

**SERVICE OF WORSHIP
AND HOLY COMMUNION**

MAY 19, 2024
DAY OF PENTECOST



OUR REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH
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WORSHIP SERVICES

5:30pm, Saturday

9:00 and 11:00am, Sunday (11:00am livestreamed)

An area is available in the narthex for parents and young children.

The service is broadcast to the narthex. The volume may be adjusted by turning the knob on the wall near the left sanctuary doors.

Online services are available through
facebook.com/ORLutheran, YouTube and the church's website.

GROWING IN GOD (SUNDAY SCHOOL)

September 24 - May 5, 10:00 AM, Age 3-Adults

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MISSION STATEMENT

"As Our Redeemer Lutheran Church is a community of people believing in Jesus Christ, our overall purpose is to worship, teach, serve, evangelize and witness to that belief."

The Day Of Pentecost



Welcome to worship! Please pass the fellowship pads down your row at this time. If you are a visitor and would like more information about our church, please include your address and phone number. You're invited to speak the responses in bold print, and stand as is comfortable for you at the places indicated.

GATHERING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETING: Dr/LTC (Ret) Sally A. Mounts, Chief Development Office, City Mission

Stand

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father,
and of the + Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation,
come to the help of your people,
turning us from our sin
to live for you alone.

Give us the power of your Holy Spirit
that we may confess our sin,
receive your forgiveness,
and grow into the fullness
of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God,
we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.
We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us.
Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,
so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name.
Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God,
Jesus Christ was given to die for us,
and for his sake God forgives us all our sins.
As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ,
and by his authority,
I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins,
in the name of the Father,
and of the + Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

GATHERING SONG: *God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind*



1 God of tem - pest, God of whirl - wind, as on Pen - te -
2 God of blaz - ing, God of burn - ing, all that blocks your
3 God of earth - quake, God of thun - der, shake us loose from
4 God of pas - sion, God un - sleep - ing, stir in us love's



cost de - scend! Drive us out from shel - tered com - fort;
pur - pose, purge! Through your church, Christ's liv - ing Bod - y,
leth - ar - gy! Break the chains of sin a - sun - der,
rest - less - ness! Where the peo - ple cry in an - guish,



past these walls your peo - ple send! Sweep us in - to cost - ly ser - vice,
let your flam - ing Spir - it surge! Where de - ceit con - ceals in - jus - tice,
for earth's heal - ing set us free! Crum - ble walls that still di - vide us;
may we share your heart's dis - tress. Rouse us from con - tent with e - vil;



there with Christ to bear the cross, there with Christ to bear the cross!
kin - dle us to speak your truth, kin - dle us to speak your truth!
make us one in Christ our Lord, make us one in Christ our Lord!
claim us for your king - dom's work, claim us for your king - dom's work!

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Mighty God, you breathe life into our bones, and your Spirit brings truth to the world. Send us this Spirit, transform us by your truth, and give us language to proclaim your gospel, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Sit

WORD

First Reading: Ezekiel 37:1-14

A reading from Ezekiel.

¹The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. ²He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. ³He said to me, “Mortal, can these bones live?” I answered, “O Lord God, you know.” ⁴Then he said to me, “Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. ⁵Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. ⁶I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord.”

⁷So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. ⁸I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. ⁹Then he said to me, “Prophecy to the breath, prophecy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.” ¹⁰I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

¹¹Then he said to me, “Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, ‘Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.’ ¹²Therefore prophecy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. ¹³And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. ¹⁴I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act, says the Lord.”

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 104:24-34, 35b (*Read responsively*)

²⁴How manifold are your works, O Lord!
In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

²⁵**Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many to number,
living things both small and great.**

²⁶There go the ships to and fro,
and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it.

²⁷**All of them look to you
to give them their food in due season.**

²⁸You give it to them; they gather it;
you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

²⁹**When you hide your face, they are terrified;
when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.**

³⁰You send forth your Spirit, and they are created;
and so you renew the face of the earth.

³¹**May the glory of the Lord endure forever;
O Lord, rejoice in all your works.**

³²You look at the earth and it trembles;
you touch the mountains and they smoke.

³³**I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;
I will praise my God while I have my being.**

³⁴May these words of mine please God.
I will rejoice in the Lord.

