



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



## Eighteenth Sunday after PENTECOST



**September 26, 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, the Very Thought of Thee***, arr. Larry Shackley

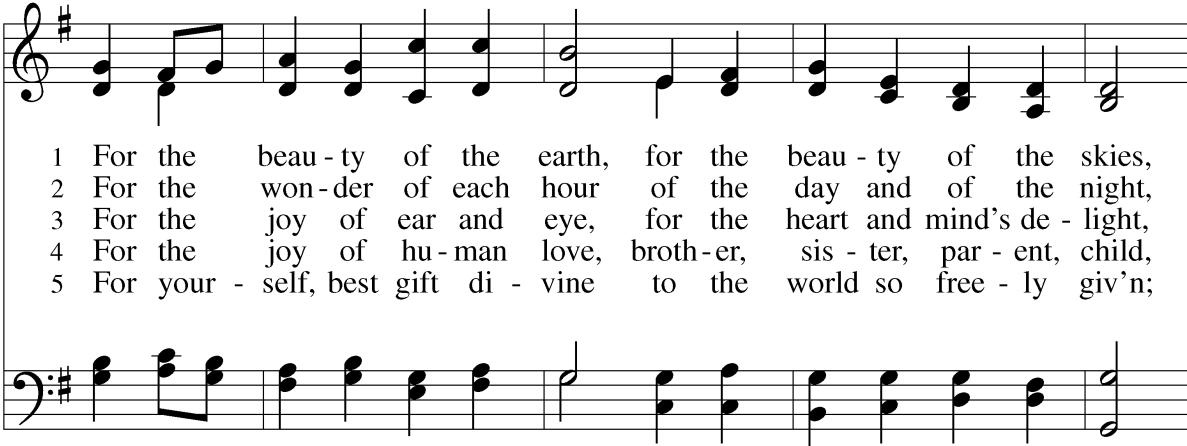
**Welcome**



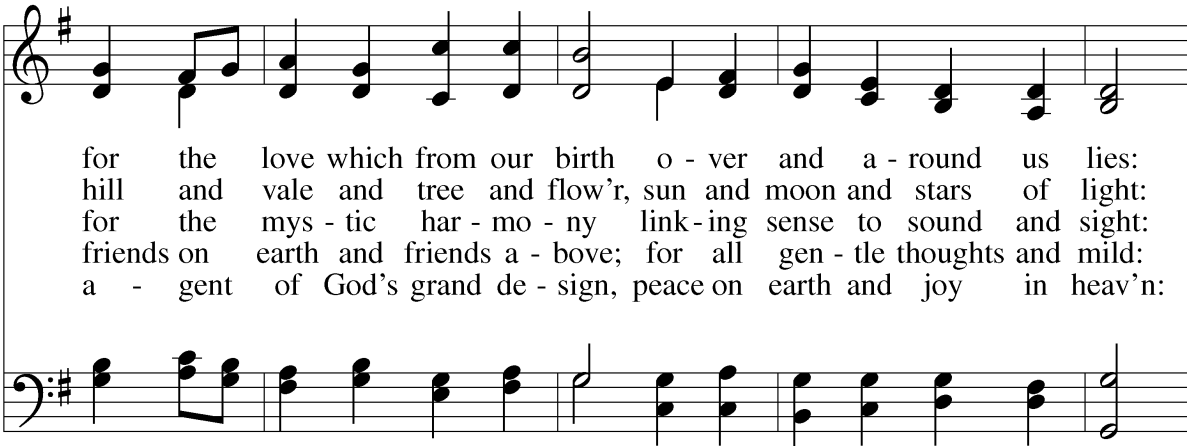
*Stand in body or spirit*

## Hymn

## For the Beauty of the Earth



1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the beau - ty of the skies,  
2 For the won - der of each hour of the day and of the night,  
3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,  
4 For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,  
5 For your - self, best gift di - vine to the world so free - ly giv'n;



for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies:  
hill and vale and tree and flow'r, sun and moon and stars of light:  
for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight:  
friends on earth and friends a - bove; for all gen - tle thoughts and mild:  
a - gent of God's grand de - sign, peace on earth and joy in heav'n:

*Refrain*



Christ, our Lord, to you we raise this our sac - ri - fice of praise.

