

**SERVICE OF WORSHIP
AND HOLY COMMUNION
WITH THE RITE OF CONFIRMATION**

APRIL 30, 2023, 11:00 AM
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



**Stir up in your people
the gift of your Holy Spirit**

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WORSHIP SERVICES

5:30 PM, Saturday

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

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GROWING IN GOD (September - May), 10:00 AM, Age 3-Adults

Our nursery in the social hall is currently not staffed though you are welcome to use the space if needed. An area is available in the narthex for parents and young children. The service is broadcast to the narthex. 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 to worship! 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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

LUTHERLYN CAMPAIGN TEMPLE TALK

Stand

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
by whose hand we are given new birth,
by whose speaking we are given new life.

C **Amen.**

P Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,
we are welcomed, restored, and supported
as citizens of the new creation.
Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

C **Holy God,
holy and merciful,
holy and mighty,
you are the river of life,
you are the everlasting wellspring.**

In mercy and might you have freed us from death
and raised us with Jesus, the firstborn of the dead.
In baptismal waters our old life is washed away,
and in them we are born anew.
Glory to you for oceans and lakes,
for rivers and streams.
Honor to you for waters that wash us clean,
quench our thirst, and nurture both crops and creatures.
Praise to you for the life-giving water of baptism,
the outpouring of the Spirit of the new creation.

**C Wash away our sin and all that separates us from you.
Empower our witness to your resurrection.
Strengthen our resolve in seeking justice for all.**

P Satisfy the world's need through this living water.
Where drought dries the earth, bring refreshment.
Where despair prevails, grant hope.
Where chaos reigns, bring peace.
We ask this through Christ,
who with you and the Spirit reigns forever.

C Amen.

GATHERING SONG, next page, *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!* #385

1 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice and sing! Now is the tri - umph
 2 The Lord of life is ris'n this day; death's might - y stone is
 3 Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry that love, that life which
 4 Your name we bless, O ris - en Lord, and sing to - day with

of our king! To all the world glad news we bring:
 rolled a - way; let all the earth re - joice and say:
 can - not die, and sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:
 one ac - cord, the life laid down, the life re - stored:

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

GREETING

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

O God our shepherd, you know your sheep by name and lead us to safety through the valleys of death. Guide us by your voice, that we may walk in certainty and security to the joyous feast prepared in your house, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Sit

WORD

FIRST READING: Acts 2:42-47 (Pew Bible page 886)

L A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

⁴²[The baptized] devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

⁴³Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. ⁴⁴All who believed were together and had all things in common; ⁴⁵they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need.

⁴⁶Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

L The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 23 (*Read Responsively*)

A The Lord is my shepherd;
I shall not be in want.

**C The Lord makes me lie down in green pastures
and leads me beside still waters.**

A You restore my soul, O Lord,
and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

**C Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall fear no evil;
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

A You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

**C Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**

SECOND READING: 1 Peter 2:19-25 (Pew Bible page 984)

A A reading from the first letter of Peter.

¹⁹It is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly.

²⁰If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. ²¹For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps.

²²“He committed no sin,
and no deceit was found in his mouth.”

²³When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. ²⁴He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. ²⁵For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

A The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL: John 10:1-10 (Pew Bible page 872)

P The holy gospel according to St. John, the tenth chapter.
C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said:] ¹“Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. ²The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. ³The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. ⁴When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. ⁵They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.” ⁶Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

⁷So again Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. ⁸All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. ⁹I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. ¹⁰The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.”

