

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost



New moon orbiting the earth. (Photo taken by Hubble telescope)

August 10, 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

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us, Larry Shakley

Welcome



Hymn

As We Gather at Your Table

1 As we gath-er at your ta-ble, as we lis-ten to your word,
2 Turn our wor-ship in-to wit-ness in the sac-ra-ment of life;
3 Gra-cious Spir-it, help us sum-mon oth-er guests to share that feast

help us know, O God, your pres-ence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.
send us forth to love and serve you, bring-ing peace where there is strife.
where tri-um-phant Love will wel-come those who had been last and least.

Nour-ish us with sa-cred sto-ry till we claim it as our own;
Give us, Christ, your great com-pas-sion to for-give as you for-gave;
There no more will en-vy blind us nor will pride our peace de-stroy,

teach us through this ho-ly ban-quet how to make Love's vic-t'ry known.
may we still be-hold your im-age in the world you died to save.
as we join with saints and an-gels to re-peat the sound-ing joy.

Text: Carl P. Daw Jr., b. 1944

Music: IN BABILONE, *Oude en Nieuwe Hollandse Boerenlities en Contradansen*, 1710; arr. Julius Röntgen, 1855–1932

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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



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



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



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



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



Refrain
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -
gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.
Final refrain
This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Prayer of the Day

Living God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church.
Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to
receive you wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and
Lord.

Amen.

Please be seated

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD

Reading

Isaiah 1:1, 10-17 (The Message)

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

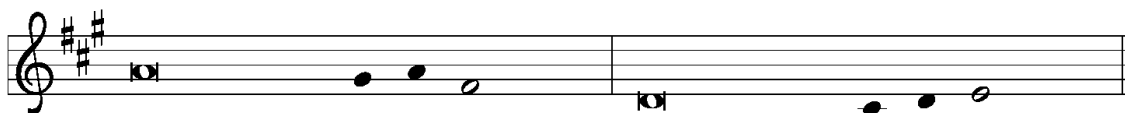
The vision that Isaiah son of Amoz saw regarding Judah and Jerusalem during the times of the rulers of Judah: Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah.

"Listen to my Message,
you Sodom-schooled leaders.
Receive God's revelation,
you Gomorrah-schooled people.
"Why this frenzy of sacrifices?"

God's asking.
"Don't you think I've had my fill of burnt sacrifices,
rams and plump grain-fed calves?
Don't you think I've had my fill
of blood from bulls, lambs, and goats?
When you come before me,
whoever gave you the idea of acting like this,
Running here and there, doing this and that—
all this sheer commotion in the place provided for worship?
"Quit your worship charades.
I can't stand your trivial religious games:
Monthly conferences, weekly Sabbaths, special meetings—
meetings, meetings, meetings—I can't stand one more!
Meetings for this, meetings for that. I hate them!
You've worn me out!
I'm sick of your religion, religion, religion,
while you go right on sinning.
When you put on your next prayer-performance,
I'll be looking the other way.
No matter how long or loud or often you pray,
I'll not be listening.
And do you know why? Because you've been tearing
people to pieces, and your hands are bloody.
Go home and wash up.
Clean up your act.
Sweep your lives clean of your evildoings
so I don't have to look at them any longer.
Say no to wrong.
Learn to do good.
Work for justice.
Help the down-and-out.
Stand up for the homeless.
Go to bat for the defenseless.

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

Psalm 33:12-22



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Happy is the nation whose God [|] is the LORD!

Happy the people chosen to [|] be God's heritage!

**The LORD looks [|] down from heaven,
and sees all [|] humankind.**

God sits firmly en- [|] throned and watches
all who dwell [|] on the earth.

**God fashions [|] all their hearts
and observes [|] all their deeds.**

A king is not saved by the size [|] of the army,
nor are warriors rescued by [|] their great strength.

**The horse gives vain [|] hope for victory;
despite its great strength it [|] cannot save.**

Truly, your eye is upon those who fear [|] you, O LORD,
upon those who wait for your [|] steadfast love,

**to deliver their [|] lives from death,
and to keep them alive in [|] time of famine.**

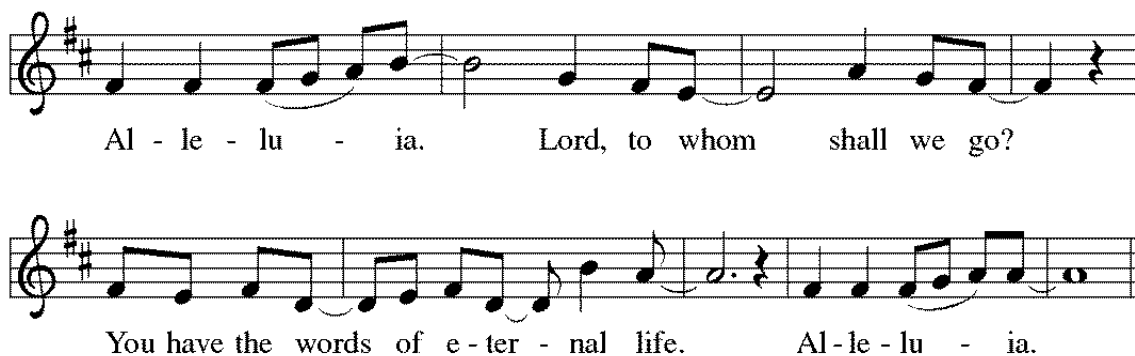
Our innermost being waits for [|] you, O LORD,
our helper [|] and our shield.

