OUR REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH Sunday, November 12, 2023



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OUR MISSION

"The Our Redeemer church family exists to **welcome** people to faith; help people **grow** in the faith that works in real life; and **serve** our community and the world together in **Jesus'** name."

GUESTS AND MEMBERS - WELCOME TO OUR REDEEMER

We're happy that you've joined us in worship, especially if you are a visitor with us. We pray that the Lord who led you here would lead you into a time of knowing Him better, trusting in Him more, and growing deeper in His love as He places His Word and cross before your eyes, ears, and hearts.

We like to know you worshiped with us today. Please sign the Friendship Pad located on the aisle side of the pew and pass it along to others in the pew.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS, HYMNALS & LISTENING DEVICES ARE AVAILABLE

Please see an usher for assistance with these items.

<u>Serving Us Today</u> Guest Pastor - Rev. David Ehlers Pianist - Trudy Rowold

Elder	Danny Kiedaisch	(309-212-0504)		
Reader	John Walther			
Ushers	Larry Rowold (Lead) and Greg Johnson			
Adult Choir	Cally Robertson, Director Tracy Holloway, Accompanist			
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<u>Altar Flowers</u>

The flowers on the altar are sponsored by Doris Davenport for God's blessings.

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TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST DIVINE SERVICE SETTING II

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN	"Hail to the Lord's Anointed"	LSB 398
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CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.
- P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination

- P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore 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

PSALM

Psalm 70

LSB 167

- P: Make haste, O God, to deliver me! O LORD, make haste to help me!
- C: Let them be put to shame and confusion who seek my life! Let them be turned back and brought to dishonor who desire my hurt!

- P: Let them turn back because of their shame who say, "Aha, Aha!"
- C: May all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you! May those who love your salvation say evermore, "God is great!"
- P: But I am poor and needy; hasten to me, O God! You are my help and my deliverer; O LORD, do not delay!

All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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P: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.





SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C And al - so with you.

P: Let us pray. Lord God, heavenly Father, send forth Your Son to lead home His bride, the Church, that with all the company of the redeemed we may finally enter into His eternal wedding feast; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



OLD TESTAMENT READING

Woe to you who desire the day of the LORD! Why would you have the day of the LORD? It is darkness, and not light, as if a man fled from a lion, and a bear met him, or went into the house and leaned his hand against the wall, and a serpent bit him. Is not the day of the LORD darkness, and not light, and gloom with no brightness in it? "I hate, I despise your feasts, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies. Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings, I will not accept them; and the peace offerings of your fattened animals, I will not look upon them. Take away from me the noise of your songs; to the melody of your harps I will not listen. But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream."

A: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Amos 5:18-24 (Pew Bible pg. 768)

EPISTLE

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 (Pew Bible pg. 987)

But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

A: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

ADULT CHOIR

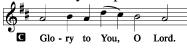
"Lead Me Home"

By Thomas A. Dorsey and Joel Raney

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 25:31-46 (Pew Bible pg. 831)

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fifth chapter.



[Jesus said:] "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. And he will place the sheep on his right, but the goats on the left. Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' Then the righteous will answer him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?' And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.'

"Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me." Then they also will answer, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?' Then he will answer them, saying, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

APOSTLES' CREED

G Praise to You, O Christ.

LSB 175

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

SERMON

"These Are the Spiritual Finals" Matthew 25:31-46

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Tithes and offerings are collected in the offering box in the Narthex and brought forward during Offertory. If you have a tithe or offering to share, you may still place it in the offering box following worship.



PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

- P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- C: 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.

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.





"O Bless the Lord, My Soul"

LSB 814 (v. 1-4)

LSB 179