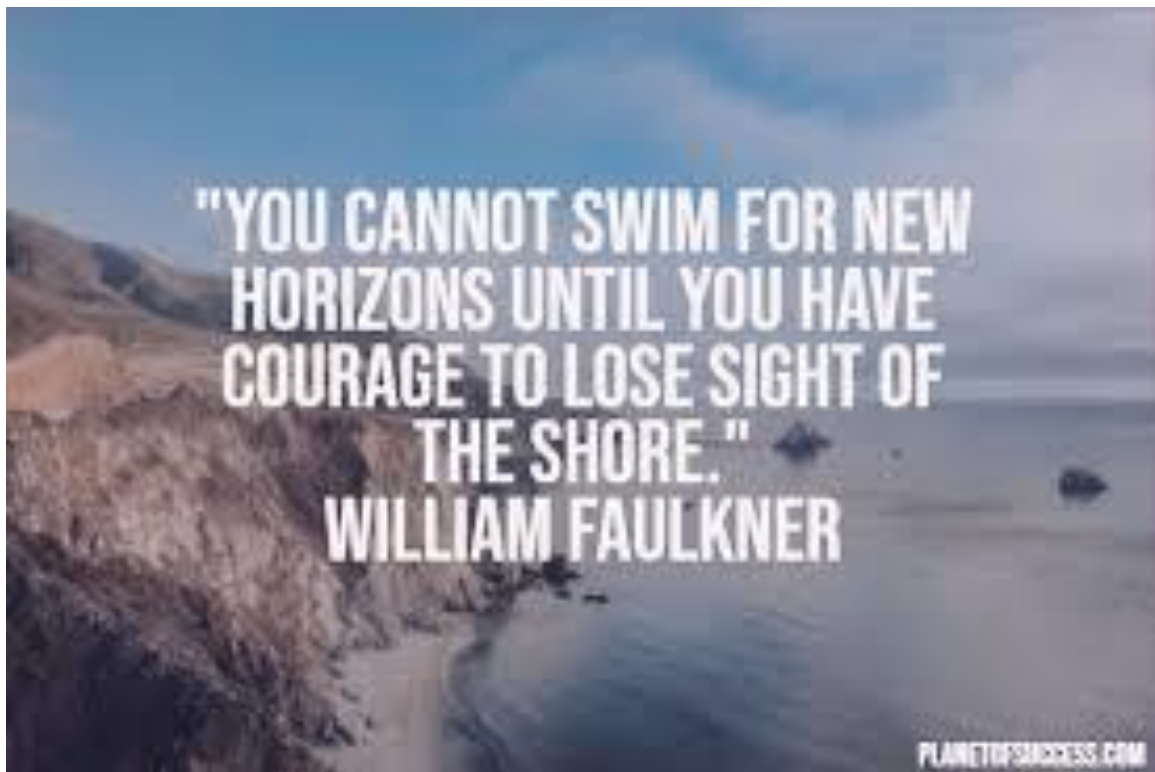




A Reconciling in Christ congregation,
celebrating the diversity of God's children
and fostering understanding
and healing in community



Seventeenth Sunday after PENTECOST



September 19, 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

- Within the sanctuary 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

- In keeping with the current mask update for Columbus, masks are required at worship services and other group activities inside the Redeemer Lutheran Church building.
- The sanctuary is set up for social distancing.
- Those who wish may stand during the opening and closing hymns and the reading of the Gospel.
- During the passing of the peace, 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

Jesus Loves Me, arr. Gordon Young

Welcome

Stand in body or spirit

Hymn

I Danced in the Morning



1. I danced in the morn - ing when the world was be - gun, And I
2. I danced for the scribe and the phar - i - see, But
3. I danced on the Sab - bath and I cured the lame: The
4. I danced on a Fri - day when the sky turned black; It's
5. They cut me down and I leapt up high; †



danced in the moon and the stars and the sun, And I
they would-n't dance, and they would-n't fol - low me; I
ho - ly peo - ple said it was a shame. They
hard to dance with the dev - il on your back. They
I am the life that - 'll nev - er, nev - er die; I'll



came down from heav - en and I danced on the earth; At
 danced for the fish - er - men, for James and John; They
 whipped and they stripped and they hung me high, And
 bur - ied my bod - y and they thought I'd gone; But
 live in you if you'll live in me: 7



Beth - le - hem I had my birth.
 came with me and the dance went on.
 left me there on a cross to die.
 I am the dance and I still go on.
 I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.



Dance then wher - ev - er you may be; I am the



Lord of the dance, said he, And I'll lead you all, wher -

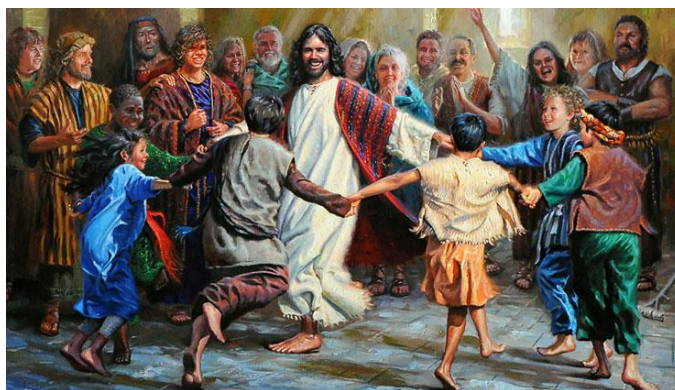


ev - er you may be, And I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.

