



A Congregation of the  
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We are a *Reconciling in Christ*  
congregation, affirming the  
diversity of God's children



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## Fourteenth Sunday after PENTECOST



Sculpture of rabbis doing  
"midrash," the process of  
exploring the meaning of  
a biblical text for the  
new time and place.



### September 6, 2020

Followers of Jesus, sharing God's love with all...

*an adventure for life!*

## THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

### WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

**Prelude**      *Blest Be the Tie that Binds us Together*, arr. Mark Hayes

**Welcome**

**Hymn**      **Let Us Go Now to the Banquet**

*Refrain / Estribillo*

Let us go now to the ban - quet, to the  
feast of the u - ni - verse. The ta - ble's set and a place is  
wait - ing; come, ev - 'ry - one, with your gifts to share.  
2 God in - vites all the poor and hun - gry to the  
3 May we build such a place a - mong us where all  
ban - quet of jus - tice and good where the har - vest will not be  
peo - ple are e - qual in love. God has called us to work to -  
*Refrain / Estribillo*  
hoard - ed so that no one will lack for food.  
geth - er and to share ev - 'ry - thing we have.

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Music: VAMOS TODOS AL BANQUETE, Guillermo Cuéllar, b. 1955  
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## WE PROCLAIM THE WORD

### **First Reading**

**Romans 13:8-14** (The Message, alt.)

A reading from St. Paul's letter to the early church at Rome

Don't run up debts, except for the huge debt of love you owe each other.

When you love others, you complete what the law has been after all along. The law code—don't sleep with another person's spouse, don't take someone's life, don't take what isn't yours, don't always be wanting what you don't have, and any other "don't" you can think of—finally adds up to this: Love other people as well as you do yourself. You can't go wrong when you love others. When you add up everything in the law code, the sum total is love.

But make sure that you don't get so absorbed and exhausted in taking care of all your day-by-day obligations that you lose track of the time and doze off, oblivious to God. The night is about over, dawn is about to break. Be up and awake to what God is doing! God is putting the finishing touches on the salvation work God began when we first believed. We can't afford to waste a minute, must not squander these precious daylight hours in frivolity and indulgence, in sleeping around and drunkenness, in bickering and grabbing everything in sight. Get out of bed and get dressed! Don't loiter and linger, waiting until the very last minute. Dress yourselves in Christ, and be up and about!

Word of God, Word of Life

**Thanks be to God.**



## Psalm 119:33-40



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Teach me, O LORD, the way | of your statutes,  
and I shall keep it | to the end.

**Give me understanding, and I shall | keep your teaching;  
I shall keep it with | all my heart.**

Lead me in the path of | your commandments,  
for that is | my desire.

**Incline my heart to | your decrees  
and not to | unjust gain.**

Turn my eyes from be- | holding falsehood;  
give me life | in your way.

**Fulfill your promise | to your servant,  
which is for | those who fear you.**

Turn away the reproach | that I dread,  
because your judg- | ments are good.

**Behold, I long for | your commandments;  
by your righteousness en- | liven me.**

**Gospel**                      **Matthew 18:15-20** (The Inclusive New Testament, alt.)

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said to his disciples, "If your sister or brother in the congregation should commit some wrong against you, go and point out the error, but keep it between the two of you. If she or he listens to you, you have won a loved one back; if not, try again, but take one or two others with you, so that every case may stand on the word of two or three witnesses. If your sister or brother refuses to listen to them, refer the matter to the church. If she or he ignores even the church, then treat that sister or brother as you would a Gentile or a tax collector.

"The truth is, whatever you declare bound on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you declare loosed on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again I tell you, if two of you on earth join in agreement to pray for anything whatsoever, it will be granted you by my Abba God in heaven. Where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there in their midst."

The Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Ministry of Music**

***Prelude #1, from the “Well-Tempered Clavier”*** J.S. Bach  
Kathy Rapp, harp

**Apostles Creed**

Let us confess our faith in the Triune God as expressed in these historic words:

**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.**

**Community Prayers**

Let us pray.... **Amen.**

Included in our daily prayers are those with special needs or concerns:

Bebe McCoy, Robin Stokes, Lea Spang, Bonnie Hegreness, Heidi Carman, Cora Marquez, Mary Kennedy, Kelly Scott, Diane Louangrath, Sue Baker, Julie Denniss’ uncle Ed Stewart, Kevin Bailey’s sister Kleta Childs, Kathie and Nancy Ehrich, Stan Heacock, Jeremy Davis, Amy DeLorenzo, Linda and Don Williams, Pamela Andrews, Val Farnham, Bebe McCoy’s brother-in-law Walt, Brittany Parsons, Lynn Belhorn’s mother Maryland Belhorn and friend MaryAnn, Laura Warren’s brother Walter Hudson and his wife Jan, Bill Boys, Doretha Holland, Dolores Brannigan’s husband Dave, Shirley and Jack Miller, Deidre (DJ) Zimmer, Jon Denniss, Mary Bowling’s sister Val, Carolyn and Ed Klopfer, Nancy Stinson’s brother Tom Starkey, Ranel and Neil Hoddinott, Kathleen Zwanziger’s brother Mark Zwanziger, Larry Trover, Dora Pinder on the death of her aunt Minnie Dixon, family of Marline Kelly, Donna Schmidt’s sister Cathy Schmidt.

**Sharing the peace**

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

We take time to greet one another with words like Peace be with you.

**Children’s Time**

Emily Ott

## WE SHARE HOLY COMMUNION

### Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

Lift up your hearts.

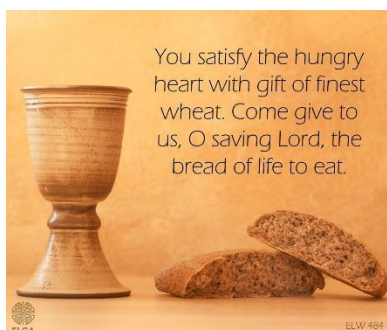
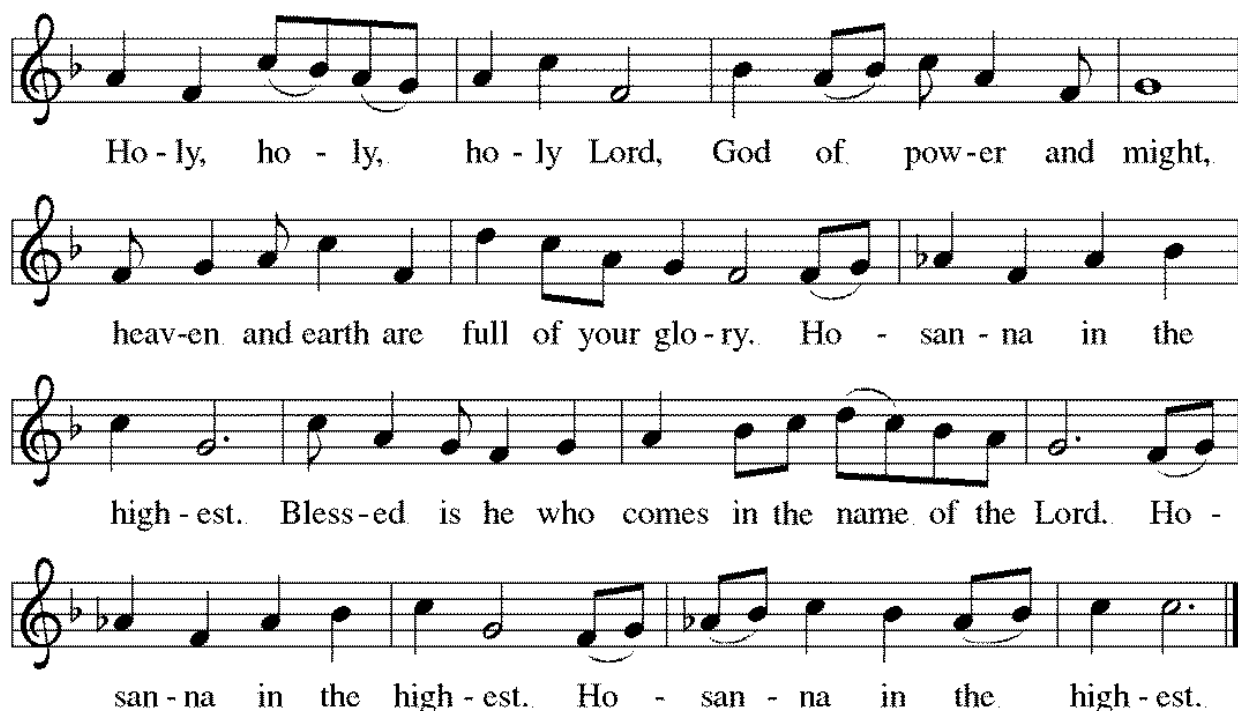
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**And also with you.  
We lift them to the Lord.**

