ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME TO CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER! We welcome all who are visiting with us this morning. We are delighted to have you with us. Please fill out one of our visitor cards so that we can get to know you. If you have any questions about COTR, feel free to ask one of our elders, our ministers, or members. We're glad you're here!

Wednesday-FALL SCHOOL OF CULTURAL RESTORATION: Our Fall SCR meetings begin this Wednesday evening with a light supper at 5:15 p.m. catered by Mrs. Micah McCoy (\$4 per child, \$6 per adult). Our classes will begin at 6:05 p.m. (finishing around 7:00). The classes offered for this session are:

"The Hobbit" taught by Will Gunter and

"The Major Metaphors of the Scriptures" taught by Remy Wilkins.

It's going to be a blast so make plans to attend!

Friday-PSALM SING: We will have another fun Psalm Sing this Friday evening in the fellowship hall beginning at 7:00 p.m. Don't miss it!

UPCOMING:

WYCLIFFE PRESBYTERY: The Fall meeting of Wycliffe Presbytery will be held October 6-8, in All Saints Presbyterian Church, Fort Worth, TX. Please pray for God's blessing.

MONROE SYMPHONY CONCERT: The Monroe Symphony will hold its second concert ("Time and Remembrance") of the season here at COTR on Saturday, October 11, at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. The program will include Mendelssohn's Fingal's Cave Overture, Haydn's "London" Symphony, and will feature James Boldin as soloist in Mozart's Horn Concerto No. 2. Plan to come!

FALL PARISH-WIDE FELLOWSHIPS: Our Fall Parish-wide fellowship meetings will be held the afternoon and evening of Sunday, October 12. Check with your parish elder for the time and place of your parish fellowship meeting.

CALENDAR

October 1 - First session of our Fall SCR classes, meal at 5:15, classes begin at 6:05

- 3 Psalm Sing, 7:00 in the fellowship hall
- 5 High School Fellowship after evening worship
- 6-8 Wycliffe Presbytery Meeting
- 8 Session 2 of Fall SCR classes, meal at 5:15, classes begin 6:05
- 11 Monroe Symphony concert, 7:00 p.m., sanctuary
- 12 Fall Parish-wide fellowships

No Evening Service

- 15 Session 3 of our Fall SCR classes, meal at 5:15, classes begin at 6:05
- 22 Session 4 of our Fall SCR classes, meal at 5:15; classes begin at 6:05
- 29 Session 5 of our Fall SCR classes, meal at 5:15, classes begin at 6:05

November 1 – All Saints Day

- 9 Second Sunday service, 6:00 p.m. Pizza fellowship afterwards
- 15 Walters-Metoxin Wedding
- 22 Nash-Collins Wedding
- 27 Happy Thanksgiving!
- 30 First Sunday of Advent

December 7 - Second Sunday of Advent

- 11 DYC Winter Concert, 7:00 p.m.
- 14 Third Sunday of Advent

Second Sunday service, 6:00 p.m.
Pizza fellowship afterwards

- 21 Last Sunday of Advent
- 24 Christmas Eve Service, 6:00 p.m.
- 25 Merry Christmas!

NURSERY WORKERS FOR TODAY:

Infant: AM: Charity Jones, Morgan Lang Floater: Molly Kate Eley

Toddler: AM: Joel Myers, Noah Smith Floater: Paker Hanson

NEXT WEEK:

Heidi Lang, Amy Higginbotham Maggie Myers

Jordan Myers, Emily Hilleke Boaz Hilleke

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THE LORD'S SERVICE

THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 28, 2025

10:00AM MORNING SERVICE

THE LORD CALLS US TO DRAW NEAR

MINISTER: "In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, let us worship God." + HYMN #212 "A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing"

+ SALUTATION:

Minister: "Grace to you and peace, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. The Lord be with you."

Cong: "And with your spirit"

Minister: "In the day I called, and you answered me,"

Cong: "You made my soul fierce with strength."

