



THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Sunday, 25 August A+D 2024 • 9:00 A.M.

Wednesday, 28 August A+D 2024 • 7:00 P.M.



OUR REDEEMER
LUTHERAN CHURCH

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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.

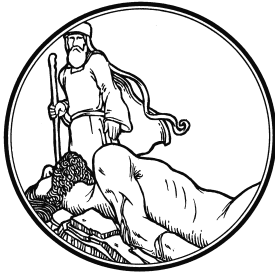
A WORD TO OUR GUESTS ABOUT HOLY COMMUNION: In the Sacrament of the Altar, our Lord Jesus Christ gives us His very Body and Blood to eat and drink. Receiving the Sacrament is not merely a matter between God and the person, but a "communion," something done in "community." It is a public confession of 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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Lutheran Service Book,
Divine Service, Setting Three, pg. 184

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

HYMN OF INVOCATION

“Just as I Am, without One Plea” LSB 570

Stand

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

LSB 184

SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT

Psalm 74:1–2, 19b, 21b; antiphon: vv. 20a, 21a, 22a, 23a



Have regard for the covenant, | [O Lord],*
let not the downtrodden turn | back in shame.

Arise, O God, de- | fend your cause;*
do not forget the clamor | of your foes.

O God, why do you cast us off for- | ever?*

Why does your anger smoke against the sheep of your | pasture?
Remember your congre- | gation,*
which you have pur- | chased of old,

which you have redeemed to be the tribe of your | heritage!*

Remember Mount Zion, where | you have dwelt.
Do not forget the life of your poor for- | ever.*
Let the poor and needy | praise your name.



Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

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GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God, give us an increase of faith, hope, and charity; and that we may obtain what You have promised, make us love what You have commanded; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT READING

2 Chronicles 28:8-15

⁸The men of Israel took captive 200,000 of their relatives, women, sons, and daughters. They also took much spoil from them and brought the spoil to Samaria. ⁹But a prophet of the LORD was there, whose name was Oded, and he went out to meet the army that came to Samaria and said to them, “Behold, because the LORD, the God of your fathers, was angry with Judah, he gave them into your hand, but you have killed them in a rage that has reached up to heaven. ¹⁰And now you intend to subjugate the people of Judah and Jerusalem, male and female, as your slaves. Have you not sins of your own against the LORD your God? ¹¹Now hear me, and send back the captives from your relatives whom you have taken, for the fierce wrath of the LORD is upon you.”

¹²Certain chiefs also of the men of Ephraim, Azariah the son of Johanan, Berechiah the son of Meshillemoth, Jehizkiah the son of Shallum, and Amasa the son of Hadlai, stood up against those who were coming from the war ¹³and said to them, “You shall not bring the captives in here, for you propose to bring upon us guilt against the LORD in addition to our present sins and guilt. For our guilt is already great, and there is fierce wrath against Israel.” ¹⁴So the armed men left the captives and the spoil before the princes and all the assembly. ¹⁵And the men who have been mentioned by name rose and took the captives, and with the spoil they clothed all who were naked among them. They clothed them, gave them sandals, provided them with food and drink, and anointed them, and carrying all the feeble among them on donkeys, they brought them to their kinsfolk at Jericho, the city of palm trees. Then they returned to Samaria.

GRADUAL

Psalm 77:14–15



You are the God who works | wonders;*
you have made known your might among the | peoples.

You with your arm redeemed your | people,*
the children of Jacob and | Joseph.

EPISTLE

Galatians 3:15-22

¹⁵To give a human example, brothers: even with a man-made covenant, no one annuls it or adds to it once it has been ratified. ¹⁶Now the promises were made to Abraham and to his offspring. It does not say, “And to offsprings,” referring to many, but referring to one, “And to your offspring,” who is Christ. ¹⁷This is what I mean: the law, which came 430 years afterward, does not annul a covenant previously ratified by God, so as to make the promise void. ¹⁸For if the inheritance comes by the law, it no longer comes by promise; but God gave it to Abraham by a promise.

¹⁹Why then the law? It was added because of transgressions, until the offspring should come to whom the promise had been made, and it was put in place through angels by an intermediary. ²⁰Now an intermediary implies more than one, but God is one.

²¹Is the law then contrary to the promises of God? Certainly not! For if a law had been given that could give life, then righteousness would indeed be by the law. ²²But the Scripture imprisoned everything under sin, so that the promise by faith in Jesus Christ might be given to those who believe.

Stand

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

LSB 190; Psalm 88:1

Alleluia. O LORD, God of my sal- | vation;*

I cry out day and night before you. Alle- | luia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 10:23-37

²³Turning to the disciples [Jesus] said privately, “Blessed are the eyes that see what you see! ²⁴For I tell you that many prophets and kings desired to see what you see, and did not see it, and to hear what you hear, and did not hear it.”

²⁵And behold, a lawyer stood up to put him to the test, saying, “Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?” ²⁶He said to him, “What is written in the Law? How do you read it?” ²⁷And he answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself.” ²⁸And he said to him, “You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live.”

²⁹But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?” ³⁰Jesus replied, “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead. ³¹Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. ³²So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. ³⁴He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him. ³⁵And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, ‘Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.’ ³⁶Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?” ³⁷He said, “The one who showed him mercy.” And Jesus said to him, “You go, and do likewise.”