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

In the beginning, the Spirit brooded time into being, so that God could give form to the world. At the Incarnation, the Spirit breathed God's time into being, so that the world could receive the Word. Through Pentecost, the Spirit brought transformed time into being, so that the Word could meet us everywhere.

Holy God, your Christ sends the Spirit to be a companion to all who follow your Way. As inheritors of both the challenge and the comfort of your Way, we join with all who have made this journey in other places and at other times, raising our voices in this timeless song of praise:





Entering these gifts of bread and wine, the Spirit blesses this time, and makes Christ alive in this meal to comfort, challenge and transform us. God has prepared a room for us: fire to warm our hearts, water to wash our weary feet, the table set and waiting. And now, from beyond time, the breath of the Spirit comes whispering through the fabric of time to call us in. So come ... whether your time is just beginning or many years in the marking; whether your hours are filled and fruitful or wanting and withered; whether you have invested wisely or buried your coins in the ground; for here at this table, through the power of the Spirit, God's time and our time come together in bread and wine – a place of timeless and timely grace.

We recall how Jesus, drawing near to the end of his time on earth, ate a last meal with his friends. We remember how his words and actions disturbed and dismayed them; but also how he offered them comfort and encouragement for the time to come. We remember that he took bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to his friends saying, "Take this and eat. This is my body broken for you. Do this to remember me" And after supper he took a cup, and gave it to them, saying, "This cup is the new covenant, sealed in my blood. It is shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this to remember me."

Hear us now as, at this time, we commit ourselves to your Way, and pray the prayer Jesus taught us:

### **Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.  
Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

As we share these gifts of grace, may the Holy Spirit take and transform them that we may know both their comfort and their challenge, and so transform ourselves and our time. Here is bread and wine – touched and transformed by the Spirit. Come, eat and drink, and be healed and strengthened for this time and for time to come.

### **Sharing the Meal**

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

Spirit, You who mothered creation and enabled Incarnation, continue to form and nurture us as we stumble towards maturity. Spirit, You who led Jesus into the wilderness, stir us out of ease and safety as we follow the way of Christ. Spirit, You who transformed the disciples, grace and gift us for the task of building the beloved community Christ lived, died, and rose for. Spirit, You whom Jesus sends as Friend, continue to comfort and discomfort us until justice prevails, peace reigns and love directs all.

**Amen.**

## WE ARE SENT

### Hymn      You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore



1 You                    have come down to the lake - shore                    seek - ing  
3 You                    need my hands, my ex - haus - tion,                    work - ing  
4 You                    who have fished oth - er wa - ters;                    you, the



nei - ther                    the wise nor the wealth - y,                    but on - ly  
love for                    the rest of the wea - ry—                    a love that's  
long - ing                    of souls that are yearn - ing:                    O lov - ing



ask - ing                    for me to fol - low.  
will - ing                    to go on lov - ing.  
Friend, you                    have come to call me.



