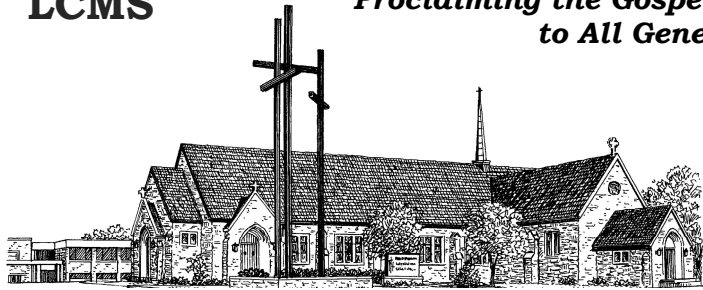


Redeemer Lutheran Church

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to All Generations”*



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THE 6TH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

***Saturday, February 15, and
Sunday, February 16, 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...

- read some of the **penitential Psalms** (Psalm 51, 32, 130, etc.).
(see LSB, Page 1 and following)

THE PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP: *O Lord, we are poor in spirit. Enrich us with Your love. O Lord, we are hungry for an understanding of You. Satisfy us with the knowledge of You, found only in the Scriptures. O Lord, we are saddened by what we see in the world. Gladden us with the good news of the good life that is to come. 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: 904 – “Blessed Jesus, at Your Word”



1 Bless - ed Je - sus, at Your Word We are gath - ered
2 All our knowl - edge, sense, and sight Lie in deep - est
3 Gra - cious Sav - ior, good and kind, Light of Light, from
△ 4 Fa - ther, Son, and Spir - it, Lord, Praise to You and



all to hear You. Let our hearts and souls be stirred
dark - ness shroud - ed Till Your Spir - it breaks our night
God pro - ceed - ing, O - pen now our heart and mind;
ad - o - ra - tion! Grant that we may trust Your Word,



Now to seek and love and fear You, By Your teach - ings,
With the beams of truth un - cloud - ed. You a - lone to
Help us by Your Spir - it's plead - ing. Hear the cry Your
Con - fi - dent of our sal - va - tion, While we here be -



sweet and ho - ly, Drawn from earth to love You sole - ly.
God can win us; You must work all good with - in us.
Church now rais - es; Hear and bless our prayers and prais - es.
low must wan - der, Till we sing Your prais - es yon - der.

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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 *(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: 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: O Lord, graciously hear the prayers of Your people that we who justly suffer the consequence of our sin may be mercifully delivered by Your goodness to the glory of Your name; 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: Jeremiah 17:5-8

P: The Old Testament Reading for the Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany is from the 17th chapter of Jeremiah.

⁵Thus says the Lord:

“Cursed is the man who trusts in man
and makes flesh his strength,
whose heart turns away from the Lord.

⁶He is like a shrub in the desert,
and shall not see any good come.

He shall dwell in the parched places of the wilderness,
in an uninhabited salt land.

⁷“Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord,
whose trust is the Lord.

⁸He is like a tree planted by water,
that sends out its roots by the stream,
and does not fear when heat comes,

for its leaves remain green,
and is not anxious in the year of drought,
for it does not cease to bear fruit.” (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 15:12-20

P: The Epistle is from the 15th chapter of 1 Corinthians.

¹²Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? ¹³But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. ¹⁴And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain. ¹⁵We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified about God that he raised Christ, whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. ¹⁶For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised. ¹⁷And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. ¹⁸Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. ¹⁹If in this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

²⁰But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. (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: Luke 6:17-26

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 6th chapter.

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

¹⁷ And he came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem and the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon, ¹⁸ who came to hear him and to be healed of their diseases. And those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. ¹⁹ And all the crowd sought to touch him, for power came out from him and healed them all.

²⁰ And he lifted up his eyes on his disciples, and said:

“Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

²¹ “Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you shall be satisfied.

“Blessed are you who weep now, for you shall laugh.

²² “Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you and revile you and spurn your name as evil, on account of the Son of Man! ²³ Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven; for so their fathers did to the prophets.

²⁴ “But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

²⁵ “Woe to you who are full now, for you shall be hungry.

“Woe to you who laugh now, for you shall mourn and weep.