P The gospel of the Lord.
C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

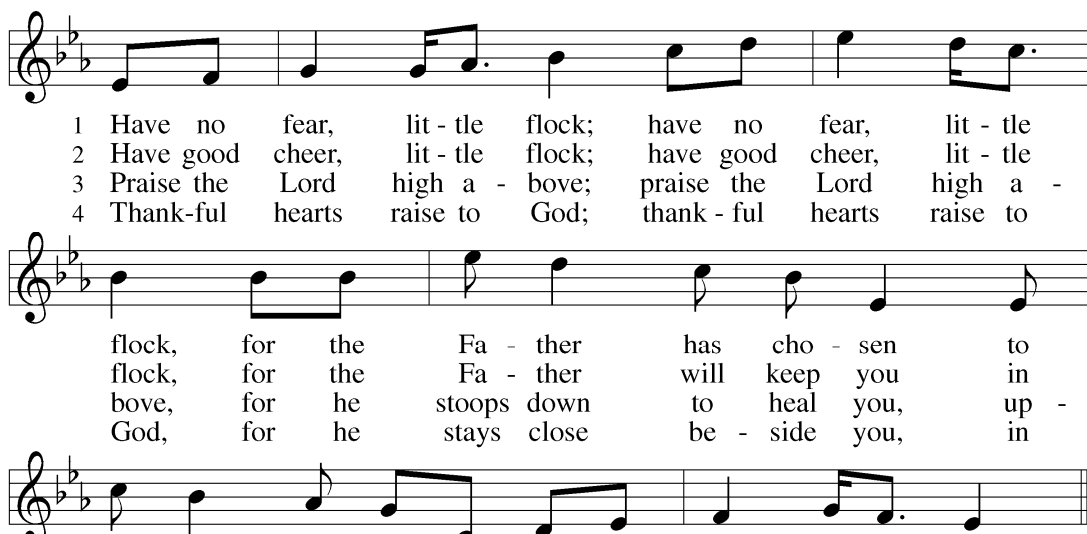
Sit

CHILDREN’S SERMON

SERMON

Stand

HYMN OF THE DAY, *Have No Fear, Little Flock*, #764



1 Have no fear, lit - tle flock; have no fear, lit - tle
2 Have good cheer, lit - tle flock; have good cheer, lit - tle
3 Praise the Lord high a - bove; praise the Lord high a -
4 Thank-ful hearts raise to God; thank - ful hearts raise to

flock, for the Fa - ther has cho - sen to
flock, for the Fa - ther will keep you in
bove, for he stoops down to heal you, up -
God, for he stays close be - side you, in

give you the king - dom; have no fear, lit - tle flock!
his love for - ev - er; have good cheer, lit - tle flock!
lift and re - store you; praise the Lord high a - bove!
all things works with you; thank - ful hearts raise to God!

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A United in the hope and joy of the resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

A You are the shepherd who gathers us in your mighty and loving arms. Help your church to listen for your voice, especially when the voices of sin, idolatry, and oppression threaten to overpower us. Hear us, O God.

C **Your mercy is great.**

A The green pastures, still waters, and dark valleys of this earth all belong to you, O Lord. Sustain your creation with a love that is both mighty and just. Where there is destruction, bring healing. Where there is desolation, bring abundance. Hear us, O God.

C **Your mercy is great.**

A You proclaim shepherding love, comfort, and protection for all people and all of creation. Direct leaders in our own time to learn from your example and instruction. Give them servant hearts, that they generously seek the good of all. Hear us, O God.

C **Your mercy is great.**

A You journey with us wherever our paths may lead. We pray for those feeling overwhelmed by anxiety or depression or suffering in any way especially George, Carol, Edith, Steve, Cindy, Chris, Dorothy, Kerri, Richard, Lori, Ray, Mandy, Gary, Beth, Dianne, Kathy, Randy, and those we name out loud and in our hearts. Hear us, O God.

C **Your mercy is great.**

A You are the sheepgate that gives safety to your beloved flocks. Provide protection for refugees, victims of domestic violence, those who are imprisoned, and all people who are vulnerable to violence and mistreatment. Hear us, O God.

C **Your mercy is great.**

A Pour out your Spirit upon those who are confirming their faith this day: Thomas, McKayla, McKenna and Xander. Hear us, O God.

C **Your mercy is great.**

A You call your sheep by name and lead them through the valley of death. We give you thanks for those who have died and now dwell in your house forever. Be with those who mourn, and give them hope in the promise of resurrection. Hear us, O God.

C **Your mercy is great.**

P Rejoicing in the victory of Christ's resurrection, we lift our prayers and praise to you, almighty and eternal God; through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

C **Amen.**

Sit

THE RITE OF CONFIRMATION

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

Confirmation marks the completion of the congregation's program of confirmation ministry, a period of instruction in the Christian faith as confessed in the teachings of the Lutheran Church. We are made members of the church through baptism. In Confirmation, candidates affirm the faith into which they were baptized, and take on an adult role in the church.

P Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of baptism and for these people, one with us in the body of Christ, who are making public affirmation of their baptism.

P I present:

Thomas Edward Foertsch
McKayla Jo Fornof
McKenna Georgia Fornof
Alexandria Lyn King

who desire to make public affirmation of their baptism.

P Let us pray.
Merciful God, we thank you for these siblings in Christ,
whom you have made your own by water and the Word in baptism.
You have called them to yourself,
enlightened them with the gifts of your Spirit,
and nourished them in the community of faith.
Uphold your servants in the gifts and promises of baptism,
and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth.
We ask this in the name of Christ.