Text: Sydney Carter, b.1915

Tune: LORD OF THE DANCE, Irregular; adapt. from a traditional Shaker melody by Sydney Carter, b.1915

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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.**

Hymn of Praise

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-t'ry for our God, for the



Lamb who was slain has be-gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be



peo-ple of God. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and



hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his. *Refrain* This is the feast of



vic-t'ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has be-gun his reign. Al -



le - lu - ia. 2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and



join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,



glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



Final refrain

This is the feast of vic-t'ry for our God, for the
Lamb who was slain has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia.

Please be seated

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD

Reading

James 3:13-18 (The Message)

A reading from the letter of James

Do you want to be counted wise, to build a reputation for wisdom? Here's what you do: Live well, live wisely, live humbly. It's the way you live, not the way you talk, that counts. Mean-spirited ambition isn't wisdom. Boasting that you are wise isn't wisdom. Twisting the truth to make yourselves sound wise isn't wisdom. It's the furthest thing from wisdom—it's animal cunning, devilish plotting. Whenever you're trying to look better than others or get the better of others, things fall apart and everyone ends up at the others' throats.

Real wisdom, God's wisdom, begins with a holy life and is characterized by getting along with others. It is gentle and reasonable, overflowing with mercy and blessings, not hot one day and cold the next, not two-faced. You can develop a healthy, robust community that lives right with God and enjoy its results only if you do the hard work of getting along with each other, treating each other with dignity and honor.

Word of God, Word of Life

Thanks be to God.



Psalm 1



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Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel¹ of the wicked,
nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats¹ of the scornful!

**Their delight is in the law¹ of the LORD,
and they meditate on God's teaching¹ day and night.**

They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season,
with leaves that¹ do not wither;
everything they¹ do shall prosper.

**It is not so¹ with the wicked;
they are like chaff which the wind¹ blows away.**

Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when¹ judgment comes,
nor the sinner in the council¹ of the righteous.

**For the LORD knows the way¹ of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked shall¹ be destroyed.**



Stand in body or spirit

Gospel Acclamation



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel

Mark 9:30-37 (The Message, inclusivized)

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus and his disciples went through Galilee. He didn't want anyone to know their whereabouts, for he wanted to teach his disciples. He told them, "The Human One is about to be betrayed to some people who want nothing to do with God. They will murder him. Three days after his murder, he will rise, alive." They didn't know what he was talking about, but were afraid to ask him about it.

They came to Capernaum. When he was safe at home, he asked them, "What were you discussing on the road?"

The silence was deafening—they had been arguing with one another over who among them was greatest.

He sat down and summoned the Twelve. "So you want first place? Then take the last place. Be the servant of all."

He put a child in the middle of the room. Then, cradling the little one in his arms, he said, "Whoever embraces one of these children as I do embraces me, and far more than me—God who sent me."

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

Message

COURAGE TO LOSE SIGHT OF THE SHORE

Ministry of Music

Lord of the Dance

arr. Joel Raney
Kathy Rapp, 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....

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, 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-in-law 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, Dereck and Damon Stewart and family, Bob Rapp, Kathie Ehrich's sister Betty Weaver, Mike Shugert's aunt and uncle Livvy and Jim Schleicher, Sheryl Owens' granddaughter Sophie, Chad Eberle's mother
The people of Grace Lutheran Church, Columbus; Redeemer community member LaVerna Reinoehl

Children's Time

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.

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.**

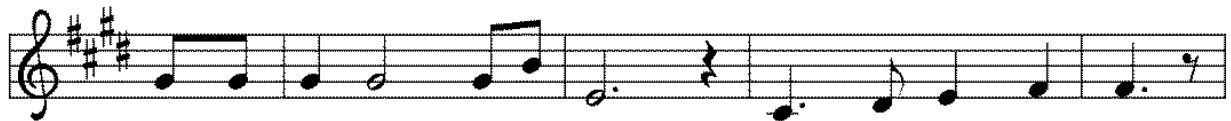
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

God, you are before all things; you are beyond all things; and in the midst of all things and all peoples you have made yourself known.

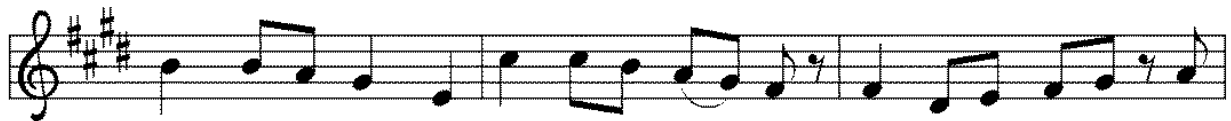
In Israel's ancient codes and prophetic oracles, in stories of women and men, of communities and nations seeking identity, feeling their strength, and struggling with their weakness, you have made yourself known.

