

Second Sunday after Pentecost

“Begin again” is [James Baldwin's call on this country to] reexamine the fundamental values and commitments that shape our self-understanding, ... to look back to those beginnings not to reaffirm our greatness or to double down on myths that secure our innocence, but to see where we went wrong and how we might reimagine or recreate ourselves in light of who we initially set out to be. This requires an unflinching encounter with the lie at the heart of our history.

Eddie Glaude

Begin Again: James Baldwin's America and its Urgent Lessons for Our Own

June 22, 2025
10:00 a.m.

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.
- **Large-print bulletins and copies of the worship order** are available; ask an usher for assistance.
- **Services of worship and other events at Redeemer are routinely livestreamed or photographed.** If you do not want your image to be captured on livestreaming or in photographs, please speak to an usher or the leader of the event so that you can be offered alternative seating in the gathering area or can be excluded from the photograph.
- **Please silence your cell phone.**
- **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.

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

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

Prelude

Come, Let Us Eat, arr. John Carter

Welcome



Hymn

Community of Christ

Em B Em Am B G Am E Am D G B

1 Com - mu - ni - ty of Christ, who make the cross your own, live
 2 Com - mu - ni - ty of Christ, look past the church - 's door and
 3 Com - mu - ni - ty of Christ, through whom the word must sound—cry
 4 When men - ace melts a - way, so shall God's will be done, the

Em D G C G D Em C G D G

out your creed and risk your life for God a - lone: the
 see the ref - u - gee, the hun - gry, and the poor. Take
 out for jus - tice and for peace the whole world round: dis -
 cli - mate of the world be peace and Christ its Sun; our

G B7 Em G D B Em C Em Am Em B

God who wears your face, to whom all worlds be - long, whose
 hands with the op - pressed, the job - less in your street, take
 arm the pow'rs that war and all that can de - stroy, turn
 cur - ren - cy be love and kind - li - ness our law, our

Em B Em D G Am F#dim Em B Em

chil - dren are of ev - ery race and ev - ery song.
 towel and wa - ter, that you wash your neigh - bor's feet.
 bombs to bread, and tears of an - guish in - to joy.
 food and faith be shared as one for ev - er - more.

Words: Shirley Erena Murray, 1931–
 Music: Hebrew melody; arr. Meyer Lyon, 1751–1797
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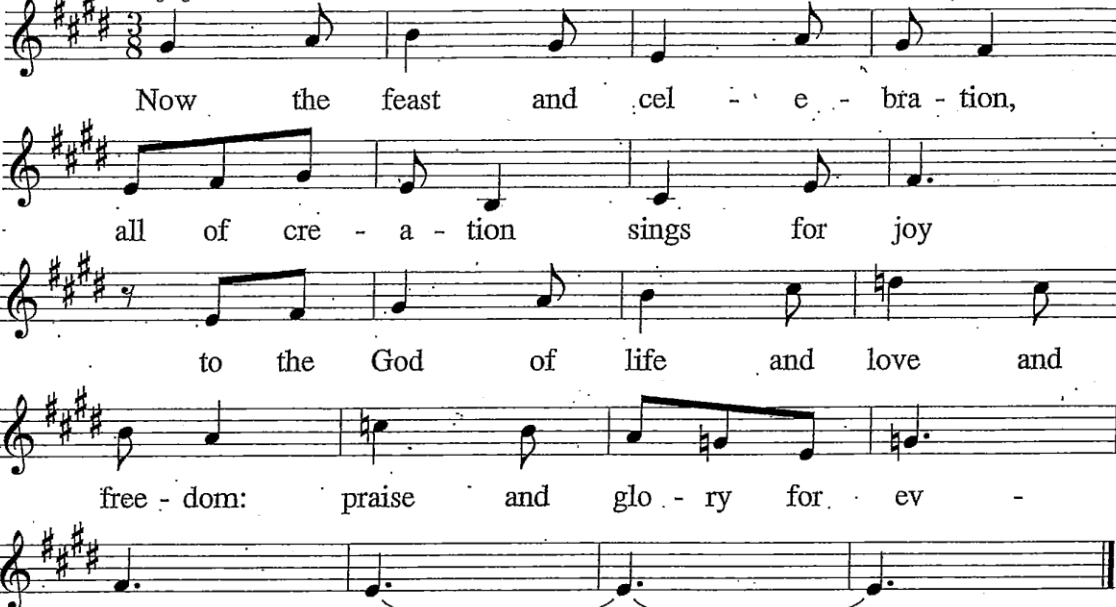
Greeting