^{35b}**Bless the Lord, O my soul.
Hallelujah!**

SECOND READING: Acts 2:1-21

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

¹When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place.

²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem.

⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?” ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.” ¹²All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” ¹³But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.”

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say.

¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning.

¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷In the last days it will be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams.

¹⁸Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

²⁰The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,

before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day.

²¹Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.’ ”

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL: John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

The holy gospel according to John.
Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said,] ²⁶“When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. ²⁷You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.

^{16:4b}“I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. ⁵But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, ‘Where are you going?’ ⁶But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts.

⁷Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. ⁸And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: ⁹about sin, because they do not believe in me; ¹⁰about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; ¹¹about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

¹²“I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.”

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Sit

CHILDREN’S SERMON

SERMON

Stand

HYMN OF THE DAY: *The Church of Christ, in Every Age*



1 The church of Christ, in ev - 'ry age be - set by
2 A - cross the world, a - cross the street, the vic - tims
3 Then let the ser - vant church a - rise, a car - ing
4 For he a - lone, whose blood was shed, can cure the
5 We have no mis - sion but to serve in full o -



change, but Spir - it - led, must claim and test its
of in - jus - tice cry for shel - ter and for
church that longs to be a part - ner in Christ's
fe - ver in our blood, and teach us how to
be - dience to our Lord; to care for all, with -



her - i - tage and keep on ris - ing from the dead.
bread to eat, and nev - er live be - fore they die.
sac - ri - fice, and clothed in Christ's hu - man - i - ty.
share our bread and feed the starv - ing mul - ti - tude.
out re - serve, and spread his lib - er - at - ing word.

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

A brief silence.

We pray for the church throughout the world, for its ministries, and for the spread of the gospel. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

For the earth, our precious home. We give thanks for the diversity of plant and animal life on our planet. Empower us by your Spirit to be wise and faithful stewards of all you have made. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

For the nations and those who govern. Give those in authority understanding hearts, that they work together to bring justice and peace on earth. Grant all who vote in elections wisdom and discernment. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

For those in need locally and globally: for victims of crimes, for victims of abuse and exploitation, for those who are incarcerated. We pray for the staff and residents of the City Mission. For all who suffer in any way, especially those known to us, especially Lori, Ruth Ann, RJ, Ray, Chris, Jen, Gary, Randy, Carol, Larry, Kathy, and those we name aloud and in our hearts. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

For this congregation and its ministries: for our church council, committees and especially the call committee, for those who plan and lead worship, for acolytes and communion servers, for lectors, worship assistants and tech ministers, for all who prepare and clean our worship space. May our worship and service be pleasing in your sight. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

With thankful hearts, we remember those who have gone before us in the faith. At the last day, breathe new life into our dry bones, that we might feast forever with all the saints in light. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord.
Amen.

Sit

MEAL

OFFERING AND MUSICAL OFFERING

Our offering is an act of worship. If you make your offering through Simply Giving, or regularly give on a non-weekly basis, you are invited to place a Simply Giving envelope in the offering plate when it is passed to you, as a reminder of the offering you have already made.

SPECIAL MUSIC/ANTHEM (11:00) *A Mighty Rushing Wind*

PRESENTATION OF OFFERING

Stand

OFFERING SONG: *Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading, #401*



1 Gra-cious Spir - it, heed our plead-ing, fash - ion us all a - new.
2 Come to teach us, come to nour - ish those who be-lieve in Christ.
3 Guide our think - ing and our speak-ing done in your ho - ly name.



It's your lead-ing that we're need-ing, help us to fol - low you.
Bless the faith-ful, may they flour-ish, strength-ened by grace un - priced.
Mo - ti - vate all in their seek-ing, free - ing from guilt and shame.



Come, come, come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come.

