

Service of Worship & Holy Communion

January 29, 2023

Season of Epiphany

I love to tell the story...



Celebrating the ministry of the Rev. Dr. Ann E. Schmid

Pastor of Our Redeemer from May 2001 to January 2023

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

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OUR REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

105 Gateshead Drive McMurray, PA 15317-3101

WORSHIP SERVICES

5:30 PM, Saturday

9:00 and 11:00, Sunday (11:00 livestreamed)

**Online services are available through
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GROWING IN GOD (September - May), 10:00 AM, Age 3-Adults

Childcare is provided on Sunday mornings in the nursery. Weekly nursery attendant is Amy Johnson. The service is broadcast to the narthex which you are invited to use as a cry room. The volume may be adjusted by turning the knob on the wall near the left sanctuary doors.

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MISSION STATEMENT

"As Our Redeemer Lutheran Church is a community of people believing in Jesus Christ, our overall purpose is to worship, teach, serve, evangelize and witness to that belief."

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please pass the fellowship pads down your row at this time. If you are a visitor and would like more information about our church, please include your address and phone number.

GATHERING

Stand

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
who makes all things new,
whose mercy endures forever.

C **Amen.**

P Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Holy One, source of our renewal,
C **we confess that we are wrapped up in sin,
and cannot free ourselves.
We have not practiced your righteousness.
Our hearts have turned away from you.
For the sake of the world you so love,
forgive us,
that we may be reconciled to one another
for the glory of your holy name.
Amen.**

P Thus says our God:
"The former things have come to pass
and new things I now declare."
God's mercy makes us new.
We are forgiven in the name of + Christ our Savior.
C **Amen.**

Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service



1 Lord, whose love in hum-ble ser - vice bore the weight of hu-man need,
2 Still your chil-dren wan-der home-less; still the hun-gry cry for bread;
3 As we wor-ship, grant us vi - sion, till your love's re - veal-ing light
4 Called by wor-ship to your ser - vice, forth in your dear name we go,



who up - on the cross, for - sak - en, worked your mer-cy's per - fect deed:
still the cap - tives long for free - dom; still in grief we mourn our dead.
in its height and depth and great-ness dawns up - on our quick-ened sight,
to the child, the youth, the a - ged, love in liv - ing deeds to show;



we, your ser - vants, bring the wor - ship not of voice a - lone, but heart;
As you, Lord, in deep com-pas - sion healed the sick and freed the soul,
mak - ing known the needs and bur - dens your com-pas-sion bids us bear,
hope and health, good-will and com - fort, coun - sel, aid, and peace we give,



con - se - crat - ing to your pur - pose ev - 'ry gift which you im - part.
by your Spir - it send your pow - er to our world to make it whole.
stir - ring us to ar - dent ser - vice, your a - bun - dant life to share.
that your ser - vants, Lord, in free - dom may your mer - cy know and live.

GREETING

CANTICLE OF PRAISE



- 1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
- 2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
- 3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Sit

WORD

FIRST READING: Micah 6:1-8 (Pew Bible page 757)

L A reading from the book of the prophet, Micah.

Hear what the Lord says:

Rise, plead your case before the mountains,
and let the hills hear your voice.

Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the Lord,
and you enduring foundations of the earth;
for the Lord has a controversy with his people,
and he will contend with Israel.

“O my people, what have I done to you?

In what have I wearied you? Answer me!

For I brought you up from the land of Egypt,
and redeemed you from the house of slavery;
and I sent before you Moses,
Aaron, and Miriam.

O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised,
what Balaam son of Beor answered him,
and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal,
that you may know the saving acts of the Lord.”

“With what shall I come before the Lord,

and bow myself before God on high?

Shall I come before him with burnt offerings,
with calves a year old?

Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams,
with ten thousands of rivers of oil?

Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression,
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?”

He has told you, O mortal, what is good;
and what does the Lord require of you
but to do justice, and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with your God?

L The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 15 (Read responsively)

A Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle?
Who may abide upon your holy hill?

**C Those who lead a blameless life and do what is right,
who speak the truth from their heart;**

A they do not slander with the tongue, they do no evil to their friends;
they do not cast discredit upon a neighbor.

**C In their sight the wicked are rejected,
but they honor those who fear the Lord.
They have sworn upon their health and do not take back their word.**

A They do not give their money in hope of gain,
nor do they take bribes against the innocent.
Those who do these things shall never be overthrown.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 1:18-31 (Pew Bible page 926)

A A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God’s foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God’s weakness is stronger than human strength.

Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, in order that, as it is written, “Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”

A The word of the Lord. **C Thanks be to God.**

Stand

GOSPEL: Matthew 5:1-12 (Pew Bible page 785)

P The holy gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

P The gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sit

CHILDREN’S SERMON

SERMON

Stand

I Love to Tell the Story



1 I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,
2 I love to tell the sto - ry: how pleas - ant to re - peat
3 I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best



of Je - sus and his glo - ry, of Je - sus and his love.
what seems, each time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet!
seem hun - ger - ing and thirst - ing to hear it like the rest.