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

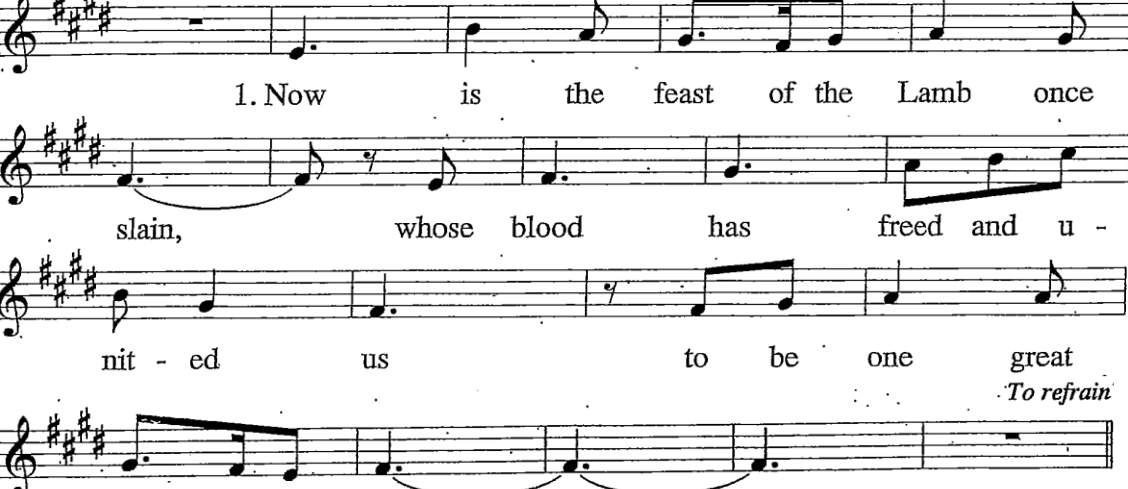
Congregation:



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:

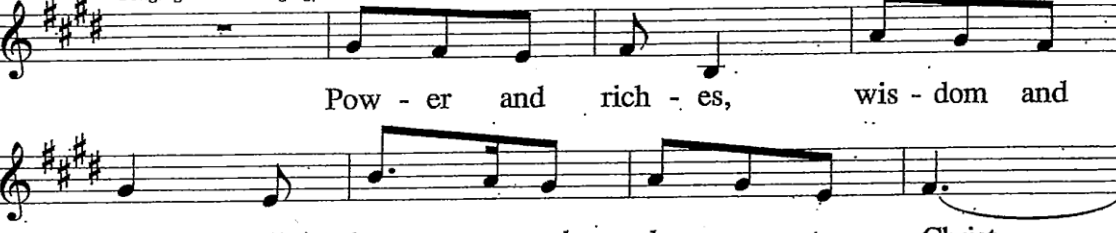
Congregation or Congregation 1:



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
might, all hon - or and glo - ry to Christ



Prayer of the Day

God of Justice, we come before you as people who are aware that this beautiful creation you made groans under the weight of poverty, violence, hatred, and greed. May we open ourselves to the presence of your Spirit, so she might help guide us into paths of courage, kindness, and compassion, and so bring healing to all we encounter. **Amen.**

Please be seated

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD

Reading

Galatians 3:23-28 (The Message)

A reading from St. Paul's letter to the early church at Galatia

Until the time when we were mature enough to respond freely in faith to the living God, we were carefully surrounded and protected by the Mosaic law. The law was like those Greek tutors, with which you are familiar, who escort children to school and protect them from danger or distraction, making sure the children will really get to the place they set out for.

