

## Tenth Sunday after Pentecost



Faol, from the Haitian village of Lazil,  
carving legs for chairs he makes from wood and plant fibers.  
Photo by Kim Montroll, Spring 2007

**August 6, 2023**

**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.

## **WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP**

*Please be respectful of people who use this time to prepare for worship.*

**Prelude**

***Praise and Thanksgiving***

arr. Dale Wood

**Welcome**

# Hymn

# There Is Room for All

[sing three times]

There Is Room for All

words and music: Bruce Harding © 2006

*♩ = 120*

There is room for all in the shadow of God's wing;  
 there is room for all, sheltered in God's love.  
 And I rejoice and sing, "my refuge and my  
 rock, in whom I trust." There is room for all,  
 there is room for all!

## 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 - to - ry for our God. Al - le -  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, 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

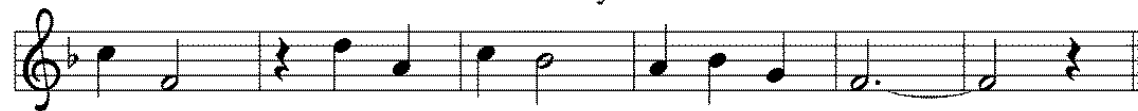


strength, and hon-or, bless-ing, and glo-ry are his.

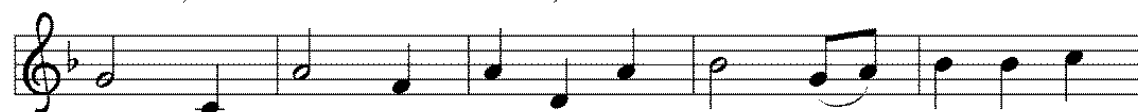
*Refrain*



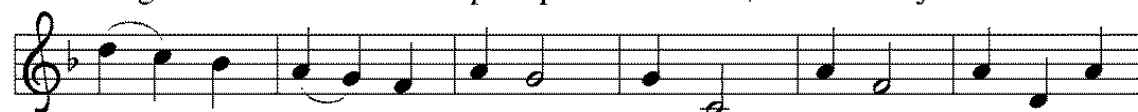
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-



lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, 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

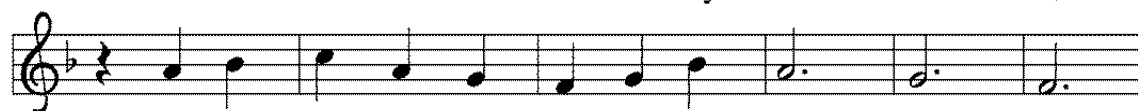


might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.

*Final refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God,



for the Lamb who was slain has be-gun his reign.



Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

*Please be seated*

## WE PROCLAIM THE WORD

### Reading

**Genesis 32:24-31** (The Message, inclusivized)

A reading from the book of Genesis

[During the night] a man wrestled with Jacob until daybreak. When the man saw that he couldn't get the best of Jacob as they wrestled, he deliberately threw Jacob's hip out of joint.

The man said, "Let me go; it's daybreak."

Jacob said, "I'm not letting you go 'til you bless me."

The man said, "What's your name?"

He answered, "Jacob."

The man said, "But no longer. Your name is no longer Jacob. From now on it's Israel (God-Wrestler); you've wrestled with God and you've come through."

Jacob asked, "And what's your name?"

The man said, "Why do you want to know my name?" And then, right then and there, he blessed him.

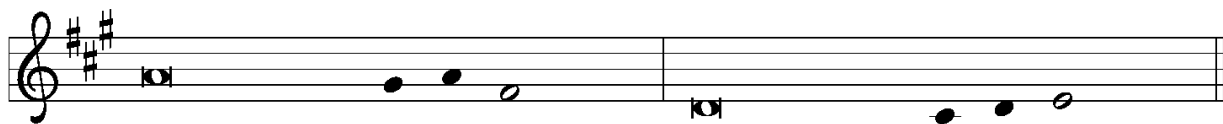
Jacob named the place Peniel (God's Face) because, he said, "I saw God face-to-face and lived to tell the story!"

