

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost Make a Joyful Noise!



September 17, 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.
- Please silence your cell phone.

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

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

Prelude *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* arr. John Purifoy

Welcome



Hymn

Sing Out, Earth and Skies

Leader All

1 Come, O God of all the earth: come to us, O
2 Come, O God of wind and flame: fill the earth with
3 Come, O God of flash - ing light: twin - kling star and
4 Come, O God of snow and rain: show - er down up -
5 Come, O Jus - tice, come, O Peace: come and shape our

Leader

Righ - teous One; come, and bring our love to birth:
righ - teous - ness; teach us all to sing your name:
burn - ing sun; God of day and God of night:
on the earth; come, O God of joy and pain:
hearts a - new; come and make op - pres - sion cease:

All

in the glo - ry of your Son.
may our lives your love con - fess.
in your light we all are one.
God of sor - row, God of mirth.
bring us all to life in you.

Refrain

Sing out, earth and skies! Sing of the God who

loves you! Raise your joy - ful cries!

Dance to the life a - round you!

Text: Marty Haugen

Music: SING OUT, Marty Haugen

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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

Here on Jesus Christ I Will Stand adapt. Greg Scheer
Senior Choir

Refrain (Swahili)

*Kwake Yesu nasimama,
ndiye mwamba ni salama.
Ndiye mwamba ni salama,
ndiye mwamba ni salama.*

Refrain (English)

Here on Jesus Christ I will stand.
He's the solid rock of my life.
He's the solid rock of my life.
He's the solid rock of my life.

- 1 There's no other place I can hide
till the storm that rages subsides.
My voice cries to God from the flood,
and I'm saved because of his blood. Refrain
- 2 It is not the work of my hands
that has washed away all my sins.
I'm redeemed, and all of my days,
Jesus Christ will be my heart's praise. Refrain
- 3 When my days on this earth are done,
and I stand at God's holy throne,
my heart will not have any fear;
in Christ's righteousness I am here. Refrain

Text: Kenyan hymn; adapt. Greg Scheer, b. 1966

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Please be seated



WE PROCLAIM THE WORD

Reading

Isaiah 55:8-13

(New Revised Standard Version Updated Edition)

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

My thoughts are not your thoughts,
nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord.
For as the heavens are higher than the earth,
so are my ways higher than your ways
and my thoughts than your thoughts.
For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven
and do not return there until they have watered the earth,
making it bring forth and sprout,
giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,
so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;
it shall not return to me empty,
but it shall accomplish that which I purpose
and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.
For you shall go out in joy
and be led back in peace;
the mountains and the hills before you
shall burst into song,
and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.
Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress;
instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle,
and it shall be to the Lord for a memorial,
for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

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

Amen.

Psalm 100



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Make a joyful noise to the LORD, | all you lands!

Serve the LORD with gladness; come into God's presence | with a song.

**Know that the LORD is God, our maker to whom | we belong;
we are God's people and the sheep | of God's pasture.**

Enter the gates of the LORD with thanksgiving and the | courts with praise;
give thanks and bless God's | holy name.

**Good indeed is the LORD, whose steadfast love is | everlasting,
whose faithfulness endures from | age to age.**

Please stand in body or spirit

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia

Senior Choir

Gospel

John 15:9-15 (The Message, inclusivized)

The Holy Gospel according to St. John

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to his disciples,] "I've loved you the way my Abba has loved me. Make yourselves at home in my love. If you keep my commands, you'll remain intimately at home in my love. That's what I've done—kept my Abba's commands and made myself at home in my Abba's love.

"I've told you these things for a purpose: that my joy might be your joy, and your joy wholly mature. This is my command: Love one another the way I loved you. This is the very best way to love. Put your life on the line for your friends. You are my friends when you do the things I command you. I'm no longer calling you servants because servants don't understand what their master is thinking and planning. No, I've named you friends because I've let you in on everything I've heard from my Abba.

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

Message

AN ACT OF RESISTANCE

Joy, and celebrations in particular, focus our attention on our commonalities, not our differences. In a world full of turmoil, remember that joy is an act of resistance! – Audra Lorde

Musical Reflection

Light One Candle

arr. Anne Krentz Organ
Chime Choir

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, Maddie Sutphin,
Skye Andree, Julie Larson and husband Eli who is receiving cancer treatment in
Houston, Kathleen Zwanziger, Phillip Hall and Kirstin Roberts, Carolyn Moehring,
Kris Kauffman, Mary Watts, Kelley Frank's parents Charlotte and Wayne Frank, family
and friends of Laura Warren's brother Walt Hudson

The people of St. Luke Lutheran Church in Gahanna; Redeemer community member
Shirley Miller

