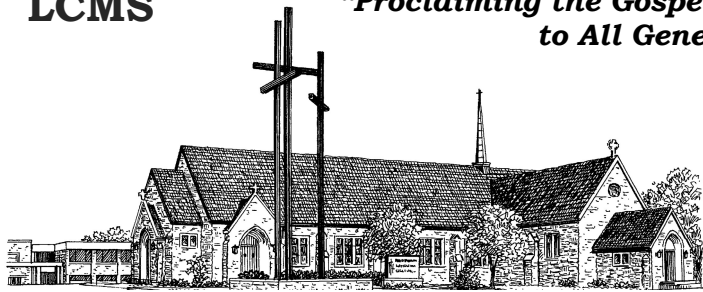


Redeemer Lutheran Church

LCMS

*“Proclaiming the Gospel
to All Generations”*



510 S. 33rd St - Lincoln, NE 68510 - 402-477-1710

THE 2ND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

**Saturday, January 18, and
Sunday, January 19, 2025**

WELCOME! We ask that all worshipers sign an attendance card. Members may hand their cards to an usher. Guests, please hand your card to the Pastor as he greets you by the door. If you are interested in membership at Redeemer, please speak to one of the Pastors.

PARENTS OF INFANTS AND TODDLERS: Here at Redeemer, we strive to help parents as they accompany their children’s walk with Christ. We encourage families of all ages to worship with us. We understand that there are times when children’s attention spans falter. To assist parents, we have activity bags located in each narthex. We have a nursery with an audio-video feed located in the southeast corner of the lower level of the church. A diaper changing station is in the nursery as well as in the main narthex bathroom and the women’s bathroom on the lower level. If you have any questions, please ask an usher to assist you. At 9:45AM on Sunday, we also provide Sunday School in the Family Education Center for children from preschool through high school.

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LISTENING DEVICES are available for those who need assistance in hearing the service. Please speak to the Elder on duty (main narthex) if you need one.

PLEASE RESPECT the prayerful atmosphere of this holy place. We ask you to turn off all cell phones and electronic devices. Thank you!

DID YOU FORGET your offering envelope? Extra envelopes are located in the pew pockets and in the tract rack of each narthex.

PRAYER REQUESTS: If you have a prayer request, please contact the church office (402-477-1710 or valerie.coleman@redeemerlincoln.org) or write it on your attendance card.

HOLY COMMUNION will be celebrated at all services this weekend. All communicants should sign the Communion registration side of an attendance card. A common participation in the Altar of Christ assumes a common unity of faith and doctrine. We therefore ask that all guests who are not in fellowship with the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod contact one of the pastors prior to the Divine Service before presenting themselves at the Altar for the Holy Communion. If you are not communing this day but wish to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest as you kneel at the communion rail. Thank you!

PREPARE FOR THE LORD’S SUPPER! As St. Paul admonishes us, we should always prepare ourselves before receiving the Lord’s Supper (I Cor. 11:28-29). A helpful thing we can do in our preparation is...

- meditate upon the **purpose of the Lord’s Supper.**
(see LSB, pages 326-327)

THE PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP: *Just as You changed water into wine, O Lord, You have changed us from sinners into saints. No longer must we dread the bitter taste of death, for You have revealed to us the sweetness of Your salvation through Your life, death and resurrection. May Your grace continue to sweeten the lives of so many more. In Your name we pray. Amen.*

ORDER OF WORSHIP

(*LSB, pp. 151-166*)

THE PRELUDE

THE RINGING OF THE CHIMES

THE WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PREPARATION

THE HYMN: 408 – “Come, Join in Cana’s Feast”



1 Come, join in Ca - na's feast Where
2 The old wine now is gone From
3 But Christ, the Word made flesh, Bids
4 Come, friends, and share the feast; Here
△ 5 For now He lives and reigns Through



Christ is hon - ored guest. He wel - comes all who
jars that stand a - part. No long - er can it
wa - ter turn to wine. He fills our emp - ty
drink the wine sup - plied By Him who is both
all e - ter - ni - ty With Fa - ther, Spir - it,



come to taste The wine His hands have blessed.
sat - is - fy The yearn - ing, thirst - ing heart.
cups a - gain With grace and truth di - vine.
guest and host— For us, the cru - ci - fied.
Three in One, The glo - rious Trin - i - ty.

