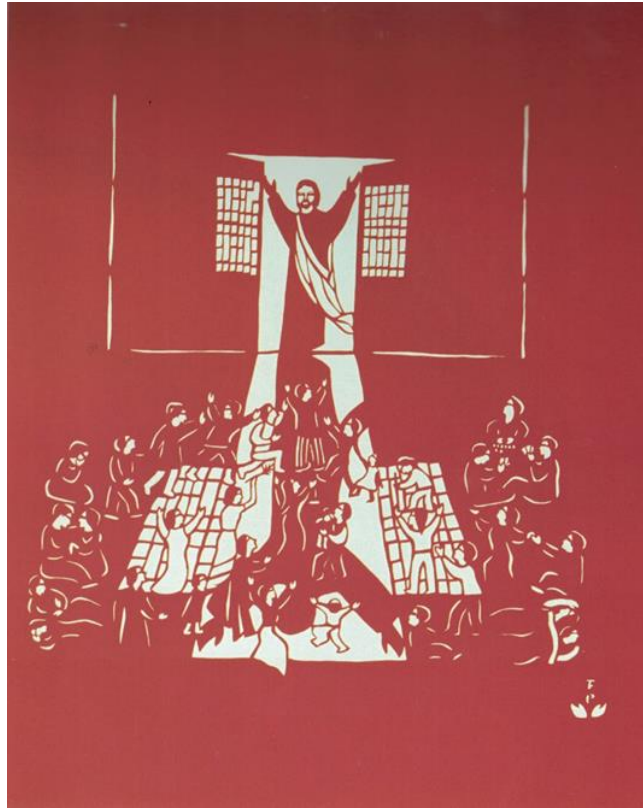




## Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost



Christ the Door  
Fan Pu, China, 1999

**August 28, 2022**

**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

- Masks are required coming into the building and in the Narthex. Folks wishing to continue wearing masks for worship are encouraged to sit in the pews on the north side of the Sanctuary; those who wish to remove their masks may sit on the south side of the Sanctuary.
- 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 or folks can now choose to receive communion at the front of the church from masked servers distributing individual cups for the wine/grape juice.
- 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.
- Please silence your cell phone.

# WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

*Let Us Break Bread Together*

arr. Mark Hayes

Welcome

Hymn

**I Will Change Your Name**

G C Dsus4 D

I will change your name,  
I will change your name,

G C Dsus D

you shall no longer be called  
your new name shall be

G C D Bm7  
 wound - ed, out - cast,  
 con - fi - dence, joy - ful - ness,  
 lone - ly or a - fraid.  
 o - ver - com - ing one,  
 faith - ful - ness, friend of God,  
 one who seeks my face.

## 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  
peo - ple of God.

*To refrain*

## Verse 2

*Congregation or Congregation 2:*

Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and  
might, all hon - or and glo - ry to Christ

*To refrain*

for ev - er.

Verse 3

*Congregation:*

3. For God has come to dwell with - us;

to make us peo - ple of God; to make

*To refrain*

all things new.

*Please be seated*

## **WE PROCLAIM THE WORD**

### **Reading**

**Jeremiah 2:4-13** (Common English Bible)

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

Listen to the Lord's word,  
people of Judah,  
all you families of the Israelite household.

This is what the Lord says:  
What wrong did your ancestors find in me  
that made them wander so far?  
They pursued what was worthless  
and became worthless.

They didn't ask,  
"Where's the Lord who brought us up from the land of Egypt,  
who led us through the wilderness,  
in a land of deserts and ravines,  
in a land of drought and darkness,  
in a land of no return,  
where no one survives?"

I brought you into a land of plenty,  
to enjoy its gifts and goodness,  
but you ruined my land;  
you disgraced my heritage.

The priests didn't ask,  
"Where's the Lord?"  
Those responsible for the Instruction didn't know me;  
the leaders rebelled against me;  
the prophets spoke in the name of Baal,  
going after what has no value.  
That is why I will take you to court  
and charge even your descendants,  
declares the Lord.  
Look to the west as far as the shores of Cyprus  
and to the east as far as the land of Kedar.  
Ask anyone there:  
Has anything this odd ever taken place?  
Has a nation switched gods,  
though they aren't really gods at all?  
Yet my people have exchanged their glory  
for what has no value.  
Be stunned at such a thing, you heavens;  
shudder and quake,  
declares the Lord.  
My people have committed two crimes:  
They have forsaken me, the spring of living water.  
And they have dug wells, broken wells that can't hold water.

