# THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

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September 17, 2023

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 am

## + GATHERING +

#### **PRELUDES**

Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart Jesus, Still Lead On Pour Your Light on Us from Above David Cherwien Paul Manz George Oldroyd

#### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

<We stand.>

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be God, the one who forms us, + Jesus who bears the cross, the Spirit who makes our joy complete.

#### Amen.

Let us bow before God in humility, confessing our sin.

<We kneel.>

Steadfast and faithful God,

you have revealed the ways of justice, yet we fail to follow you. We are overwhelmed by the world's violence and suffering. We are afraid to risk what we have for the sake of others.

For the harm we have caused, known and unknown, forgive us.

For the unjust demands we place on others and your creation, forgive us.

For the ways we turn away from you and our neighbor, forgive us.

Lead us back to you and set us on the right path; in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

<We stand.>

Beloved in Christ, God's justice stretches beyond all understanding. God's compassion is beyond compare. In Jesus, God is always making a new way for us. In + Christ, you are already and always forgiven.

#### Amen.

**ELW 619** 

#### **GREETING**

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

And also with you.

KYRIE ELW page 147

**CANTICLE OF PRAISE** 

ELW page 149

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together. God of promise,

Abraham scoffed and Sarah laughed when they were told of your plans for them and their family. Yet you remained faithful to your promise, and gave them a son, Isaac. Help us to trust in your promises for our lives and to live according to your will. Amen.

<We sit.>

+ WORD +

**READINGS** Genesis 18:1-15; 21:1-7

Pew Bible pg. 12

<At the conclusion of the reading>
The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

## LIL' LUTHERAN TALK

<We stand.>

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark

Glory to you, O Lord.

Mark 10:27

Pew Bible pg. 822

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

<We sit.>

SERMON Rev. Dick Albert

former pastor at The Lutheran Church of The Redeemer

<We stand.>

HYMN OF THE DAY

Lord, Teach Us How to Pray Aright

**ELW 745** 

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

Let us confess our faith with the words of the Apostles' Creed.

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

<We kneel.>

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each prayer petition will end with "Merciful God." and the response is "receive our prayer." At the conclusion of the prayers, we respond with "Amen." <We stand.>

#### SHARING OF THE PEACE

You are invited to share the peace however you and those around you are comfortable.

#### RECEPTION OF THE OFFERING

ANTHEM Festive Praise Allen Pote

+ MEAL +

<We stand.>

**OFFERTORY HYMN** 

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

**ELW 884** 

#### OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray,.... Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

#### **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

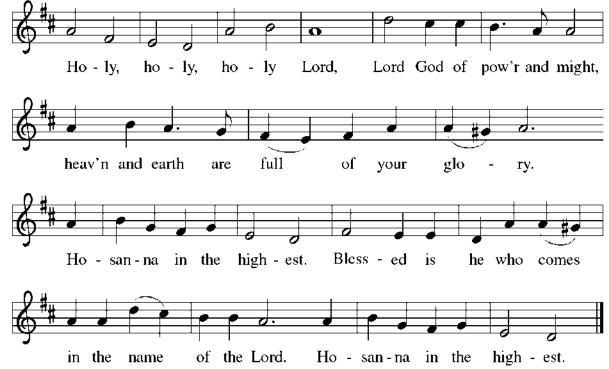
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE ELW pg. 153

It is indeed right, our duty, and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise... Here the minister continues with the preface for the day, concluding... we praise your name and join their unending hymn.



#### THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord...

...be all honor and glory, now and forever.

Amen.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever, and ever. Amen.

#### INVITATION TO THE MEAL

Jesus invites you to this table. Come, eat and live.

<We sit.>

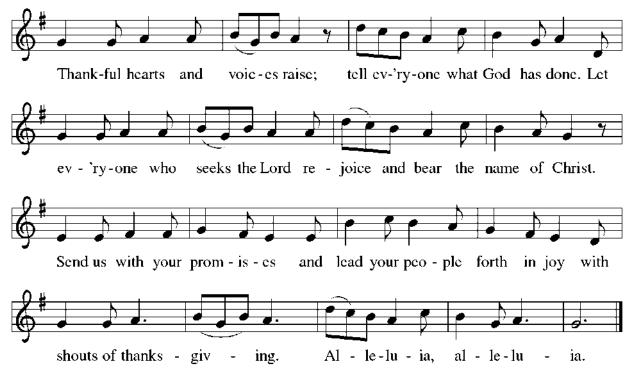
#### **COMMUNION**

Participation in Holy Communion is open to all the baptized of this and other Christian congregations. We come in faith that Christ is truly present in, with, and under the bread and the wine. We receive this gift knowing that we are forgiven and are nourished to be sent to proclaim God's love to the world. You are invited to come to the altar to receive the bread and wine. You may dip the bread into the chalice of wine. If you are not able, the meal will be brought to you in your pew. A gluten—free wafer is available, upon request, for those who need it.

