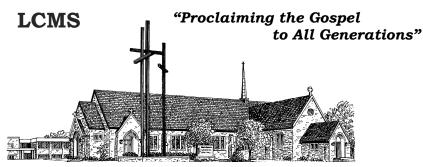
Redeemer Lutheran Church



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EASTER SUNDAY THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD Sunday, April 20, 2025

<u>WELCOME!</u> 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.

Today's liturgy is Divine Service, Setting One, from <u>Lutheran Service Book</u> (<u>LSB</u>), © 2006 Concordia Publishing House. Hymns are from <u>LSB</u> using Lutheran Service Builder © 2018 Concordia Publishing House. Reprinted/used by permission. Scripture quotations are from the <u>ESV® Bible</u> (The Holy Bible, English Standard Version®), Copyright © 2001 by Crossway, a publishing ministry of Good News Publishers. Used by permission. All rights reserved.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS WITH HYMNS are available at all services. Ask the usher passing out bulletins if you would like one.

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

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

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

<u>PRAYER REQUESTS</u>: 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 both services this Sunday using the continuous style of distribution. 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: O Lord, on this glorious day our tears of sadness turn to tears of joy, our groans of pain change into shouts of joy, and our quiet words of worry are replaced by loud alleluias. May all the transformations that have taken place on this day continue to make all our future days glorious. Risen Lord Jesus, make us Your Easter people. In Your name we pray. Amen.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

(<u>LSB</u>, pp. 151-166)

THE PRELUDE

<u>THE PRE-SERVICE MUSIC</u>: "This Joyful Eastertide" (arr. S. Drummond Wolff) – Redeemer Brass and Organ

<u>THE CHOIR ANTHEM</u>: "Rise and Sing a Joyful Song" (arr. Stacey Nordmeyer) – Redeemer Choir, Redeemer Bells, Piano

THE RINGING OF THE CHIMES

THE WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PREPARATION

<u>THE HYMN</u>: 457 – "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today" (*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 \$\mathbb{A}\$ 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: "This is the Feast" (*LSB*, p. 155)

All: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing and glory are His.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

THE SALUTATION

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

All: O God, for our redemption You gave Your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross and by His glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of the enemy. Grant that all our sin may be drowned through daily repentance and that day by day we may arise to live before You in righteousness and purity forever; through Jesus Christ, 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 65:17-25

P: The Old Testament Reading for The Resurrection of Our Lord is from the 65th chapter of Isaiah.

¹⁷"Behold, I create new heavens

and a new earth,

and the former things shall not be remembered

or come into mind.

¹⁸But be glad and rejoice forever

in that which I create:

for behold, I create Jerusalem to be a joy,

and her people to be a gladness.

¹⁹I will rejoice in Jerusalem

and be glad in my people;

no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping

and the cry of distress.

²⁰No more shall there be in it

an infant who lives but a few days,

or an old man who does not fill out his days,

for the young man shall die a hundred years old,

and the sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed.

²¹They shall build houses and inhabit them;

they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

²²They shall not build and another inhabit;

they shall not plant and another eat;

for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be,

and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

²³They shall not labor in vain

or bear children for calamity,

for they shall be the offspring of the blessed of the Lord,

and their descendants with them.

²⁴Before they call I will answer;

while they are yet speaking I will hear.

²⁵The wolf and the lamb shall graze together;

the lion shall eat straw like the ox,

and dust shall be the serpent's food.

They shall not hurt or destroy

in all my holy mountain,"

says the Lord. (ESV)

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL (Spoken)

P: Christ has risen from the dead.

C: [God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor.

P: He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;

C: he has put all things under his feet. Matt. 28:7; Heb. 2:7; Ps. 8:6

THE EPISTLE: 1 Corinthians 15:19–26

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

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. ²¹For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. ²²For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. ²³But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. ²⁵For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶The last enemy to be destroyed is death. (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 24:1-12

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 24th chapter.

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

¹On the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. ²And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, 3but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. ⁴While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel. ⁵And as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? ⁶He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, 7that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise." ⁸And they remembered his words, ⁹and returning from the tomb they told all these things to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰Now it was Mary Magdalene and Joanna and Mary the mother of James and the other women with them who told these things to the apostles, ¹¹but these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. ¹²But Peter rose and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; and he went home marveling at what had happened. (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)

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<u>THE CHOIR ANTHEM</u>: "O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing" (arr. Anne Krentz) – The Redeemer Choir, Tambourine, Piano

<u>THE HYMN OF THE DAY</u>: 458 – "Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands"

THE SERMON

Title: "Why Do You Seek the Living Among the Dead?"