The sun came up as he left Peniel, limping because of his hip.

May we listen for what the Spirit is saying to the church.

**Amen.**

## Psalm 17:1-7, 15



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Hear a just cause, O LORD; give heed <sup>l</sup> to my cry;  
listen to my prayer, which does not come from <sup>l</sup> lying lips.

**Let my vindication come forth <sup>l</sup> from your presence;  
let your eyes be <sup>l</sup> fixed on justice.**

Examine my heart, visit <sup>l</sup> me by night,  
melt me down; you will find no impuri- <sup>l</sup> ty in me.

**I have not regarded what <sup>l</sup> others do;  
at the word of your lips I have avoided the ways <sup>l</sup> of the violent.**

My footsteps hold fast to your <sup>l</sup> well-worn path;  
and my feet <sup>l</sup> do not slip.

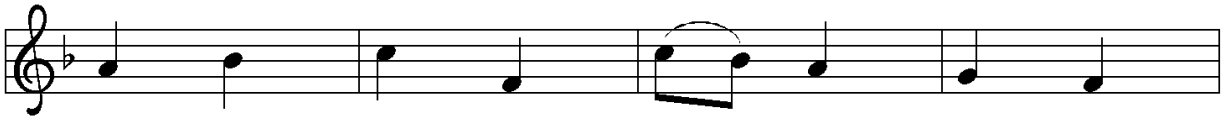
**I call upon you, O God, for you will <sup>l</sup> answer me;  
incline your ear to me and <sup>l</sup> hear my words.**

Show me your marvelous <sup>l</sup> lovingkindness,  
O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand from those  
who <sup>l</sup> rise against them.

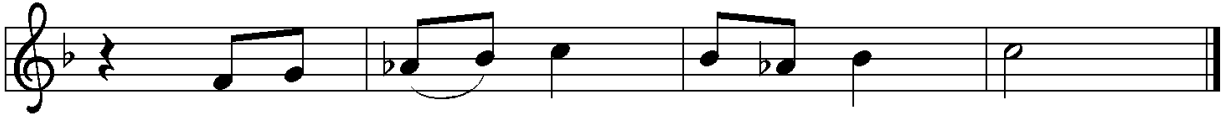
**But at my vindication I shall <sup>l</sup> see your face;  
when I awake, I shall be satisfied, behold- <sup>l</sup> ing your likeness.**

*Please stand in body or spirit*

## Gospel Acclamation



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*Repeat alleluia*



Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

## Gospel

**Matthew 14:13-21** (New Living Translation)

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

As soon as Jesus heard the news [about the murder of his cousin, John the Baptizer], he left in a boat to a remote area to be alone. But the crowds heard where he was headed and followed on foot from many towns. Jesus saw the huge crowd as he stepped from the boat, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick.

That evening the disciples came to him and said, "This is a remote place, and it's already getting late. Send the crowds away so they can go to the villages and buy food for themselves."

But Jesus said, "That isn't necessary—you feed them."

"But we have only five loaves of bread and two fish!" they answered.

"Bring them here," he said. Then he told the people to sit down on the grass. Jesus took the five loaves and two fish, looked up toward heaven, and blessed them. Then, breaking the loaves into pieces, he gave the bread to the disciples, who distributed it to the people. They all ate as much as they wanted, and afterward, the disciples picked up twelve baskets of leftovers. About 5,000 men were fed that day, in addition to all the women and children!

The Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please be seated*

## Spoken Reflection

**IGNORING SCARCITY'S STARE**



## Musical Reflection

### ***Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing***

Text: Robert Robinson, 1735-1790;

Music: J. Wyeth, Repository of Sacred Music, Part II, 1813

*Singers: Linda Williams, Shirley Miller, Connie Criswell*

*Piano: Kathy Rapp*

Come thou Fount of ev'ry blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.  
While the hope of endless glory fills my heart with joy and love,  
teach me ever to adore thee; may I still thy goodness prove.

Here I raise my Ebenezer: "Hither by thy help I've come";  
and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand'ring from the fold of God;  
he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

Oh, to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be;  
let that grace now like a fetter bind my wand'ring heart to thee.  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I love.  
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.