I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know it's true;
I love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard
And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,



it sat - is - fies my long - ings as noth - ing else would do.
the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly word.
I'll sing the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.

Refrain



I love to tell the sto - ry; 'twill be my theme in glo - ry



to tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love.

APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

PRAYER RESPONSE:

P . . . Merciful God,
C receive our prayer.

Sit

MEAL

OFFERING AND MUSICAL OFFERING

Our monetary offerings are part of our worship of God. Because so many of our people give their offerings through Simply Giving, the offering plate is not passed, but located in the back of the sanctuary for your use as you enter or leave the sanctuary. One plate is brought forward at the time of the Offertory, and one remains in the back.

ANTHEM, *Order My Steps (In Your Word)*

PRESENTATION OF OFFERING

Stand

OFFERTORY

Create in Me a Clean Heart
Offering Song

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right
spir-it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take
not your Ho-ly Spir-it from me. Re-store to me the joy of
your sal-va-tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir-it.

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major (one flat) and 3/4 time. The melody is written in treble clef. The lyrics are placed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The first staff ends with a fermata over the final note. The second staff ends with a fermata over the final note. The third staff ends with a fermata over the final note. The fourth staff ends with a double bar line.

OFFERING PRAYER

GREAT THANKSGIVING

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

P Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life:
Blessed are you for the birth of creation.
Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light.
Blessed are you for your promise to your people.
Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams.
Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will.
Blessed are you for your Son Jesus,
the Word made flesh.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

With this bread and cup
we remember your Word dwelling among us,
full of grace and truth.
We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection.
We look with hope for his coming.
Come, Lord Jesus.

Holy God, we long for your Spirit.
Come among us.
Bless this meal.
May your Word take flesh in us.
Awaken your people.
Fill us with your light.
Bring the gift of peace on earth.
Come, Holy Spirit.

All praise and glory are yours,
Holy One of Israel,
Word of God incarnate,
Power of the Most High,
one God, now and forever.
Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Sit



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

SHARING OF HOLY COMMUNION

As Lutherans, we believe that Christ is really present in the bread and wine we share. All are welcome to commune here. Infants and others who do not commune are invited to come forward and receive a blessing.

Please take a communion glass from the ushers on your way forward. As the pastors and lay assistants give the bread and wine, they say these words to each communicant: The body of Christ, given for you; the blood of Christ, shed for you. The communicant may say: Amen.

Gluten-free wafers are available from the pastors. Let them know that you need one when you come forward to receive the bread. For those who require it, grape juice is available instead of wine in the pre-filled, purple glasses in the communion cup trays.

COMMUNION SONG



1 O Lord, now let your ser - vant de - part in heav'n-ly peace,



for I have seen the glo - ry of your re - deem - ing grace:



a light to lead the na - tions un - to your ho - ly hill,



the glo - ry of your peo - ple, your cho - sen Is - ra - el.

Stand

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING

BLESSING

CHORAL BENEDICTION

Sit

SPECIAL MUSIC: *Hymn in Honor of Pastor Schmid (Written by Wes Schmid-Broome)*

*The Reverend Doctor Ann E. Schmid
For 20 years she's served
Supporting, loving all of us
In sacrament and word
For all the things you do
We want to say thank you
In laughter and in tears
You've served us well these years
We want to say we'll miss you*

*The Bible studies well thought out
And Lenten dramas done
The banners made and cookies baked
The learning and the fun
For confirmation class
You're ready in advance
At first communions led,
You taught us to make bread
We want to say we'll miss you*

*Our mighty fortress, Pastor Schmid
A leader kind and strong
We're not quite sure what we'll do next
You've been here for so long
You've watched our children grow
And wisdom you've bestowed
The sermons you have preached
Into our hearts they've reached
We want to say we'll miss you*

*We could list all the things you've done
But we'd be here all day
And so in closing Pastor Ann
We've one last thing to say
For all the work you've done
The worships you have run
For all the ways you've served
Some rest you now deserve
Thanks good and faithful servant*

Stand

My Life Flows On in Endless Song



- 1 My life flows on in end-less song; a-bove earth's lam-en-ta-tion,
- 2 Through all the tu-mult and the strife, I hear that mu-sic ring-ing.
- 3 What though my joys and com-forts die? The Lord my Sav-ior liv-eth.
- 4 The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a foun-tain ev-er spring-ing!



I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn that hails a new cre-a-tion.
It finds an ech-o in my soul. How can I keep from sing-ing?
What though the dark-ness gath-er round? Songs in the night he giv-eth.
All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from sing-ing?

Refrain



No storm can shake my in-most calm while to that Rock I'm cling-ing.



Since Christ is Lord of heav-en and earth, how can I keep from sing-ing?

