

## Fifth Sunday after Pentecost



**June 28, 2026 + 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**

***O Love That Will Not Let Me Go***, arr. Mark Hayes

**Welcome**



# Hymn

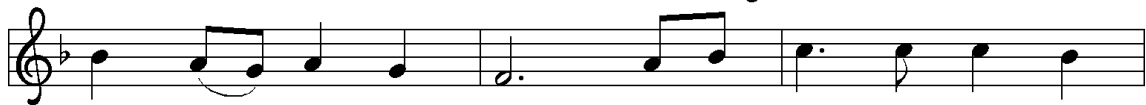
## All Are Welcome



1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safe - ly  
2 Let us build a house where proph-ets speak, and words are strong and  
3 Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter, wine and  
4 Let us build a house where hands will reach be - yond the wood and  
5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and vi - sions



live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell how  
true, where all God's chil - dren dare to seek to  
wheat: a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground where  
stone to heal and strength - en, serve and teach, and  
heard and loved and trea - sured, taught and claimed as



hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and  
dream God's reign a - new. Here the cross shall stand as  
peace and jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through  
live the Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the  
words with - in the Word. Built of tears and cries and



vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of  
wit - ness and as sym - bol of God's grace; here as one we  
Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and space; as we share in  
strang - er bear the im - age of God's face; let us bring an  
laugh - ter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house pro -



Christ shall end di - vi - sions:  
claim the faith of Je - sus:  
Christ the feast that frees us: All are wel - come,  
end to fear and dan - ger:  
claim from floor to raf - ter:



all are wel - come, all are wel - come in this place.

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Music: TWO OAKS, Marty Haugen  
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## Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship 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  
for ev - er. *To refrain*

Verse 3

*Congregation:*

3. For God has come to dwell with us;  
to make us peo - ple of God; to make  
all things new.

*To refrain*

### Prayer of the Day

O God, you direct our lives by your grace, and your words of justice and mercy reshape the world. Mold us into a people who welcome your word and serve one another, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

*Please be seated*

### WE PROCLAIM THE WORD

#### **First Reading**      **Jeremiah 28:5-9** (New Revised Standard Version)

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

The prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the Lord, and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the Lord do so; may the Lord fulfill the words that you have prophesied and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the Lord and all the exiles. But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the Lord has truly sent the prophet."

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



## Second Reading      Romans 6:12-23    (New Revised Standard Version)

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

Do not let sin reign in your mortal bodies, so that you obey their desires. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that, if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you who were slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted and that you, having been set free from sin, have become enslaved to righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and lawlessness, leading to even more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness, leading to sanctification.

When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what fruit did you then gain from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the fruit you have leads to sanctification, and the end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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

*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**                      **Matthew 10:40-42** (New Revised Standard Version)  
The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew                      **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said to the twelve:] “Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward, and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous, and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.”

**Matthew 10:40-42** (The Message)

“We are intimately linked in this harvest work. Anyone who accepts what you do, accepts me, the One who sent you. Anyone who accepts what I do accepts my Father, who sent me. Accepting a messenger of God is as good as being God’s messenger. Accepting someone’s help is as good as giving someone help. This is a large work I’ve called you into, but don’t be overwhelmed by it. It’s best to start small. Give a cool cup of water to someone who is thirsty, for instance. The smallest act of giving or receiving makes you a true apprentice. You won’t lose out on a thing.”

The Gospel of the Lord                      **Praise to you, O Christ.**  
*Please be seated*

**Sermon**

Pastor Elizabeth Hoster



## Musical Reflection

### *Two Processions: A Palm Sunday Hymn*

Amanda Udis-Kessler  
*Connie Criswell, Al Rider, Kathy Rapp*

Two processions entering Jerusalem,  
two opposing kingdoms on display.  
Which of these processions are we part of?  
Which one will we follow on its way?  
Will we shout “Hail Pilate” or “Hosanna”  
when we have a choice whose praise to sing?  
Will we trust the violent mighty ruler?  
Will we trust the peaceful peasant king?

Two processions entering Jerusalem,  
power of love against the love of power.  
Will we choose the path of domination?  
Will we let compassion have its hour?  
God has had a dream of joyful justice.  
Rome has spun a nightmare of neglect.  
If we join the commonwealth of servants  
we may bring God’s joy and justice yet.

