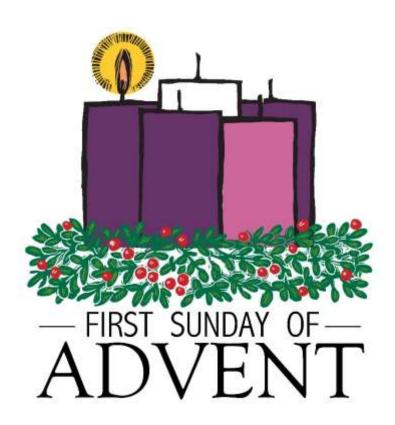
To Win and Save Souls for Christ

Redeemer Lutheran Church

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Welcome to Redeemer Lutheran Church

We invite you to worship with us each Sunday at 10:30 AM.

Our Sunday Education & Bible Classes begin at 9:15 AM.
Wednesday Evening Advent Worship ~ 7pm
Please join us!

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Something To Ponder:

Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance.

Perseverance must finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.

James 1:2-4

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Something To Smile About:

A friend reminds me that it's not what you go through in life that counts; it's how you look while you're going through it!

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Now He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness.

2 Corinthians 9:10 (NIV)

Prayer Before Worship:
At the beginning of the week we come before You, O Lord, with grateful hearts for Your protection. We thank you for the privilege of seeing the light of new mornings. We ask You to be

with us. Give us wisdom and strength for the tasks which await us. Help us to perform our duties faithfully and to find that joy which comes from seeking You in all we do. Amen.

Our Worship Service:

Officiant: Rev. Robert Spilman Communion Assistant: Marilynn Kurzdorfer Readers: Pam Zimmerman & Don Hajdufi

Organist: Kathy Beutel

Greetings and Announcements

Opening Hymn: "On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry" (LSB 344)

On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry Announces that the Lord is nigh; Awake and hearken, for he brings Glad tidings of the King of kings!

Then cleansed be ev'ry life from sin; Make straight the way for God within, And let us all our hearts prepare For Christ to come and enter there.

We hail Thee as our Savior, Lord, Our refuge and our great reward; Without Thy grace we waste away Like flow'rs that wither and decay. Lay on the sick Thy healing hand And make the fallen strong to stand; Show us the glory of Thy face Till beauty springs in ev'ry place.

All praise, eternal Son, to Thee Whose advent set Thy people free, Whom with the Father we adore And Holy Spirit evermore.

Invocation ~

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Confession and Absolution ~

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C: who made heaven and earth.

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord, C: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

P: O almighty God, merciful Father,

C: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended you and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of

you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

Service of the Word

Introit ~

P: Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation. To You, O Lord, I lift up my soul. O my God, in You I trust; let me not be put to shame; let not my enemies exult over me. Indeed, none who wait for You shall be put to shame; they shall be ashamed who are want only treacherous.

Gloria Patri ~

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Kyrie ~

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Gloria in Excelsis ~

P: Glory be to God on high:

C: and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.

We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.

O Lord God, heav'nly King,
God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only begotten Son,

Jesus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God,

Son of the Father,

that takest away the sin of the world,

have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world,

receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,

have mercy upon us.

For Thou only art holy;

Thou only art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Salutation ~

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And with thy spirit.

P: Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day ~

P: Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come, that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 64:1-9

¹Oh, that you would rend the heavens and come down, that the mountains would tremble before you!

²As when fire sets twigs ablaze

and causes water to boil,

come down to make your name known to your enemies and cause the nations to quake before you!

³For when you did awesome things that we did not expect, you came down, and the mountains trembled before you.

⁴Since ancient times no one has heard,

no ear has perceived,

no eye has seen any God besides you,

who acts on behalf of those who wait for him.

⁵You come to the help of those who gladly do right, who remembers your ways.

But when we continued to sin against them, you were angry.

How then can we be saved?

⁶All of us have become like one who is unclean,

and all our righteous acts are like filthy rags;

we all shrivel up like a leaf,

and like the wind our sins sweep us away.