Sweet Lord,                    you have looked in - to my eyes;                    kind-ly smil - ing,



you've called out my name. . . . On the sand I                    have a-ban-doned my



small boat;                    now with you,                    I will seek oth - er seas.

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**Blessing**

**Amen.**

**Postlude**

***Wonderful Words of Life***, arr. Joel Raney

**Our first act of love is to greet those standing near us and around us.**

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**Adult Sunday School**

10 am Sundays

Via ZOOM



**THE APOSTLES' CREED FOR TODAY**

Topic: Dave Shull's Zoom Meeting

Time: Sep 6, 2020 10:00 AM

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82077174843?pwd=U\\_VhxMUdIcHQya3dyRitjRmkoSoVFQTo9](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82077174843?pwd=U_VhxMUdIcHQya3dyRitjRmkoSoVFQTo9)

Meeting ID: 820 7717 4843

Passcode: 605705

Phone only: 646 876 9923



**Tuesdays 1- 2:30 pm**

***The Book of Genesis***

**We'd love to have you join us via ZOOM!**

Topic: Tuesday Bible study Zoom Meeting

Time: Sep 8, 2020 01:00 PM

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81983543263?pwd=S1owSzdxTzQwa1F2WWUxcXRkTjFPUT09>

Meeting ID: 819 8354 3263

Passcode: 682364



**Conversations on Race**

**Wednesday, August 19**

**7:00 pm**

**Via Zoom**

Join us as we speak with **Debbie Crawford** about police reform.

**Topic:** Redeemer Race Conversations Zoom Meeting on police reform

**Time:** September 9, 2020 at 7 p.m.

**Join Zoom Meeting:** ID: 875 3338 8596; Passcode: 521578

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87533388596?pwd=cm1Lb0FTdUJGK05zVXIHSml1UWlZWdz09>

**Phone only:** 646 876 9923

# VOTE!

## DRIVE-THRU VOTER REGISTRATION AND/OR ABSENTEE BALLOT APPLICATION SUBMISSION

**Sunday, September 13, 2020**

**2-5 pm**

**Christ the King Church Parking Lot  
2777 East Livingston Avenue  
Columbus Ohio 43209**

**Sponsored by the League of Women Voters and Christ the King Parish**

Volunteers will be available to answer questions and walk you through the applications, step by step.

We can help you:

- Register as a new voter
- Update/check your voter registration status
- Apply for your absentee ballot

All information will be available in English and Spanish



RLC Serves  
**First English Lutheran  
Church  
Community Dinner  
Thursday, September 10**  
Food donations and volunteers needed



**A Brewing Faith**

***Second Tuesdays 6:30 pm***

Conversation and fellowship  
Via Zoom

## OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

<b>Presiding Minister</b>	David Shull, Pastor
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Emily Ott
<b>ASL Interpreter</b>	Tori Reed
<b>Reader</b>	Chad Eberle
<b>Cantor</b>	Wendy Stoica
<b>Children's Time</b>	Emily Ott
<b>Organist &amp; Senior Choir Director</b>	Kathy Rapp
<b>Pianist &amp; Chimes Choir Director</b>	Karen Kent
<b>Producer</b>	Tom Mimplitch

*Noisy Offering will go to Kaleidoscope Youth Center.*

## THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER SEPTEMBER 6 - 13

<b>Today</b>	YouTube 10:00 am	Worship with Holy Communion ZOOM Adult Education
<b>Monday</b>		<b>Happy Labor Day!</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	1:00 pm 6:30 pm	ZOOM Bible Study ZOOM A Brewing Faith
<b>Wednesday</b>	7:00 pm	ZOOM Conversations on Race
<b>Thursday</b>	5:00 pm	<b>RLC serves take-out dinners at FELC</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	9:00 am 10:00 am	Pick Garden Garden Giveaway
<b>Next Sunday</b>	YouTube 10:00 am	Worship with Holy Communion ZOOM Adult Education

