

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: Because so many families are out of town, we will not be having our Sunday noon “hospitality meal” today or for the next two Sundays (August 13 and 20). Lord willing, our fellowship meals will resume on Sunday, August 27.

HIGH SCHOOL FELLOWSHIP: Our bi-monthly High School fellowship will meet tonight after our evening service at 7:15. All High School students are invited so make plans to attend.

Monday–MEN’S BOOK STUDY: Our next Men’s Book Study is set for tomorrow evening, beginning at 7:00. Don’t forget!

Friday–RENEWAL CENTER LUNCH: We will be serving lunch again this Friday at the Renewal Center. If you would like to help prepare the meal, please contact the church office. A sign up sheet is in the foyer.

Next Sunday–SECOND SUNDAY SERVICE: We will have our “Second Sunday” service next Sunday evening at 6:00. We’ll have a time of singing, prayer and a brief study from God’s Word. And in addition, we’ll have PIZZA afterwards! Remember to let us know by Friday if you would like to have pizza (\$2.00 per person or \$10.00 per family).

GENERAL:

CONGRATULATIONS! We rejoice in the safe birth of Magnolia Grace Maddox, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Shelby Maddox. Praise God from Whom all blessings flow!

VACATION: Steve will be on vacation through August 19. During this time we will be privileged to have Pastor Zach Parker preaching and leading our morning services this Sunday and next and Mr. Josh Hurd preaching and leading our evening services.

UPCOMING:

FEAST OF ST. AUGUSTINE: Our annual Feast of St. Augustine will be held, Saturday, August 26, beginning at 4:00 p.m. at the beautiful facilities of Molto Bella, in Calhoun. Make plans to come!

FRIDAYS WITH FLANNERY: There will be no “Fridays with Flannery” in the month of August. We will resume in September (Friday, September 8).

CREC 2023 COUNCIL MEETING: The 2023 CREC Council meeting will convene on Monday evening, September 25, in Moscow, Idaho. Ed Lang will be COTR’s representative at this year’s council and Pastor Zach Parker will be visiting. Please pray for God’s blessing upon our denomination during this meeting.

CALENDAR

August 6 – High School Fellowship, 7:15 p.m.
11 – Renewal Center lunch, 11:30 a.m.
13 – Second Sunday service, 6:00 p.m.
Pizza fellowship afterwards
20 – High School Fellowship, 7:15 p.m.
26 – Feast of St. Augustine

September 1 – First Friday Young Adult Fellowship, 7:00 p.m.
3 – High School fellowship, 7:15 p.m.
4 – Men’s Book Study, 7:00 p.m.
8 – Renewal Center lunch, 11:30 a.m.
Fridays with Flannery, 7:00 p.m.
10 – Second Sunday service, 6:00 p.m.
Pizza fellowship afterwards
17 – High School fellowship, 7:15 p.m.
18 – Men’s Book Study, 7:00 p.m.
22 – Fridays with Flannery, 7:00 p.m.
25-27 – CREC Council Meeting

October 1 – High School Fellowship, 7:15 p.m.
2 – Men’s Book Study, 7:00 p.m.
6 – First Friday Young Adult Fellowship, 7:00 p.m.
8 – Parish-wide fellowship meetings,
No evening service
13 – Renewal Center lunch, 11:30 a.m.
Fridays with Flannery, 7:00 p.m.
14 – Monroe Symphony Concert
15 – High School fellowship, 7:15 p.m.
16 – Men’s Book Study, 7:00 p.m.

NURSERY WORKERS FOR TODAY:

Infant: AM: Anna Pryor, Sarah Richey
Floater: Layla Booth

Toddler: AM: Elizabeth Porter, Amy Booth
Floater: Calhoun Trisler

NEXT WEEK:

Savannah Riley, Kaitlyn Rockett
Annabelle Huber

Patrick Trisler, Julian Ferrington
Solon Trisler

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>.

CHURCH of the REDEEMER

715 Cypress Street | West Monroe, LA 71291
Phone: (318) 323-3061 | Fax: (318) 387-5135
www.redeemertwincities.org



THE LORD’S SERVICE

THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 6, 2023

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 #315 *“God Himself is With Us”*

† 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: “O magnify the Lord with me:”

Cong: “And let us exalt His name together.”

Minister: “Praise the Lord! Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever.” *Amen.*

THE LORD CLEANSSES US

CONFESSION OF SINS:

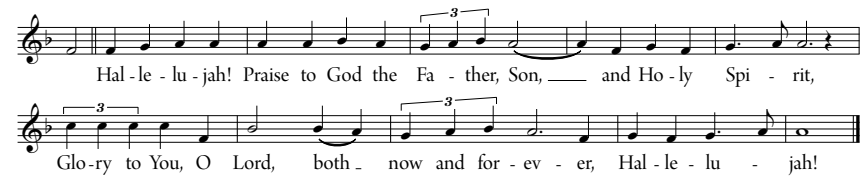
Minister: “Let us humbly kneel and confess our sins to Almighty God”

Cong: Almighty God, we confess that we have sinned against You in our thoughts and words and deeds, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Be merciful to us, most merciful Father. For the sake of the suffering and death of Jesus Christ forgive us our sins and enable us to turn from them and earnestly persevere in doing Your will, through 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:

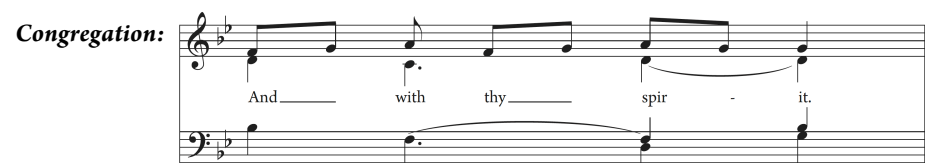


Hal-le-lu-jah! Praise to God the Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Spi-rit,
Glo-ry to You, O Lord, both now and for-ev-er, Hal-le-lu-jah!

† 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 #11 (SH) *“The Venite”*

THE LORD INSTRUCTS US

THE LESSON

Isaiah 55:1-5

Minister: “The Word of the Lord.”

Cong: “Thanks be to God.”

CONGREGATIONAL PSALM

Psalm 121

THE EPISTLE

Romans 9:1-13

Minister: “The Word of the Lord.”

Cong: “Thanks be to God.”

† HYMN #224 *“Hail to the Lord’s Anointed”*

† READING OF THE GOSPEL Matthew 14:13-21

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 *“Sit and Eat”*

Pastor Zach Parker

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY #230 *“O God, thy Judgments Give the 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 #2 *“God, my King, thy Might Confessing”*

† 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 #488

Thanksgiving for the Wine

Passing the peace of Christ

“Lead on, O King Eternal”

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