C **Amen.**

PROFESSION OF FAITH

P I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

P Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

Confirmands: I renounce them.

P Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

Confirmands: I renounce them.

P Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

Confirmands: I renounce them.

P Do you believe in God the Father?

**C I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

P Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**C 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.**

P Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**C 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.**

Sit

AFFIRMATION

P You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism:
to live among God's faithful people,
to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper,
to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,
to serve all people, following the example of Jesus,
and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

Confirmands respond individually: I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

P People of God, do you promise to support these siblings in Christ and pray for them in their life in Christ?

C **We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.**

P Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life.

P Stir up in:

Thomas Edward Foertsch
McKayla Jo Fornof
McKenna Georgia Fornof
Alexandria Lyn King

the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

Confirmands respond individually: Amen.

P Let us rejoice with these siblings in Christ.

C **We rejoice with you in the life of baptism.
Together we will give thanks and praise to God
and proclaim the good news to all the world.**

Go, My Children, with My Blessing

#543



1 "Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, nev - er a - lone.
2 "Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.
3 "Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, clos - er to me.



Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free.



In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er.
Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.
Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here my ten - der com - fort stilled you.



Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, you are my own."
Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure."
Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, joy - ful and free."

MEAL

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, *I Have Chosen You*

PRESENTATION OF OFFERING

Stand

OFFERING SONG, *Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful*, #184



Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that



we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of



all; u - nite them with the prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble



with your pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

OFFERING PRAYER

- A Let us pray.
Generous God,
in this meal you offer your very self.
We give thanks for these gifts of the earth.
In the breaking of this bread
reveal to us the Risen One.
In the pouring of this wine
pour us out in service to the world;
through Christ our Lord.
- C **Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

- p The Lord be with you.
C **And also with you.**
- P Lift up your hearts.
C **We lift them to the Lord.**
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P Holy, living, and loving God,
we praise you for creating the heavens and the earth.

We bless you for bringing Noah and his family through the waters of the flood,
for freeing your people Israel from the bonds of slavery,
and for sending your Son to be our Redeemer.

We give you thanks for Jesus
who, living among us,
healed the sick,
fed the hungry,
and with a love stronger than death,
gave his life for others.

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.

Remembering, therefore,
his life-giving death and glorious resurrection,
we await your promised life for all this dying world.

Breathe your Spirit on us and on this bread and cup:
carry us in your arms from death to life,
that we may live as your chosen ones,
clothed in the righteousness of Christ.

Through him all glory and honor is yours,
Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,
in your holy Church,
both now and forever.

C **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

C **Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P Come and know Christ,
broken and poured out for you.

Sit

SHARING OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

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 prefilled, purple glasses in the communion cup trays.

COMMUNION HYMN, *You Satisfy the Hungry Heart*, #484



You sat - is - fy the hun - gry heart with gift of fin - est wheat.



Come give to us, O sav - ing Lord, the bread of life to eat.



- 1 As when the shep - herd calls his sheep, they know and heed his voice;
- 2 With joy - ful lips we sing to you our praise and grat - i - tude
- 3 Is not the cup we bless and share the blood of Christ out - poured?
- 4 The mys - t'ry of your pres - ence, Lord, no mor - tal tongue can tell:
- 5 You give your - self to us, O Lord; then self - less let us be,



so when you call your fam - 'ly, Lord, we fol - low and re - joice.
that you should count us wor - thy, Lord, to share this heav' n - ly food.
Do not one cup, one loaf, de - clare our one - ness in the Lord?
whom all the world can - not con - tain comes in our hearts to dwell.
to serve each oth - er in your name in truth and char - i - ty.

Stand

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and keep you in his grace.

C **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- A Gracious God,
in you we live and move and have our being.
With your word and this meal of grace,
you have nourished our life together.
Strengthen us to show your love
and serve the world in Jesus' name.
- C **Amen.**

SENDING

BLESSING

- P The God of all,
who raised + Jesus from the dead,
bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit
to live in the new creation.
- C **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN, next page, *The Day of Resurrection!* #361

1 The day of res - ur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad,
 2 Let hearts be purged of e - vil that we may see a - right
 3 Now let the heav'ns be joy - ful, let earth its song be - gin,
 4 All praise to God the Fa - ther, all praise to Christ the Son,

the pass - o - ver of glad - ness, the pass - o - ver of God.
 the Lord in rays e - ter - nal of res - ur - rec - tion light,
 the round world keep high tri - umph and all that is there - in.
 all praise to God the Spir - it, e - ter - nal Three in One!