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(Please stand for the last stanza)

THE INVOCATION, CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

P (Pastor): In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C (Congregation): Amen.

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

(Silence for reflection and self-examination)

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C: **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.**

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

THE KYRIE (*Spoken; LSB, pp. 152-153*)

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

P: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen.

THE HYMN OF PRAISE: “Gloria in Excelsis” (*LSB*, p. 154)

P: (*Spoken*) Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.

All: (*Sung*) Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father: We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God: You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer. For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE SALUTATION (*Spoken*)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

All: Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

(Please be seated)

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Isaiah 62:1-5

P: The Old Testament Reading for the Second Sunday after the Epiphany is from the 62nd chapter of Isaiah.

¹For Zion’s sake I will not keep silent,
and for Jerusalem’s sake I will not be quiet,
until her righteousness goes forth as brightness,
and her salvation as a burning torch.

²The nations shall see your righteousness,
and all the kings your glory,
and you shall be called by a new name
that the mouth of the LORD will give.

³You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD,
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

⁴You shall no more be termed Forsaken,
and your land shall no more be termed Desolate,
but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her,
and your land Married;
for the LORD delights in you,
and your land shall be married.

⁵For as a young man marries a young woman,
so shall your sons marry you,
and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride,
so shall your God rejoice over you. (ESV)

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL (*Spoken*)

P: Praise the Lord, all nations!

C: Extol him, all peoples!

P: For great is his steadfast love toward us,
C: and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever.

P: Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name;

C: bring an offering, and come into his courts! *Ps. 117:1–2a; 96:8*

THE EPISTLE: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

P: The Epistle is from the 12th chapter of 1 Corinthians.

¹Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers, I do not want you to be uninformed. ²You know that when you were pagans you were led astray to mute idols, however you were led. ³Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking in the Spirit of God ever says “Jesus is accursed!” and no one can say “Jesus is Lord” except in the Holy Spirit.

⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the ability to distinguish between spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another

the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are empowered by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills. (ESV)

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

(Please stand)

THE VERSE (*Sung; LSB, p. 156*)

All: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia. *John 6:68*

THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 2:1-11

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 2nd chapter.

C: (*Sung*) **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹On the third day there was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ²Jesus also was invited to the wedding with his disciples. ³When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to him, “They have no wine.” ⁴And Jesus said to her, “Woman, what does this have to do with me? My hour has not yet come.” ⁵His mother said to the servants, “Do whatever he tells you.”

⁶Now there were six stone water jars there for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus said to the servants, “Fill the jars with water.” And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸And he said to them, “Now draw some out and take it to the master of the feast.” So they took it. ⁹When the master of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom ¹⁰and said to him, “Everyone serves the good wine first, and when people have drunk freely, then the poor wine. But you have kept the good wine until now.” ¹¹This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory. And his disciples believed in him. (ESV)

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: (*Sung*) **Praise to You, O Christ.**

THE NICENE CREED

All: I 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 his 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 Spirit 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 at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose Kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, 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 I believe in one Holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

(Please be seated)

THE HYMN OF THE DAY: 402 - “The Only Son from Heaven”



1 The on - ly Son from heav - en, Fore - told by an - cient seers,
2 O time of God ap - point - ed, O bright and ho - ly morn!
3 O Lord, our hearts a - wak - en To know and love You more,
△ 4 O Fa - ther, here be - fore You With God the Ho - ly Ghost



By God the Fa - ther giv - en, In hu - man form ap - pears.
He comes, the king a - noint - ed, The Christ, the vir - gin - born,
In faith to stand un - shak - en, In spir - it to a - dore,
And Je - sus, we a - dore You, O pride of an - gel host:



No sphere His light con - fin - ing, No star so bright - ly
Grim death to van - quish for us, To o - pen heav'n be -
That we, through this world mov - ing, Each glimpse of heav - en
Be - fore You mor - tals low - ly Cry, “Ho - ly, ho - ly,



shin - ing As He, our Morn - ing Star.
 fore us And bring us life a - gain.
 prov - ing, May reap its full - ness there.
 ho - ly, O bless - ed Trin - i - ty!"

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THE SERMON

Title: "Jesus Will Not Fail Us"

Text: John 2:1-11

(Please stand)

THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P: Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

(At the conclusion of each petition, the Pastor will say, "Lord, in your mercy." The congregation should then respond, "Hear Our Prayer.")