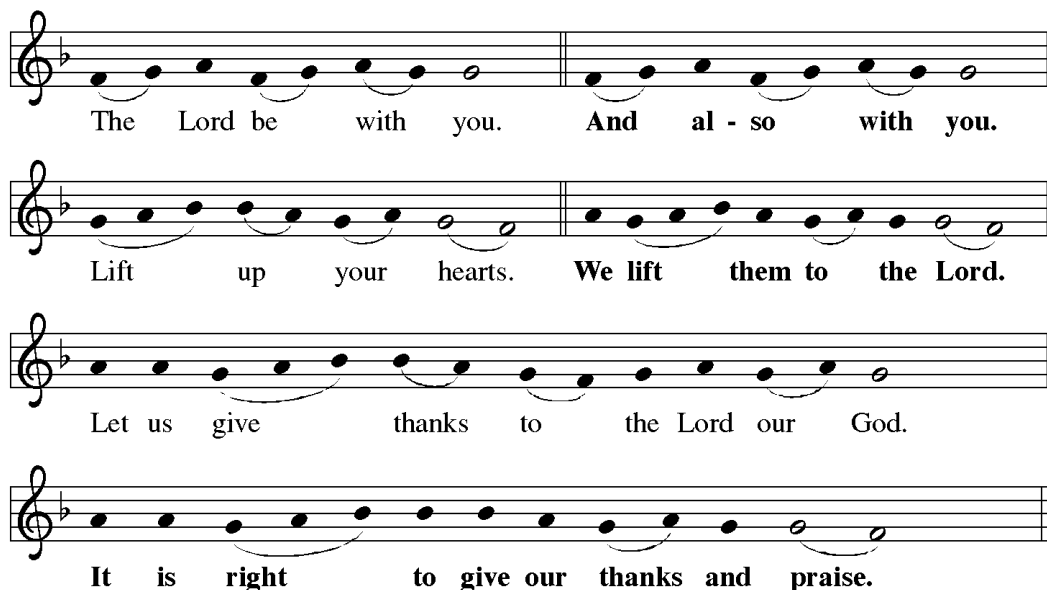


Come, come, come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.
Risen One,
you call us to believe and bear fruit.
May the gifts that we offer here
be signs of your abiding love.
Form us to be your witnesses in the world,
through Jesus Christ, our true vine.
Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ.
Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection,
you pour out the fire of your Spirit,
uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue.
And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection,
with earth and sea and all their creatures,
and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
 heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.. Ho - san - na in the
 high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est.. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father:
 Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign.
 You have filled all creation with light and life;
 heaven and earth are full of your glory.

We praise you for the grace shown to your people in every age:
 the promise to Israel,
 the rescue from Egypt,
 the gift of the promised land,
 the words of the prophets;
 and, at this end of all the ages, the gift of your Son,
 who proclaimed the good news in word and deed
 and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
 our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
 broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
 Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
 Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup
we remember the life our Lord offered for us.
And, believing the witness of his resurrection,
we await his coming in power
to share with us the great and promised feast.
Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit,
that we who share in Christ's body and blood
may live to the praise of your glory
and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.
Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

Join our prayers with those of your servants
of every time and every place,
and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest
until he comes as victorious Lord of all.
Through him, with him, in him,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father,
now and forever.
Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The risen Christ is made known to us
in the breaking of the bread.
Come and eat at God's table.

Sit

INSTRUCTIONS FOR HOLY COMMUNION

As Lutherans, we believe that Christ is really present in the bread and wine we share. All are welcome to commune here. Infants and others who do not commune are invited to come forward and receive a blessing.

Please take a communion glass from the ushers on your way forward. As the pastors and lay assistants give the bread and wine, they say these words to each communicant: The body of Christ, given for you; the blood of Christ, shed for you. The communicant may say: Amen. Wine is offered by Communion Assistants holding the silver chalices. Grape juice is offered by the Communion Assistant on each side holding the pottery chalice. (The grape juice is purple.)

Gluten-free wafers are available from the pastors. Let them know that you need one when you come forward to receive the bread.

SHARING OF HOLY COMMUNION

COMMUNION SONGS: *For the Bread Which You Have Broken*, #494



1 For the bread which you have bro - ken, for the wine which you have poured,
2 By this prom - ise that you love us, by your gift of peace re - stored,
3 With the saints who now a - dore you, seat - ed at the heav'n - ly board,
4 In your ser - vice, Lord, de - fend us; in our hearts keep watch and ward;



for the words which you have spo - ken, now we give you thanks, O Lord.
by your call to heav'n a - bove us, hal - low all our lives, O Lord.
may the church still wait - ing for you keep love's tie un - bro - ken, Lord.
in the world to which you send us let your king - dom come, O Lord.