APOSTLES’ CREED

LSB 192

Sit

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me” LSB 683

SERMON

“Loving the One in Front of Me” Luke 10:23-37

Stand

OFFERTORY

LSB 192

Sit

OFFERING

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Each petition ends with:

- P** Lord, in Your mercy,
C hear our prayer.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE	LSB 194
SANCTUS	LSB 195
LORD'S PRAYER	LSB 196
THE WORDS OF OUR LORD	LSB 197
PAX DOMINI	LSB 197
AGNUS DEI	LSB 198

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DISTRIBUTION

Guests are asked to please read "A Word to Our Guests About Holy Communion" on page 2 of this week's bulletin.

Those who are communing are encouraged to prepare themselves using "Preparing for the Sacrament of the Altar" on page 2 of the bulletin.

The Lord's Supper is distributed at the altar rail. Each table is dismissed with the following blessing:

- P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.
C Amen.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence" LSB 621
"Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior" LSB 619
"O Blessed, Holy Trinity" LSB 876

Stand

NUNC DIMITTIS	LSB 199
THANKSGIVING	LSB 200
SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS	LSB 201
BENEDICTION	LSB 202
HYMN TO DEPART	<i>"Lord of All Hopefulness" LSB 738</i>

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NEWS & NOTES

TODAY WE WELCOME VICAR PAUL & COURTNEY MRO CZENSKI, LCMS missionaries to Puerto Rico. The Mroczenskis will offer a presentation on their upcoming work in Puerto Rico during our Bible study hour. We will also collect a door offering today in support of their work of proclaiming the Gospel to “La Isla del Encanto!”

EFFECTIVE SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH, OUR SUNDAY SCHEDULE WILL BE:

8:45 A.M.	Education Hour (Sunday School, Youth Group, Bible Study)
10:00 A.M.	Divine Service
11:30 A.M.	Coffee & Fellowship

CATECHISM VESPERS WILL RESUME on Wednesday, September 4th at 5:30 P.M. **A FIRST COMMUNION CLASS** for any children wanting to prepare to receive the Lord’s Supper will start on Saturday, September 7th at 10:00 A.M. Any parents wanting to include their children in either program should reach out to Pastor Ruesch

WE NEED YOUR REFUNDABLE BOTTLES/CANS AND YOUR RECEIPTS! Our Redeemer Youth is collecting refundable bottles and cans for the 2025 National High School Youth Gathering. Also we are collecting Super One and Tadych’s Marketplace receipts. White buckets for collecting the receipts are located just inside the Fellowship Hall entrance. For every receipt, 1% of every \$1 goes towards Our Redeemer Youth. Thank you for your support!

LIFE THOUGHTS IN THE CHURCH YEAR – Trinity 13: The compassionate Samaritan does not euthanize or terminate the already half-dead traveler. He treats this stranger and rival not as less human but as dear neighbor and trades his own convenience, cost, and comfort to help a brother (Luke 10:33-35). Our Savior showers us with just such grace so that we may share it as well. *Dear Savior, grant me fully to appreciate Your grace to me and freely to extend it to all in need. Amen.*

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS: *Luke 10:25* – “And behold, a lawyer stood up to put him to the test, saying, “Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?” That’s just not a good question! Doing and inheriting just don’t go together: what can you do to inherit the English throne? Nothing. Inheriting is about birth right; doing is about merit. We receive eternal life by birth right in our Baptism into Christ. All of our doings in the kingdom of God flow from who we are by our new birth. It can never be the other way around. So today we remember St. John the Baptist who, because he believed the Lord, walked in His ways and gained the crown of life in martyrdom.

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE

	<u>MUSIC</u>	<u>ELDERS</u>	<u>ALTAR GUILD</u>
<u>Week of 8/25</u>			
Sunday, 9:00 A.M.	Bruce Rasmussen & Choir	Rob Kuehl Bob Roska	Sue Rochon
Wednesday, 7:00 P.M.	Digital Music	Jim Sleik	Sue Rochon
<u>Week of 9/1</u>			
Sunday, 9:00 A.M.	Bruce Rasmussen	Skip Schoenborn Bob Roska	Debbie Sleik
Wednesday, 7:00 P.M.	Digital Music	Bradley Linsmeyer	Debbie Sleik

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
Sunday (25)	9:00 A.M.	Divine Service
	10:30 A.M.	Missionary Presentation
Monday (26)		
Tuesday (27)	5:30 P.M.	Choir Practice
Wednesday (28)	7:00 P.M.	Divine Service
Thursday (29)	10:00 A.M.	Bible Study
Friday (30)		Pastor's Day Off
Saturday (31)		
Sunday (1)	9:00 A.M.	Divine Service
	10:30 A.M.	Bible Study

JULY FINANCIAL REPORT

	<u>JULY</u>	<u>YEAR-TO-DATE</u>
Receipts:	\$16,865.35	\$122,101.52
Expenses:	\$14,758.57	\$148,360.93
Difference:	+\$2,106.78	-\$26,259.41

*This report represents raw monthly and year-to-date receipt/expense data ("money-in"/"money-out"), including expenses for which funds were reserved from memorials and designated gifts. We need to average **\$16,200.00 per month** to cover budget items and basic bills. At present, we are averaging **\$17,400.00 per month**.*

ATTENDANCE REPORT

<u>SERVICE</u>	<u>ATTENDANCE</u>	<u>COMMUNION</u>
Sun., Aug. 18 th , 9:00 A.M.	93	76
Weds., Aug. 21 st , 7:00 P.M.	10	9
Total	103	85