P: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

(Please be seated)

THE OFFERING

(Please stand)

THE OFFERTORY *(Sung; LSB, pp. 159-160)*

All: What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me? I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people, in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Heavenly Father, all of creation is Yours.

C: What we have is on loan from You.

P: Accept these gifts – joyfully given with our thanks.

C: For You alone give light and love, glory and goodness.

P: Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

THE PREFACE *(Spoken; LSB, p. 160)*

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

THE SANCTUS *(Sung; LSB, p. 161)*

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sins and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the

salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew and strengthen us with your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His Kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Spoken)

P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C: 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

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

THE PAX DOMINI

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

THE AGNUS DEI (Sung; *LSB*, p. 163)

All: Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.
(Please be seated)

THE DISTRIBUTION AND THE DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

A Prayer before receiving the Sacrament

Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

A Prayer after receiving the Sacrament

Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the Holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal, through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

THE HYMN: 620 - "Jesus Comes Today with Healing"



1 Je - sus comes to - day with heal - ing, Knock - ing at my
2 Christ Him - self, the priest pre - sid - ing, Yet in bread and
3 Un - der bread and wine, though low - ly, I re - ceive the
4 God de - scends with heav'n - ly pow - er, Gives Him - self to
5 Let me praise God's bound - less fa - vor, Whose own feast of



door, ap - peal - ing, Of - f'ring par - don, grace, and peace.
wine a - bid - ing In this ho - ly sac - ra - ment,
Sav - ior ho - ly, Blood and bod - y, giv'n for me,
me this hour In this or - di - nar - y sign.
love I sa - vor, Bid - den by His gra - cious call.



He Him - self makes prep - a - ra - tion, And I hear His
Gives the bread of life, once bro - ken, And the cup, the
Ver - y Lamb of God from heav - en, Who to bit - ter
On my tongue His pledge re - ceiv - ing, I ac - cept His
Wed - ding gar - ments He pro - vides me, With a robe of



in - vi - ta - tion: "Come and taste the bless - ed feast."
pre - cious to - ken Of His sa - cred cov - e - nant.
death was giv - en, Hung up - on the curs - ed tree.
grace, be - liev - ing That I taste His love di - vine.
white He hides me, Fits me for the roy - al hall.

6 Now have I found consolation,
 Comfort in my tribulation,
 Balm to heal the troubled soul.
 God, my shield from ev'ry terror,
 Cleanses me from sin and error,
 Makes my wounded spirit whole.

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THE HYMN: 859 - "Lord, When You Came as Welcome Guest"



1 Lord, when You came as wel - come guest
 2 Now give Your pres - ence from a - bove
 3 Pre - serve the vow - these two shall make,
 4 Your dai - ly mer - cies let them share,
 5 On all who thus be - fore You kneel



To Ca - na's wed - ding feast, The brid - al pair, di -
 That these, by vow - ing true, May show their pledge is
 This cir - cle round their life, This gold - en ring that
 All threats of harm de - stroy; By this their vow di -
 Your joy - ous Spir - it pour That each may wake the



vine - ly blest, Found all their joy in - creased.
 like the love Be - tween the Church and You.
 none may break Which makes them hus - band, wife.
 vide their care And dou - ble all their joy.
 oth - er's zeal To love You more and more.

6 O grant them here in peace to live,
 In purity and love,
 And after this life to receive
 The crown of life above.

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THE HYMN: 910 - "Now the Silence"



Now the si - lence Now the peace Now the emp - ty hands up - lift - ed



Now the kneel - ing Now the plea Now the Fa - ther's arms in wel - come



Now the hear - ing Now the pow'r Now the ves - sel brimmed for pour - ing



Now the bod - y Now the blood Now the joy - ful cel - e - bra - tion



Now the wed - ding Now the songs Now the heart for - giv - en leap - ing



Now the Spir - it's vis - i - ta - tion Now the Son's e - piph - a - ny



Now the Fa - ther's bless - ing Now Now Now

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(Please stand)

THE GENERAL DISMISSAL

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.

C: Amen.

THE POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE (*Sung: LSB, p. 164*)

All: Thank the Lord and sing His praise; Tell ev'ryone what He has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name. He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

THE POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P: Let us pray.

P: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

THE BENEDICTION (*Spoken; LSB, p. 166*)

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give ✠ you peace.