I Come with Joy, #482



1 I come with joy, a child of God, for - giv - en, loved, and
2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to find, as all are
3 As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share, each proud di - vi - sion
4 The Spir - it of the ris - en Christ, un - seen, but ev - er
5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound by all that God has



free, the life of Je - sus to re - call in
fed, the new com - mu - ni - ty of love in
ends. The love that made us, makes us one, and
near, is in such friend - ship bet - ter known, a -
done, we'll go with joy, to give the world the



love laid down for me, in love laid down for me.
Christ's com - mu - nion bread, in Christ's com - mu - nion bread.
strang - ers now are friends, and strang - ers now are friends.
live a - mong us here, a - live a - mong us here.
love that makes us one, the love that makes us one.

Stand

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and keep you in his grace.
Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.
Shepherding God,
you have prepared a table before us
and nourished us with your love.
Send us forth from this banquet
to proclaim your goodness
and share the abundant mercy of Jesus,
our redeemer and friend.
Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

Alleluia! Christ is risen!
Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The God of resurrection power,
the Christ of unending joy,
and the Spirit of Easter hope
+ bless you now and always.
Amen.

SENDING SONG: *Spirit of Gentleness*, #396

Refrain



Spir - it, Spir - it of gen - tle - ness, blow through the wil - der - ness



call - ing and free; Spir - it, Spir - it of rest - less - ness,



stir me from plac - id - ness, wind, wind on the sea.



- 1 You moved on the wa - ters, you called to the deep,
- 2 You swept through the des - ert, you stung with the sand,
- 3 You sang in a sta - ble, you cried from a hill,
- 4 You call from to - mor - row, you break an - cient schemes.



then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the val - leys of sleep;
and you goad - ed your peo - ple with a law and a land;
then you whis - pered in si - lence when the whole world was still;
From the bond - age of sor - row all the cap - tives dream dreams;



and o - ver the e - ons you called to each thing:
and when they were blind - ed with i - dols and lies,
and down in the cit - y you called once a - gain,
our wom - en see vi - sions, our men clear their eyes.



Refrain
“A - wake from your slum - bers and rise on your wings.”
then you spoke through your proph - ets to o - pen their eyes.
when you blew through your peo - ple on the rush of the wind.
With . . . bold new de - ci - sions your peo - ple a - rise.

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia!



THIS WEEK AT “OUR REDEEMER”

SUNDAY, May 19, 2024, Day of Pentecost

Readings: Ezekiel 37:1-14; Psalm 104:24-34, 35b; Acts 2:1-21;
John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

9:00am Worship

10:00am Reception and forums with City Mission Speakers

11:00am Worship

12:15pm Youth Group (7-12th)

MONDAY, May 20, 2024, Newsletter Deadline

TUESDAY, May 21, 2024

WEDNESDAY, May 22, 2024

7:00pm Chancel Choir

7:00pm VBS Planning Meeting

THURSDAY, May 23, 2024

FRIDAY, May 24, 2024, Office Closed

SATURDAY, May 25, 2024

5:30pm Worship

SUNDAY, May 26, 2024, The Holy Trinity

Readings: Isaiah 6:1-8, Psalm 29, Romans 8:12-17, John 3:1-17

10:00am Worship



THE RITE OF CONFIRMATION *AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM*

We give thanks for the gift of baptism and for Kiley Jade Reber, one with us in the body of Christ, who made public affirmation of her baptism at the 5:30pm service last evening.

Congratulations!

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Prayers of healing and comfort are requested for Lori Gajdowski, Ruth Ann Lowery, RJ Stitt, Ray Hrabar, Chris Decker, Jen Barbati, Gary McGaffic, Randy Stonemark, Carol Ausefski, Larry Moul, Kathy Russman, and those friends and family members who have asked for our prayers: Janis Coltin, Irma Homol, Jules Caye, Mary Brown, Laurie Nickles, Jim Hazi, Barry Lopez, Matthew Alderson, Dave Brewton, Joan Dvorznak, Judy Concannon, Dan Stimmel, David Kriebel, Mary Beth Osborne, Calvin Cokeley, Laura Norton, Ellie Long, Wendy Brosky, Rudy Faynor, John Fox, Marcy Raeford, Nancy Lyons, Kayden Spencer, Carol Davelli, Linda Day, Cameron Mayer, Fritz Fox, Makenna McDonough, Kara Smith, Roy Brown, Frank Ricciuti, Jr., Phyllis Rhone, Clem Ferri, Doug Brandt, Nancy Adams, and Robert Ruppel.

