



## TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Sunday, 20 October A+D 2024 • 10:00 A.M.

Wednesday, 23 October 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.

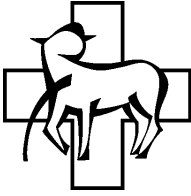
**A WORD TO OUR GUESTS ABOUT HOLY COMMUNION:** In the Sacrament of the Altar, our Lord Jesus Christ gives us His very Body and Blood to eat and drink. Receiving the Sacrament is not merely a matter between God and the person, but a “communion,” something done in “community.” It is a public confession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

## HOLY BAPTISM/CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

**HYMN OF INVOCATION**

*“Baptized into Your Name Most Holy” LSB 590*

*Stand*

**RITE OF HOLY BAPTISM**

*LSB 268 (Sun. only)*

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

*LSB 184 (Weds. only)*

## SERVICE OF THE WORD

**INTROIT**

*Psalm 119:1, 38–40; antiphon: Liturgical Text*



The whole world is | in your power;\*  
O Lord, King Almighty, no one can | gainsay you.  
**For you have made | heaven and earth;\***  
**you are | Lord of all!**  
Blessèd are those whose way is | blameless,\*  
who walk in the law | of the LORD!  
**Confirm to your servant your | promise,\***  
**that you | may be feared.**  
Turn away the reproach | that I dread,\*  
for your just de- | crees are good.  
**Behold, I long for your | precepts;\***  
**in your righteousness | give me life!**



**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.

The whole world is | in your power;\*  
O Lord, King Almighty, no one can | gainsay you.  
**For you have made | heaven and earth;\***  
**you are | Lord of all!**

**KYRIE**

*LSB 186*

## SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

LSB 189

O Lord, keep Your household, the Church, in continual godliness that through Your protection she may be free from all adversities and devoutly given to serve You in good works; 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

*Genesis 1:1-2:3*

<sup>1</sup>In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. <sup>2</sup>The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

<sup>3</sup>And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. <sup>4</sup>And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. <sup>5</sup>God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

<sup>6</sup>And God said, "Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." <sup>7</sup>And God made the expanse and separated the waters that were under the expanse from the waters that were above the expanse. And it was so. <sup>8</sup>And God called the expanse Heaven. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

<sup>9</sup>And God said, "Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. <sup>10</sup>God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good.

<sup>11</sup>And God said, "Let the earth sprout vegetation, plants yielding seed, and fruit trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind, on the earth." And it was so. <sup>12</sup>The earth brought forth vegetation, plants yielding seed according to their own kinds, and trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. <sup>13</sup>And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

<sup>14</sup>And God said, "Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night. And let them be for signs and for seasons, and for days and years, <sup>15</sup>and let them be lights in the expanse of the heavens to give light upon the earth." And it was so. <sup>16</sup>And God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. <sup>17</sup>And God set them in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth, <sup>18</sup>to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. <sup>19</sup>And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

<sup>20</sup>And God said, "Let the waters swarm with swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the expanse of the heavens." <sup>21</sup>So God created the great sea creatures and every living creature that moves, with which the waters swarm, according to their kinds, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. <sup>22</sup>And God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." <sup>23</sup>And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

<sup>24</sup>And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures according to their kinds—livestock and creeping things and beasts of the earth according to their kinds." And it was so. <sup>25</sup>And God made the beasts of the earth according to their kinds and the livestock according to their kinds, and everything that creeps on the ground according to its kind. And God saw that it was good.

<sup>26</sup>Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."

<sup>27</sup>So God created man in his own image,  
in the image of God he created him;  
male and female he created them.

<sup>28</sup>And God blessed them. And God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over

every living thing that moves on the earth.”<sup>29</sup>And God said, “Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit. You shall have them for food.”<sup>30</sup>And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the heavens and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so.<sup>31</sup>And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

<sup>1</sup>Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. <sup>2</sup>And on the seventh day God finished his work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all his work that he had done. <sup>3</sup>So God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it God rested from all his work that he had done in creation.

## GRADUAL

*Psalm 90:1–2*



Lord, you have been our | dwelling place\*  
in all gener- | ations.

**Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth | and the world,\*  
from everlasting to everlasting | you are God.**

## EPISTLE

*Ephesians 6:10–17*

<sup>10</sup>Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. <sup>11</sup>Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. <sup>12</sup>For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. <sup>13</sup>Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. <sup>14</sup>Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, <sup>15</sup>and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. <sup>16</sup>In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; <sup>17</sup>and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

*Stand*

## ALLELUIA AND VERSE

*LSB 190; Psalm 125:1*

Alleluia. Those who trust in the LORD are like Mount | Zion,\*  
which cannot be moved, but abides forever. Alle- | luia.

## HOLY GOSPEL

*John 4:46–54*

<sup>46</sup>[Jesus] came again to Cana in Galilee, where he had made the water wine. And at Capernaum there was an official whose son was ill. <sup>47</sup>When this man heard that Jesus had come from Judea to Galilee, he went to him and asked him to come down and heal his son, for he was at the point of death. <sup>48</sup>So Jesus said to him, “Unless you see signs and wonders you will not believe.” <sup>49</sup>The official said to him, “Sir, come down before my child dies.” <sup>50</sup>Jesus said to him, “Go; your son will live.” The man believed the word that Jesus spoke to him and went on his way. <sup>51</sup>As he was going down, his servants met him and told him that his son was recovering. <sup>52</sup>So he asked them the hour when he began to get better, and they said to him, “Yesterday at the seventh hour the fever left him.” <sup>53</sup>The father knew that was the hour when Jesus had said to him, “Your son will live.” And he himself believed, and all his household. <sup>54</sup>This was now the second sign that Jesus did when he had come from Judea to Galilee.