Word of God, Word of Life

**Thanks be to God.**



## Psalm 81:1, 10-16



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Sing with joy to <sup>|</sup> God our strength  
and raise a loud shout to the <sup>|</sup> God of Jacob.

**“I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the <sup>|</sup> land of Egypt.  
Open your mouth wide, and <sup>|</sup> I will fill it.**

Yet my people did not <sup>|</sup> hear my voice,  
and Israel would <sup>|</sup> not obey me.

**So I gave them over to the stubbornness <sup>|</sup> of their hearts,  
to follow their <sup>|</sup> own devices.**

Oh, that my people would lis- <sup>|</sup> ten to me,  
that Israel would walk <sup>|</sup> in my ways!

**I would quickly sub- <sup>|</sup> due their enemies  
and turn my hand a- <sup>|</sup> gainst their foes.**

Those who hate the LORD would <sup>|</sup> cringe in fear,  
and their punishment would <sup>|</sup> last forever.

**But I would feed you with the <sup>|</sup> finest wheat  
and satisfy you with honey <sup>|</sup> from the rock.”**

*Please 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

Luke 14:1, 7-14 (The Message, inclusivized)

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke

Glory to you, O Lord.

One time when Jesus went for a Sabbath meal with one of the top leaders of the Pharisees, all the guests had their eyes on him, watching his every move.

Jesus told a story to the guests around the table. Noticing how each had tried to elbow into the place of honor, he said, “When someone invites you to dinner, don’t take the place of honor. Somebody more important than you might have been invited by the hosts. Then they’ll come and call out in front of everybody, ‘You’re in the wrong place. The place of honor belongs to this person.’ Embarrassed, you’ll have to make your way to the very last table, the only place left.

“When you’re invited to dinner, go and sit at the last place. Then when the hosts come they may very well say, ‘Friend, come up to the front.’ That will give the dinner guests something to talk about! What I’m saying is, If you walk around all high and mighty, you’re going to end up flat on your face. But if you’re content to be simply yourself, you will become more than yourself.”

Then he turned to the host. “The next time you put on a dinner, don’t just invite your friends and family and rich neighbors, the kind of people who will return the favor. Invite some people who never get invited out, the misfits from the wrong side of the tracks. You’ll be—and experience—a blessing. They won’t be able to return the favor, but the favor will be returned—oh, how it will be returned!—at the resurrection of God’s people.”

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

*Please be seated*





## Message

## GUESS WHO'S COMING TO DINNER?

The film “Almost Famous” tells the story of a young man, William, who finds himself as a reporter on tour with a famous rock band. His conversation with an older writer, Lester, at the end of the film goes like this: William laments that he tried to be cool, that he felt almost cool with the guys in the band, even though he ultimately knew he wasn't. Lester exclaims, “Look, I've met you. You're not cool. But the only true currency in this bankrupt world is what we share with someone else when we're uncool.”

At the end of his dinner party parable (Luke 14.12-14), Jesus says that when a party is thrown we should invite [all the people who don't get invited places because they're not cool.] Might he be suggesting that in God's kingdom, we can embrace whatever we are trying to hide or compensate for? In the kingdom of God, we need not cultivate a personality to hide the [parts of ourselves we're ashamed of]. The unflattering photos. The parts that have nothing to offer, that must rely on others for help.

In other words, the uncool parts of us are exactly what Jesus invites to sit and eat around his table. As though the only true currency in this bankrupt world is what we share with God and each other when we are uncool....And as uncomfortable as I am and as you are, to be seen in such a stark and uncompromising light, there is much relief in it. Perhaps it really is safer and even wiser in so much of our lives to protect ourselves. But around God's table, and around God's people, you don't have to pretend or overcompensate. You can just be. And in just being, you can, in the fierce and loving eyes of God be known, be whole, and maybe even find a little rest. Because keeping it all going is just exhausting.

