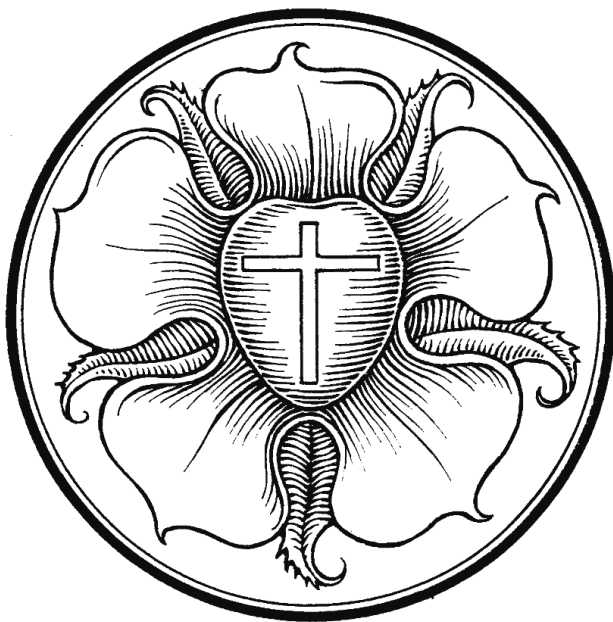




OUR REDEEMER

LUTHERAN CHURCH

A congregation of The Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod, established in 1924



REFORMATION DAY

(Observed)

Sunday, 29 October A+D 2023 · 9:00 A.M.

Wednesday, 1 November A+D 2023 · 7:00 P.M.

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ABOUT TODAY'S SERVICE

Order of Service:	<i>LSB</i> , Divine Service, Setting Three, pg. 184
Hymns:	904, 657, 865, 744, 644, 617, 578
Sermon Title:	"An Eternal Gospel Leads to Eternal Worship"
Sermon Text:	Revelation 14:6-7

WELCOME TO OUR REDEEMER

WE ARE PLEASED TO HAVE YOU WITH US TODAY AS WE GATHER AROUND GOD'S GIFTS OF FORGIVENESS, LIFE, AND SALVATION. If you are with us for the first time, please take a moment to introduce yourself to our pastor. Should you be looking for a church home, please indicate so when you sign the Record of Fellowship tablet. We would love to take the opportunity to tell you more about our congregation and what it means to be a part of the people of God here in the Twin Cities area.

A WORD TO OUR GUESTS ABOUT HOLY COMMUNION: In the Sacrament of the Altar, our Lord Jesus Christ gives us His very Body and Blood to eat and drink. Receiving the Sacrament is not merely a matter between God and the person, but a "communion," something done in "community." It is a public confession of our faith and expression of the unity that exists between Christians. Because of these reasons, Our Redeemer Lutheran Church practices closed communion. We invite those who are members in good standing of LCMS congregations to join us at the altar today. All those communing for the first time should speak with the pastor before doing so.



PREPARING FOR THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR: Christ offers His very body and blood, with the bread and wine, for the forgiveness of our sins. Those who come before the holy altar of God to receive this body and blood do so having prepared to receive this holy gift.

1. Have you confessed your sins before God in heaven? (See the Ten Commandments, *LSB* page 321.)
2. Are you able to come forward in a spirit of unity with those communing with you? (See 1 Corinthians 1:10; 11:18-19.)
3. Do you share the confession of faith proclaimed in this congregation and church body? (See Acts 2:42, 1 Corinthians 11:26.)
4. Do you believe that this bread and wine is truly the body and blood of Christ? (See *LSB*, page 326, "What is the Sacrament of the Altar?")
5. Do you believe that this body and blood are given for your forgiveness, life, and salvation? (See *LSB* page 327, "What is the benefit of this eating and drinking?")

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To learn more about The LCMS, visit www.lcms.org.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THIS MORNING, FIVE YOUTH will receive the Lord's Supper for the first time through the Rite of First Communion. Please pray for these young people—along with their families—that they would develop a life-long love for the gift of Jesus' body and blood.