²⁶ “Woe to you, when all people speak well of you, for so their fathers did to the false prophets. (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: 394 - “Songs of Thankfulness and Praise”



1 Songs of thank - ful - ness and praise, Je - sus, Lord, to Thee we raise,
2 Man - i - fest at Jor - dan's stream, Proph - et, Priest, and King su - preme;
3 Man - i - fest in mak - ing whole Pal - sied limbs and faint - ing soul;
4 Sun and moon shall dark - ened be, Stars shall fall, the heav'ns shall flee;
5 Grant us grace to see Thee, Lord, Pres - ent in Thy ho - ly Word—



Man - i - fest - ed by the star To the sa - ges from a - far,
And at Ca - na wed - ding guest In Thy God - head man - i - fest;
Man - i - fest in val - iant fight, Quell - ing all the dev - il's might;
Christ will then like light - ning shine, All will see His glo - rious sign;
Grace to im - i - tate Thee now And be pure, as pure art Thou;



Branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem In Thy birth at Beth - le - hem:
Man - i - fest in pow'r di - vine, Chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine;
Man - i - fest in gra - cious will, Ev - er bring - ing good from ill;
All will then the trum - pet hear, All will see the Judge ap - pear;
That we might be - come like Thee At Thy great e - piph - a - ny



An - thems be to Thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
An - thems be to Thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
An - thems be to Thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
Thou by all wilt be con - fessed, God in man made man - i - fest.
And may praise Thee, ev - er blest, God in man made man - i - fest.

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THE SERMON

Title: "Blessed Are You"

Text: Luke 6 :17-26

(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: O Lord, we are truly blessed in body, mind and spirit.

C: You have made us so.

P: Accept these gifts, and with them this hope:

C: That we might find the opportunities to bless, to fill, to ease and to comfort, even as You have done these things to us.

P: Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

8:30AM - RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBER

Kallie Lemon

THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

THE PREFACE *(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: 622 - "Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared"



1 Lord Je - sus Christ, You have pre - pared This feast for
2 Al - though You did to heav'n as - cend, Where an - gel
3 Yet, Sav - ior, You are not con - fined To an - y
4 We eat this bread and drink this cup, Your pre - cious



our sal - va - tion; It is Your bod - y
hosts are dwell - ing, And in Your pres - ence
hab - i - ta - tion; But You are pres - ent
Word be - liev - ing That Your true bod - y



and Your blood, And at Your in - vi - ta - tion
they be - hold Your glo - ry, all ex - cel - ling,
e - ven now Here with Your con - gre - ga - tion.
and Your blood Our lips are here re - ceiv - ing.



As wea - ry souls, with sin op - pressed, We come to
And though Your peo - ple shall not see Your glo - ry
Firm as a rock this truth shall stand, Un - moved by
This Word re - mains for - ev - er true, All things are



You for need - ed rest, For com - fort, and for par - don.
and Your maj - es - ty Till dawns the judg - ment morn - ing,
an - y dar - ing hand Or sub - tle craft and cun - ning.
pos - si - ble with You, For You are Lord Al - might - y.

5. Though reason cannot understand,
Yet faith this truth embraces:
Your body, Lord, is even now
At once in many places.
I leave to You how this can be;
Your Word alone suffices me;
I trust its truth unailing.

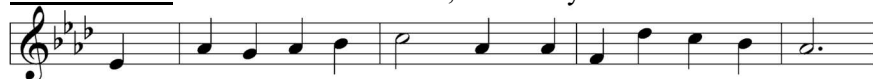
6. Lord, I believe what You have said;
Help me when doubts assail me.
Remember that I am but dust,
And let my faith not fail me.
Your supper in this vale of tears
Refreshes me and stills my fears
And is my priceless treasure.

7. Grant that we worthily receive
Your supper, Lord, our Savior,
And, truly grieving for our sins,
May prove by our behavior
That we are thankful for Your grace
And day by day may run our race,
In holiness increasing.

8. For Your consoling supper, Lord,
Be praised throughout all ages!
Preserve it, for in ev'ry place
The world against it rages.
Grant that this sacrament may be
A blessed comfort unto me
When living and when dying.

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THE HYMN: 684 - "Come unto Me, Ye Weary"



1 "Come un - to Me, ye wea - ry, And I will give you rest."
2 "Come un - to Me, ye wan - d'ers, And I will give you light."
3 "Come un - to Me, ye faint - ing, And I will give you life."
4 "And who - so - ev - er com - eth, I will not cast him out."