In Jesus of Nazareth, in compassion for the outcast, forgiveness for the fallen, hope for the poor and hungry; in his life poured out for others and broken by hatred and fear, you have made yourself known.

Therefore we join our praises with countless men and women before us, celebrating your power in goodness and your might in compassion, as we sing:



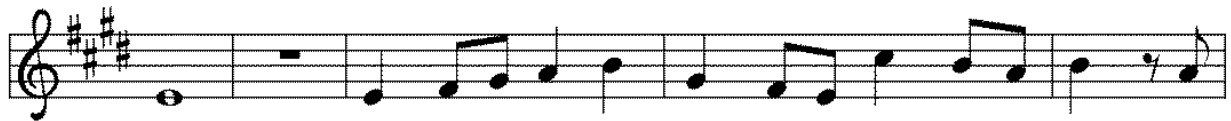
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,



heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho-



san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -



est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-



san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

We greet the one who comes in your name: your true light, your true love, the bread of compassion, the wine of renewal.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, Jesus took bread, gave you thanks, broke it, and gave it to his friends, saying, "Take this and eat: This is my body, which is given for you. Do this to remember me."

After supper he took the cup of wine, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you: This is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Do this to remember me."

Come to us, Spirit of our Lord of love, and let the bread and wine before us bear your life to our life, nourish us with his vision of hope, and unite us in one body of peace.

Nourish us with your brokenness, renew us with your poured out life, empower us with your powerlessness, that we may take root in your risen life and bear fruit in your world.

We commit ourselves to walk in your way as we pray:

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.**

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, given for you.

As Jesus welcomed all to this meal, so do we.

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. **Amen.**

WE ARE SENT

Stand in body or spirit

Hymn

Now Let Us from this Table Rise



1. Now let us from this ta - ble rise Re - newed in
2. With minds a - lert, up - held by grace, To spread the
3. To fill each hu - man house with love, It is the
4. Then grant us grace, Com - pan - ion - God, To choose a -



bod - y, mind, and soul; With Christ we die and rise a -
word in speech and deed, We fol - low in the steps of
sac - ra - ment of care; The work that Christ be - gan to
gain the pil - grim way And help us to ac - cept with



gain, His self - less love has made us whole.
Christ, At one with all in hope and need.
do We hum - bly pledge our - selves to share.
joy The chal - lenge of to - mor - row's day.

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Tune: DEUS TUORUM MILITUM, LM; *Grenoble Antiphoner*, 1753

Blessing

Amen.

Announcements

Postlude

Marching to Zion, arr. Gordon Young

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RLC will be providing the meal following the memorial service for Don Williams. We are looking for food donations of meat/cheese trays, veggie trays, salads, and desserts. Food should be delivered to the church by Friday, September 24

We could also use volunteers to help serve.

Please contact the office or Kathy Mimplitch –

KathyMimplitch@yahoo.com or 614-439-7739.

Adult Sunday School

11:15 am Sundays



Re-introducing Jesus

Don Luck presents a four-part exploration of the person and significance of Jesus reflecting contemporary biblical and theological scholarship.

Topic: **Sunday Adult Education Zoom Meeting**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86804527196?pwd=WNPejFLQUpL TjlFVkc3cz VubTRZ dz09>

Meeting ID: 868 0452 7196– Passcode: 229032

Phone only: 646 876 9923



The Parables of Jesus Tuesdays – 1:00 pm In Person – Zoom

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Meeting ID: 871 3736 6983

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Good Neighbors Picnic Saturday, September 25 See *Reflections* for details

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Presiding Minister	David Shull, Pastor
Assisting Minister	Emily Ott
ASL Interpreter	Emily Ott
Reader	Emily Ott
Cantor	Wendy Stoica
Organist & Senior Choir Director	Kathy Rapp
Pianist & Chimes Choir Director	Karen Kent
Usher	Neil Hoddinott
Verger	Wendy Stoica
Producers	Tom Mimplitch, Sue Yehling

*Flowers are dedicated by **Laura and Terry Warren**,
in memory of Laura's brother **Bill Hudson**.
Noisy Offering will go to ELCA Disaster Relief.*

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER SEPTEMBER 19 - 26

Today	10:00 am	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion
	11:15 am	IN-PERSON and ZOOM Adult Education
Tuesday	1:00 pm	IN-PERSON and ZOOM Bible Study
	7:00 pm	Congregation Council
Saturday	10:00 am	RLC Garden Giveaway
	10:00 am	Don Williams visitation
	11:00 am	Don Williams memorial service Good Neighbors Picnic
Next Sunday	10:00 am	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion
	11:15 am	IN-PERSON and ZOOM Adult Education



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