Nadia Bolz-Weber

*Accidental Saints: Finding God in All the Wrong People*  
Convergent Books, 2005, p. 125

## Musical Reflection

Karen Kent and Kathy Rapp

## **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, Bonnie Hegreness, Heidi Carman, Cora Marquez, Mary Kennedy,  
Kevin Bailey's sister Kleta Childs, Kathie and Nancy Ehrich and their sister Betty Weaver,  
Stan Heacock, Jeremy Davis, Bebe McCoy's brother-in-law Walt and sister Jan, Brittany Parsons,  
Jon Denniss, Mary Bowling's sister Val, Grace and Ken Jones, John Kennedy's niece Michele Wolfe,  
Kris Kauffman, Sam Hudson, nephew of Laura and Terry Warren who is deployed to Bulgaria,  
Kelley Frank, Brittany Amon, Becky Trover's sister Maddie Sutphin, Lea Spang  
The people of Hosanna Lutheran Church, Pataskala; Redeemer community members Diane Brobeck and  
Tammy DeNune

## **Children's Time**

### **Sharing the peace**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*Share signs of peace with each other.*

## WE SHARE HOLY COMMUNION

*Jesus invited all who were hungry for food, healing, justice, and joy to share this communion meal.*

*Since this is his meal, and he is present to us in it, all are welcome.*

### **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.

*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 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.

The gifts of God, for the people of God. Jesus welcomed all to this meal.  
So do we.

*You may come forward to receive the elements, remain seated and use the pre-filled communion cups available at the door, or let an usher know you’d like to be served in your seat.*



# Hymn

## Lamb of God



Lamb of God,      you    take   a - way   the   sin   of   the  
                                  \*    you    break   the   chains   of   ha - tred   and  
                                     you    are   the   way   of   jus - tice   and  
                                     you    are   the   way   of   mer - cy   and



world:  
 fear:                    have   mer - cy   on   us,                    mer - cy   on   us,  
 peace:  
 love:



mer - cy    on    us.                                    Lamb of God,                    you



take a - way   the   sins   of   the   world:                    grant    us   peace,



grant    us   peace,                    grant                    us                    peace.