O bless - ed voice of Je - sus, Which comes to hearts op-pressed!
O lov - ing voice of Je - sus, Which comes to cheer the night!
O cheer - ing voice of Je - sus, Which comes to aid our strife!
O pa - tient love of Je - sus, Which drives a - way our doubt,



It tells of ben - e - dic - tion, Of par - don, grace, and peace,
Our hearts were filled with sad - ness, And we had lost our way;
The foe is stern and ea - ger, The fight is fierce and long;
Which, though we be un - wor - thy Of love so great and free,



Of joy that hath no end - ing, Of love that can - not cease.
But Thou hast brought us glad - ness And songs at break of day.
But Thou hast made us might - y And strong - er than the strong.
In - vites us ver - y sin - ners To come, dear Lord, to Thee!

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THE HYMN: 705 - "The Man Is Ever Blessed"



1 The man is ev - er blessed Who shuns the sin - ners' ways, A -
2 But makes the Law of God His stud - y and de - light A -
3 He like a tree shall thrive, With wa - ters near the root; Fresh
4 Not so the wick - ed race, They no such bless - ings find; Their



mong their coun - sels nev - er stands, Nor takes the scorn - ers' place,
mid the la - bors of the day And watch - es of the night.
as the leaf his name shall live, His works are heav'n - ly fruit.
hopes shall flee like emp - ty chaff Be - fore the driv - ing wind.

5. How will they bear to stand
Before the judgment seat
Where all the saints at Christ's right hand
In full assembly meet?

6. He knows and He approves
The way the righteous go;
But sinners and their works shall meet
A dreadful overthrow.

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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 (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 James E. Fandrey

Preacher: Pastor Joel A. C. Deitrich

Organist: Joe Herl

Acolytes: 6:00PM – Elizabeth Sidders

8:30AM – Kaelyn Schmidt & Lily Wohlgemuth

11:00AM – Elizabeth Hansen & Noah Krzycki

Chancel Guild: Gayle Bartels & Diann Davis

Amanda Huff

Betsy Peterson & Cindy Stevens

Elder on Duty: 6:00PM – Derek Trutna

8:30AM – Jeff Bedke

11:00AM – Doug Garrison

Greeters: **Main**

6:00PM Marty & Karla Jarvis

8:30AM Doris Wiens

11:00AM Roland & Patty Hill

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Kathy Dondlinger

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Head Usher: 6:00PM – Tim Davis

8:30AM – Philip Wohlgemuth

11:00AM – Michael Hansen

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NEWS & NOTES



THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

***Christians Live by Faith in Christ and Rejoice
in the Promise of His Resurrection***

“Cursed is the man who trusts in man,” for all the strength of his flesh is like the grass that fades away (Jer. 17:5). The one who turns away from the Lord may have food and money and laugh for now, but he “shall mourn and weep” in the judgment (Luke 6:24–25). But “the man who trusts in the LORD” is blessed with all that he needs, “like a tree planted by water.” When heat comes, he survives (Jer. 17:7–8). For the Lord has come in the flesh to heal the people of all their diseases, to cleanse their spirits with forgiveness, and to preach the Gospel of the kingdom of God to the poor (Luke 6:18–20). As all of this is by way of His cross, it is solely by faith in the promise of His resurrection that Christians “rejoice” and “leap for joy” (Luke 6:21–23). “If Christ has not been raised,” our faith is in vain and we are most to be pitied (1 Cor. 15:14–19). But, in fact, just as “Christ died for our sins,” so has He also “been raised from the dead” (1 Cor. 15:3, 20).

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR NEXT WEEKEND, Feb. 22 & 23:

• Genesis 45:3–15 • 1 Corinthians 15:21–26, 30–42 • Luke 6:27–38
Prepare to worship by reading and meditating on these sections of Scripture.

THE BULLETIN today is given to the glory of God by Bob & Theresa Koeneke in loving memory of their son, Brian, who was born on February 26th.



Chancel Flower Sponsorship: Open dates and number of bouquets available are March 2-1, 9-2, 23-1, 30-2; April 6-2, 13-1, 20-2, 27-2. 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 March 23, 30; April 20, 27. 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: 296 (55-128-113)
Sunday School/Bible Class Attendance: 88 (21-67)
Online Service Stream: 78

	<u>Unified Budget Receipts</u>	<u>Budget Needs</u>	<u>Ahead (Behind)</u>
2/9/25	\$31,656.26	\$18,869.58	\$12,786.68
YTD	\$133,110.21	\$113,217.46	\$19,892.75



TO GIVE AN OFFERING ONLINE, go to redeemerlincoln.org and click on the "Giving" icon at the top of the page. You may also access it easily via the QR code provided.