## NICENE CREED

*LSB 191 (Weds. only)*

*Sit*

## HYMN OF THE DAY

*“From Depths of Woe I Cry to Thee” LSB 607*

**SERMON***“Strong and Armed in the Strength of the Lord” Ephesians 6:10-17**Stand***OFFERTORY**

LSB 192

*Sit***OFFERING***Stand***PRAYER OF THE CHURCH****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

*Sit***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***“Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face” LSB 631 (Sun. only)**“Oh, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing” LSB 528 (Sun. only)**“Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word” LSB 655 (Sun. only)**Stand***NUNC DIMITTIS**

LSB 199

**THANKSGIVING**

LSB 200

**SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS**

LSB 201

**BENEDICTION**

LSB 202

**HYMN TO DEPART***“The Son of God Goes Forth to War” LSB 661*

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## NEWS & NOTES

**THIS MORNING DURING OUR DIVINE SERVICE**, we are blessed to be welcoming three infants into the kingdom of God through the waters of Holy Baptism:

- Macey Marie Kleiber (daughter of Christopher & Allison Kleiber)
- Isaac James Mortl (son of Joseph & Allison Mortl)
- Micah Eli Mortl (son of Joshua & Candace Mortl)

Sponsors for Macey are Justin & Tamara Kleiber. Sponsors for Isaac are Samuel Barnett & Miranda Hanson. Sponsors for Micah are Joe Mortl & Emily Mortl. The Lord keep these dear little ones in His blessed care now and always!

**FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR THIS MORNING** are given by Mark & Laura Mortl in honor of Isaac & Micah's Baptisms.

**OUR QUARTERLY VOTERS' MEETING** will be held on Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup> following the 10:00 A.M. Divine Service. In conjunction with the meeting, we're also having a **POTLUCK LUNCHEON** for everyone attending. All confirmed members at least 16 years of age are asked to come and bring a dish to pass!

**LIFE THOUGHTS IN THE CHURCH YEAR – Trinity 21:** The picture of the armor-clad Christian in Ephesians 6:10-20 is one of defense not offense. We are not fighting to obtain truth. We have the truth. We fight to defend the truth upon which we stand. Be encouraged in this spiritual battle that can seem so frustrating at times. “[B]e strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might” (6:10). *Prayer: Thank You for Your truth, Lord, and Your armor. Help us stand firm. Amen.*

**“GOD’S GRACE IS COSTLY** (the Cross is the best symbol of all) and God is ‘for us, not against us’ because God is the God of creation and nature, history and eternal destiny (Romans 8). Here St. Paul reminds us that we are all adopted into Christ. Just as we are all transformed by the renewing of our minds (Romans 12), so the Gospel has shaped our earthly adoptions and our families—now including three beautiful granddaughters! In our Triune God we are born to a new and living hope, a pro-life and pro-adoption one!” Pastor Leon and Terri Rosenthal – *A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life* • [lutheransforlife.org](http://lutheransforlife.org)

**STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS:** *Genesis 1:1 – “In the beginning God created ...”* Many studies report that atheism is on the rise in our culture. The appeal of atheism is in the denial of a Creator. If the world just happens to exist, and we are just accidents that arose out of a long process of random, directionless evolution, then we get to make our own rules, and nobody has any right to tell us otherwise. Because if there is a Creator, then obviously He would know best, and we would do best, to follow His commands. Of course, we Christians know this Creator very well, and we have seen not only His power and commands, but also His grace and mercy in His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

## SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE

	<u>MUSIC</u>	<u>ELDERS</u>	<u>ALTAR GUILD</u>
<i>Week of 10/20</i>			
Sunday, 10:00 A.M.	Bruce Rasmussen	Rob Kuehl Jim Reed	Maridol Bey
Wednesday, 7:00 P.M.	Digital Music	Jim Sleik	Maridol Bey
<i>Week of 10/27</i>			
Sunday, 10:00 A.M.	Bruce Rasmussen & Choir	Bradley Linsmeyer Jim Reed	Lisa Swanson
Wednesday, 7:00 P.M.	Digital Music	Jim Sleik	Lisa Swanson

## THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
Sunday (20)	8:45 A.M.	Education Hour
	10:00 A.M.	Divine Service
	11:30 A.M.	Coffee & Fellowship
Monday (21)		<i>Pastor at NWD Pastors' Conference in Rothschild</i>
Tuesday (22)		<i>Pastor at NWD Pastors' Conference in Rothschild</i>
	5:30 P.M.	Choir Practice
Wednesday (23)		<i>Pastor at NWD Pastors' Conference in Rothschild</i>
	5:30 P.M.	Youth Confirmation
	7:00 P.M.	Divine Service
Thursday (24)	10:00 A.M.	Bible Study
Friday (25)		<i>Pastor's Day Off</i>
Saturday (26)	10:00 A.M.	Adult Membership Class
Sunday (27)	8:45 A.M.	Education Hour
	10:00 A.M.	Divine Service
	11:30 A.M.	Quarterly Voters' Meeting & Potluck Lunch

## SEPTEMBER FINANCIAL REPORT

	<u>SEPTEMBER</u>	<u>YEAR-TO-DATE</u>
Receipts:	\$12,583.17	\$151,009.04
Expenses:	\$15,528.51	\$183,496.11
<b>Difference:</b>	<b>-\$2,945.34</b>	<b>-\$32,487.07</b>

*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.*

## ATTENDANCE REPORT

<u>SERVICE</u>	<u>ATTENDANCE</u>	<u>COMMUNION</u>
Sun., Oct. 13 <sup>th</sup> , 10:00 A.M.	101	78
Weds., Oct. 16 <sup>th</sup> , 7:00 P.M.	*** No Service ***	
<b>Total</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>78</b>