C: Amen.

THE SILENT PRAYER

THE THREE CHIMES

(Please be seated)

THE POSTLUDE

SERVING US TODAY

Liturgist & Celebrant: Pastor A. C. Dietrich

Preacher: Pastor James E. Fandrey

Organist: Joe Herl

Acolytes: 6:00PM – Elizabeth Sidders

8:30AM – Jacob Bokelmann & Joel Peterson

11:00AM – Jackson Doele & Brooke Plahn

Chancel Guild: Barb Bedke & Kay Schupbach

Paulette Milem

Diann Davis & Sheila Garrison

Elder on Duty: 6:00PM – Bill Arneson

8:30AM – Craig Wohlgenuth

11:00AM – Darrel Hopkins

Greeters:

Main

West

6:00PM

Marty & Karla Jarvis

8:30AM

Valerie Coleman

Joseph & Hannah Connot

11:00AM

Roland & Patty Hill

Susann Hilderbrand

Head Usher: 6:00PM – Rick Hargreaves

8:30AM – John Wolff

11:00AM – Michael Plahn

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< **NEWS & NOTES** >

THE 2ND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

The Divine Glory Is Manifested in the Signs of Christ

When Jesus turned water into wine at the wedding in Cana, it was “*the first of his signs*” by which He “*manifested his glory*” (John 2:11). It pointed to His coming “*hour,*” when He was lifted up on the cross for the forgiveness of sins and the life of the world (John 2:4; 12:23–32). The glory of the cross is incomprehensible apart from the Word and Spirit of God, but disciples of Jesus recognize that glory in the signs of His Gospel, and so they believe in Him. Jesus does not wait for His disciples to discover Him on their own, but He seeks out the forsaken and the desolate and unites them to Himself. He adorns them with His own beautiful righteousness and delights in them “*as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride*” (Is. 62:4–5). Purified by the washing of water with His Word in Holy Baptism, His disciples confess that “*Jesus is Lord,*” and they return thanks to Him “*in the Holy Spirit*” (1 Cor. 12:3) as they drink the good wine that He pours out for them, which is the new testament in His blood.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR NEXT WEEKEND, Jan. 25 & 26:

• Nehemiah 8:1–3, 5–6, 8–10 • 1 Corinthians 12:12–31a • Luke 4:16–30

Prepare to worship by reading and meditating on these sections of Scripture.

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS today are given to the glory of God by:

- ❖ Dick Haase in loving memory of his wife, Ginni, who passed away on January 22nd, 2024.
- ❖ Rod & Lori Lane in celebration of Hayden's birthday on January 19th and Lori's birthday on January 21st.



THE BULLETIN today is given to the glory of God by Lucy Hoffman in celebration of her daughter, Connie Mueller, whose birthday is Sunday, January 19th.

Chancel Flower Sponsorship: Open dates and number of bouquets available are Feb. 2-1, 9-1, 16-2; March 2-2, 9-2, 16-1, 23-2, 30-2. The cost of each bouquet is \$30. To reserve a date, please contact the church office. **Please return the black liner pot to the office within a couple of weeks.**

Bulletin Sponsorship: Open dates are Jan. 26; Feb. 2, 16; March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30. The cost of bulletin sponsorship is \$25. To reserve a date, please contact the church office.

OUR RESPONSE TO THE REDEEMER LAST WEEKEND

Worship Attendance: 302 (35-143-124)

Sunday School/Bible Class Attendance: 101 (27-74)

Online Service Stream: 82

<u>Unified Budget Receipts</u>	<u>Budget Needs</u>	<u>Ahead (Behind)</u>
1/12/25 \$22,733.71	\$18,869.58	\$3,864.13
YTD \$27,729.29	\$37,739.15	(\$10,009.86)



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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR JAN – DEC 2024 are now available. Help save on postage by picking up your statement. They are located in the main narthex. The ones that are not picked up will be mailed out later in January. Please check your statements. If you have any questions, contact Financial Secretary Sheila Garrison.

Update from The Special Voters' Meeting Assembly Jan. 12th

The motion adding Rev. Samuel Bobby, currently serving as a Professor at the Luther Academy, the seminary of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Riga, Latvia, was approved by the Voters, to include his name to the Senior Pastor Candidate List. The Senior Pastor Call Committee will continue its work.