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 January, WOR collected \$120.83. Thank you!**



Outreach Board Seeks Volunteers to Deliver Visitor Packets



We are seeking several volunteers to help deliver 36-hour visitor packets to first-time visitors. If you are willing to ring a doorbell and leave a package at the door, we would appreciate your assistance! We have not done this since Covid-

19. It is time to restart this important intentional ministry. To volunteer please contact Maryann Woodward or DCE Rod Lane.

SPECIAL VOTERS' MEETING RESULTS

Action from the special Voters' Meeting on February 9th resulted in extending a call to Reverend Samuel Bobby for the Senior Pastor position.

He is currently serving as a Professor at the Luther Academy, the seminary of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Riga, Latvia. Prior to his position in Latvia, Pastor Bobby served as Senior Pastor at St. Paul Lutheran, Aberdeen, South Dakota for seven years.

We appreciate all of your prayers and support during this time. Please continue to pray for Redeemer and specifically for the Holy Spirit to lead Pastor Bobby, his wife Erica, and their family for clarity with this decision concerning the call.

Thank you,
Jeremy Bloch, Chairman of the Senior Pastor Call Committee

THE BOARD OF ELDERS will meet on **Monday, February 17, at 6:45PM** in the Fellowship Hall.

THE CHURCH COUNCIL will meet on **Monday, February 17, at 7:45PM** in the Fellowship Hall. All Council members should plan to attend or call the church office (402-477-1710) to be excused. A tentative agenda is posted on the bulletin board near the north entrance to the main narthex.



NEW MEMBER: We welcome into membership at the 8:30AM service Kallie Lemon by affirmation of faith.

All Church Bowling

THIS Sunday, February 16, join your friends from 2:00-4:00PM at Lanes and Games located in UNL's East Campus Student Union. We will have two lanes dedicated with bumpers for young children. Come bowl, socialize, and enjoy a snack. Invite a friend!



RESCHEDULED



New Member Reception

Sunday, March 2, 9:45AM
Fellowship Hall

Everyone is invited to attend!

Hosted by Redeemer's Board for Christian Outreach.

Join us in welcoming our new members!



Casserole Ministry Volunteers

Redeemer recently started a casserole ministry to provide ready-to-bake meals for members of our congregation and community. Members of our congregation

should feel free to take a casserole for their own family if needed, or to deliver to another person in need - whether they attend our church or not. It's an opportunity to love and support others, the way Jesus wants us to.

The Human Care Board is seeking volunteers in the congregation. Volunteers will have their names added to a list, and a member of our board will reach out to you if our freezer is needing replenished. If you choose to add your name as a volunteer, you would not be obligated to make a casserole every time you are contacted - only if you are available and able within that week. If you would be willing to have your name added to the volunteer list, or if you want more information about this opportunity to serve our congregation and community, please contact Mariah Niemeyer (402-890-3112, mariah.connor.niemeyer@gmail.com).

The next issue of MY DEVOTIONS is available!



"My Devotions" is a daily devotional specifically crafted for preteens. It is designed to facilitate the development of a consistent Bible reading habit in an enjoyable and accessible manner. Each devotion features a daily Scripture passage, a journal prompt, and a prayer. Furthermore, each edition includes a selection of Bible-related games and activities, as well as designated pages for journaling. You will find *My Devotions* in the FEC entranceway.

Belize Mission Trip 2025

Finally, all of you, be like-minded, be sympathetic, love one another, be compassionate and humble. 1 Peter 3:8 (NIV)

We seek your support as we prepare for Redeemer's Belize Team mission trip. We need your heartfelt prayers for maximum spiritual care and impact, safe travel, and renewed stamina for our team.

Additionally, we are looking for donations of the following items:

1. Two large suitcases with wheels
2. Four pads of watercolor paper
3. Glucometer test strips (specific brand only)
4. Acrylic paint tubes
5. Markers

Please consider purchasing these items and placing them in the designated plastic tub in the coat closet labeled for Belize. Your donations will make a substantial difference!

The Belize 2025 team from Redeemer includes: Chris & Brent Bolte, Alexandra & Isaac Branding, Holly Guildford, Andy Guilford, Lily Ratliff, and DCE Rod Lane. **For further information, contact Chris Bolte or DCE Rod Lane. Thank you!**

EASTER LILY ORDER FORM

We are taking orders for Easter Lilies to decorate the church for Easter. You can purchase 1 Easter Lily plant with foil wrap for a price of **\$13.00**.

PLEASE RETURN WHOLE COMPLETED FORM.