*Note: Ebenezer = Stone of Help (I Samuel 7:12)*

## **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 Hegreiness, Heidi Carman, Mary Kennedy, Kevin Bailey's sister Kleta Childs, Kathie and Nancy Ehrich and their sister Betty Weaver, Jeremy Davis, Bebe McCoy's brother-in-law Walt and her sister Jan, Brittany Parsons, Mary Bowling's sister Val, John Kennedy's niece Michele Wolfe, Becky Trover's sister Maddie Sutphin, Skye Andree, Laura Warren's brother Walt Hudson, Julie Larson and husband Eli who is receiving cancer treatment in Houston, Phillip Hall and Kirstin Roberts, John Caron, Kathleen Zwanziger, Matt Bird, Chris Doss and Adam Howard, Carolyn Moehring, Kelley Frank's parents Charlotte and Wayne Frank, Al Debelak, Ranel and Neil Hoddinott's granddaughter Brittany Amon, Kris Kauffman, Karen Kent and Kathy Rapp's mother, Mary Watts, Bill Boys  
The people of Messiah Lutheran Church in Reynoldsburg; Redeemer community members Diane Louangrath, Alexa and Haley Thanakeo, and Lilah and Zuri Mwansa

## Time with Young People

### Sharing the peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*Members are encouraged to move around the sanctuary to greet each with a hearty handshake or a hug. For those who have special concerns or who do not wish close contact, please offer a sign of blessing to let others know you are more comfortable greeting them from a distance.*

*We will continue to take a moment to greet those who are worshiping via livestream before greeting those in the sanctuary.*

## 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.*

*In body of spirit, please stand*

### Offertory

### We All Are One in Mission

1 We all are one in mis - sion; we all are one in call,

our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.

A sin - gle great com - mis - sion com - pels us from a - bove

to plan and work to - geth - er that all may know Christ's love.

Text: Rusty Edwards, b. 1955

Music: KUORTANE, Finnish folk tune; arr. hymnal version

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## Great Thanksgiving

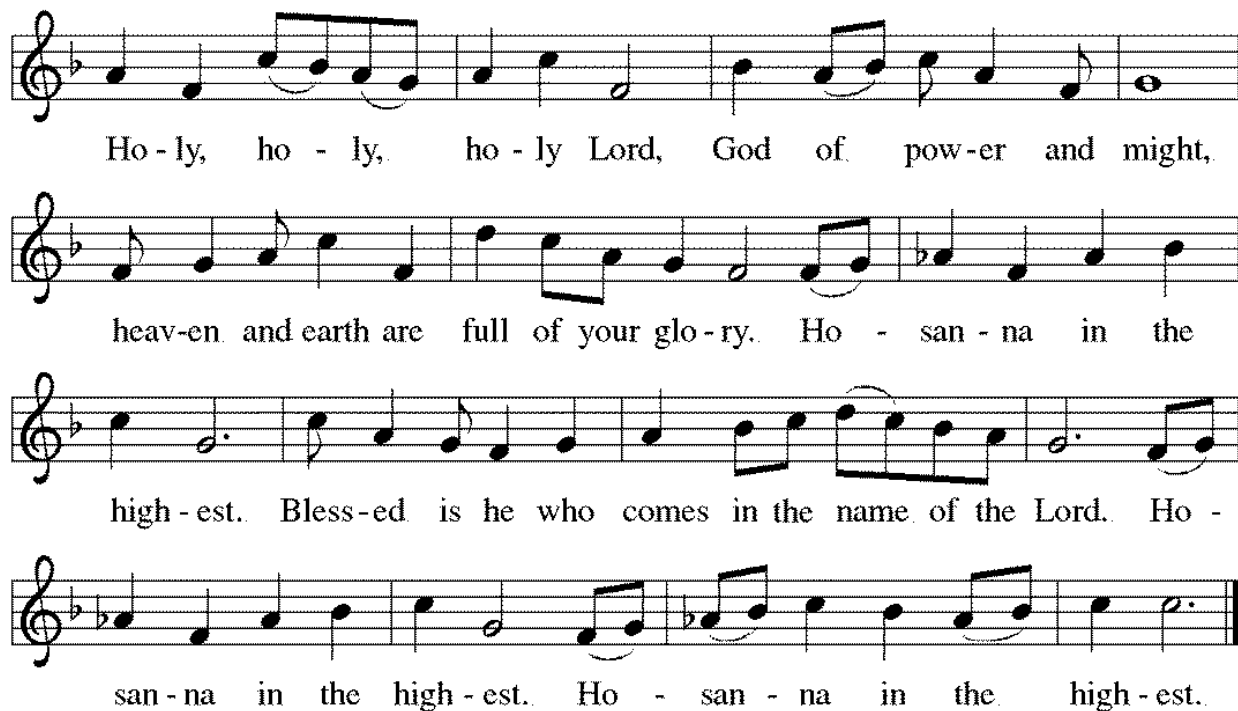
The Lord be with you.  
Lift up your hearts.  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