But now you have arrived at your destination: By faith in Christ you are in direct relationship with God. Your baptism in Christ was not just washing you up for a fresh start. It also involved dressing you in an adult faith wardrobe—Christ's life, the fulfillment of God's original promise.

In Christ's family there can be no division into Jew and non-Jew, slave and free, male and female. Among us you are all equal. That is, we are all in a common relationship with Jesus Christ.

May we open ourselves to what the Spirit is saying to the church. **Amen.**

Psalm 22:19-28



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But you, O LORD, be not ^l far away;
O my help, hasten ^l to my aid.

**Deliver me ^l from the sword,
my life from the power ^l of the dog.**

Save me from the ^l lion's mouth!

From the horns of wild bulls you have ^l rescued me.

**I will declare your name ^l to my people;
in the midst of the assembly ^l I will praise you.**

You who fear the LORD, give praise! All you of Jacob's ^l line, give glory.
Stand in awe of the LORD, all you off- ^l spring of Israel.

**For the LORD does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;
neither is the LORD's face hid- ^l den from them;
but when they cry out, ^l the LORD hears them.**

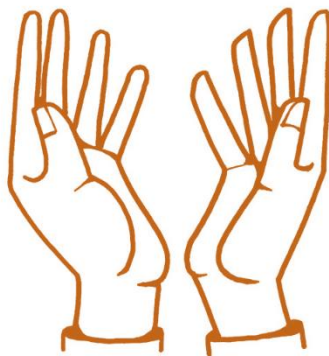
From you comes my praise in the ^l great assembly;

I will perform my vows in the sight of those who ^l fear the LORD.

**The poor shall eat ^l and be satisfied,
Let those who seek the LORD give praise! May your hearts ^l live
forever!**

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn ^l to the LORD;
all the families of nations shall bow ^l before God.

**For dominion belongs ^l to the LORD,
who rules o- ^l ver the nations.**



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 8:26-39 (Common English Bible)

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus and his disciples sailed to the Gerasenes' land, which is across the lake from Galilee. As soon as Jesus got out of the boat, a certain man met him. The man was from the city and was possessed by demons. For a long time, he had lived among the tombs, naked and homeless. When he saw Jesus, he shrieked and fell down before him. Then he shouted, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, don't torture me!" He said this because Jesus had already commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. Many times it had taken possession of him, so he would be bound with leg irons and chains and placed under guard. But he would break his restraints, and the demon would force him into the wilderness.

Jesus asked him, "What is your name?"

"Legion," he replied, because many demons had entered him. They pleaded with him not to order them to go back into the abyss. A large herd of pigs was feeding on the hillside. The demons begged Jesus to let them go into the pigs. Jesus gave them permission, and the demons left the man and entered the pigs. The herd rushed down the cliff into the lake and drowned.

When those who tended the pigs saw what happened, they ran away and told the story in the city and in the countryside. People came to see what had happened. They came to Jesus and found the man from whom the demons had gone. He was sitting at Jesus' feet, fully dressed and completely sane. They were filled with awe. Those people who had actually seen what had happened told them how the demon-possessed man had been delivered. Then everyone gathered from the region of the Gerasenes and asked Jesus to leave their area because they were overcome with fear. So he got into the boat and returned across the lake. The man from whom the demons had gone begged to come along with Jesus as one of his disciples. Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return home and tell the story of what God has done for you." So he went throughout the city proclaiming what Jesus had done for him.

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

Spoken Reflection

WHO WE ARE

Musical Reflection

Scott Steiner

Apostles' Creed

We honor and celebrate our oneness with Christians in this time and throughout time 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....