-Jeremy Bloch, Senior Pastor Call Committee Chair

Voters' Meeting

The next quarterly voters' meeting is **Monday, January 20, at 7:00PM in the Fellowship Hall.** Voting members who are unable to attend should call the office to be excused (402-477-1710). A tentative agenda will be posted on Saturday, January 18, on the bulletin board near the north entrance to the main narthex. **Remember, to remain a voting member, voters must attend at least one meeting per year or be excused from two meetings.*

Topic for January 20 Voters Meeting

On April 17, 2023, the Redeemer Voters Assembly voted for Redeemer to serve as Rod Lane's Specific Ministry Pastor (SMP) home congregation. Rod now intends to enter the Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, SMP program in Fall 2025. Given the time having passed, the January Voters' meeting will consider the question.

Shall Redeemer apply to be Rod Lane's Specific Ministry Pastor (SMP) home congregation thereby allowing him to enter the SMP program at Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne?

A "Yes" vote also commits Redeemer to Call Rod Lane to be Pastor of Family Ministry upon his meeting the requirements for Ordination after approximately two years.

Learn about the SMP program and the SMP home congregation commitments by requesting an informational packet from 2023 from the church office. Information regarding Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, SMP program is also available at: www.ctsfw.edu/future-students/pastoral/smp/program-structure

REHABILITATION:

June Friedmeyer (Home)



Mites for Missions

Today WOR is collecting Mites for Missions (coins and bills) for the work of the Lutheran Women’s Missionary League. (This takes place the 3rd Sunday of each month.) Please bring your loose change to the box in either narthex. **For the month of December, WOR collected \$22.70. Thank you!**



Nebraska Walk for Life & Pre-Walk Lutheran Gathering

Lincoln Area Lutherans for Life invites everyone to join them **Saturday, February 1st**, at Trinity Lutheran Church at 12th & H. Welcome is at 8:30AM for coffee & donuts with a worship service at 9:00AM. **We will then walk 2 blocks to the Nebraska State Capitol for the 52nd Walk for Life with 6,000+ other Nebraskans starting at 10:00AM at the Capitol.** Please dress according to the weather and park in Trinity's parking lot (behind the church along G Street). Enter from the back of the church. Entrances will be marked. See you there!



Join your Redeemer Family for an impactful afternoon on Sunday, January 26, 1:00-3:00PM, at Orphan Grain Train, located at 1901 SW 6th Street, Suite 102. Be part of our inspiring intergenerational service project!

Anyone from ages 4 to 104 can participate. We hope to manage five workstations and prepare an incredible 15,000 meals in just two hours. Sign up thru January 22 in the main narthex. Feel free to reach out to DCE Rod Lane with any questions. Additional details are in the January Cross Talk newsletter.

Parent / Infant & Toddler Group

Sundays, 9:45AM, FEC Room 106



Redeemer's Parent / Infant & Toddler Group is an excellent opportunity for young families to connect on Sunday mornings. We create a warm, engaging atmosphere where parents, toddlers, and babies can interact and build supportive relationships. Enjoy a light study and coffee while bonding with others in our church community. We gather in room 106, located on the lower level of the FEC Building, during the Sunday Bible class hour. If you have any questions, please contact Marty Brase at 402-314-6870 or me, DCE Rod Lane 402-499-0807. **We look forward to welcoming more families in the new year!**

SUPER BOWL BELIZE FUNDRAISER



February 8
After the 6:00PM worship service.

February 9
After the 8:30AM worship service & before and after the 11:00AM service.

Menu

- 1 Quart of Chili and 4 Cinnamon Rolls—\$12
- 1 Quart of Homemade Sloppy Joes w/buns—\$6
- Snack Mix bag—\$6
- Chicken Wings, Pack of 12—\$15 (Seasoned or Barbecue)

No orders are required. We will sell snack items from the church kitchen and fellowship hall until all items are sold out.

Monies raised will help support Redeemer’s Mission Trip to Belize in March of 2025.

Sanctity of Human Life Weekend Observance

January 25 & 26, 2025

Sanctity of Human Life Observance is planned for the fourth weekend in January. Redeemer's Board for Human Care and Board for Youth are encouraging you to participate in this special weekend. How? We will be asking you, the congregation, to bring items to support the Lincoln Pregnancy Center and the Aging and Disability Resource Center. Sometime during the service, you will be asked to bring forward your items to be donated to these two local agencies.

