunday**

Today, Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup> at both services, we will welcome new members into the community of faith here at The Lutheran Church of the Redeemer. Come be present as we welcome the Reids, the Wisemans, and the Tituses! Be on the lookout in the future for classes taught by Pastor Matt about Lutheranism that all members – new and seasoned – are encouraged to attend.

**October Youth Event!**

Come join us on Sunday, October 11 as we go to Stewart Farms in Enoree for some fall fun! Get lost in their Corn MAiZE, relax on their wagon ride, and more! The cost is \$5 for those ages 6 and up (under 6 are free) and \$3 for everyone that wants to go on the wagon ride. We will meet at the church at 2pm in the Redeemer Parking lot.

**Annual Congregational Meeting**

On Sunday, November 8 there will be one service at 10am. After this service we will hold and conduct our Annual Congregational Meeting. We will go over and vote for the budget for 2016 and we will vote on new council members. We are pleased to announce the following six people who have graciously accepted the call (should they be voted) to serve on Church Council: Laura Dominick, Donna Franklin, Angela Reid, Andy Senn, Beth Singletary, and Amanda Richardson.

**Calendar October 4-October 10**

**Today**  
 8:30 am      Worship  
 9:30 am      Children’s and Junior Choir  
 9:45 am      Sunday School  
 11:00 am     Worship  
 4:00 pm      Confirmation (Redeemer)

**Wednesday**

6:30 pm      Handbell Choir  
 7:35 pm      Senior Choir

**Thursday**

6:00 pm      Library Reserved

**Attendance for September 27**

Sunday School	51
8:30 am 37 / 11:00 am 77	
<b>Total</b>	<b>114</b>