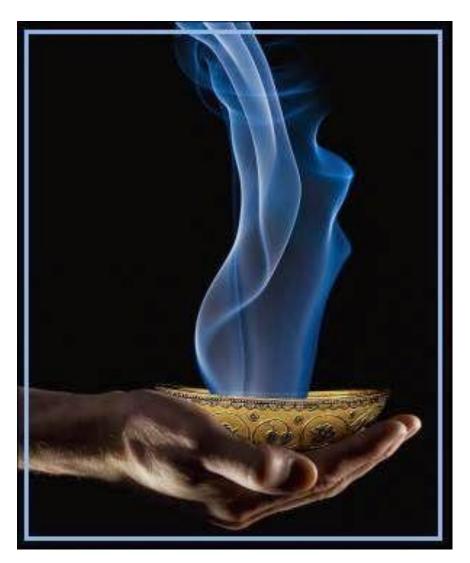


A Reconciling in Christ congregation, celebrating the diversity of God's children and fostering understanding and healing in community



Eleventh Sunday after PENTECOST



August 8, 2021 + 10:00 am

Followers of Jesus, sharing God's love with all... an adventure for life!

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

In Preparation for Worship

- <u>Within the sanctuary</u> please remember that some people use this time of silence to prepare for worship.
- Whenever the cross is carried in procession through the congregation, we turn to face the cross to signify our way of life as followers of Jesus.
- Large-print bulletins and copies of the worship order are available; ask an usher for assistance.
- Assistive hearing devices are available from the ushers.

Love Your Neighbor

- We strongly encourage all people to wear masks in worship and in other larger group settings.
- The far side, or north side, of the sanctuary is set up for social distancing. People who have not been vaccinated or are more comfortable maintaining social distancing please sit there.
- The south side, closest to the double doors, pews are not restricted and should be used by those who have been vaccinated.
- Those who wish may stand during the opening and closing hymns and the reading of the Gospel.
- During the passing of the peace, people who wish to hug and be hugged may do so; if you do not wish to be hugged, we suggest you place your palms together under your chin in the "namaste" posture as a way to share the peace in a distanced way.
- Individual communion elements are available to pick up inside the sanctuary door.
- If you wish to use one of the first-floor bathrooms, please follow instructions in the bathroom about disinfecting it after your use. Only one person at a time in the restrooms.

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

Let Us Break Bread Together, arr. Mark Hayes

Welcome



O Living Bread from Heaven

Hymn

Stand in body or spirit



Text: Johann Rist, 1607–1667; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt. Music: AURELIA, Samuel S. Wesley, 1810-1876

Greeting

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



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WE PROCLAIM THE WORD

Reading

Ephesians 4:25–5:2

A reading from the letter to the Ephesians

So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Word of God, Word of Life

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 34:1-8



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I will bless the LORD | at all times;

the praise of God shall ever be ¹ in my mouth.

I will glory | in the LORD;

let the lowly hear | and rejoice.

Proclaim with me the greatness [|] of the LORD; let us exalt God's [|] name together.

I sought the LORD, who | answered me and delivered me from | all my terrors.

and delivered me from 'all my terror

Look upon the LORD | and be radiant,

and let not your faces | be ashamed.

I called in my affliction, and [|] the LORD heard me and saved me from [|] all my troubles.

The angel of the LORD encamps around those who [|] fear the LORD and de- [|] livers them.

Taste and see that the | LORD is good; happy are they who take ref- | uge in God!

Stand in body or spirit



Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to Saint John

John 6:35, 41-51 Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to [the crowd,] "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

The Gospel of the Lord *Please be seated*

Praise to you, O Christ.

Message

Ministry of Music We Are an Offering **Rev. Dale Linder**

arr. Mark Hayes Karen Kent, piano

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....