Text: Luke 24:1-12

(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, our living praise is offered ... to our Living Lord, Jesus Christ.

C: Receive these offerings, with our very lives, as living sacrifices.

P: Use them as You wish, to bring life and light to all the world.

C: Amen.

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. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

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: 633 – "At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing"

THE HYMN: 463 – "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia"

THE HYMN: 482 – "This Joyful Eastertide"

(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)

<u>THE POSTLUDE</u>: "Christ the Lord is Risen Today / Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain" (arr. S. Drummond Wolff) - Redeemer Brass and Organ



SERVING US TODAY

Liturgist & Celebrant: Pastor James E. Fandrey

Preacher: Pastor Joel A. C. Dietrich

Organist: Joe Herl **Choir Directors:**

Kathy Ohlman – The Redeemer Choir Tami Kolar – The Redeemer Bells

Holly Guilford – Redeemer Instrumental Ensembles

Choirs: The Redeemer Choir

Bonnie Noack, Accompanist; Tami Kolar, Tambourine

The Redeemer Bells

The Redeemer Brass / Percussion Ensemble:

Trumpet: Jake Bokelmann, Holly Guilford, Joshua Guilford

Horn: Marinda Kolar, Tami Kolar

Trombone: Darla Grieser, Matthew Guilford, Michael Werner

Tuba: Andrew Guilford

Timpani/Cymbal: David Guilford, Jon Noack

Acolytes: 7:00AM – Bear Clanton & Shea Clanton

10:00AM – Elizabeth Hansen & Noah Krzycki

Chancel Guild: Stacey Wiltshire

Jennifer Brown & Susann Hilderbrand

Elder on Duty: 7:00AM – Philip Wohlgemuth

10:00AM – Darrel Hopkins

Greeters: Main West

7:00AM Kevin & Julie Bachman Kay Dreese & Kathy Dondlinger 10:00AM Roland & Patty Hill Mike Hansen & Elizabeth Hansen

Head Usher: 7:00AM – Dave Crist

10:00AM – Joshua Beck

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NEWS & NOTES

EASTER SUNDAY THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

Christ's Resurrection Is the Firstfruits of the New Creation

The Lord has promised to "create new heavens and a new earth" (Is. 65:17), in which His people shall abide in peace and joy. That new creation has begun in the bodily resurrection of Christ Jesus. All the baptized belong to that new creation. Reborn of water and the Holy Spirit, they are "the offspring of the blessed of the LORD" (Is. 65:23). The Lord rejoices and is glad in them; He hears and answers their prayers. For "if in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied" (1 Cor. 15:19). But Christ Jesus has been raised, "the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep" (1 Cor. 15:20). We may be "perplexed about this" (Luke 24:4), perhaps even frightened and brought to our knees, because it seems like an "idle tale" (Luke 24:11). But faith clings to the Word of Christ and finds His resurrected body — not in the tomb, but in His Holy Supper.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR NEXT WEEKEND, April 26 & 27:

• Acts 5:12–20 • Revelation 1:4–18 • John 20:19–31 *Prepare to worship by reading and meditating on these sections of Scripture.*

THE BULLETIN today is given to the glory of God by Keith & Michelle Stoneman in thankfulness for their many blessings.



Open Dates and Number of Bouquets available to sponsor the chancel flowers for June 1-2, 8-2, 29-1; July 6-2, 13-1, 20-2, 27-1. The cost of each bouquet is \$30. To reserve a date, please contact the church office. **Please return the black liner pot to the church office within a week.**

Open Dates to Sponsor the Bulletin: April 27; May 25; June 1, 8, 22, 29; July 6, 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: 324 (43-161-120) Sunday School/Bible Class Attendance: 82 (31-51)

Online Service Stream: 121

 Unified Budget Receipts
 Budget Needs
 Ahead (Behind)

 4/13/25
 \$16,792.16
 \$18,869.58
 (\$2,077.42)

 YTD
 \$278,612.74
 \$283,043.65
 (\$4,430.91)

Lenten Vespers #6, April 9: Attendance: 126 Offering: \$573.30



<u>TO GIVE AN OFFERING ONLINE</u>, 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.

REHABILITATION:

Orville Behrens (Home)
June Friedmeyer (Eastmont)
Darlene Hagel-Pitt (Southlake Village)



HOSPITALIZED:

Dee Mehrens (Home)

National Day of Prayer Event



Join Nebraska Family Alliance, Gov. Pillen, and Sen. Bosn at noon on Thursday, May 1st, in the State Capitol Warner Chamber for a National Day of Prayer event led by community, faith, and government leaders. Parking is available on the street and the east side of Trinity Lutheran's lot (724 S. 12th Street).