Minister: "They will acclaim you, Yahweh, all the kings of the earth, for they have heard the words of your mouth. And they will sing of the ways of Yahweh, for the great glory of Yahweh! For exalted is Yahweh, and the lowly one he sees, and the haughty one from afar he knows. If I walk in distress, you make me live, against the nose of my enemies: You send your hand, and you save me with your right hand." Amen.

THE LORD CLEANSES US

CONFESSION OF SINS:

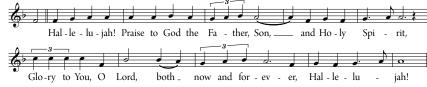
Minister: "Let us humbly kneel and confess our sins to Almighty God"

Cong: Most holy and merciful Father, we confess before You our sinful natures and all our shortcomings and offenses against You. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from Your ways, in wasting Your gifts, & in forgetting Your love. O Lord, have mercy on us. Teach us to hate our errors, cleanse us from our secret faults, and forgive our sins, and for the sake of Your dear Son, grant that we may henceforth live in Your light and walk in Your ways, according to the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

+ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

Minister: "Arise and hear the good news of God's forgiveness: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit."

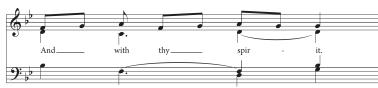
+OPENING ACCLAMATION



+ASCENSION (Sung Preface & Sursum Corda):

Minister: The Lord be with You.

Congregation:



Minister: Lift up your hearts.

Congregation:



Minister: Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

Congregation:

+The Congregation will please stand



Minister: "It is truly meet, right, and salutary, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee. O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty Everlasting God: Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying:"

+ SANCTUS (p. vii, SH)

+ PRAYER OF ADORATION

+ CANTICLE #15 (SH) "A Song of Praise"

THE LORD INSTRUCTS US

THE LESSON Amos 6:1-7

Minister: "The Word of the Lord."

Cong: "Thanks be to God."

CONGREGATIONAL PSALM

Psalm 15

Luke 16:19-31

THE EPISTLE 1 Timothy 3:1-13

Minister: "The Word of the Lord."

Cong: "Thanks be to God."

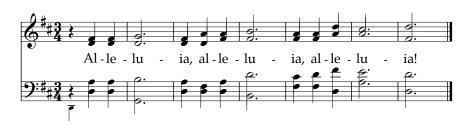
+ HYMN #122 "Of the Father's Love Begotten"

+ READING OF THE GOSPEL

Minister: "The Gospel of our Lord.

Cong: "Praise be to You, O Christ."

+ THREE-FOLD ALLELUIA



READING OF THE TEXT:

1 John 2:12-17

SERMON "Loving the World and Loving the Father"

Pastor Steve Wilkins

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY #125 (SH) "Lord, Our Lord in All the Earth"

(the congregation will sing this hymn)

† DOXOLOGY (We lift our hearts, voices, and hands in praise to God)

+ PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

+The Congregation will please stand

THE LORD COMMUNES WITH US

HYMN #204 (SH) "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name"

+ PRAYER OF INTERCESSION:

Minister: Lord, in your mercy, Congregation: Hear our prayer.

+ THE LORD'S PRAYER: page ix (SH)

+ NICENE CREED:

WE 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 the 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 Ghost 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 on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

AND WE BELIEVE IN THE HOLY GHOST; 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 in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And we look for the resurrection of the dead; And the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE LORD'S SUPPER:

Words of Institution
Thanksgiving for the Bread

Communion Hymn #273

"Christ Hath a Garden'

Thanksgiving for the Wine Passing the peace of Christ

Minister: "The Body and Blood of our Lord strengthen and preserve you steadfast in the true faith unto life everlasting; in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." *Amen.*

THE LORD COMMISSIONS US

+ HYMN #5 (SH)

"Nunc Dimittis"

+ BENEDICTION

+ THREE-FOLD AMEN

+The Congregation will please stand