Two processions entering Jerusalem:  
Realm of hope, dominion built on fear.  
As we choose the path that love has opened,  
we will see the realm of hope draw near.



## **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, Mary Kennedy, Kevin Bailey's sister Kleta Childs, 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, Kathie Ehrich, Dottie and Larry Bird, Kelley Frank and Trina Thornton, Kelley's mother Charlotte Frank, Sue, Tim, and Lisa Watson, Heidi Carman, Debbie Turner's friends Sherrie and Jim Tompkins, Grace and Ken Jones and their son Dan Jones, Emily Crosley, Bill Boys, Ranel and Neil Hoddinott's sister and brother-in-law Paulie and Jerry Shaffer, Barbara Hairston; WilFrantz Raymond's sister Cheslie; Don Luck, Greg Williams, Kathy and Tom Mimlitch's daughter Holly Ragland, Nate and Alyssha Bird, Linda Williams' sister-in-law Georgeann Neuzil, Karen Rider's friends Nancy McGinnis, Karen McCune, and Eileene Welker, LaVerna Reinoehl, Maddie Sutphin's friends Jan and Jerry, Redeemer Call Committee

For the people of Christ Lutheran Church in Columbus.

For Redeemer community members Mary and Mike Benis.

## 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.*

*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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*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!

Entering these gifts of bread and wine, the Spirit blesses this time, and makes Christ alive in this meal to comfort, challenge, and transform us. Here at this table, through the power of the Spirit, God's time and our time come together in bread and wine, making grace something we can touch and taste.

We recall how Jesus, drawing near to the end of his time on earth, ate a last meal with his friends. We remember how his words and actions disturbed and dismayed them; but also how he offered them comfort and encouragement. We remember that he took bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to his friends saying, "Take this and eat. This is my body broken for you. Do this to remember me." And after supper he took a cup, 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. Do this to remember me."

Hear us now as we commit ourselves to your Way, and 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.**

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

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 Boerenities en Contradansen*, 1710; arr. Julius Röntgen, 1855-1932  
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# Hymn

# To Be Your Presence



1 To be your pres - ence is our mis - sion here, to show com -  
2 To be your pres - ence is our mis - sion bold, to feed the  
3 To be your pres - ence is our mis - sion blest, to speak for  
4 We are your heart, O Christ, your hands and voice, to serve your



pas - sion's face and lis - t'ning ear, to be your heart of mer - cy  
poor and shel - ter home - less cold, to be your hands of jus - tice,  
all the bro - ken and op - pressed, to be your voice of hope, your  
peo - ple is our call and choice, and in this mis - sion we, the



ev - er near,  
right up - hold, al - le - lu - ia!  
love ex - pressed,  
church, re - joice,

Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b. 1939

Music: ENGELBERG, Charles V. Stanford, 1852-1924

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*Please stand in body or spirit*

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

**Loving Spirit, continue to form and nurture us as we grow in following you. As you led Jesus into the wilderness, stir us out of ease and safety as we follow the way of Christ. As you transformed the disciples, grace and gift us for the task of building the beloved community Christ lived, died, and rose for. Continue to comfort and discomfort us until justice prevails, peace reigns, and love directs all. Amen.**

# WE ARE SENT

## Hymn

## In Christ Called to Baptize

1 In Christ called to bap - tize, we wit - ness to grace  
2 In Christ called to ban - quet, one ta - ble we share,  
3 In Christ called to wit - ness, by grace we will preach  
4 U - nite us, a - noint us, O Spir - it of love,

and gath - er a peo - ple from each land and race.  
a ha - ven of wel - come, a cir - cle of care.  
the life - giv - ing gos - pel; God's love we will teach.  
for you are with - in us, a - round us, a - bove.

In deep, flow - ing wa - ters, we share in Christ's death,  
Al - though we are man - y, we share in one bread.  
By grace may our liv - ing give proof to our praise  
E - quip us for ser - vice with gifts you be - stow.

then, ris - ing to new life, give thanks with each breath.  
One cup of thanks - giv - ing pro - claims Christ, our head.  
in cost - ly com - pas - sion re - flect - ing Christ's ways.  
In Christ is our call - ing. In Christ may we grow.

Text: Ruth Duck, b. 1947

Music: ST. DENIO, Welsh traditional; arr. John Roberts, 1807-1876, alt.