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace, so that you will abound in hope." Romans 15:13



Celebration Sunday Pastor Dietrich Farewell

On Sunday, **May 4th**, there will be one service at 10:00AM immediately followed by a lunch and reception to honor Pastor Dietrich as he makes final preparations to serve the saints of Zion,

Mascoutah, Illinois. Sunday School will begin at 9:00AM. (The Lincoln Marathon will also occur on May 4th, so please plan accordingly.) The Saturday, May 3rd, service will occur at its regular time, 6:00PM.



SAVE-THE-DATES

Ordination Anniversary Celebration

Both Rev. Fandrey and Rev. Hoke were ordained in June 1980! Join us to recognize their 45 years of service at a reception between Sunday services on **June 8th** in the Fellowship Hall. Special thanks to our Women of Redeemer for hosting breakfast goodies!

Pastor Samuel Bobby's Installation

Pastor Samuel Bobby's installation as Senior Pastor will be on **Sunday, July 6, at 3:00PM** with a reception to follow in the Fellowship Hall.

→ **Voters' Meeting:** The next quarterly voters' meeting **is Monday, April 21, 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, April 19, on the bulletin board near the north entrance to the main narthex.

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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 March, WOR collected \$75.21. Thank you!

Lincoln Marathon: The Lincoln Marathon for 2025 will be on Sunday, May 4th. Please plan ahead to allow enough time to arrive to church on time. More information and a map can be found at lincolnmarathon.org/details.



Summer Music: Summer is a wonderful time to share your God-given



musical talents with the congregation. Please consider reserving a Saturday or Sunday to sing or play. Solos and small groups of all ages are welcome! Sign up in the main narthex or contact the church office (402-477-1710, susanb@redeemerlincoln.org) to reserve a service.



8:15-9:15AM

MENU: Egg Casserole, Cinnamon Rolls, Biscuits w/Sausage Gravy, Fresh Fruit, French Toast Sticks, Juice, and Coffee.

Free-will offering will be taken.

Sponsored by those involved with Redeemer's National Youth Gathering trip this summer.







WOR - LWML Invites You to the "Spring General Meeting"

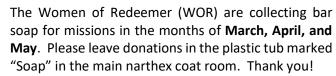
Thursday, May 8th, 6:30PM Church Fellowship Hall

Kelly Larsen will present information on "The Gathering Place"

— a mission that Redeemer supports.

*** Everyone from the Congregation is Invited! ***

Soap Collection





National LWML Convention

Just two months until the National LWML Convention themed "Growing in God's Grace" in Omaha, NE. Make your plans for **June 26-29** for a time of renewal and refreshment, catching up with old friends, meeting new friends, and everything in between! For all information related to the convention and to register, go to the LWML website: www.lwml.org/convention.

Nebraska Fun Fact: Omaha is home of the world-famous Henry Doorly Zoo. If you haven't already, plan on making a visit while you are in town!





Vacation Bible School

June 9-12

Mon-Thur, 9AM-Noon

Open to children ages 3 (and potty trained) thru Grade 4.

Register online at redeemerlincoln.org thru June 2nd.
Paper registration is available Sundays in the FEC on May 4, 11, 18.

Invite a Friend this Year!

→ VBS Volunteers Needed

Help make "Epic Australian Adventure" VBS a success! Volunteers are the heart and soul of Vacation Bible School, allowing the sharing of Christ's love with all children.

Rod is looking for Adults (and youth who have completed 5th grade and above) to assist with this summer's Vacation Bible School. Help is needed in all areas: decorating, station leaders, music, set-up, and more.

If you have an interest in helping, Rod has a spot for you! Do not miss out on this great opportunity to serve. Contact DCE Rod Lane (402-499-0807 or dcerod@redeemerlincoln.org).



Ascension Day Worship

Thursday, May 29, 7:00PM

BURGER MADNESS

Join us for Burger Madness before the service in the Fellowship Hall from 5:30-6:30PM. More details coming soon.

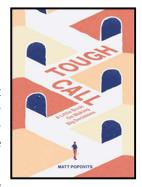
Mother's Day Diaper Drive

Redeemer's Board for Human Care would again like to celebrate Mother's Day for the **entire month of May** by collecting diapers and wipes for the Pregnancy Center. The center is always in need of diapers/wipes and has requested newborn and 4-5 size diapers, but any size diaper will be greatly appreciated. A tote in the coat room will be clearly marked for donations. If you have any questions, please call Julie Bachman at 402-488-4959. Thank you!