**Surely, our heart rejoic- [|] es in you,
for in your holy name we [|] put our trust.**

Let your lovingkindness, O LORD, [|] be upon us,
even as we place our [|] hope in you.

Please stand in body or spirit

Gospel Acclamation



Gospel **Luke 12:32-40** (Inclusive New Testament, adapted)
The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said to his followers, “Fear not, little flock, for it has pleased your Abba to give you the beloved community.

“Sell what you own and give the money to poorer people. Make purses for yourselves that don’t wear out – treasures that won’t fail you, treasures in heaven that thieves can’t steal and moths can’t destroy. For wherever your treasure is, that’s where your heart will be.

“Be dressed and ready, and keep your lamps lit. Be like the household staff, awaiting the owner’s return from a wedding, so that when the owner arrives and knocks, you’ll open the door without delay. It will go well with those staff members who the owner finds wide awake upon returning. I tell you the absolute truth, the owner will put on an apron, seat them at tables and proceed to wait on them. Should the owner happen to come at midnight, or before sunrise, and find them prepared, it will go well with them.

“Understand this: no homeowner who knew when a thief was coming would have let the thief break in! So be on guard – the Promised One will come when least expected.”

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

Spoken Reflection

HELPING US FIND OUR WAY IN THE DARK

Musical Reflection

There Is a Balm in Gilead

arr. Lloyd Larson
piano duet, Kathy Rapp and Karen Kent

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

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, Edwina Bradley, Karen Rider's niece Tammy and her friend Betsy Wagner, Sue, Tim, and Lisa Watson, Heidi Carman, Deb Turner's friends Sherrie and Jim Tompkins, Larry Jones, the Sutphin Sisters' brother Jeff.

For the people of Ascension Lutheran Church in Columbus

For Redeemer community member Bebe McCoy

Time with the Young People

Sharing the peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

We greet those who are livestreaming with us by waving to the camera in the back of the sanctuary above the choir loft. Then you are encouraged to greet each other in a way that expresses the peace and love of Christ.

If you do not wish close contact, offer a sign of blessing to others to let them know you are more comfortable greeting them from a distance.

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.

During the Rite of Communion, Prayors and Prayer Assistants will assemble on the steps of the sanctuary to offer a gentle touch and blessing. Those who wish to receive this healing in their pews may let an usher know and the healing team will come to you. Jesus often touched others—blessing children, washing feet, and healing injuries or disease. Such an act is a tangible expression of the presence of the healing Christ, working in and through those who minister in His name.



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.**

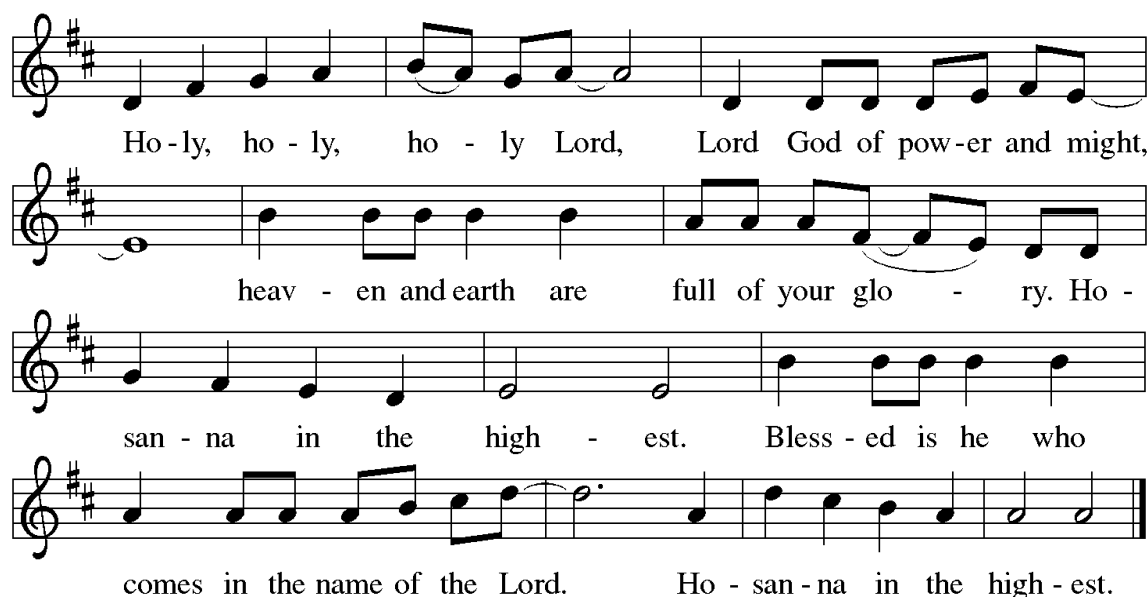
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is a joy to give you our thanks and praise, Glorious 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:



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.**

As we share these gifts of grace, may the Holy Spirit take and transform them that we may know both their comfort and their challenge, and so transform ourselves and our days. Here is bread and wine – touched and transformed by the Spirit. Come, eat and drink, and be healed and strengthened to face all that life brings.