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Announcements

Postlude

*I've Got the Joy*, arr. Pepper Choplin

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**Tuesday Bible Study**  
1:00pm  
In-Person and Zoom:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88008021077?pwd=1N0WY0J2Ycx1B2nv4inekgFnkhZ.1>  
Meeting ID: 880 0802 1077  
Passcode: 338045




**RLC Garden Giveaway**  
Produce from our own garden  
and donations from friends and neighbors  
**Friday, July 3**  
10 am until gone



**LSS Food Pantry**  
Wednesday, July 1  
12:30-4:00 pm  
Thursday, July 16  
12:30-4:00 pm  
Contact Kathleen Zwanziger  
to volunteer

**Summer Read**  
Wednesdays  
June 24 – July 22  
7-8:30 pm



John Fugelsang  
**The Separation of Church and Hate:  
A Sane Person's Guide to Taking Back  
the Bible from Fundamentalists, Fascists,  
and Flock-Fleecing Frauds**

July 1 Chapters 4 and 5  
July 8 Chapters 6 and 7  
July 15 Chapters 8 through 10  
July 22 Chapter 11 through the end

The book provides practical guidance for engaging in conversations with family, friends, or coworkers who use religion to justify harmful beliefs. Fugelsang combines humor, biblical knowledge, and political insight to reveal inconsistencies in fundamentalist arguments and to encourage debates grounded in compassion and reason.

Join Zoom Meeting:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88936382605?pwd=qD9ZN CX6gcHB4Q478Xj00YFG8UzvlG.1>  
Meeting ID: 889 3638 2605== Passcode: 721097  
Phone only: 312 626 6799



**RLC Serves**  
**First English Lutheran Church**  
**Community Dinner**  
**Thursday, July 9**  
Food donations and volunteers needed  
See **Reflections** for details



Sunday, July 12  
5:30 pm

**"The Gods Must Be Crazy"**

Movies, snacks, discussion,  
laughter, fun!

**Please join us!**



### *Fans! Fans! and more Fans!*

The Outreach Team is sponsoring the collection of **box fans** to be distributed to those in need. The goal for this year is **175 fans** – or more!

You may either donate fans [watch for sales!] or make a monetary contribution for the purchase of fans – just put "fans" in the check memo.

If you have questions, contact Julianne Johnson.



Wednesday July 29

7:00 pm

Join us for an evening at Huntington Park.

**Tickets \$11**

Sign up by **July 15** so we know how many group tickets to purchase.

*See Reflections for details.*



**Envelopes available on bulletin table in sanctuary.  
Your monetary support is much appreciated!**



**Good Neighbors Picnic  
Saturday, September 26**

Now collecting cold weather items: blankets, sweatshirts, hats, gloves, scarves, etc.

Collection bins are in the cloakroom



**Birthdays this week:**

- 30 – Julie Brush
- 1 – Bruce Collins
- 1 – Karen Riccio
- 2 – Kevin Bailey
- 3 – Caroline Ott

## OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

<b>Presiding Minister</b>	Elizabeth Hoster, Pastor
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Julianne Johnson
<b>ASL Interpreter</b>	Nancy Boone
<b>Cantor</b>	Connie Criswell
<b>Organist &amp; Choir Director</b>	Kathy Rapp
<b>Pianist &amp; Chime Choir Director</b>	Karen Kent
<b>Usher</b>	Mike Benis
<b>Verger</b>	Michelle Clemence / Wendy Stoica
<b>Communion Prep</b>	Kathleen Zwanziger, Krista Skipper, Karen Rider
<b>Producers</b>	Tom Mimplitch, Miles Smith
<b>Hospitality</b>	Sara Auman and Julianne Johnson

*Flowers are given by **Earl Bradley** in memory of **Edwina**.  
The Noisy Offering will go to Habitat for Humanity MidOhio.*

## THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER JUNE 28 – JULY 5

<b>Today</b>	10:00 am	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion
<b>Monday</b>	6:30 pm	Basketball Camp
<b>Tuesday</b>	1:00 pm	IN-PERSON and ZOOM Bible Study
	6:30 pm	Basketball Camp
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:30 pm	Basketball Camp
	7:00 pm	Summer Book Group
<b>Thursday</b>	12:30 pm	RLC at LSS Food Pantry
	6:30 pm	Basketball Camp
<b>Friday</b>	10:00 am	<b>Garden Giveaway</b> – note change of day
<b>Next Sunday</b>	10:00 am	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion

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**Redeemer's vision:** To foster understanding and healing in community  
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