

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 HIGH SCHOOL FELLOWSHIP TODAY: We will not be having High School fellowship today – but, Lord willing, we will resume in August!

Thursday–LADIES’ BOOK SWAP: The ladies will have their second summer book swap this coming Thursday, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Savage home, 2110 Elmwood Dr. July’s theme is books about food. Bring a favorite cookbook, books about chefs, books about feasts, etc. It’s going to be fun. Make plans to come!

Saturday–COUPLES’ SHOWER & BBQ SUPPER: There will be a couples’ shower in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Dakota Clark this coming Saturday, from 6:00 til 9:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. All married couples and adult singles (ages 21 & over) are invited. Gift cards (Target, Home Depot, Lowe’s Tractor Supply, Amazon, Hobby Lobby, and Academy) are requested. Cowboy hats and boots are welcome!

UPCOMING:

IMAGO DEI ART CAMP: Don’t forget to register for the first annual Imago Dei Art Camp, July 27-31. Registration fee is \$200 (which includes supplies). All high school aged students (13-18) will be able to participate in a variety of visual art projects (which will include painting, drawing, print making, calligraphy, and more!), culminating in the Imago Market and the Collective Showcase. Registration fee is \$200 (which includes supplies) and is limited to 50 students – so register today!

ATHANASIUS PRESS BOOKSTORE: Don’t forget that the AP bookstore offers you the best in theological reading and study – including Jeff Meyers’ latest Answers in a Hour book, *What Did God Promise to the Jews?* This excellent book can be yours for only \$8.00. Come to the church office to get your copy and to see all the other books you need in your library!

CALENDAR

July 19 – No High School Fellowship
23 – Summer Ladies’ Book Swap
24 – Couples Shower for Mr.& Mrs. Dakota Clark
27-31 – Imago Dei Art Camp

August 1 – Imago Market and Showcase
Bridal Shower for Anna Dlugosh, 6:00-8:00 p.m.
3-7 – Poiema Retreat, Kill Devil Hills, North Carolina
6 – Summer Ladies’ Book Swap
9 – Second Sunday service, 6:00 p.m.
Pizza fellowship afterwards
14 - DeSiard Street Shelter Lunch
19 – Session meeting, 6:30 p.m.

September 11 - DeSiard Street Shelter Lunch
13 – Second Sunday service, 6:00 p.m.
28-30 – CREC General Council

October 11 – Parish-wide Fellowships
No evening service

NURSERY WORKERS FOR TODAY:

Infant: AM: Savannah Riley, Kaitlyn Rockett
Floater: Mollu Nash

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

NEXT WEEK:

Bethany Wilkins, Tara Maddox
Maddie Cross

Jeremy Cychosz, Cameron Lang
Benjamin McCoy

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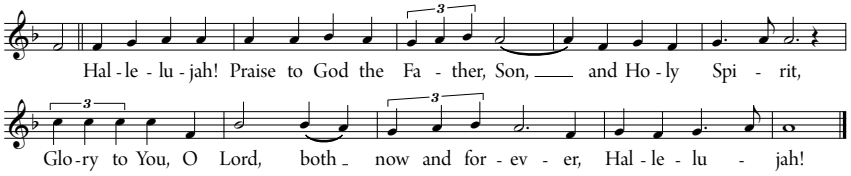
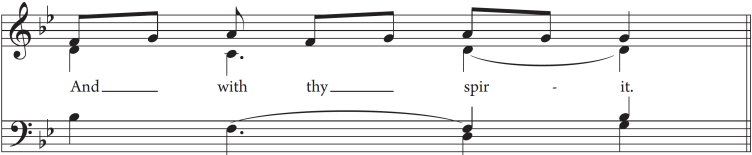


THE LORD’S SERVICE

THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 19, 2026

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 #103	<i>“The Spacious Firmament on High”</i>
† 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.”	
<i>Cong: “And with your spirit”</i>	
Minister: “We beseech Your face with the whole heart,”	
<i>Cong: “Favor us according to Your speech.”</i>	
Minister: “I contemplated my ways and I shall turn my feet to Your testimonies. I hastened and I did not dally to guard Your commands. Cables of the wicked entangle me; Your pattern I do not forget. In the middle of the night I rise to acclaim You because of Your righteous judgments. I am a companion to all of them that fear You and to all those who guard Your precepts.” Amen.	
THE LORD CLEANSSES US	
CONFESSION OF SINS:	
Minister: “Let us humbly kneel and confess our sins to Almighty God”	
<i>Cong: O God, our heavenly Father, we confess to You that we have grievously sinned against You in thought, word, and deed; Not only in outward transgressions, But also in secret thoughts and desires That we are unable fully to understand, But which are all known to You. We are in need of deliverance from Your enemies and our infirmities. For this reason, we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, Seeking and imploring Your forgiveness and deliverance, Through our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.</i>	
†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.	
<i>Congregation:</i> 	
Minister: Lift up your hearts.	
<i>Congregation:</i> 	
Minister: Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.	
<i>Congregation:</i> 	
†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 #13 (SH)	
<i>“Jubilate Deo”</i>	
THE LORD INSTRUCTS US	
THE LESSON	
Isaiah 44:6-8	
Minister: “The Word of the Lord.”	
<i>Cong: “Thanks be to God.”</i>	
CONGREGATIONAL PSALM	
Psalm 103:1-12	
THE EPISTLE	
Romans 8:18-27	
Minister: “The Word of the Lord.”	
<i>Cong: “Thanks be to God.”</i>	
† HYMN #122	
<i>“Of the Father’s Love Begotten”</i>	
† READING OF THE GOSPEL	
Matthew 13:24-30,36-43	
Minister: “The Gospel of our Lord.	
<i>Cong: “Praise be to You, O Christ.”</i>	
† THREE-FOLD ALLELUIA	
	
† READING OF THE TEXT:	
2 Corinthians 5:17-21	
SERMON	
<i>Childrearing: “Mistaken Assumptions ” (2)</i>	
Pastor Steve Wilkins	
PRAYER OF CONSECRATION	
GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS	
OFFERTORY #220	
<i>“Blessed Jesus, At Thy Word”</i>	
(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 #120	
<i>“O Christ, Our Hope, Our Heart’s Desire”</i>	
† PRAYER OF INTERCESSION:	
Minister: Lord, in your mercy,	
<i>Congregation: Hear our prayer.</i>	
† 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 #208	
Thanksgiving for the Wine	
Passing the peace of Christ	
<i>“Jesus, Lord, Redeemer”</i>	
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)	
<i>“Nunc Dimittis”</i>	
† BENEDICTION	
† THREE-FOLD AMEN	
†The Congregation will please stand	