Young Adults Group New Topic Starts in May!

(Ages 18 thru 20-something)

Making decisions in life is a given. That doesn't make it any easier. We face big and small decisions like choosing colleges, careers, and homes every day. These can be challenging, and we often fear making the wrong choice.



In "Tough Call," Matt Popovits offers guidance on how

to let God influence your decision-making and find joy amidst struggles. Drawing from the Bible, he provides practical advice for life-changing choices, reminding us to place our hope in Christ rather than in any decision we make. Life is filled with decisions, but our God is greater than them all.

Join the group in the Family Education Center, 2nd Floor Conference Room, each Sunday at 9:45AM as they navigate through this study. If you have questions, please contact Erin Maier or DCE Rod Lane.



Easter Lily Dedications

The following is a listing of donors of the Easter lilies which adorn the chancel area.

Given to the Glory of God by ...

Susan Behrens in loving honor of her great-grandfather Henry Ewers.

Marcia Benner in loving memory of Otto and Katherine Benner and Deborah (Benner) Morlok. (3)

Bloch Family in loving memory of Pauline Bloch, Dan and Donna Bloch, and Gladys Schroeder. (4)

Nolan and Eileen Bode in thankfulness for their many blessings.

Yvonne Craghead in loving memory of loved ones.

Tim & Diann Davis in loving memory of their parents and loved ones.

Lois Ehlers in loving memory of Jim Ehlers, loving husband and father. (2)

Don and Loris Garrison in loving memory of Herman, Lydia, Wayne, Mabel, Roy, Daryl, and Dale. Also, in honor of Deanna, Aaron, Katrina, Emily, Doug, Sheila, Nathan, Kim, Grace, Jacob, and Abby. (2)

Geisler and Hill Families in loving memory of loved ones.

Dick Haase in loving memory of his wife, Ginni, and his parents, Ervin and Clara Haase.

Rick and Ann Hargreaves in thankfulness for their many blessings. (2)

Susann Hilderbrand in thankfulness for God's blessings.

Hill Family in loving memory of grandpa and grandma Hill.

Pat Kempkes in loving memory of LaVonne and in honor of Maxine. (2)

Diane Lane in thankfulness to God for her family and her many blessings.

Kallie Lemon in thankfulness for her many blessings.

Bonnie Noack and Family in loving memory of Larry Noack, Monroe and Lydia Noack, and Ervin and Viola Moeller.

Chris, Betsy, Joel, and Lauren Peterson in loving memory of Chris's dad, Joel E. Peterson, and their loving mother and grandmother, Ginni Haase. Also, in honor of their loving father and grandfather, Dick Haase, and Chris's parents, Dave and Linda Hansen. (4)

Chris, Betsy, and Lauren Peterson in honor of Joel's 17th birthday which was April 17th.

Galen and Ann Reinke in loving memory of their son-in-law, Paul Jensen, and in honor of their great granddaughters Everly, Blakely, and Melody. (2)

Janell Rohwer in loving memory of Allen Rohwer and Paula Parker.

Arlene Rudebusch in thankfulness for her many blessings.

Marv and Anita Shields in loving memory of Bob and Nellie Shields, Arnie and Arlene Joseph, Erv and Marge Vosta, and Betty Shelton. (4)

Carol Ann Smith in loving memory of Roland Smith and Art and Sally Strehlo. (2)

Nancy Starzl in loving memory of Donald Starzl.

Elaine Stevens in loving memory of loved ones.

Keith and Michelle Stoneman in loving memory of Carol Stoneman. (2)

Irene Thomassen in honor of family and friends. (2)

Joe and Judy Weyand in memory of their "Jules" and in honor of their blessings: Cliff, Joel, Tami, Jaclyn, Mike, Jill, and Lee.

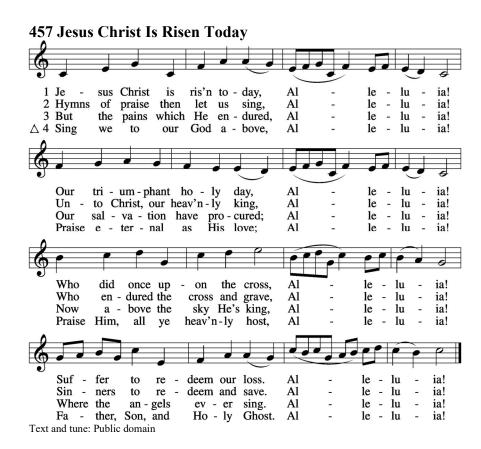
Deanna Zimmer & Richard J. Rust in loving memory of their parents, Richard & Laura Rust. (2)

Plants may be taken home after the 10:00AM service.
Please leave the green saucers.