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, Kevin Bailey's sister Kleta Childs, Kathie and Nancy Ehrich and their niece and sister-in-law, Stan Heacock, Jeremy Davis, Bebe McCoy's brother-inlaw Walt and sister Jan, Brittany Parsons, Lynn Belhorn's friend MaryAnn, Shirley and Jack Miller, Jon Denniss, Mary Bowling's sister Val, Carolyn and Ed Klopfer, Nancy Stinson's brother Tom Starkey, Barbara and David Hairston, Grace and Ken Jones, John Kennedy's niece Michele Wolfe, Kris Kauffman, Karen Kent, Beatrice Watts Young, Arnell Comstock, Dottie Odrosky, Bob Gray

The people of Fellowship Lutheran Church, Columbus; Redeemer community members Emily and Nathan Ott, Kathryn and Caroline

Children's Time

Sharing the peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

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

Amen.

And also with you.

WE SHARE HOLY COMMUNION

Great Thanksgiving

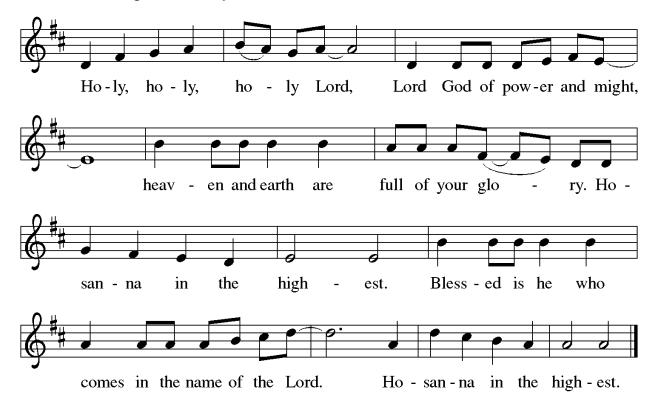
The Lord be with you. Lift up your hearts. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

This is the table of our Lord on which he sets his tokens of love and hope and to which he calls all who want to share his life. So come – whether your faith is strong or weak, whether your hope shines brightly or is dimmed. Come, ready to receive – for all are welcome at the feast of love.

We join our voices now in that great song of love and adoration that creation sings back to you.



We remember on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it and gave it to his friends and said — "Take, eat: This is my body, which is given for you. Do this to remember me."

- After supper, he took a cup of wine 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. As often as you drink this, do so to remember me."
- We commit ourselves to becoming a people of hope as we pray the prayer Jesus teaches 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.

And so, as we do in this place what Christ did in an upstairs room, send your Holy Spirit on us, and on these gifts of bread and wine, that the story of hope – of death and rising of new life, and the fruit of your beloved community – may continue on in us and through us.

Sharing the Meal



Prayer of Thanksgiving

Generous God, whose story and song are now and always the hope of the world: We praise you for the stories of creation and incarnation, redemption and resolution – the unending words of love. We rejoice in your song of yearning and calling, waiting and welcoming, gathering and cherishing – the eternal music of hope.

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WE ARE SENT

Hymn

We Are Marching in the Light

Stand in body or spirit





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Announcements

Postlude

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee, arr. John Carter

Amen.

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OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Presiding Minister Assisting Minister ASL Interpreter Reader Cantor Organist & Senior Choir Director Pianist & Chimes Choir Director Usher Verger Producers Rev. Dale Linder Karen Collins Bryan Neal Karen Collins Wendy Stoica Kathy Rapp Karen Kent Ruth Murray Wendy Stoica Sue Yehling, Tom Mimlitch

Flowers are dedicated by **Laura and Terry Warren**. Noisy Offering will go to ELCA Disaster Relief.

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER AUGUST 8 - 15

Today	10:00 am	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion
Tuesday	6:30 pm	ZOOM A Brewing Faith
Saturday	10:00 am	RLC Garden Giveaway
Next Sunday	10:00 am	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion

Dave Shull is on vacation **August 2-23**. During his absence, *Pastor Julianne Smeck* from Hope Lutheran Church will be covering pastoral emergencies. You can reach her at 734-972-6126. *Dr. Cheryl Peterson* will preach and preside next Sunday.

Pastor Dale Linder is a member of Hope Lutheran Church and a chaplain at Riverside Hospital, here in Columbus. He has lived in Cameroon West Africa, where he taught English for the ELCA global missions department and met his wife, Halima. They have been blessed with two children, Pomgna and Abbe. Both are students at the French immersion elementary school.

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