<We stand.>

## THE TABLE BLESSING

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



#### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray ... In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.** 

## + SENDING +

#### SUNG BLESSING

In the name of the Father.

In the name of the Father.

In the name of the Son.

In the name of the Son.

In the name of the Spirit.

In the name of the Spirit.

The Three-in-One.

The Three-in-One.

May the Lord bless and keep you.

May the Lord bless and keep you.

May God's face shine upon you.

May God's face shine upon you.

May God's blessings be with you.

May God's blessings be with you.

And give you peace.

And give you peace.

#### **SENDING HYMN**

All Creatures, Worship God Most High **ELW 835** 

<Please turn and face the rear of the nave.>

## **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. God is at work in you.

Thanks be to God!

#### **POSTLUDE**

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Michael Burkhardt

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## Worship Leadership

Pastor Matthew Titus Worship Leader

**Preacher** Rev. Dick Albert

Robbie Kopp Worship Assistant Acolyte Zarek Reid

Crucifer Henry Chapman Gayle Lindley **Choir Director** 

**Organist** Huger Caughman, Jr.

Aubrey Guyton Youth Director Matt Bowers Video

Annette Belcher or Claire Grosshuesch Audio **Communion Prep** Rosemary Dominick and Kitty Summer

#### Announcements

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Redeemer's 170th anniversary by Ernie Shealy.

There have been a few requests to help those in need to get to worship (or other church events). There are folks in our retirement communities and at Newberry College who need rides on Sunday mornings. If you are interested in being available to help, please contact Anne Caughman or the church office so we can add your name to the list. Thank you!



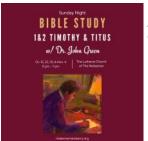
We need volunteers to bake communion bread each week. This is an easy and quick recipe that bakers of any skill level are encouraged to be a part of!



Altar Flowers are needed on October 1. The flowers help to remind all in worship of God's new, vibrant, and abundant life that not only have we been gifted, but also that God continues to cultivate and thrive!

Altar Flowers

Prayer & Care Card Class - Every Monday from 2:30-4:30 the Prayer and Care Cards team will meet to create beautiful cards to send to those celebrating significant events in their lives and to share our love and care with those who are experiencing the not so great times in life. No experience is necessary and all are invited to participate!



John Green invites you to a Bible Study beginning on October 15 covering 1 & 2 Timothy and the letter to Titus. This study will meet for four Sundays on October 15, 22, 29, and November 4 in Room 141. All are welcome! See everyone on the 15th of October from 6pm to 7pm!



Join us in worship today, September 17th as we recognize our 170th year of ministry in Newberry! Rev. Dick Albert is our guest preacher. All are welcome. There will be a church potluck and luncheon following service TODAY.

The Heartland Conference Committee of 100 banquet will be Tuesday, October 3 at Grace Lutheran Church. There is a special mailing coming out about the banquet. If you want more information, please let

**Throughout September, WELCA** will be collecting toiletry items for GAAP. These are all items to help people be clean and feel 'vibrant' in the world today. Items like full-size toothbrushes and toothpaste, tissue paper, toilet paper, shampoo/conditioner, soap, deodorant, razors, dish and clothing detergent, women's needed items, and more. You may drop



#### OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 17 - SEPTEMBER 23

Today	9:30 am	Sunday School
	10:30 am	Worship
		Covered Dish Luncheon - FLC
Monday	2:30 pm-4:30 pm	Prayers and Cares Card Class
Tuesday	6:30 pm	Sistercare
Wednesday	All Day	FLC Reserved
	6:30 pm	Handbell Choir Rehearsal-McCullough Music Room
	7:30 pm	Senior Choir Rehearsal - McCullough Music Room
Thursday		
Friday		
Saturday		

## **Attendance for September 10, 2023**

Sunday School	25
In-Person	68
Online	100
Total	168

Offering Last Sunday: Needed Weekly - \$6,000.00 Received 9-10-23 - \$5,770.40