⁷No one calls on your name

or strives to lay hold of you;

for you have hidden your face from us and have given us over to our sins.

⁸Yet you, Lord, are our Father.

We are the clay, you are the potter; we are all the work of your hand.

⁹Do not be angry beyond measure, Lord; do not remember our sins forever.

Oh look on us, we pray,

for we are all your people.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 80:1-7

¹Hear us, Shepherd of Israel,

you who lead Joseph like a flock.

You who sit enthroned between the cherubim,

shine forth ²before Ephraim, Benjamin and Manasseh.

Awaken your might;

come and save us.

³Restore us, O God; make your face shine on us, that we may be saved.

⁴How long, Lord God Almighty, will your anger smolder against the prayers of your people?

⁵You have fed the with the bread of tears; you have made them drink tears by the bowlful.

⁶You have made us an object of derision to our neighbors, and our enemies mock us.

⁷Restore us, God Almighty; make your face shine on us, that we may be saved.

Epistle Reading: <u>I Corinthians 1:3-9</u>

³Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴I always thank my God for you because of his grace given you in Christ Jesus. ⁵For in him you have been enriched in every way – with all kinds of speech and with all knowledge – ⁶God thus confirming our testimony about Christ among you. ⁷Therefore you do not lack any spiritual gift as you eagerly wait for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed. ⁸He will also keep you firm to the end, so that you will be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹God is faithful, who has called you into fellowship with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

P: **The Holy Gospel** according to St. Mark, the 13th chapter, verses 24-37

C: Glory to You, O Lord

²⁴"But in those days, following that distress,

'the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; ²⁵the stars will fall from the sky. And the heavenly bodies will be shaken.'

²⁶At that time people will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. ²⁷And he will send his angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of the heavens.

²⁸Now learn this lesson from the fig tree: As soon as its twigs get tender and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. ²⁹Even so, when you see these things happening, you know that it is near, right at the door. ³⁰Truly I tell you, this generation will certainly not pass away until all these things have happened. ³¹Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away."

³²"But about that day or hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. ³³Be on guard! Be alert! You do not know when that time will come. ³⁴It's like a man going away; He leaves his house and puts his servants in charge, each with their assigned task, and tells the one at the door to keep watch.

³⁵"Therefore keep watch because you do not know when the owner of the house will come back – whether in the evening, or at midnight, or when the rooster crows, or at dawn. ³⁶If he comes suddenly, do not let him find you sleeping. ³⁷What I say to you, I say to, everyone: 'Watch!'

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed ~

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance

with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried.

And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sin, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Sermon ~ <u>Advent — Our Faithful God Is Coming</u>

Offertory ~

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

Prayer of the Church ~

after Pastor says "Lord in Your mercy" we reply "hear our prayer"

(Please place Offerings in the plate at the entrance upon leaving)

Service of the Sacrament

Preface ~

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And with thy spirit.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up unto the Lord.

P:Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

C: It is meet and right so to do.

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

The Sanctus ~

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth: Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

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.

The Words of our Lord/Institution of the Sacrament

Pax Domini ~

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen

Agnus Dei ~

- O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
- O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
- O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

Distribution of Communion

Nunc Dimittis ~

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

The Thanksgiving ~

P: O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.

C: and His mercy endureth forever.

Post-Communion Collect ~

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Benediction ~

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

Closing Hymn: "Hark the Glad Sound" (LSB 349)

Hark the glad sound! The Savior comes,
The Savior promised long:
Let ev'ry heart prepare a throne And ev'ry voice a song.

He comes the pris'ners to release, In Satan's bondage held.

The gates of brass before Him burst, The iron fetters yield.

He come the broken heart to bind, The bleeding soul to cure.

And with the treasures of His grace To enrich the humble poor.

Our glad hosannas, Prince of Peace,
Thy welcome shall proclaim.
And heav'n's eternal arches ring With Thy beloved name.

The Worship is over, now the service begins.