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

Bring Peace to Earth Again



- 1 Where ar - mies scourge the coun - try - side, and peo - ple flee in fear,
- 2 Where an - ger fes - ters in the heart, and strikes with cru - el hand;
- 3 Where homes are torn by bit - ter strife, and love dis - solves in blame;
- 4 O God, whose heart com - pas - sion - ate bears ev - 'ry hu - man pain,



where si - rens scream through flam - ing nights, and death is ev - er near:
where vio - lence stalks the trou - bled streets, and ter - ror haunts the land:
where walls you meant for shel - t'ring care hide deeds of hurt and shame:
re - deem this vio - lent, wound - ing world till gen - tle - ness shall reign.

Refrain



O God of mer - cy, hear our prayer: bring peace to earth a - gain!

Text: Herman G. Stuempfle Jr., b. 1923

Music: PACE MIO DIO, Perry Nelson, b. 1955

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Hymn

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

1 The King of love my shep - herd is, whose good - ness
 2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, my ran - somed
 3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, but yet in
 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill, with thee, dear

fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
 soul he lead - eth and, where the ver - dant
 love he sought me, and on his shoul - der
 Lord, be - side me, thy rod and staff my

I am his and he is mine for - ev - er.
 pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
 gent - ly laid, and home, re - joic - ing, brought me.
 com - fort still; thy cross be - fore to guide me.

5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight;
 thine unction grace bestoweth;
 and, oh, what transport of delight
 from thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so, through all the length of days,
 thy goodness faileth never.
 Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
 within thy house forever.

Text: Henry W. Baker, 1821-1877
 Music: ST. COLUMBA, Irish tune

Please stand in body or spirit

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

Hymn

For the Healing of the Nations

1 For the heal-ing of the na-tions, Lord, we pray with one ac-cord,
2 Lead your peo-ple in-to free-dom, from de-spair your world re-lease,
3 All that kills a-bun-dant liv-ing, let it from the earth be banned:
4 You, Cre-a-tor-God, have writ-ten your great name on hu-man-kind;

for a just and e-equal shar-ing of the things that earth af-fords.
that, re-deemed from war and ha-tred, all may come and go in peace.
pride of sta-tus, race, or school-ing, dog-mas that ob-scure your plan.
for our grow-ing in your like-ness, bring the life of Christ to mind;

To a life of love in ac-tion help us rise and pledge our word.
Show us how, through care and good-ness, fear will die and hope in-crease.
In our com-mon quest for jus-tice may we hal-low life's brief span.
that by our re-sponse and serv-ice earth its des-ti-ny may find.

WORDS: Fred Kaan (1929-)
MUSIC: Henry T. Smart (1813-1879)
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REGENT SQUARE
8.7.8.7.8.7.

Blessing

Amen.

Announcements

Postlude

Every Time I Feel the Spirit, arr. Joel Raney
piano duet, Kathy Rapp and Karen Kent

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The communion liturgy is adapted from "Enter with Joy," by Pat Bennett, published by Wild Goose Publications.

Dave Shull will be on a week-long silent retreat for continuing education and then on vacation. For emergency pastoral care please contact:

August 16-20 and August 30-September 5 –

the Rev. Julianne Smeck (734-972-6126)

August 21-29 –

the Rev. Lorin Darst (503-886-9353).



A Brewing Faith

Conversation and fellowship

Tuesday, August 12, 6:30 pm

Seventh Son - 1101 N 4th Street



LSS Food Pantry

Thursday, August 21

12:30-4:00 pm

**Contact Kathleen Zwanziger
to volunteer**



RLC Garden Giveaway

Produce from our own garden
and donations from friends and neighbors

Saturday mornings

10 am until gone

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Presiding Minister	David Shull, Pastor
Assisting Minister	Michelle Clemence
Cantor	Scott Steiner
Reader	Michelle Clemence
ASL Interpreter	Emily Ott
Organist & Senior Choir Director	Kathy Rapp
Pianist & Chime Choir Director	Karen Kent
Usher	Judith Bird
Verger	Michelle Clemence / Wendy Stoica
Communion Prep	Becky Fisher, Eileen Day, Kay Ernsthausen
Producers	Toshi Phillips, Sachio Phillips
Hospitality	Laura & Terry Warren

*Flowers from the Redeemer gardens are given to the Glory of God.
The Noisy Offering will go to Sikhona Rescue Centre in Kitengela, Kenya.*

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER AUGUST 10 – 17

Today	10:00 am	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion
Tuesday	6:30 pm	A Brewing Faith
Saturday	10:00 am	Garden Giveaway
Next Sunday	10:00 am	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion



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