The Pregnancy Center is in need of the following items:

- Diapers - sizes newborn, four, and five
- Baby wipes, baby wash or lotion, baby bottles
- Small stuffed animals, baby toys, baby board books
- Clothing for boy or girl, sizes newborn, 0-3 months or toddler
- Small items for moms as well (body wash, lotions, etc.)

The Aging and Disability Resource Center

Their goal is to assist Lincoln seniors in accessing services and support to help meet their long-term care needs.

They are in need the following items:

- Grab bars for the bathroom / shower
- Plastic shower chairs
- Adult disposable undergarments of all types
- Gift cards to Walgreens or CVS Pharmacy for \$5, \$10, or \$20 (These are distributed by the social workers to individuals in need.) Monetary donations are also welcome.

If you have questions, please contact DCE Rod Lane.

Childcare for Redeemer Choir

Attention Parents of small children! Redeemer Choir is offering childcare free of charge during Choir rehearsals. Rehearsals begin at 7:00PM on Wednesday nights. Come worship God and serve our congregation through music!



Lenten Meal Coordinators

Lent is just around the corner, and we have an exciting opportunity for you to make a difference! We are looking to enhance our leadership team of Dinner Coordinators. We currently have 2 coordinators on board. To lighten the responsibilities, we desire to add 1 or 2 more passionate individuals to help us provide great fellowship over a meal before Lenten worship services.

**** Lenten Kitchen Coordinator Purpose ****

As a Lenten Kitchen Coordinator, you will be vital in overseeing 1 or 2 dinners and maintaining proper safety and sanitation procedures throughout the process. You will also coordinate and support our dedicated volunteers from start to finish. Each dinner requires around a 4-hour commitment.

This is a chance to be part of a supportive team atmosphere while making a meaningful impact on congregational tradition during this special season. If this interests you, please contact Barb Bedke, Sandy Smith, or DCE Rod Lane.



Sunday School Topic – January 19 **ASK YOUR CHILD WHAT THEY LEARNED TODAY!**

The Passion Prediction: *Mary Anoints Jesus* – John 12:1-8

This week, we study "The Passion Prediction." In the week before His crucifixion, Jesus goes to dinner in Bethany, the hometown of Lazarus, whom He had just raised from the dead. Martha serves as Jesus and Lazarus recline at table. Meanwhile, Mary anoints Jesus' feet with expensive ointment while wiping them with her hair, preparing Him for burial. When Judas voices his objections, Jesus tells him to leave her alone and points to His upcoming death.

January 19-26

Sun 19	8:30 & 11:00AM-Divine Services with Holy Communion LWML Mites for Missions 9:45AM-Sunday School/Bible Classes (FEC & Fellowship Hall) 9:45AM-Young Adults Study (FEC 2 nd Floor, * Conference Rm)
Mon 20	11:30AM-Staff Meeting (FEC Conference Room) 7:00PM-Voters' Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
Tue 21	1:00-3:30PM-Orphan Grain Train (1901 SW 6 th Street #1) 7:00PM-Redeemer Bells (Sanctuary Balcony)
Wed 22	9:30AM-Mercy Quilts (Fellowship Hall) 9:30AM-Women's Bible Study (FEC Conference Room) 3:30-6:30PM-Confirmation (FEC) 7:00PM-Redeemer Choir (Sanctuary Choir Loft)
Thur 23	12:30PM-Assemble Cross Talk (FEC Room 200) 7:00PM-Witherbee Neighborhood Assoc. (FEC Chapel) 7:00PM-Woods Park Neighborhood Assoc. (FEC Room 200)
Fri 24	Pastor Dietrich's Day Off DCE Rod Lane's Day Off
Sat 25	11:30AM-1:00PM-Blind Lutheran Outreach Center (FH) 6:00PM-Divine Service Sanctity of Human Life Weekend
Sun 26	8:30 & 11:00AM-Divine Services Sanctity of Human Life Weekend 9:45AM-Sunday School/Bible Classes (FEC & Fellowship Hall) 9:45AM-Young Adults Study (FEC 2 nd Floor, * Conference Rm) 1:00-3:00PM-Mercy Meals (Orphan Grain Train, 1901 SW 6th Street #102)

* FEC = Family Education Center – Red Brick Building across from the Church