Children's Time

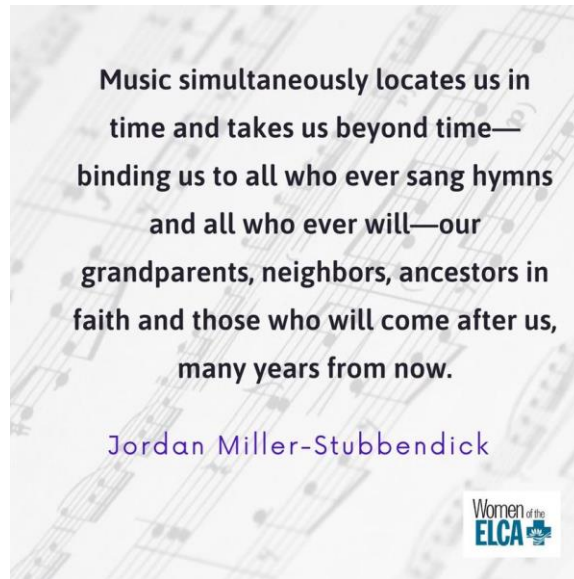
Sharing the peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Members are encouraged to move around the sanctuary to greet others 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 or spirit, please stand

Offertory

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.*

Text: Per Harling, b. 1945

Music: DU ÅR HELIG, Per Harling

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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.

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.

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 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 taught 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 they may become Christ's presence for us. May Christ's story of hope – of death and rising of new life, and the fruit of your beloved community – continue on in us and through us.

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

I Come with Joy



1 I come with joy, a child of God, for - giv - en, loved, and
2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to find, as all are
3 As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share, each proud di - vi - sion
4 The Spir - it of the ris - en Christ, un - seen, but ev - er
5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound by all that God has



free, the life of Je - sus to re - call in
fed, the new com - mu - ni - ty of love in
ends. The love that made us, makes us one, and
near, is in such friend - ship bet - ter known, a -
done, we'll go with joy, to give the world the



love laid down for me, in love laid down for me.
Christ's com - mu - nion bread, in Christ's com - mu - nion bread.
strang - ers now are friends, and strang - ers now are friends.
live a - mong us here, a - live a - mong us here.
love that makes us one, the love that makes us one.

Text: Brian A. Wren, b. 1936

Music: DOVE OF PEACE, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835

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Hymn

Jesus Loves Me

1 Je - sus loves me! this I know, for the Bi - ble tells me so;
2 Je - sus loves me! he who died heav - en's gates to o - pen wide;
3 Je - sus loves me! he will stay close be - side me all the way;

lit - tle ones to him be - long, they are weak, but he is strong.
he will wash a - way my sin, let his lit - tle child come in.
when at last I come to die, he will take me home on high.

Refrain

Yes, Je - sus loves me, yes, Je - sus loves me,
yes, Je - sus loves me, the Bi - ble tells me so.

Text: Anna B. Warner, 1820–1915, alt.
Music: JESUS LOVES ME, William B. Bradbury, 1816–1868

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Generous God, whose story and song are now and always the hope of the world – we praise you for stories of creation and compassion, the Word becoming flesh, and life that endures beyond death – your unending words of love. We rejoice in your song of yearning and calling, waiting and welcoming, gathering and cherishing – your eternal music of hope.

Amen.

WE ARE SENT

Please stand in body or spirit

Hymn

The Trees of the Field



You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace, and the
moun-tains and the hills will break forth be - fore you. There'll be
shouts of joy and all the trees of the field will clap, will clap their hands.
And all the trees of the field will clap their hands. The
trees of the field will clap their hands. The trees of the field will
clap their hands, while you go out with joy.

Text: Steffi Geiser Rubin, b. 1950

Music: THE TREES OF THE FIELD, Stuart Dauermann, b. 1944

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Blessing

Amen.

Announcements

Postlude

Soon and Very Soon

arr. John Carter

Piano Duet, Karen Kent and Kathy Rapp



We are blessed by our musicians!

Senior Choir

Kathy Rapp, director

Connie Criswell
Shirley Miller
Linda Williams
Emily Kent
Jennifer Young
Laverna Reinohl
Wendy Stoica
Michelle Clemence
Al Rider
Bruce Collins
Scott Steiner
Kevin Bailey
John Kennedy
Larry Trover
Brad Dana

Chime Choir

Karen Kent, director

Judy Bird
Eileen Day
Becky Fisher
Kathy Mimplitch
Kathy Rapp
Heidi Sherer
Dave Shull
Scott Steiner
Wendy Stoica
Linda Williams
Kathy Zwanziger

Dave Shull will be on vacation Sept. 22-30. During that time, emergency pastoral care coverage will be provided by the **Rev. Lorin Darst**, pastor of First English Lutheran Church (503- 886-9353). Redeemer Member the **Rev. Al Rider** will preach and preside on the 24th. Dave will be back Oct. 1.