Text: Folliott S. Pierpoint, 1835–1917, alt.  
Music: DIX, Conrad Kocher, 1786–1872

## 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

*Congregation:*

Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion,  
all of cre - a - tion sings for joy  
to the God of life and love and  
free - dom: praise and glo - ry for ev -  
er - more!

## Verse 1:

*Congregation or Congregation 1:*

1. Now is the feast of the Lamb once  
slain, whose blood has freed and u -  
nit - ed us to be one great

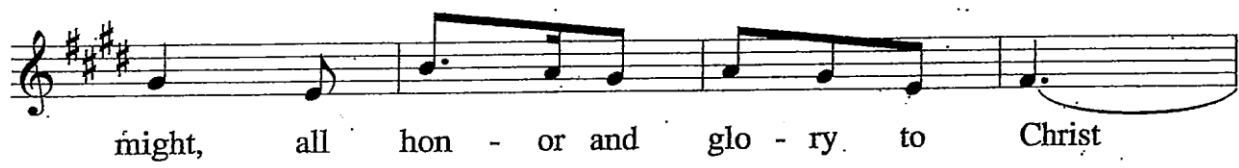
*To refrain*

peo - ple of God.

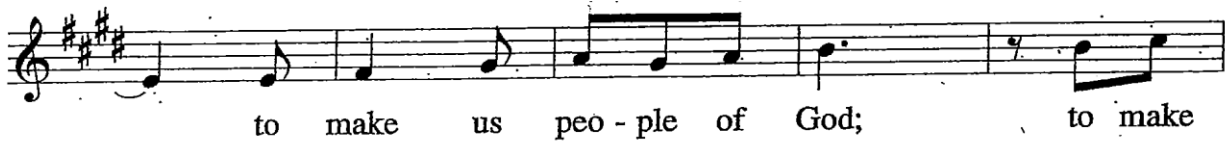
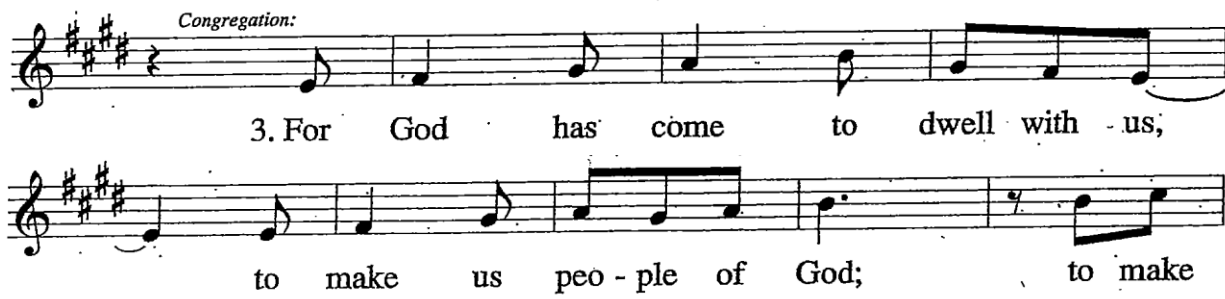
## Verse 2

*Congregation or Congregation 2:*

Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and



Verse 3



*Please be seated*

## **WE PROCLAIM THE WORD**

### **Reading**

**James 5:13-20** (The Message)

A reading from the letter of James

Are you hurting? Pray. Do you feel great? Sing. Are you sick? Call the church leaders together to pray and anoint you with oil in the name of the Master. Believing-prayer will heal you, and Jesus will put you on your feet. And if you've sinned, you'll be forgiven—healed inside and out.

Make this your common practice: Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you can live together whole and healed. The prayer of a person living right with God is something powerful to be reckoned with. Elijah, for instance, human just like us, prayed hard that it wouldn't rain, and it didn't—not a drop for three and a half years. Then he prayed that it would rain, and it did. The showers came and everything started growing again.

