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!

Today–NO HOSPITALITY MEAL TODAY: We will not have our "Hospitality Meal" today. Lord willing, our meals will resume in the fall.

Wednesday-SESSION MEETING: The elders will have their stated meeting for the month of August this coming Wednesday, at 6:30 p.m. Please pray for God's blessing upon our men as they meet together.

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 of the season here at COTR on Saturday, October 11, at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. 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

August 20 – Session meeting, 6:30 p.m.

September 14 – Second Sunday, 6:00 p.m.
Pizza fellowship afterwards

October 6-8 - Wycliffe Presbytery Meeting

11 - Monroe Symphony concert, 7:00 p.m., sanctuary

12 – Fall Parish-wide fellowships No Evening Service

November 1 - All Saints Day

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

27 - Happy Thanksgiving!

30 - First Sunday of Advent

December 7 - Second Sunday of Advent

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: Savannah Riley, Kaitlyn Rockett Floater: Molly Nash

Toddler: AM: Patrick Trisler, Robbie McBroom Floater: Charlie McBroom

NEXT WEEK:

Heidi Lang, Tara Maddox Madeleine Cross

Jeremy Cychosz, Cameron Lang Benjamin McCoy

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THE LORD'S SERVICE

THE TENTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

AUGUST 17, 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 #526 "O Lord, By Thee Delivered"

+ 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: "Let your mouth be filled with mirth,"

Cong: "And our tongue with singing."

Minister: "When Yahweh restored the restoration of Zion, we became like dreamers.... And they are saying in the nations, Yahweh has done great things with them. Yahweh has done great things with us. We became rejoicers. Restore, Yahweh! Our restoration, as streams in the Negev. Those sowing in tears, in jubilation they will cut off... coming, he will come, in jubilation, bearing his sheaves." 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."

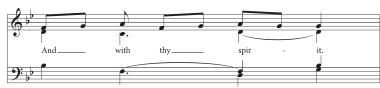
+OPENING ACCLAMATION



+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:



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 #11 (SH) "The Venite"

THE LORD INSTRUCTS US

THE LESSON Jeremiah 23:16-29

Minister: "The Word of the Lord."

CONGREGATIONAL PSALM

Cong: "Thanks be to God."

Psalm 103:1-12

THE EPISTLE

Hebrews 11:17-31

Minister: "The Word of the Lord."

Cong: "Thanks be to God."

+ HYMN #13

"O Worship the King"

+ READING OF THE GOSPEL

Luke 12:49-53

Minister: "The Gospel of our Lord.

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

+ THREE-FOLD ALLELUIA



+READING OF THE TEXT:

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

Proverbs 31:1-9

Pastor Steve Wilkins

+PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

"Counsel from the King's Mother"

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY #453

"O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus"

(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 #306

"Praise Waits for Thee in Zion"

+ 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 #200 (SH)

"O Love, How Deep"

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

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