



# THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

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September 3, 2023

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 am

+ GATHERING +

## PRELUDES

*For the Fruit of All Creation*

Frank Stoldt

*Communion*

Charles Callahan

*For the Beauty of the Earth*

Michael Burkhardt

## 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.**

## 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. You who wipe away our transgressions and debts,  
**You have asked us to forgive for you have forgiven us fully. At times it is hard and foolish to extend forgiveness. Help us to err on the side of your grace in all of our lives. We pray these things through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

<We sit.>

**+ WORD +**

## READINGS

**Deuteronomy 15:1-2, 7-11**

*Pew Bible pg. 150*

<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. Luke

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

**Luke 15:11-32**

*Pew Bible pg. 850*

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

<We sit.>

*Pastor Matthew Titus*

## SERMON

<We stand.>

## HYMN OF THE DAY

**For the Fruit of All Creation**

**ELW 679**

## **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.*

<We sit.>

## RECEPTION OF THE OFFERING

ANTHEM

*This is the Day the Lord Has Made*

Lisa Shoemaker-Lohmeyer

+ 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.**

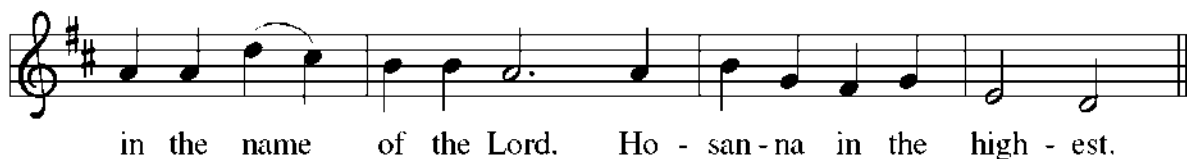
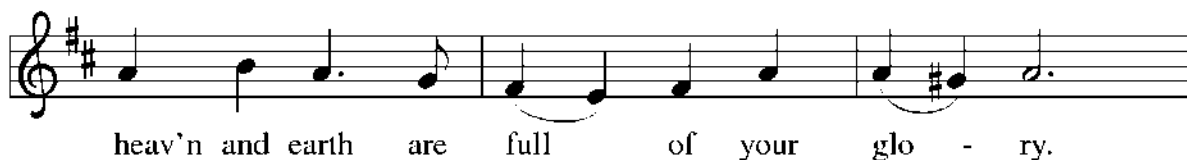
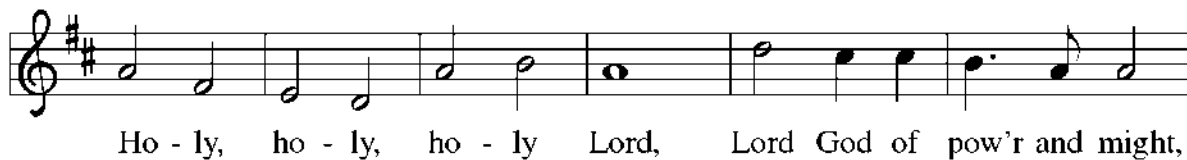
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**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.**



Thank-ful hearts and voi-ces raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done. Let



ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re - joice and bear the name of Christ.



Send us with your prom - is - es and lead your peo - ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia.

## 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

**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty**

**ELW 858**

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

### DISMISSAL

Go in peace. God is at work in you.

**Thanks be to God!**

### POSTLUDE

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

Paul Manz

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## Worship Leadership

Worship Leader	Pastor Matthew Titus
Worship Assistant	Ernie Shealy
Acolyte	Levi Richardson
Crucifer	Mafra Kemper
Choir Director	Gayle Lindley
Organist	Huger Caughman, Jr.
Trumpet	Bennie Ferguson
Youth Director	Aubrey Guyton
Video	Matt Bowers
Audio	Annette Belcher or Claire Grosshuesch
Communion Prep	Huger Caughman, Jr.

## Announcements

**The Altar Flowers** are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Susan Bowers' birthday on September 1 by Ben Bowers.

**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

**Altar Flowers are needed** on the following Sundays: October 1 and December 31. 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!



Join us for a wonderful time of singing and fellowship at Bar Figaro on September 7 from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm!

**The Finance Committee** reminds all those who wish to submit a budget request for the 2024 church year that the request needs to be submitted **BEFORE THE SEPTEMBER FINANCE MEETING** (September 12, 2023) at which time next year's budget will be formulated. Please submit any such request to: [papadoc4@aol.com](mailto:papadoc4@aol.com) or give to : John W. Green



Join us in worship on September 17th as we recognize our 170th year of ministry in Newberry! Rev. Dick Albert will be our guest preacher that day. All are welcome. There will be a church potluck and luncheon following service that day. Please contact Ernie Shealy for more information.



It has been a minute since we were able to celebrate with all those who have joined with us these last few years as partners in ministry at Redeemer. So, on September 15 we're going to fix that! Out in front of the church doors and in the courtyard we will celebrate with our newest members over these last few years. We will share in fun, food, conversation, and stories!

**Come join the fun on September 15 beginning at 6:30pm.**

### OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 3 - SEPTEMBER 9

Today	9:30 am	Sunday School
	10:30 am	Worship
Monday	OFFICE CLOSED	FOR LABOR DAY HOLIDAY
Tuesday	6:30 pm	Sistercare
Wednesday	6:30 pm	Handbell Choir Rehearsal-McCullough Music Room
	7:30 pm	Senior Choir Rehearsal - McCullough Music Room
Thursday	6:30 pm	Beer & Hymns at Bar Figaro
Friday		
Saturday		

### Attendance for August 27, 2023

Sunday School	35
In-Person	82
Online	88
<b>Total</b>	<b>170</b>

**Offering Last Sunday:**  
**Needed Weekly - \$6,000.00**  
**Received 8-27-23 - \$1,982.23**