From death to life e - ter - nal, from sin's do - min - ion free,
 and lis - t'ning to his ac - cents, may hear, so calm and plain,
 Let all things, seen and un - seen, their notes of glad - ness blend;
 Let all the ran - somed num - ber fall down be - fore the throne,

our Christ has brought us o - ver with hymns of vic - to - ry.
 his own "All hail!" and hear - ing, may raise the glad re - frain.
 for Christ the Lord has ris - en, our joy that has no end!
 and hon - or, pow'r, and glo - ry as - cribe to God a - lone!

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Risen One. **C** Thanks be to God.

THIS WEEK AT “OUR REDEEMER”

SUNDAY, April 30, 2023, Fourth Sunday of Easter

- 9:00am Worship
- 10:00am Growing in God, Adult Class
- 11:00am Worship, Confirmation
- 4:30pm Ginny Mickitsch and Jim Beaumont Wedding Ceremony

MONDAY, May 1, 2023

- 9:00am Noah’s Ark Preschool

TUESDAY, May 2, 2023

- 9:00am Noah’s Ark Preschool

WEDNESDAY, May 3, 2023

- 9:00am Noah’s Ark Preschool
- 7:00pm Chancel Choir

THURSDAY, May 4, 2023

- 9:00am Noah’s Ark Preschool
- 7:00pm Service/Outreach Committee
- 7:30pm Young Adult Gathering

FRIDAY, May 5, 2023

- 9:00am Noah’s Ark Preschool

SATURDAY, May 6, 2023

- 9:00am Holy Hikers (see article for details)
- 5:30pm Worship

SUNDAY, May 7, 2023, Fifth Sunday of Easter

- 9:00am Worship
- 10:00am Growing in God, Adult Class (last adult class)
- 11:00am Worship

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Prayers of healing and comfort are requested for George Andrewson, Carol Ausefski, Edith Bencic, Steve Broome, Cindy Cox, Chris Decker, Dorothy Dillemoth, Kerri Evans, Richard and Lori Gajdowski, Ray Hrabar, Mandy Jarosh, Gary McGaffic, Beth Ricciuti, Dianne Rigby, Kathy Russman, Randy Stonemark, and those friends and family members who have asked for our prayers: Chris, Doug, Kate, Sam, Nancy Adams, Larry Arch, Sandi Babbie, Gladys Bacco, Nikki Baselj, Todd Brosky, Wendy Brosky, Doug Bush, Tom Caley, Carolyn Dagg, Ellen Deutsch, D. Tom Emery, Carl Engman, Pat Filipiak, Beth Gallagher, Catie Geory, Ian Gonzalez, Lisa Grimes, Robert Hildebrand, Joyce Hough, Stan Karoleski, Ray Keisling, June Lance, George Langford, Jess Lee, Diane Ley, Elizabeth Locher, Mildred Maize, Charlene Marquart, Ruth Marston, Megan Meseck, Samantha L. Middlemiss, Jolie Mihalik, Chuck Miller, Owen Miller, Adam Miskow, Linda Moeslein, Margaret Moran, Joyce Morrison, Dolores Munsick, Beth Napolitano, Phil Neubauer, Lynn Oberg, Kathy Oberle, Brad Olson, Jean Orth, Gracie Patton, Tracey Perles, Dave Provenzano, Cyndi Quinn, Jess Izzi Reiter, Betty and Frank Rively, Jeanie Rose, Joe Sarubbi, Dave Schrader, Jeff Schwarz, Meryl Severson, Holly Shader, Karol Smith, Donna Stafford, Dan Stimmel, Gary Stinson, Andrew Straka, Terri Strawn, Jennifer Kepple Styles, Tina Thielet, Nancy Verderber, Art W., Dave Weikel, Ellyn Whitt and family, Rhianna Wilk, and Frank Yocca.

Worship

Summer Worship Schedule – Our summer worship schedule begins **May 27-28**. Saturday worship at 5:30pm will be outdoors, weather permitting. Bring a chair! Sunday worship will be one service held at 10am. This service will be livestreamed.

Pentecost – The festival of Pentecost will be celebrated in worship on **May 27 and 28** – be sure to wear red as we celebrate the presence of the Holy Spirit!