DISMISSAL

THIS WEEK AT “OUR REDEEMER”

SUNDAY, January 29, 2023, Season of Epiphany

9:00 AM Worship

10:00 AM Coffee Hour in Honor of Pastor Schmid (no Growing in God)

11:00 AM Worship

3:00 PM Pastor Schmid’s Retirement Party (Meet in sanctuary)

MONDAY, January 30, 2023

9:00 AM Noah’s Ark Preschool

9:00 AM Noah’s Ark Open Registration

TUESDAY, January 31, 2023

9:00 AM Noah’s Ark Preschool

WEDNESDAY, February 1, 2023

9:00 AM Noah’s Ark Preschool

7:00 PM Chancel Choir

THURSDAY, February 2, 2023

9:00 AM Noah’s Ark Preschool

FRIDAY, February 3, 2023

9:00 AM Noah’s Ark Preschool

SATURDAY, February 4, 2023

5:30 PM Worship

SUNDAY, February 5, 2023, Season of Epiphany

Isaiah 58:1-12, Psalm 112:1-10, 1 Corinthians 2:1-16, Matthew 5:13-20

9:00 AM Worship

10:00 AM Growing in God (no adult class)

10:00 AM Pack College Care Packages (conference room)

11:00 AM Worship

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Prayers of healing and comfort are requested for George Andrewson, Carol Ausefski, Edith Bencic, Pastor Broome, Ruth Brosky, Cindy Cox, Chris Decker, Dorothy Dillemoth, Kerri Evans, Martha Fecher, Richard and Lori Gajdowski, Ray Hrabar, Mandy Jarosh, Gary McGaffic, Casey Moran on his deployment, Tim Roberts, Kathy Russman, Debbie Stonemark, and those friends and family members who have asked for our prayers: Chris, Doug, Kate, Sam, George Andrewson Sr., Terry Anntonate, Marjorie Appleton, Larry Arch, Sandi Babbie, Gladys Bacco, Bob Bell, Todd Brosky, Wendy Brosky, Parker Burroughs, Doug Bush, Tom Caley, Carolyn Dagg, Ellen Deutsch, Carl Engman, Pat Filipiak, Kim Gaydos, Catie Geory, Ian Gonzalez, Norma Gower, Joe Granata, Marion Greenland, Lisa Grimes, Mickey Gubitti, Robert Hildebrand, Bob Hohowski, Joyce Hough, Ray Keisling, June Lance, George Langford, Gordon and Diane Ley, Jess Ley, Elizabeth Locher, Mildred Maize, Megan Meseck, Jolie Mihalik, Chuck Miller, Owen Miller, Adam Miskow, Linda Moeslein, Dolores Munsick, Beth Napolitano, Kathy Oberle, Brad Olson, Jean Orth, Tracey Perles, Dave Provenzano, Cyndi Quinn, Phyllis Rhone, Betty and Frank Rively, Jeanie Rose, Joe Sarubbi, Dave Schrader, Jeff Schwarz, Meryl Severson, Bob Shader, Holly Shader, Karol Smith, Donna Stafford, Diane Steffick, Dan Stimmel, Gary Stinson, Andrew Straka, Terri Strawn, Tina Thielet, Barb Van Lehn, Art W., Dave Weikel, Rhianna Wilk, and Frank Yocca.

A special thank you to Bishop Kurt F. Kusserow and Rev. John F. Yedlicka for their leadership in this morning's worship services.

Retirement Party . . . There will be a coffee hour at 10:00am in the narthex this weekend in honor of Pastor Schmid. We will begin the afternoon activities in the sanctuary at 3:00.

Dining Divas . . . The ladies will enjoy lunch at Chicco Baccello in Canonsburg on Thursday, February 23 at 12:30. Sign up online or on the bulletin board.

Children, Youth, College Students and Young Adults

Super Bowl Packages - We are collecting individually wrapped snacks to send to our college students in time for the February 12 Super Bowl. We will pack them next Sunday at 10:00am in the conference room. If you can help, please contact Martha Rhone at mrhone28@hotmail.com.

Sign up for all events on the bulletin board or online.

THIS SUNDAY'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE (JANUARY 29)

9:00 AM

LAY ASSISTANT - John Yocca
LECTOR - Debbie Healey Langley
COMMUNION ASSISTANTS - Missy
Bookhammer, Debbie Healey Langley,
Ruth Ann Lowery, Phyllis Permar
GREETER - Missy Bookhammer
USHERS - Clint and Garrett Langley
GIFT BEARER - Debbie Healey Langley
ALTAR GUILD - Becky Long and Sally
Ruppel
POWERPOINT - Rolf Otterness

11:00 AM

LAY ASSISTANT - Maegan Bregenser
LECTOR - Heather Morelli
COMMUNION ASSISTANTS - Becky
Long, Soheila Lunney, Carl and Sally
Ruppel
GREETERS - Dani and Penny Mizia
USHERS - Jim Mizia and Max Rush
GIFT BEARER - Max Mizia
ALTAR GUILD - Becky Long and Heather
Morelli
POWERPOINT - Jacob Casper
CAMERA - Sam Mizia
TELLERS - Barb Schumacher and Sue
Lambert

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