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

The image displays four staves of musical notation in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. Each staff contains a melody line with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: "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." The melody is simple and melismatic, with long notes and ties. The first staff has two measures, the second and third have two measures each, and the fourth has one measure.

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 stories, and in stories of people, 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 people 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 - er and might,  
 heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the  
 high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. 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 Jesus' vision of hope, and unite us in one body of peace.

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.**

## **Sharing the Meal**

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

*Please be seated*

*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. Wine is in the outer rings of the tray, grape-apple juice in the inner ring. Gluten-free wafers are available on request, ask Pastor.*

Hymn

Blessed Assurance

1 Bless-ed as-sur-ance, Je-sus is mine! Oh, what a fore-taste of glo-ry di-vine!  
 2 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, per-fect de-light, vi-sions of rap-ture now burst on my sight;  
 3 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, all is at rest; I in my Sav-ior am hap-py and blest,

Heir of sal-va-tion, pur-chase of God, born of his Spir-it, washed in his blood.  
 an-gels de-scend-ing bring from a-bove ech-oes of mer-cy, whis-pers of love.  
 watch-ing and wait-ing, look-ing a-bove, filled with his good-ness, lost in his love.

*Refrain*

This is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long:

this is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long.

Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820–1915  
 Music: ASSURANCE, Phoebe P. Knapp, 1830–1908

## Hymn

## Oh Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts

1 O Je - sus, joy of lov - ing hearts, the fount of  
2 We taste you, ev - er - liv - ing bread, and long to  
3 For you our rest - less spir - its yearn, wher - e'er our  
4 O Je - sus, ev - er with us stay! Make all our

life, the light of all: from ev - 'ry bliss that earth im -  
feast up - on you still; we drink of you, the foun - tain -  
chang - ing lot is cast; glad, when your smile on us you  
mo - ments fair and bright! Oh, chase the night of sin a -

parts we turn, un - filled, to hear your call.  
head; our thirst - ing souls from you we fill.  
turn, blest, when by faith we hold you fast.  
way! Shed o'er the world your ho - ly light.

Text: attr. Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091–1153; tr. Ray Palmer, 1808–1887, alt.  
Music: WALTON, W. Gardiner, *Sacred Melodies*, 1815

