

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 TODAY: We will have our “hospitality meal” after our morning service this morning. If you do not have lunch plans, you are cordially invited to eat with some of our COTR families in the fellowship hall after our service.

NO HIGH SCHOOL FELLOWSHIP TONIGHT: High School Fellowship has been postponed but will resume the first Sunday evening in August (August 6). Mark your calendars and plan to attend!

Monday–MEN'S BOOK STUDY: The Men's Book Study will have its last meeting of the summer tomorrow evening, at 7:00 p.m. at the Lizenbys, 2004 Pargoud Blvd, Monroe. We will be finishing up the discussion of *The Habsburg Way* by Archduke Eduard Habsburg. If you have any questions, contact Shelby Maddox (318-237-3109) or Aaron Booth (318-557-6116).

Saturday–BOOTH-FERRINGTON WEDDING RECEPTION: The congregation is invited to the wedding reception of Sophie Booth and Julian Ferrington, this Saturday afternoon at 5:30, at Molto Bella, in Calhoun.

UPCOMING:

FRIDAYS WITH FLANNERY: Our next “Fridays with Flannery” will meet Friday evening, July 28, at 7:00 p.m. We will be discussing the story, “Everything That Rises Must Converge” Make plans to join us!

YOUTH DANCE: A dance for young people 13 and over, will be held at Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church in Nacogdoches, Texas, on Saturday, July 29, from 4:30 - 6:00 p.m. Brunch will be held at the church on Saturday July 29th from 9am-11am for out of towners and those wanting extra fellowship time.

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!

CALENDAR

July 17 – Men's Book Study, 7:00 p.m.
26 – Session meeting, 6:30 p.m.
28 – Fridays with Flannery, 7:00 p.m.
29 – Youth Dance, Nacogdoches, TX, 4:30-6:00 p.m.

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 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.

NURSERY WORKERS FOR TODAY:

Infant: AM: Sandy Lizenby, Abby McCarty
Floater: Maggie Myers

Toddler: AM: Carol Medlin, Shannin Moreau
Floater: Carter Lang

NEXT WEEK:

Tammy Seal, Sarah Freeland
Hayes Merritt

Peter Nash, Archer Wilkins
Oz Wilkins

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THE LORD'S SERVICE

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 16, 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 #16 *“Praise the Lord, Ye Heavens Adore Him”*

† 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: “This is the day which the Lord hath made.”

Cong: “Let us rejoice and be glad in it.”

Minister: *“The Lord reigns; Let the peoples tremble! The Lord is great in Zion, And He is high above all the peoples. Let them praise Your great and awesome name—He is holy” Amen.*

THE LORD CLEANSSES US

CONFESSION OF SINS:

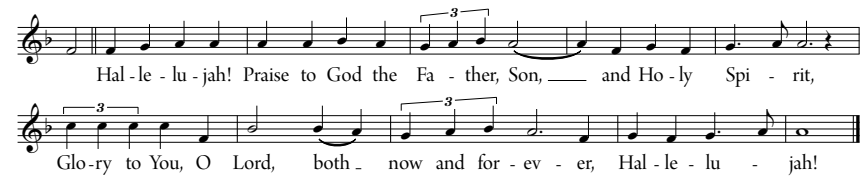
Minister: “Let us humbly kneel and confess our sins to Almighty God”

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:

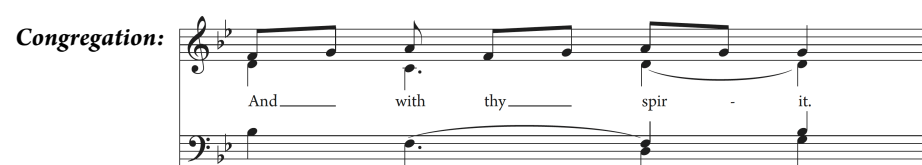


Hal-le-lu-jah! Praise to God the Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Spi-rit,
Glo-ry to You, O Lord, both now and for-ev-er, Hal-le-lu-jah!

† 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

Isaiah 55:10-13

Minister: “The Word of the Lord.”

Cong: “Thanks be to God.”

CONGREGATIONAL PSALM

Psalm 150

THE EPISTLE

Romans 8:12-17

Minister: “The Word of the Lord.”

Cong: “Thanks be to God.”

† HYMN #131 *“When Morning Gilds the Skies”*

† READING OF THE GOSPEL Matthew 13:1-23

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: Isaiah 58:13-14 & Exodus 20:8-11

† PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON *The Ten Words: “Remember the Sabbath Day”*

Pastor Steve Wilkins

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY #321 *“O Day of Rest and Gladness”*

(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 #323 *“Come, Let Us Join With One Accord”*

† 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 #473 *“Lord of Our Life”*

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