The most recently added names appear at the beginning of the lists and will remain for 3 months. You may remove a name sooner or ask for renewal if a person is still in need of prayer after the three months. If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please submit your request in writing and place in the offering plate, drop off in the church office, or submit by email to orlc@comcast.net.

This weekend's altar flowers have been given by Becky Long in memory of her mother, Thelma Long.

May 25-26 is Holy Trinity Weekend - This is our first weekend of the Summer Schedule – Saturday 5:30pm and Sunday 10:00am.

Directory Photos - We are updating our online directory. Please take a few moments to get your picture taken after the worship service on one of these times or send a photo to Elaine at orlc@comcast.net.

Saturday/Sunday, June 1/2



CITY MISSION
Hope for
Homeless Women

Sunday, May 19 at 10am

Join us for an **adult forum** (sanctuary) and **program for children & youth** (social hall) with staff from City Mission in Washington as we learn more about their ministry and the new “Hope for Homeless Women” Campaign



We extend a warm welcome to our guest speakers from the City Mission. Dr. Sally Mounts, Chief Development Officer, will speak to the adults between the worship services. Shelley Kubincanek, Church/Community Relations Manager and Shelby Lonce, Donor Relations Manager will join Pastor Kerri in providing a program for our children and youth. We are so grateful to have Sally, Shelley, and Shelby here with us this morning. Welcome to Our Redeemer Lutheran Church!

“Hope For Homeless Women” – This weekend we kick off our congregation’s participation in the City Mission’s campaign to build a new shelter for homeless women. We have been offered a very generous matching grant of \$50,000. Our pledge period will be May 19 - June 30. Gifts can be given during the pledge period or over the rest of 2024 and 2025.

New safety measure - Beginning next Sunday, the ushers will be locking the double glass doors during the worship service. In general, they will lock the doors 10 minutes after the service begins and unlock them before the service is over. Our intention is that worshippers will never notice this change because the ushers will keep an eye on the door for anyone who comes after the doors are locked. It is always possible to go outside, even when the doors are locked.

Summer Worship Artists - Calling all artists! We will once again be hearing the first lesson from a children's story Bible this summer (beginning May 26), and need young artists to create a piece of artwork to illustrate each story. Art can be colored, painted, sculpted from play-doh, made of Lego, or whatever else you can think of! Email Pastor Kerri if you'd like to view the stories or sign up!

Peters Township Community Day - Peters Township Community Day will take place on **Saturday, June 29** at Rollings Hills Park from 11am-5pm. Our Redeemer will be hosting a booth. We will have activities for children and information about our church; but most of all, we want to be present to talk with people and share our enthusiasm for Our Redeemer Lutheran Church! Can you help by being present at the booth for at least a one-hour shift? We are scheduling at least two people per hour so you will not be alone. Please consider joining in this fun way to meet others and support our church! Sign up as soon as possible to get your first choice of time!

Altar Guild – New and current Altar Guild Members will gather on **Tuesday, June 4 at 7 pm.** This is a wonderful way to serve the church if you have limited time and/or don’t necessarily enjoy being in front of people! The Altar Guild is indispensable in providing for the beauty and organization of our worship space. If you are willing to give it a try or would like to learn more, please join us on June 4.

Youth Group - All 7th-12th graders are invited to join Pastor Kerri for Youth Group on **Sunday, May 19 from 12:15-2pm**. We'll have pizza and ice cream sundaes and play games.

Pub Theology - All adults are welcome to join in great fellowship and lively conversation around topics of interest in our daily lives each month at the Voodoo Brewing Company in Houston, PA. Our next gathering will be on **Tuesday, May 28, 7:00pm**.