## 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.**



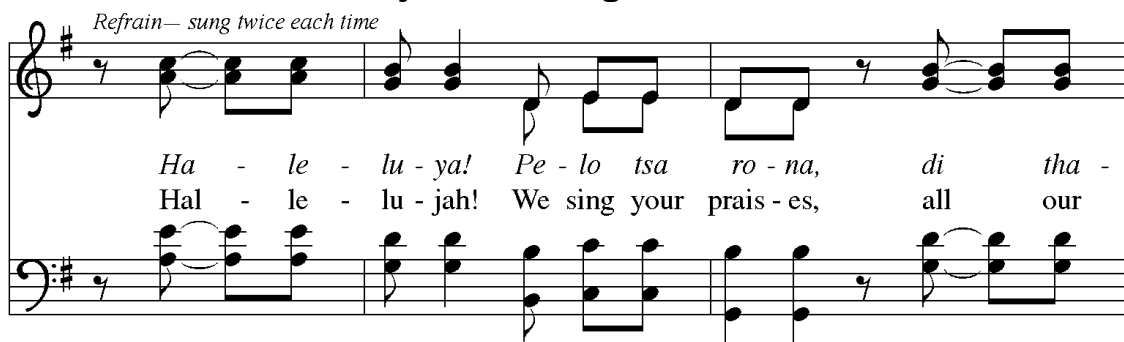
# WE ARE SENT

Please stand in body or spirit

## Hymn

## Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises

*Refrain— sung twice each time*



Ha - le - lu - ya! Pe - lo tsa ro - na, di tha -  
Hal - le - lu - jah! We sing your prais - es, all our



bi - le ka - o - fe - la. Ha - le - lu - ya! Pe - lo tsa  
hearts are filled with glad - ness. Hal - le - lu - jah! We sing your



ro - na, di tha - bi - le ka - o - fe - la. *End*  
prais - es, all our hearts are filled with glad - ness.



1 Christ the Lord to us said: I am wine, I am bread,  
2 Now he sends us all out, strong in faith, free of doubt,

*Repeat stanza, then sing refrain*



I am wine, I am bread, give to all who thirst and hun - ger.  
strong in faith, free of doubt. Tell to all the joy - ful gos - pel.

Text: South African; tr. *Freedom Is Coming*, 1984  
Music: HALELUYA! PELO TSA RONA, South African; arr. *Freedom Is Coming*  
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**Blessing**

**Amen.**

**Announcements**

**Postlude**      ***All Things Bright and Beautiful***    arr. Anna Laura Page

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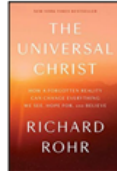
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***The Universal Christ***  
**The Extraordinary Embedded in**  
**the Ordinary**

***Father Richard Rohr***



**Adult Ed**

**Led by Pastor Al Rider**  
**Sundays in August = 11:15 am**

Father Rohr – like many Lutherans – proposes an “alternate orthodoxy” focused more on the resurrected “universal Christ” and the joy of “original blessing” than on “original sin” as the foundation of our faith journey and decision-making.

In-Person and Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82689102919?pwd=V0NSY0c1SDBWUXZ1MWFzbXlWZHpPdZ09>

Meeting ID: 826 8910 2919 = Passcode: 430914

Phone only: 1-312-626-6799



## **A Brewing Faith**

**Tuesday, August 8, 6:30 pm**

Conversation and fellowship

Via Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81765916972?pwd=bjJ0T1JlbG1keXpsV205TWNHVUFpQT09>

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**Phone only:** 312 626 6799



### **RLC Garden Giveaway**

Produce from our own garden  
and donations from friends and neighbors

**Saturday mornings**

**10 am until gone**



**Sunday, August 13<sup>th</sup>**

**from 1-3 pm!**

Please join us for a cookout to  
start the afternoon.

If you are interested in helping  
out with this event, contact  
Katie Jacobs.

## OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

<b>Presiding Minister</b>	David Shull, Pastor
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Mary Benis
<b>Reader</b>	Karen Rider
<b>Cantor</b>	Emily Kent
<b>Organist &amp; Senior Choir Director</b>	Kathy Rapp
<b>Pianist &amp; Chime Choir Director</b>	Karen Kent
<b>Usher</b>	Ashley Bird
<b>Verger</b>	Michelle Clemence / Wendy Stoica
<b>Communion Prep</b>	Lynn Belhorn, Kathleen Zwanziger
<b>Producers</b>	Michele Disbro, Judith Bird
<b>Hospitality</b>	Michelle Clemence

*Noisy Offering will go to Star House*

## THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER AUGUST 6 - 13

<b>Today</b>	10:00 am	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion
	11:15 am	IN-PERSON and ZOOM Adult Education
	12:30 pm	Confirmation Class
<b>Tuesday</b>	2:15PM	Stewardship Team
	5:30 pm	ZOOM Executive Team
	6:30 pm	ZOOM A Brewing Faith
<b>Wednesday</b>	5:30 pm	Mutual Ministry Team, Pastor's home
<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
	1-3:00 pm	<b>KidsFest</b>



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