- Drake Michael Henry
- Pearl Jemma-Jean Kline
- Katherine Marie McFarland
- Rickz Laurence Mendez
- Eli Carter Smith

OUR QUARTERLY VOTERS MEETING will be this morning at 10:30 A.M. Please note that this meeting will include the passing of our 2024 budget and the election of 2024 Officers and Board Members. Voting Members of Our Redeemer are those communicant members who are at least 16 years of age.

TRUNK-OR-TREAT will be this Tuesday from 4:00-7:00 P.M. Please see the coffee kiosk for volunteer sign-up. We also welcome your candy donations!

WOULD YOU HELP US FEED A FAMILY FOR THANKSGIVING? Every year, Our Redeemer provides a gift to families in need just before Thanksgiving to provide them with the means to have a Thanksgiving meal. This year, we are asking our families to sponsor the gift of a \$50 Tadych's Marketplace Foods gift card for those who could use help. If you are willing to assist checks can be made out to "Our Redeemer Lutheran Church" with "Thanksgiving Help" on the memo line and put in the offering plate or Church Office.

LIFE THOUGHTS IN THE CHURCH YEAR—Reformation Day: Our Reformation heritage includes boldly and gladly confessing God's Word. The Scriptures speak frequently and forcefully of taking care of children (1 Thessalonians 2:7) and standing up for a neighbor's life (Leviticus 19:16). Christians cannot promote or even permit putting people to death by abortion, assisted suicide, and embryo experimentation. Love for our Father means love for each other!

"ON THIS REFORMATION WEEKEND, let's rekindle our commitment to be faithful to the God who both preserves and redeems this world in His ways. And let's remind ourselves of the blessings that come from following Him in all things, now and forever." *Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz, Executive Director of the Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

ARE YOU PART OF THE NETWORK? The Champions For Religious Liberty Network educates and connects Christians to engage culture and government from a biblical worldview. See <https://www.lcrlfreedom.org/champions> for more information.

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ALTAR GUILD

Week of 10/29

Sunday, 9:00 A.M.	Digital Music	Gary Peterson	Carol Thornton Cindy Koller
Wednesday, 7:00 P.M.	Digital Music	Gary Peterson	Lisa Swanson Jenna Chapes Long

Week of 11/5

Sunday, 9:00 A.M.	Digital Music	Jim Reed	Lisa Swanson Jenna Chapes Long
Wednesday, 7:00 P.M.	Digital Music	Bob Roska	Lisa Swanson Jenna Chapes Long

THIS WEEK AT OUR REDEEMER

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
Sunday (29)	8:30 A.M.	Coffee, Refreshments, & Fellowship
	9:00 A.M.	Divine Service
	10:30 A.M.	Quarterly Voters' Meeting Youth Group & Sunday School
Monday (30)	6:30 P.M.	
Tuesday (31)	4:00 P.M.	Trunk-or-Treat
Wednesday (1)	5:30 P.M.	Catechism Vespers
	7:00 P.M.	Divine Service
Thursday (2)	10:00 A.M.	Proverbs Bible Study
Friday (3)		Pastor's Day Off
Saturday (4)		
Sunday (5)	8:30 A.M.	Coffee, Refreshments, & Fellowship
	9:00 A.M.	Divine Service
	10:30 A.M.	Adult Bible Study, Youth Group, & Sunday School

GIVING REPORT & BUDGET UPDATE

WEEKLY OFFERINGS

Last Week Offering:	\$2,028.00
Other Income and Gifts:	\$1,120.00
Total Income This Week:	\$3,148.00
Needed for Budget:	\$3,346.24
Difference:	-\$198.24

YEAR-TO-DATE

Year-to-Date Offerings:	\$114,717.42
Other Income and Gifts:	\$19,198.12
Total Income This Year:	\$133,915.54
Needed for Budget:	\$143,887.32
Difference:	-\$9,971.78

ATTENDANCE REPORT

<u>SERVICE</u>	<u>ATTENDANCE</u>	<u>COMMUNION</u>
Sunday, 10/22, 9:00 A.M.	77	62
Wednesday, 10/25, 7:00 P.M.	12	11
TOTAL	89	73