- 1) Fill out the order form.
- 2) Enclose your check (made payable to Redeemer Lutheran Church) with your order form.
- 3) Place your order and payment in the offering plate with your offering.
OR
Mail to Redeemer Lutheran Church
510 South 33rd St (68510).



DEADLINE: Sunday, March 16

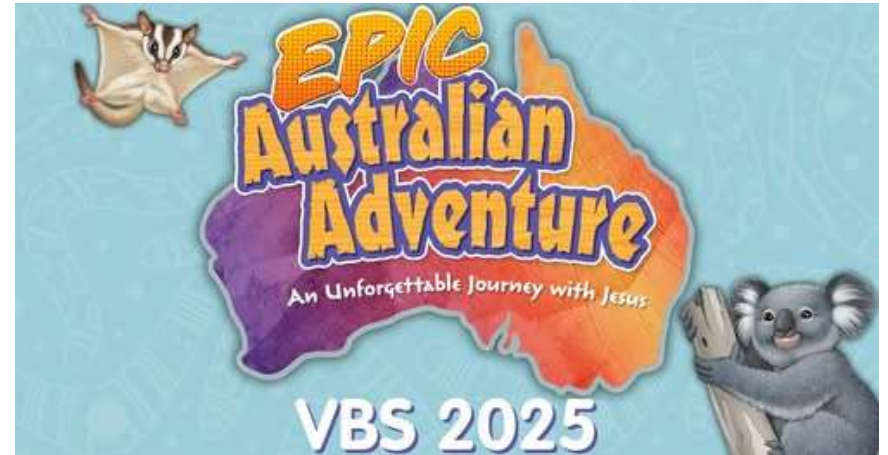
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Phone #: _____

Plants Ordering: _____ Enclosed is: Cash Check

In Memory of: _____

In Honor of: _____



We are thrilled to announce the dates for this summer's Vacation Bible School (VBS), a remarkable opportunity for your children to deepen their faith in Christ and connect with their peers in a fun, engaging, environment.

June 9 – 12, 9:00AM – Noon

Online Registration opens April 9th

Open to children ages 3 (and potty trained) through Grade 5

**Don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity for your children!
We can't wait to see them this summer.**

Sunday School Topic - Feb. 16th

ASK YOUR CHILD WHAT THEY LEARNED TODAY!

Betrayed and Arrested: *Jesus in Gethsemane* – Matthew 26:36-56

Today, students will study "Betrayed and Arrested." Knowing His final hours are drawing close, Jesus goes with His disciples to Gethsemane. Taking Peter, James, and John deeper into the garden, Jesus goes off alone three times to pray. His prayer reflects His willingness to fulfill the Father's plan despite the suffering that lies ahead. The armed mob arrives to arrest Jesus, whom Judas betrays with a kiss. Peter brashly tries to defend Jesus with a sword but only manages to injure the high priest's servant. Jesus allows Himself to be taken by the armed mob to fulfill the Scripture.

February 16 – 23

Sun 16	8:30 & 11:00AM-Divine Services with Holy Communion LWML Mites for Missions 9:45AM-New Members Reception (Fellowship Hall) 9:45AM-Sunday School (FEC) 9:45AM-Young Adults Bible Study (FEC 2 nd Floor,* Conference Rm) 2:00-4:00PM-All Church Bowling (UNL East Campus Student Union)
Mon 17	11:00AM-Staff Meeting (FEC Conference Room) 6:45PM-Board of Elders (Fellowship Hall) 7:45PM-Church Council (Fellowship Hall)
Tue 18	1:00-3:30PM-Orphan Grain Train (1901 SW 6 th St #1) 7:00PM-Redeemer Bells (Sanctuary Balcony)
Wed 19	9:30AM-Women's Bible Study (FEC Conference Room) 3:30-6:30PM-Confirmation (FEC) 6:30PM-Strings/Woodwinds Rehearsal (Rehearsal Room) 7:00PM-Redeemer Choir (Sanctuary Choir Loft)
Thur 20	DCE Rod Lane's Day Off 12:30PM-Assemble Cross Talk (FEC Room 200)
Fri 21	Pastor Dietrich's Day Off 7:00PM-Couples' Bible Study (Fellowship Hall) Feb. 21-23 - English District Board of Directors
Sat 22	6:00PM-Divine Service
Sun 23	8:30 & 11:00AM-Divine Services 9:45AM-Sunday School/Bible Classes (FEC & Fellowship Hall) 9:45AM-Young Adults Bible Study (FEC 2 nd Floor,* Conference Rm)

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