After each petition: "Your mercy is great, O God." **Receive our prayer.**

Amen.

Included in our daily prayers are those with special needs or concerns:

Bebe McCoy, Robin Stokes, Bonnie Hegreness, Mary Kennedy, Kevin Bailey's sisters Kleta Childs and Karla Weaver, 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, Becky and Larry Trover's son-in-law Brandon James, Skye Andree, Kris Kauffman, Ruth Murray's daughter Ellen Rose and family, Kathie Ehrich, Dottie and Larry Bird, Kelley Frank's mother Charlotte Frank, Al Debelak and Karen Riccio, Edwina Bradley, Laura Warren's brother and sister-in-law Cynthia and Sam Hudson, Karen Rider's friend Betsy Wagner, Sue, Tim, and Lisa Watson; Heidi Carman
For the people of Zion Lutheran Church in West Jefferson
For Redeemer community member Kris Kauffman

Time with the Young People

Sharing the peace

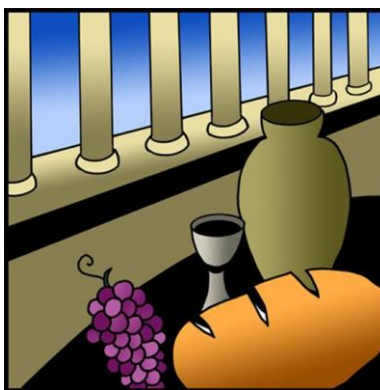
The peace of Christ be with you always.

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 worshipping 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 musical score is written for a Presider and a Congregation. It is in the key of D major (indicated by two sharps) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: "The Lord be with you. And al - so 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 God thanks and praise." The score consists of six staves. The first staff is for the Presider, and the second through sixth staves are for the Congregation. The lyrics are written below the corresponding staves.

Presider: The Lord be with you. And al - so with
Congregation:
you. Lift up your hearts. We
Presider: lift them to the Lord. Let us give
Congregation: thanks to the Lord our God. It is
right to give God thanks and praise.

It is a joy to give you our thanks and praise, Living God, and to gather together around this table. 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.

Sharing the Meal

Whoever you are, from wherever you come, whatever you believe, you are welcome and invited to receive. Come! For all things are now ready.

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

One Bread, One Body

Refrain

One bread, one bod-y, one Lord of all; one cup of
 bless-ing which we bless, and we, though man-y
 through-out the earth, we are one bod - y in this one Lord.
 1 Gen - tile or Jew, ser - vant or free,
 2 Man - y the gifts, man - y the works,
 3 Grain for the fields, scat-tered and grown,
Refrain
 wom-an or man, no more.
 one in the Lord of all.
 gath-ered to one for all.

Text: John Foley, SJ, b. 1939

Music: ONE BREAD, ONE BODY, John Foley, SJ

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Hymn

Come, Let Us Eat



1 Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread,
 2 Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured,
 3 In Je - sus' pres - ence now we meet and rest,
 4 Rise, then, to spread a - broad God's might - y word,



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Our Lord's bod - y let us take to - geth - er,
 Je - sus' blood poured let us drink to - geth - er,
 In the pres - ence of our Lord we gath - er,
 Je - sus ris - en will bring in the king - dom,



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Text: Billema Kwillia, b. 1925, sts. 1–3; Gilbert E. Doan Jr., b. 1930, st. 4, alt.; tr. Margaret D. Miller, b. 1927, sts. 1–3, alt.
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Please stand in body or spirit

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

Hymn

Will You Come and Follow Me



1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
 2 "Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call
 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call
 4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call
 5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your name? Will you go where you don't
 your name? Will you care for cruel and
 your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners
 your name? Will you quell the fear in -
 my name. Let me turn and fol - low



know and nev - er be the same?
 kind and nev - er be the same?
 free and nev - er be the same?
 side and nev - er be the same?
 you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as
 Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be
 tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer
 this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I
 world a - round, through my sight and touch and
 foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"
 pray'r in you and you in me?"
 mean in you and you in me?"
 sound in you and you in me?"
 grow in you and you in me.