Dining Divas - The Dining Divas will meet for lunch on **Thursday, May 30, 12:30pm** at Frankie I's Bar & Grille (1180 Mapleview Drive @ Route 19, Washington). Ladies, even if you can't come every month, we welcome you whenever you can to join in the fun and fellowship.

Blessings in a Backpack Update - The last packing for this school year will take place on May 30. We will continue collecting donations at the church through **Sunday, May 26**. Our greatest need currently is pasta cups or cans (must have pop-top lid - no can opener needed). We have a fundraiser planned at two local Red Robin restaurants (Washington/Trinity Point and South Hills Village) on **Thursday, June 6** which is Hunger Awareness Day. Mention us at either location when you enjoy a meal (dine-in or to-go) at any time that day and 20% will go to our Blessings in a Backpack program at Ringgold Elementary School North.



Be sure to mark your calendar with the following dates:

- May 22, 7pm - Planning meeting
- May 28, 2pm - Decor prep day
- June 18, 2pm - Volunteer Orientation
- July 7, 11:15am - Decorating day
- July 8-11, 9:15-noon - VBS week!
- July 14, 10am - VBS Sunday

THIS SUNDAY'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE (MAY 19)

9:00am

ACOLYTE - *Child volunteer requested*
LAY ASSISTANT - Karen Glass
LECTOR - Karen Glass
COMMUNION ASSISTANTS - Missy
Bookhammer, Kim Chupinka, Susan
Loeser, Linda Nickles, Phyllis
Permar, Volunteer
GREETER - Linda Nickles
USHERS - Drew and Karla Lance
GIFT BEARER - *Child volunteer
requested*
ALTAR GUILD - Susan Loeser and
Volunteer
POWERPOINT - Ryan Hettinger

11:00am

ACOLYTE - Logan Schnieders
LAY ASSISTANT - Gary Milavec
LECTOR - Soheila Lunney
COMMUNION ASSISTANTS - Barb
Hrabar, Soheila Lunney, Kim Maize,
Keith Mason, Sally Ruppel, Tammy
Wiens
GREETERS - Mizia Family
USHERS - Jim and Sam Mizia
GIFT BEARER - Titus Pomposelli
ALTAR GUILD - Becky Long and Sally
Ruppel
POWERPOINT - Meredith Pomposelli
CAMERA - Rolf Otterness
TELLERS - Sue Lambert and Gary
Milavec

NEXT SUNDAY'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE (MAY 26)

10:00am

ACOLYTE - Henry Binotto
LAY ASSISTANT - Jennifer Hewitt
LECTOR - Becky Long
COMMUNION ASSISTANTS - Brenda Binotto, Tina Borra, Carol Brandyberry,
Becky Long, Beth Pansino, Carl Ruppel
GREETER - Karen Smith
USHERS - Dave Borra and Keith Lowery
GIFT BEARER - Jack Binotto
ALTAR GUILD - Tina Borra and Carol Brandyberry
POWERPOINT - Xander King
CAMERA - Rolf Otterness
TELLERS (SUNDAY) - Karen Glass and Judy Pilof

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Scan the QR code to visit the online "bulletin board" and sign up for upcoming events at Our Redeemer!

Sign up for all events on the bulletin board, through our website, www.OurRedeemerpeters.org, or scan the QR code to the left. For Online Giving, scan the QR code to the right.

Online Giving



Scan the QR code to support the mission and ministry of Our Redeemer by giving an offering online.

City Mission Fundraiser Dinner

Join us on Saturday, June 1 between 12 and 4pm for an afternoon of delicious food and community support, sponsored by Angelo's Restaurant, at St. Benedict the Abbot's church hall (St. John XXIII Parish) in McMurray. You can help build a better future for homeless women by contributing to the construction of our new women's shelter.

Your Ticket Includes:

Pasta with Angelo's famous meatballs
Salad
Breadworks Bread & butter
Desserts from local bakers
Beverage



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PASTA DINNER
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St. Benedict the Abbot Church

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Auction Baskets
50/50
\$1,000 "Tree of Wealth"
Special Silent Auction Prize
Takeout available!

To purchase tickets in advance, go to [Eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com) and search for "City Mission Hope for Homeless Women Pasta Dinner." Tickets can also be purchased at the door.