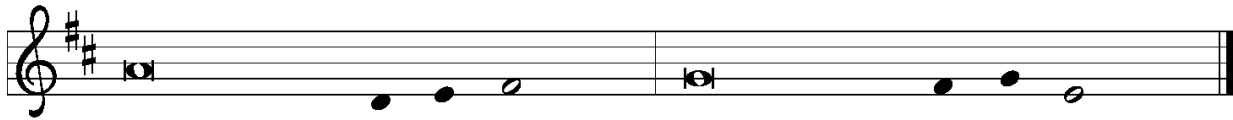
My dear friends, if you know people who have wandered off from God's truth, don't write them off. Go after them. Get them back and you will have rescued precious lives from destruction and prevented an epidemic of wandering away from God.

Word of God, Word of Life

**Thanks be to God.**



## Psalm 19:7-14



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The teaching of the LORD is perfect and re- | lives the soul;  
the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to | the simple.  
**The statutes of the LORD are just and re- | joice the heart;**  
**the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light | to the eyes.**  
The fear of the LORD is clean and en- | dures forever;  
the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous | altogether.  
**More to be desired are they than gold, more than | much fine gold,**  
**sweeter far than honey, than honey | in the comb.**  
By them also is your ser- | vant enlightened,  
and in keeping them there is | great reward.  
**Who can detect one's | own offenses?**  
**Cleanse me from my | secret faults.**  
Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get  
dominion | over me;  
then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a | great offense.  
**Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be**  
**acceptable | in your sight,**  
**O LORD, my strength and | my redeemer.**





*Stand in body or spirit*

## Gospel Acclamation

*Congregation:*

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

## Gospel

**Mark 9:38-50** (The Message)

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

[The disciple] John spoke up, "Teacher, we saw a man using your name to expel demons and we stopped him because he wasn't in our group."

Jesus wasn't pleased. "Don't stop him. No one can use my name to do something good and powerful, and in the next breath cut me down. If he's not an enemy, he's an ally. Why, anyone by just giving you a cup of water in my name is on our side. Count on it that God will notice.

"On the other hand, if you give one of these simple, childlike believers a hard time, bullying or taking advantage of their simple trust, you'll soon wish you hadn't. You'd be better off dropped in the middle of the lake with a millstone around your neck.

"If your hand or your foot gets in God's way, chop it off and throw it away. You're better off maimed or lame and alive than the proud owner of two hands and two feet, godless in a furnace of eternal fire. And if your eye distracts you from God, pull it out and throw it away. You're better off one-eyed and alive than exercising your twenty-twenty vision from inside the fire of hell.

"Everyone's going through a refining fire sooner or later, but you'll be well-preserved, protected from the eternal flames. Be preservatives yourselves. Preserve the peace."

The Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please be seated*

## Message

**PAYING ATTENTION AND RESPONDING TO WHAT YOU NOTICE**



## Ministry of Music

### Lord, I'm Coming Home

William J. Kirkpatrick, arranged by Gilbert M. Martin  
Emily Kent, Wendy Stoica, John Kennedy, and Bruce Collins

I've wandered far away from God, now I'm coming home;  
The paths of sin too long I've trod, Lord, I'm coming home.  
I've wasted many precious years, now I'm coming home;  
I now repent with bitter tears, Lord, I'm coming home.

I've tired of sin and straying, Lord, now I'm coming home;  
I'll trust Thy love, believe Thy word, Lord, I'm coming home.  
My soul is sick, my heart is sore, now I'm coming home;  
My strength renew, my hope restore, Lord, I'm coming home.

Coming home, coming home, nevermore to roam,  
Open wide Thine arms of love, Lord, I'm coming home,  
Lord, I'm coming home.

## 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, 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, Damon Stewart, 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 Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Newark; Redeemer community members Lauren and Eric, Gabriel, and Cassandra 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.