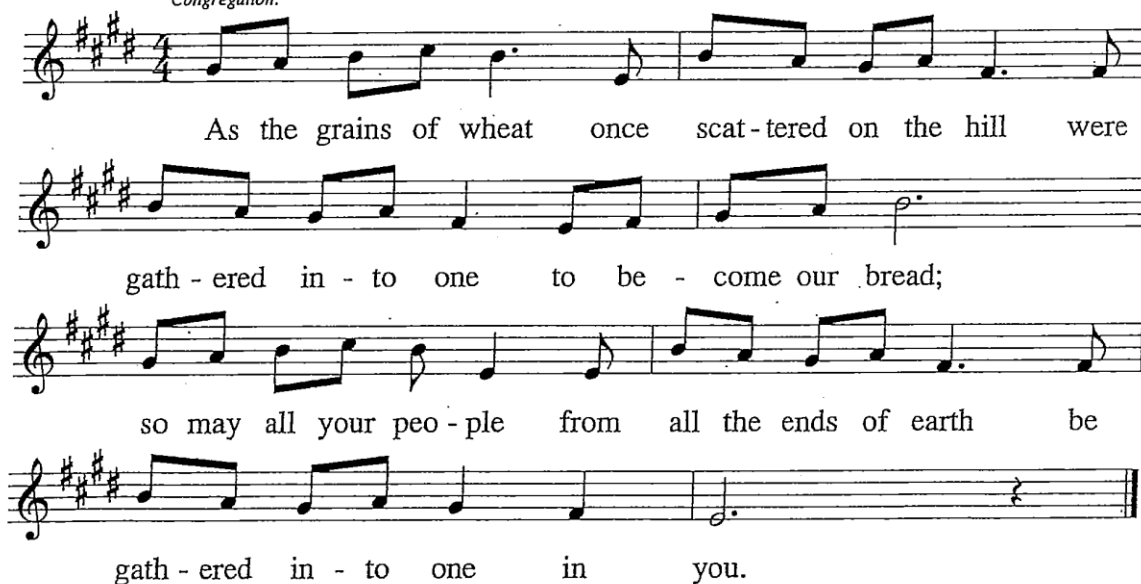


## Hymn

## As the Grains of Wheat

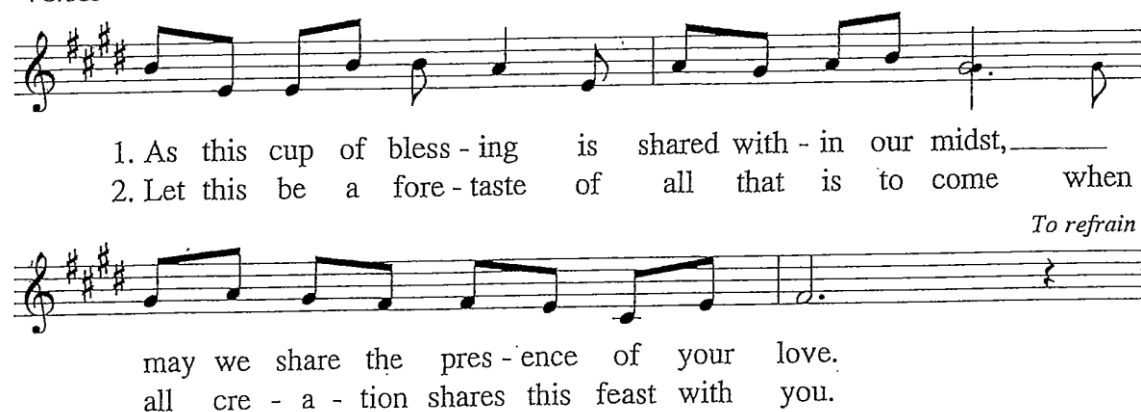
Refrain

*Congregation:*



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were  
gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread;  
so may all your peo - ple from all the ends of earth be  
gath-ered in - to one in you.

Verses



1. As this cup of bless - ing is shared with - in our midst, ———  
2. Let this be a fore - taste of all that is to come when  
*To refrain*  
may we share the pres - ence of your love.  
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

## 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

*Please stand in body or spirit*

### Hymn

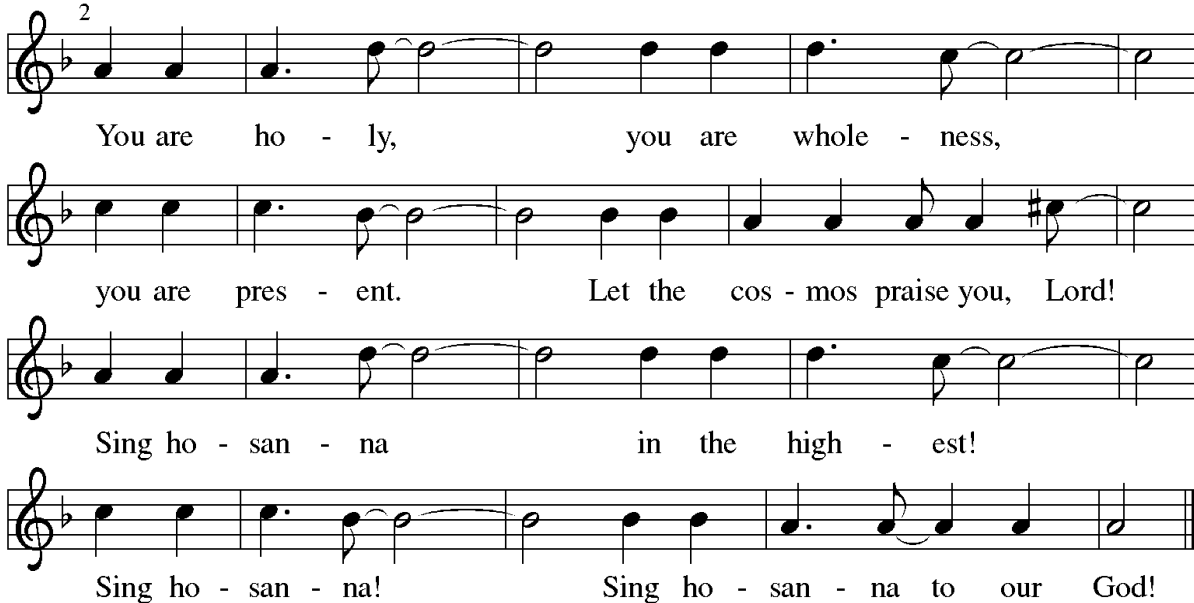
### You Are Holy

1\*



You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more  
than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.  
Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here  
to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.