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 Music: KELVINGROVE, Scottish traditional
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Blessing

Amen.

Announcements

Postlude

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ, arr. John Carter

Celebration of the Remembrance Garden

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Pastor Dave will be on vacation June 23-July 6, returning to work on Monday, July 7. If you have a pastoral emergency during that time, please contact Pastor Julianne Smeck from Hope Lutheran Church at 734-972-6126. Preaching on June 29 is Denise Rector, an instructor at Trinity Lutheran Seminary at Capital University and Ph.D. candidate at the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago. Pastor Al Rider will preside. On July 6, Redeemer member the Rev. Emlyn Ott will preach and preside.

Adult Ed

Sunday June 15 - 11:15 a.m.

Getting to Know You
-Ruth Murray-

As a way to deepen our relationships by getting to know each other better, Pastor Dave will interview folks about their lives. You'll have a chance to ask questions as well.

In-Person and Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83475541581?pwd=PEyYLFqECnuQBzf9bSbagxGY44GXcU.1>

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Phone only: 1-312-626-6700



Summer Basketball Camp

June 16 through July 23

Ages 8 - 14

*To register,
call the church office
614.237.1263*

*8-oz water
bottles needed!*



*Journaling
Workshop*

7:00 pm

June 24

*In-Person - Outer
Pastor's Office*



RLC Garden Giveaway

Produce from our own garden
and donations from friends and neighbors

Saturday mornings

10 am until gone



LSS Food Pantry

Wednesday, July 2

12:30-4:00 pm

Thursday, July 17

12:30-4:00 pm

**Contact Kathleen Zwanziger
to volunteer**



Church Picnic

RLC Picnic on the Lawn

June 29

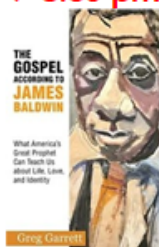
Immediately following worship
Please join us!

Summer Book Study

Wednesdays

July 9, 16, 23, 30

7-8:30 pm



Greg Garrett

The Gospel According to James Baldwin

For the first class, please read the first 56 pages and bring a question from the readings to ask the group.

Summer book group to discuss life, love, race, identity and culture

If you'd like to gather with others to discuss the thoughts of a deeply wise, compassionate, honest observer of human nature, culture, and history, then plan to come to our summer book group to discuss

The Gospel According to James Baldwin. If you

Google Baldwin's name, you will see the range and power of his intellect. Even though he died almost 40 years ago, people are writing about him and reading him because his observations are remarkable relevant and challenging for us today.

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86071756592?pwd=dm5VN2FaZWlVcUk3bEQycTVRTmpSUT09>

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OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Presiding Minister	David Shull, Pastor
Assisting Minister	Joss Dana
Cantor	Heidi Sherer
Organist & Senior Choir Director	Kathy Rapp
Pianist & Chime Choir Director	Karen Kent
Usher	Mike Benis
Verger	Michelle Clemence / Wendy Stoica
Communion Prep	Katie & Ruby Jacobs, Karen Rider
Producers	Sue Yehling, April Smith
Hospitality	Karen Rider

*Flowers are given by **Judith & Ashley Bird** in celebration of **Nate's birthday**.
The Noisy Offering will go to CRIS [Community Refugee and Immigration Service]*

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER JUNE 22 – 29

Today	10:00 am	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion
	11:15 am	IN-PERSON and ZOOM Adult Education
Monday	6:30 pm	Basketball Camp
Tuesday	6:30 pm	Basketball Camp
	7:00 pm	Journaling Workshop
Wednesday	6:30 pm	Basketball Camp
Thursday	6:30 pm	Basketball Camp
Saturday	10:00 am	Garden Giveaway
Next Sunday	10:00 am	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion
	11:15 am	Church Picnic on the lawn



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