

The 2nd Sunday after Pentecost
June 2, 2024
8:30 a.m.

Redeemer Lutheran Church and School

*Prepares, equips, and motivates adults and children to serve God
while leading others to know and love Jesus Christ.*

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Welcome to worship with the Redeemer family! We are pleased that you joined us for worship today. Our regular worship schedule each Sunday is **8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.** Adult and youth Bible classes are held at **9:45 a.m.** as listed in the information page. If infants/toddlers become restless during worship, you are welcome to use the parent's room, located at the right of the narthex as you leave the sanctuary, but please come back. Children's quiet bags for use during church services are available in the narthex.

Order of Worship

*The worshipers are invited to sing or speak the words in **bold print** throughout the worship service.*

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

“River of Life”

Powell

Chorus: **Brothers, sisters, come on down to that river.**

Guaranteed you’ll never be the same

There’s a fountain flowing from the heart of the Savior.

Bring your sins and all your guilty stains;

Let that river of life wash it all away.

If you’ve been searching, carrying burdens,

If you’ve been lost and looking for a home,

If you’ve been drifting and something is missing,

You should know that you are not alone. (*Chorus*)

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Confession and Forgiveness

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In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You and worthily magnify Your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.

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 the Word, and by His authority, I declare you forgiven of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Song of Praise

“I Surrender All”

Weeden

**All to Jesus I surrender, all to Him I freely give;
I will ever love and trust Him, in His presence daily live.**

***Chorus:* I surrender all, I surrender all.**

All to Thee my blessed Savior, I surrender all.

**All to Jesus I surrender, humbly at His feet I bow;
Worldly pleasures all forsaken, take me, Jesus, take me now. (*Chorus*)**

**All to Jesus I surrender, make me, Savior, wholly Thine;
Let me feel the Holy Spirit, truly know that Thou art mine. (*Chorus*)**

**All to Jesus I surrender, now I feel the sacred flame;
O the joy of full salvation! Glory, glory to His name! (*Chorus*)**

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Prayer of the Day

Let us pray:

**O God, Your never-failing providence sets all things in order in heaven and on earth.
Give us those things that are profitable for us, and put away all things that will hurt
us. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.**

The First Reading

Deuteronomy 5:12-15 ESV

“ ‘Observe the Sabbath day, to keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you. 13 Six days you shall labor and do all your work, 14 but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you or your son or your daughter or your male servant or your female servant, or your ox or your donkey or any of your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates, that your male servant and your female servant may rest as well as you. 15 You shall remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm. Therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the Sabbath day.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

The Second Reading

2 Corinthians 4:5-12 ESV

5 For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus’ sake. 6 For God, who said, “Let light shine out of darkness,” has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. 7 But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us. 8 We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; 9 persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; 10 always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies.

11 For we who live are always being given over to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh. 12 So death is at work in us, but life in you. This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

The Gospel Reading

Mark 2:23-28 ESV

23 One Sabbath he was going through the grainfields, and as they made their way, his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. 24 And the Pharisees were saying to him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the Sabbath?" 25 And he said to them, "Have you never read what David did, when he was in need and was hungry, he and those who were with him: 26 how he entered the house of God, in the time of Abiathar the high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and also gave it to those who were with him?" 27 And he said to them, "The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath. 28 So the Son of Man is lord even of the Sabbath."

This is the Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ!

Children's Message

Sermon Song of Praise

"He Will Hold Me Fast"

Habershon

**When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;
When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path;
For my love is often cold; He must hold me fast.**

(Chorus) **He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;
For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast.**

**Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast;
Precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast.
He'll not let my soul be lost; His promises shall last;
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast. *(Chorus)***

**For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast;
Justice has been satisfied; He will hold me fast.
Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast
Till our faith is turned to sight, when He comes at last! *(Chorus twice)***

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Message

"Celebrating the Carefree Life"

2 Corinthians 4:18

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Gathering of the Tithes and Offerings

(Please stand when the pastor stands and approaches the altar.)

“Raise a Hallelujah”

Helser

I raise a hallelujah in the presence of my enemies.

I raise a hallelujah louder than the unbelief.

I raise a hallelujah; my weapon is a melody.

I raise a hallelujah; Heaven comes to fight for me.

(Chorus) **I'm gonna sing in the middle of the storm.**

Louder and louder, you're gonna hear my praises roar.

Up from the ashes hope will arise. Death is defeated;

The King is alive.

I raise a hallelujah with ev'rything inside of me.

I raise a hallelujah; I will watch the darkness flee.

I raise a hallelujah in the middle of the mystery.

I raise a hallelujah; fear, you lost your hold on me. *(Chorus)*

I raise a hallelujah. I raise a hallelujah.

I raise a hallelujah. I raise a hallelujah.

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The Offering Prayer

The Words of Institution

The Sharing of the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Distribution Songs of Praise

(Holy Communion is a special meal for the baptized followers of Jesus. Jesus is present in the bread and wine. He says, "This is My body...This is My blood." If you share this belief in His real presence, are repentant of your sins, and are baptized in the Triune God, you are welcome. Children who have not received instruction in the meaning of Holy Communion are invited forward for a blessing; please fold your arms in front of you. Wine is offered via the common cup and individual

glass. Non-alcoholic wine is offered in the center of each tray. Hand your connection card to the usher as you go up for communion..) (Please join in singing:)

“Lamb of God”

Marty Haugen

**Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world:
Have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You are the way of mercy and love:
Have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You are the bread of life for us all:
Have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world:
Grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.**

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“In Christ Alone”

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**In Christ alone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song;
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings
cease.
My Comforter, my All in All, here in the love of Christ I stand.
In Christ alone, who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones He came to save.
Till on that cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied.
For every sin on Him was laid; Here in the death of Christ I live.
There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain;
Then bursting forth in glorious Day, up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory, sin’s curse has lost its grip on me;
For I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ.
No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the pow’r of Christ in me;
From life’s first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow’r of hell, no scheme of man, can ever pluck me from His hand;
Till He returns or calls me home, here in the pow’r of Christ I’ll stand!**

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“My Worth Is Not in What I Own”

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**My worth is not in what I own; not in the strength of flesh and bone.
But in the costly wounds of love at the cross.
My worth is not in skill or name; in win or lose, in pride or shame.
But in the blood of Christ that flowed at the cross.**

(Chorus) **I rejoice in my Redeemer. Greatest treasure, wellspring of my soul.
I will trust in Him, no other; my soul is satisfied in Him alone.**

I will not boast in wealth or might, or human wisdom’s fleeting light.

But I will boast in knowing Christ at the cross.

Two wonders here that I confess: my worth and my unworthiness.

My value fixed, my ransom paid at the cross. (Chorus)

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The Communion Blessing

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Benediction

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.

Amen.

Forgiven and fed, you are now entering the mission field.

Here am I, Lord, send me!

Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

Closing Song of Praise

“God So Loved”

Cash

Come all you weary, come all you thirsty. Come to the well that never runs dry.

Drink of the water, come and thirst no more.

Come all you sinners, come find His mercy. Come to the table; He will satisfy.

Taste of His goodness, find what you’re looking for.

(Chorus) For God so loved the world that He gave us His one and only Son to save us.

Whoever believes in Him will live forever.

Bring all your failures, bring your addictions.

Come lay them down and the foot of the cross.

Jesus is waiting there with open arms. (Chorus)

The pow’r of hell forever defeated. Now it is well, I’m walking in freedom.

For God so loved, God so loved the world.

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