2



You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,  
you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!  
Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!  
Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

\* *May be sung in canon.*

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### Blessing

**Amen.**

### Announcements

### Postlude

***Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah***

arr. Cindy Berry



## Responding to Today's Message & Sharing Ideas about Next Week's

*After refreshments, Pastor Dave invites you to offer feedback on this morning's message AND to help him plan next week's! We'll look at next week's readings and you can share what they bring up for you.*

*Grab some refreshments and head to **Room 2**, or join us via ZOOM.*

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81411790303?pwd=cGNGMHo2K2d1WEIzUHRHekRQWUo2dz09>

Meeting ID: **814 1179 0303** = Passcode: **645662**  
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## RLC Garden Giveaway

Produce from our own garden  
and donations from friends and neighbors

**Saturday mornings**

**10 am until gone**



**Good Neighbors Picnic**  
**Saturday, September 24**  
**Donations of blankets and cold**  
**weather clothing needed**  
 See *Reflections* for more details



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## KidsFest: Camp Compassion



**August 28, 2022**  
**2:00-4:00**

**Crafts...Games...Storytime...Music**

Families can come anytime  
between 2:00-4:00 and rotate  
through stations on the lawn.  
**1555 S. James Rd, Columbus**

Guided by God's Love



Lutheran World Relief Manager  
Coming to Redeemer to talk about Ukraine  
... and to thank us for our support



Wednesday, August 31, from 2:30-4 pm, the Rev. Tim Krick, Manager of Congregational Engagement for Lutheran World Relief, will come to Redeemer to explain what LWR is doing in Ukraine, and in other parts of the world. He has asked to come to us to thank us for the gifts our congregation contributed to their work in Ukraine. We plan to have a tea with fruit and baked goods. There will be time for questions following Tim's presentation.

Please let Pastor Dave know if you plan to come so we can know about how many people to plan for.

## Senior Choir

Rehearsal Sundays  
following worship  
Beginning **September 11**



Monthly Sunday School for all ages!  
Sunday, September 11 == 11:15 am



Blessing of the

+ Backpacks

+ Brief Cases

+ Tote Bags

+ Pocketbooks

...whatever you use to  
carry your essentials  
every day

Sunday September 11

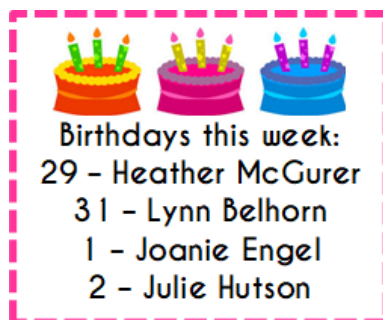
## OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

<b>Presiding Minister</b>	David Shull, Pastor
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Kay Ernsthausen
<b>Cantor</b>	Wendy Stoica
<b>ASL Interpreter</b>	Bryan Neal
<b>Organist &amp; Senior Choir Director</b>	Kathy Rapp
<b>Pianist &amp; Chime Choir Director</b>	Karen Kent
<b>Usher</b>	Jon Disbro
<b>Verger</b>	Wendy Stoica
<b>Communion Prep</b>	Michele Disbro, Becky Trover
<b>Producers</b>	Michele Disbro, Kathleen Zwanziger

*Flowers are dedicated by **Judith and Ashley Bird** celebrating **Matt's birthday**.  
Noisy Offering will go to the Columbus Diaper Bank.*

## THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER AUGUST 28 – SEPTEMBER 4

<b>Today</b>	10:00 am	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion
	11:15 am	IN-PERSON and ZOOM Sermon TalkBack
	2-4:00 pm	<b>KidsFest: Camp Compassion</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	5:00 pm	Outreach Team
<b>Wednesday</b>	2:30 pm	LWR Thank You Tea
<b>Saturday</b>	10:00 am	Garden Giveaway
<b>Next Sunday</b>	10:00 am	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion
	11:15 am	IN-PERSON and ZOOM Adult Education



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