The Fruit of "Our Mothers' Gardens"

Adult Ed Class
September 24, October 1, 8
11:15 am

Exploring the themes and ideas of
Womanism
Led by Naomi Fae Morgan

In-Person and Zoom:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88957366923?pwd=TnV6cFB4ZUptET25USTgzZ0diZlhQT09>
Meeting ID: 889 5736 6923 = Passcode: 383835
Phone only: 1-312-626-6799



Bible Study Tuesdays + 1:00 pm

In-Person and Zoom:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82259660622?pwd=R2pHTWl1bHR0N1FHbFRZdStqbK9Bdz09>
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Coffee and Conversation

Wednesday, September 20

10:00 AM-11:30 PM – Narthex

Honest exploration of questions about faith and life



Wednesday, September 20
7-8:30 pm

Their Eyes Were Watching God

by Zora Neale Hurston

Copies are available in public libraries.

IN-PERSON and ZOOM

<https://us02zoom.us/j/86581504887?pwd=ZkFSV2tKM2xEd3dyK1RvSURJYlFuZz09>
Meeting ID: 865 8150 4887 +++ Passcode 274918
Phone Only: 312-626-6799



47th LMC Apple Butter Festival

Sunday, October 8th

11am to 3pm

Admission is free!

- Children's Crafts & Activities
- Live Music
- Wagon Rides
- Local Vendors
- Baked Goods
- Fresh Apple Butter
- And Lots of Fall Fun!

All proceeds to benefit "camperships" - Help a child attend camp!



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LSS/MidOhio Food Collective Produce Giveaway

Thursday September 21

Extras this month: personal items—soap, shampoo, toothpaste, deodorant, dental floss, etc.

Volunteers always welcome!

Please advise either the Church Office or Sue Watson
(sue.watson@columbus.rr.com or 614-560-4261).

We need an accurate count and appreciate your support!



NOVEMBER GENERAL ELECTION SCHEDULE

www.voteohio.gov www.vote411.org

OCTOBER 10: DEADLINE TO REGISTER TO VOTE

- **October 11:** Early In-Person & Absentee Voting By Mail Begins
- **October 31 (8:30 P.M.):** Deadline To Receive Absentee Ballot Applications by BOE
- **November 6:** Postmarked Deadline To Mail Absentee Ballots
- **November 7 (7:30 P.M.):** Deadline For Absentee Ballots To Be Received By BOE (If NOT Mailed)

NOVEMBER 7: GENERAL ELECTION - POLLS OPEN
6:30 A.M. - 7:30 P.M.



LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF

Coffee and Doughnuts
with Lutheran World Relief
to talk about Ukraine & Turkey
& wherever is on our minds

On **Tuesday morning, October 3**, from **10-11:30 am**, the **Rev. Tim Krick**, manager of congregational relations with Lutheran World Relief, will be at Redeemer to talk about his recent visits to Ukraine and Turkey. He will also discuss whatever we'd like to hear about.

Anyone is welcome to join us for doughnuts and coffee/tea in the narthex. If you have a friend who'd be interested in this, by all means invite them.



Birthdays this week:
20 - Paula Carson
21 - Jenny Peresta
22 - Adam Darst

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Presiding Minister	David Shull, Pastor
Assisting Minister	Emily Ott
Cantor	Heidi Sherer
ASL Interpreter	Bryan Neal
Organist & Senior Choir Director	Kathy Rapp
Pianist & Chime Choir Director	Karen Kent
Usher	Helen Brunston
Verger	Michelle Clemence / Wendy Stoica
Communion Prep	Sara Auman, Julianne Johnson
Producers	Michele Disbro, April Smith

*Flowers are given by **Laura and Terry Warren**.*

Noisy Offering will go to ELCA Pacifica Synod Hawai'i Relief Fund

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER SEPTEMBER 17 – 24

Today	8:45 am	Senior Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 am	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Make a Joyful Noise Worship with Holy Communion
	11:15 am	Congregation Potluck and Celebration of Ministries
	12:30 pm	Basketball Hoops dedication
Monday	7:00 pm	Congregation Council
Tuesday	1:00 pm	IN-PERSON and ZOOM Bible Study
Wednesday	10:00 am	Coffee and Conversation
	7:00 pm	Book Group
Thursday	1:00 pm	Set up Food Giveaway
	3-5:15 pm	LSS / MidOhio Food Giveaway
	6:15 pm	Chime Choir Rehearsal
Today	8:45 am	Senior 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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