

## 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–HOSPITALITY MEAL:** We will again have our hospitality meal today after morning worship in the fellowship hall. If you have no plans for lunch, feel free to join some of our COTR families for a meal afterwards!

**HIGH SCHOOL FELLOWSHIP:** We are resuming our High School Fellowship tonight following our evening service. We'll sing, pray, have some good food, and discuss the Heidelberg Catechism. All high school students (9th-12th grades) are invited. Zach Parker will be leading so make plans to come!

**Tuesday–LADIES' BIBLE STUDY:** The Ladies' Bible Study resumes this Tuesday night at 7:00 p.m. in the choir room. We will be studying Hebrews chapter 10. All ladies are invited so make plans to come.

**Friday–RENEWAL CENTER LUNCH:** We will again be serving lunch at the Renewal Center this Friday at 11:30 a.m. If you would like to help in preparing the food, please contact the church office.

**Saturday–BABY SHOWER:** There will be a baby shower in honor of Abby McCarty this Saturday, from 2-4 p.m. at the Crosses (2102 Redwood Drive).

**Next Sunday–SECOND SUNDAY SERVICE:** We will have our "Second Sunday" service next Sunday evening with singing, prayer, and a brief study of our nation's history. AND, we'll have pizza afterwards! Make plans to come!

### GENERAL:

**BOOKS! BOOKS!! BOOKS!!!** Here are the books available for this month:

*The Ten Commandments* by Peter Leithart – \$18.00  
*For All God's Worth* by N. T. Wright – \$14.00  
*Great Stage of Fools* by Peter Leithart – \$17.00

If you would like any (or all!) of these excellent books, please bring a check for the full amount of your order to the church office by Tuesday, September 20.

**CONGRATULATIONS!** We rejoice in the safe birth of George Lafayette and Henry Houston Moreau, twin sons of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Moreau, this past Monday. Praise God from Whom all blessings flow!

### UPCOMING:

**SCHOOL OF CULTURAL RESTORATION:** Our Fall classes for SCR will begin on Wednesday evening, September 14, with a meal beginning at 5:15 p.m. followed by the classes at 6:10 p.m. The classes for this Fall Session are, "Perspectives on Parenting" taught by Steve Wilkins and "Living Words: Reading Poetry & the Bible" taught by Remy Wilkins. Make plans to come for some great fellowship, food, and God willing, some helpful instruction.

**YOUTH DANCE:** There will be a Youth Dance at All Saints Presbyterian Church in Ft. Worth, TX, Saturday, September 17, from 5:30-9:00 p.m. See the note on the Realm for more information.

## CALENDAR

September 4 – High School Fellowship, after evening service  
6 – Ladies' Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.  
9 – Renewal Center lunch, 11:30 a.m.  
10 – Baby shower in honor of Abby McCarty, 2-4 p.m.  
11 – Second Sunday service, 6:00 p.m.  
Pizza fellowship afterwards  
14 – SCR Fall Session, class #1  
17 – Youth Dance, All Saints Presbyterian Church, Ft. Worth, TX  
18 – High School Fellowship, after evening service  
19-20 – Wycliff Presbytery meeting  
21 – SCR Fall Session, class #2  
22 – Session meeting, 6:30 p.m.  
28 – SCR Fall Session, class #3

October 2 – High School Fellowship, after evening service  
4 – Ladies' Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.  
5 – SCR Fall Session, class #4  
9 – Parish-wide Fellowship meetings  
No evening service  
12 – SCR Fall Session, class #5  
14 – Renewal Center lunch, 11:30 a.m.  
16 – High School Fellowship, after evening service

November 1 – All Saints Day celebration  
11 – Renewal Center lunch, 11:30 a.m.  
13 – Second Sunday service, 6:00 p.m.  
27 – First Sunday of Advent

### NURSERY WORKERS FOR TODAY:

**Infant:** AM: Debbie Warner, Sophie Booth  
Floater: Camille Spires

**Toddler:** AM: Darren Dlugosh, Paul Gullette  
Floater: Elias Richey

### NEXT WEEK:

Esther Catledge, Jamie Cychosz  
Gloria Cychosz

Aleta Eley, Emily Gautreaux  
Adam Hilleke

**CHURCH of the REDEEMER** is a member of the Communion of Reformed Evangelical Churches (CREC). The CREC is an international church community with member congregations all across North and South America, Western and Eastern Europe, and Eastern Asia. We are evangelical believers who embrace the historic Christian faith, in the Protestant Reformation tradition. More information may be found at <https://crechurches.org>.

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## THE LORD'S SERVICE

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THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

## SEPTEMBER 4, 2022

10:00AM MORNING SERVICE

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## THE LORD CALLS US TO DRAW NEAR

MINISTER: “In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, let us worship God.”

† HYMN #177 (SH) *“Behold the Glories of the Lamb”*

† 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: “Blessed is he who has the God of Jacob for his help”

*Cong: “Whose hope is in the Lord his God.”*

Minister: “Behold, bless the Lord, all you servants of the Lord, who by night stand in the house of the Lord! Lift up your hands in the sanctuary, and bless the Lord.” **Amen.**

## THE LORD CLEANSSES US

CONFESSION OF SINS:

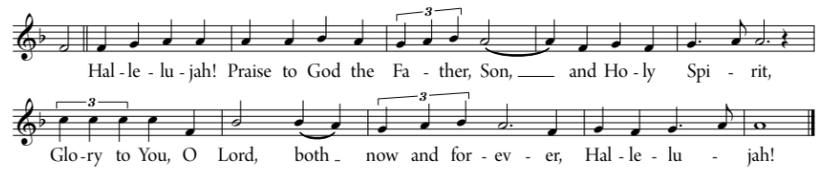
Minister: “Let us humbly kneel and confess our sins to Almighty God”

*Cong: Most holy and merciful Father, we confess before You our sinful natures—prone to evil and slothful in good—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. Teach us to hate our errors, cleanse us from our secret faults, and forgive our sins and for the sake of Your Son, grant that we may live in Your light & 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:



Hal-le-lu-jah! Praise to God the Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Spi-rit,  
Glo-ry to You, O Lord, both now and for-ev-er, Hal-le-lu-jah!

† ASCENSION (Sung Preface & Sursum Corda):

Minister: The Lord be with You.

*Congregation:*



And with thy spir-it.

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

*Congregation:*



We lift them up un-to the Lord.

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

*Congregation:*



It is meet and right so to do.

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 singing:”

†The Congregation will please stand

† SANCTUS (p. vii, SH)

† PRAYER OF ADORATION

† CANTICLE #14 (SH) *“A Song of David”*

## THE LORD INSTRUCTS US

THE LESSON

Deuteronomy 25:15-20

Minister: “The Word of the Lord.”

*Cong: “Thanks be to God.”*

CONGREGATIONAL PSALM

Psalm 1

THE EPISTLE

Philemon 1-21

Minister: “The Word of the Lord.”

*Cong: “Thanks be to God.”*

† HYMN #155 (SH) *“Of Mercy and of Justice”*

† READING OF THE GOSPEL Luke 14:25-35

Minister: “The Gospel of our Lord.”

*Cong: “Praise be to You, O Christ.”*

† THREE-FOLD ALLELUIA:



Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

† PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON *“Life Choices”*

Pastor Steve Wilkins

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY #499 *“Children of the Heavenly King”*

(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 #524 *“O God My Strength and Fortitude”*

† 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 #145 (SH) *“Who With God Most High”*

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