

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 three Sundays (August 6, 13, 20). Lord willing, our fellowship meals will resume on Sunday, August 27.

MR. WILL GUNTER PREACHING: We have the privilege of having Mr. Will Gunter preach in our 6:00 service this evening. Please pray for God's blessing upon His Word.

Friday–FIRST FRIDAY YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP: Our “First Friday” Young Adult fellowship will be held this coming Friday, August 4. All young people college age and above are invited to come and enjoy food, fellowship, and a study of Peter Leithart's book, *Against Christianity!*

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

GENERAL:

CONDOLENCES: We pray for God's blessing and comfort upon the Keyes family in the passing of Danny's mother, Mrs. Gladys Keyes Roberts. May the Lord comfort and uphold this family.

VACATION: Steve will be on vacation from August 5 through the 19th. During this time we will be privileged to have Pastor Zach Parker preaching and leading our morning services next Sunday and on August 13, and Mr. Josh Hurd preaching and leading our evening services on those Sundays.

UPCOMING:

MEN'S BOOK STUDY: Our next Men's Book Study is scheduled for Monday evening, August 7. Don't forget!

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 4 – First Friday Young Adult Fellowship, 7:00 p.m.
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.

NURSERY WORKERS FOR TODAY:

Infant: AM: Shannin Moreau, Connie Merritt
Floater: Meredith Myers

Toddler: AM: Caroline Seal, Carol Walters
Floater: Bryce Lizenby

NEXT WEEK:

Anna Pryor, Sarah Richey
Layla Booth

Elizabeth Porter, Amy Booth
Calhoun Trisler

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THE LORD'S SERVICE

THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 30, 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 #69 “Lord, With Glowing Heart I’d Praise Thee”

† 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: “Our soul waits for the Lord;”

Cong: “He is our help and our shield.”

Minister: “The Lord reigns; Let the peoples tremble! He dwells between the cherubim; Let the earth be moved! The Lord is great in Zion, Let them praise Your great and awesome name—He is holy.” **Amen.**

THE LORD CLEANSSES US

CONFESSION OF SINS:

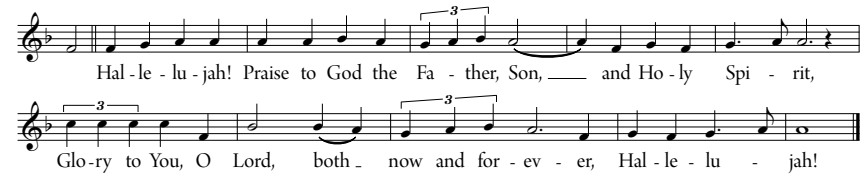
Minister: “Let us humbly kneel and confess our sins to Almighty God”

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:

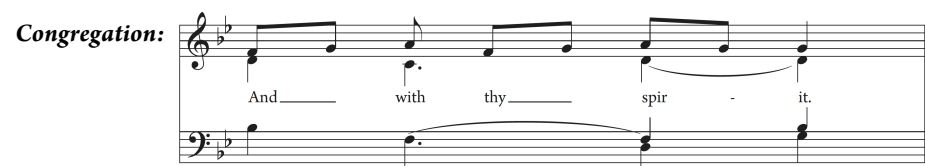


Hal-le-lu-jah! Praise to God the Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Spi-rit,
Glo-ry to You, O Lord, both now and for-ev-er, Hal-le-lu-jah!

† 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 #13 (SH) “Jubilate Deo”

THE LORD INSTRUCTS US

THE LESSON

Deuteronomy 7:6-9

Minister: “The Word of the Lord.”

Cong: “Thanks be to God.”

CONGREGATIONAL PSALM

Psalm 121

THE EPISTLE

Romans 8:28-39

Minister: “The Word of the Lord.”

Cong: “Thanks be to God.”

† HYMN #147 (SH) “God of Vengeance, O Jehovah”

† READING OF THE GOSPEL Matthew 13:44-52

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!

† READING OF THE TEXT: & Exodus 20:13

† PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON *The Ten Words: “You Shall Not Kill”*

Pastor Steve Wilkins

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY #243 “O Quickly Come, Dread Judge of All”

(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 #449 “The Law of God is Good and Wise”

† 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 #415 “God be Merciful to Me”

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