**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.**

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:

*Congregation:*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and  
might; Heav - en and earth are filled with your  
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est! Bless - ed is the  
One who comes in your name. Ho - san - na in the  
high - est, 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:

## A Version of the Lord's Prayer from *The New Zealand Prayer Book*

**Eternal Spirit,  
Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,  
Source of all that is and that shall be,  
Father and Mother of us all,  
Loving God, in whom is heaven:  
The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!  
The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world!  
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!  
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom  
sustain our hope and come on earth.  
With the bread we need for today, feed us.  
In the hurts we [inflict and the hurts we] absorb, forgive us.  
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.  
From trials too great to endure, spare us.  
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.  
For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,  
now and for ever. 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

God of compassion, we thank you for nourishing us with the bread of life and the wine of hope. As in Christ your love flowed out to those around him, so let your love flow through us to others. As in Christ your life was broken, so let your life meet us in our brokenness and fill us all with joy, through Jesus, our life and our joy. **Amen.**

# WE ARE SENT

Stand in body or spirit

## Hymn

## Shine, Jesus, Shine

*Refrain*



Shine, Je - sus, shine, fill this land with the Fa - ther's glo - ry;



blaze, Spir - it, blaze, set our hearts on fire.



Flow, riv - er, flow, flood the na - tions with grace and mer - cy;



send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light!



1 Lord, the light of your love is shin - ing, in the midst of the  
2 As we gaze on your king - ly bright-ness, so our fac - es dis -



dark - ness, shin - ing; Je - sus, light of the world, shine up - on us,  
play your like - ness, ev - er chang - ing from glo - ry to glo - ry,



set us free by the truth you now bring us.  
mir - rored here, may our lives tell your sto - ry.



*Refrain*

Shine on on me, shine on on me:  
Shine on on me, shine on on me:

Text: Graham Kendrick, b. 1950

Music: Graham Kendrick

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SHINE, JESUS, SHINE  
99 10 10 33 and refrain

**Blessing**

**Amen.**

## Announcements

## Postlude

***Ain-a That Good News!***, arr. John Carter


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**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=WVNPejFLQUpl.TjlfVkc3czVubTRZdz09>  
Meeting ID: 868 042 7196 - Passcode: 227032  
Phone only: 646 876 9923



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

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87137366983?pwd=T0NoUU5ORmNYNlYrajhpZ2hGR09pdz09>  
Meeting ID: 871 3736 6983  
Passcode: 619946 - Phone only: 646 876 9923



***Journaling Workshop***  
**7:00 pm**  
**4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays**  
***In-Person - Narthex***



**Chime Choir**  
**Rehearsal**  
**Sundays 8:45 am**

**Make a joyful noise with us!**



**CROP WALK**  
**October 3**  
RLC Walkers:  
*Connie Criswell = Heidi Sherer*  
*Wendy Stoica = Kathleen Zwanziger*  
Donations to the Redeemer Team at  
<https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2021/team/redeemer-lutheran-church-2>

## OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

<b>Presiding Minister</b>	David Shull, Pastor
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Michele Disbro
<b>Crucifer</b>	Skye Andree
<b>ASL Interpreter</b>	Bryan Neal
<b>Reader</b>	Damon Stewart
<b>Cantor</b>	Mary Benis
<b>Organist &amp; Senior Choir Director</b>	Kathy Rapp
<b>Pianist &amp; Chimes Choir Director</b>	Karen Kent
<b>Usher</b>	Ashley Bird
<b>Verger</b>	Michelle Clemence
<b>Producers</b>	Sue Yehling, Michele Disbro

*Flowers are dedicated by **Sue and Tim Watson** in memory of Tim's mother **Marjorie**.  
Noisy Offering will go to ELCA Disaster Relief.*

## THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER SEPTEMBER 26 – OCTOBER 3

<b>Today</b>	8:45 am	Chime Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 am	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion
	11:15 am	IN-PERSON and ZOOM Adult Education
<b>Monday</b>	7:00 pm	Worship Team
<b>Tuesday</b>	1:00 pm	IN-PERSON and ZOOM Bible Study
	7:00 pm	IN-PERSON & ZOOM Journaling Workshop
<b>Friday through Sunday</b>		Sister Act Retreat at Lutheran Memorial Camp
<b>Next Sunday</b>	8:45 am	Chime Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 am	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion
	11:15 am	IN-PERSON and ZOOM Adult Education



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