April 20 – 27

Sun 20	7:00 & 10:00AM-Divine Services with Holy Communion
	LWML Mites for Missions
	8:15-9:15AM-Easer Breakfast (Fellowship Hall)
	No Sunday School or Bible Classes
Mon 21	11:00AM-Staff Meeting (FEC Conference Room)
	7:00PM-Voters' Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
Tue 22	10:30AM-Esther/Circle 4 (FEC Room 200)
	7:00PM-Redeemer Bells (Sanctuary Balcony)
Wed 23	DCE Rod Lane's Day Off
	9:30AM-Mercy Quilts (Fellowship Hall)
	9:30AM-Women's Bible Study (FEC Conference Room)
Thur 24	12:30PM-Assemble Cross Talk (FEC Room 200)
Fri 25	Pastor Dietrich's Day Off
Sat 26	8:45AM-Confirmation Pictures & Rehearsal
	Acolyte Training to follow (Sanctuary)
	11:30AM-1:00PM-BLOC (Fellowship Hall)
	6:00P-Divine Service
Sun 27	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)
	11:00AM-Rite of Confirmation

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





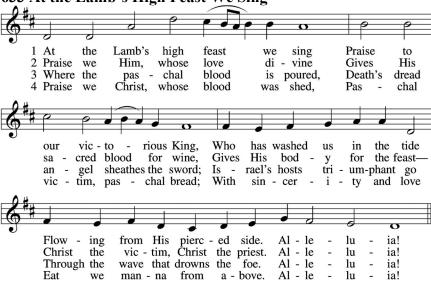
5. Here our true Paschal Lamb we see, Whom God so freely gave us;
He died on the accursèd tree—
So strong His love—to save us.

See, His blood now marks our door;
Faith points to it; death passes o'er,
And Satan cannot harm us.
Alleluia!

- 6. So let us keep the festival
 To which the Lord invites us;
 Christ is Himself the joy of all,
 The sun that warms and lights us.
 Now His grace to us imparts
 Eternal sunshine to our hearts;
 The night of sin is ended.
 Alleluia!
- 7. Then let us feast this Easter Day
 On Christ, the bread of heaven;
 The Word of grace has purged away
 The old and evil leaven.
 Christ alone our souls will feed;
 He is our meat and drink indeed;
 Faith lives upon no other!
 Alleluia!

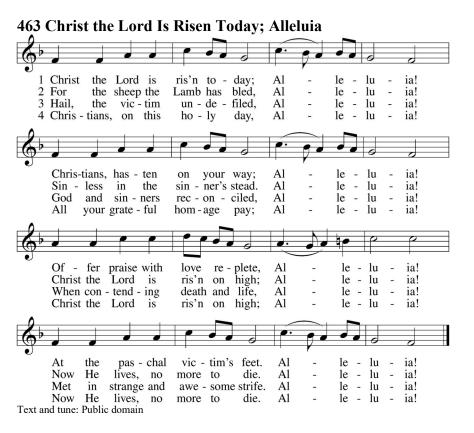
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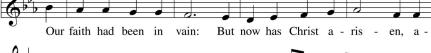


- 5. Mighty Victim from the sky, Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath You lie; You have conquered in the fight, You have brought us life and light. Alleluia!
- 6. Now no more can death appall,Now no more the grave enthrall;You have opened paradise,And Your saints in You shall rise.Alleluia!
- 7. Easter triumph, Easter joy!
 This alone can sin destroy;
 From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free,
 Newborn souls in You to be.
 Alleluia!
- 8. Father, who the crown shall give, Savior, by whose death we live, Spirit, guide through all our days: Three in One, Your name we praise. Alleluia!

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482 This Joyful Eastertide 1 This 1 This joy - ful Eas - ter - tide 2 Death's flood has lost its chill A - way with sin and its chill Since Je - sus crossed the 3 My flesh in hope shall rest And for a sea - son row! My love, the Cru - ci - fied, of souls, from ill riv er; Lov - er slum ber Till trump from east to west this Has sprung to life mor row: My pass ing soul de liv er: wake dead ber: Shall the in num Refrain Had Christ, who once was slain, Not burst His three-day pris - on,





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