Christian Education

Growing in God – The last Sunday of Growing in God for this school year will be **Sunday, May 21** (there is no class on Sunday, May 14). Join us as we review the year, thank our teachers, and celebrate together!

VBS Registration – Save the date for “Renew: The Green VBS” held **August 7-10** from 9:15-noon! Registration for kids from age 3.5 to those who have completed 5th grade is available on our website. Volunteers (rising 7th graders to adults) are needed as well; look for that sign-up sheet on our website as well.

Pub Theology - A new ministry of fellowship and conversation around topics of life and faith, God and meaning. This gathering is not limited to members of Our Redeemer; all people are welcome to join. The first gathering is scheduled for **Tuesday, May 23 at 7pm**. We will be meeting at *Voodoo Brewing Co.* in Houston, PA. The current goal is to meet the fourth Tuesday of the month. Join us in this new adventure and bring a friend. To help us prepare for our first gathering, please sign up.

Fellowship

Young Adult Gathering – Young Adults (ages 18-30ish) are invited to join Pastor Kerri for game night on **Thursday, May 4 at 7:30pm**. Bring your favorite game and a snack to share. Sign up on the bulletin board or online.

Holy Hikers - Saturday, May 6 at 9:00am will be the kick-off event held on the Peters TWP Arrowhead biking trail starting at the large parking lot behind the old St. Petersburg Center building (210 Valley Brook Rd) east of the intersection of Rte 19 and Valley Brook Rd. We will head east along the trail and then explore the new connector trail to the high school/twp park combined property. See you there!! More information is available in the May newsletter.

Dining Divas - The Dining Divas will meet for lunch on **Thursday, May 18 at 12:30pm** at *Docs BBQ and Smokehouse in Cecil* (3262 Millers Run Road). Please sign up on the bulletin board or through our website.

Faithful Filmgoers - After a long hiatus, Faithful Filmgoers is happy to be back in theaters, starting on **Friday evening, May 19**. Earlier that week, Steve D'Addieco will let you know the film, theater, and meeting time. After the film, we'll find a place that is close by and open late to grab a bite and discuss the film. To be put on Steve's email list, send your name and email address to stevendaddieco@gmail.com. And please spread the word; encourage people to send him their names and email addresses so they can be added to the list. You do not have to be members of Our Redeemer to participate.

Children and Youth

Family Friday – People of all ages are invited to join us on **Friday, May 12 at 6pm** for a special edition of Family Friday – Camp Lutherlyn style! We’ll have a campfire and s’mores bar, camp games, songs, and more! Sign up on the bulletin board or online.

Flat Jesus – Flat Jesus is back for another summer of adventures! As you travel near and far this summer, remember that Jesus is with you wherever you go. Pick up or print out a “Flat Jesus” template. Color it, cut it out, and laminate if you’d like. Bring Flat Jesus along on your summer adventures close to home or out on the road, then snap a picture and share it with us! We’d love to post pictures on the bulletin board at church and/or in our weekly emails and the ORLC Facebook page.

Lutherlyn Camp Blast - Head up to Camp Lutherlyn on **Saturday, May 13 from 11am-4:30pm** for Camp Blast, a free day of activities to see what camp is like and get excited for summer!

Camperships are available for those children attending summer camp. Once you register your child let the office know the program and week. We need to know by mid-May.

Service and Outreach

Are you looking for a way to connect with others and make a difference in the world?

Our Redeemer Service and Outreach Committee is regrouping and we truly welcome new participants! It is our task to guide our congregation’s outreach in our local community and in God’s whole world. The ministry of Service and Outreach has so many possibilities...come and help think about how we can strengthen the ways in which our congregation already serves in the community and join in dreaming about new ministries of service locally and throughout the world.

The Service and Outreach Committee will meet on Thursday, May 4 at 7:00pm. If you are interested in participating or need more information, contact Pastor Martha Clementson at clementsonmartha@gmail.com or Chairperson Martha Rhone at MRhone28@hotmail.com. If you’d like to check out the committee without a commitment to become a member, please feel free to attend the meeting on May 4. You are truly welcome to join us in this important ministry!!

Event Sign-ups



Scan the QR code to visit the online "bulletin board" and sign up for upcoming events at Our Redeemer!

Sign up for all events on the bulletin board, through our website, www.OurRedeemerpeters.org, or scan the QR code to the left. For Online Giving, scan the QR code to the right.

Online Giving



Scan the QR code to support the mission and ministry of Our Redeemer by giving an offering online.

THIS SUNDAY'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE (APRIL 30, 2023)

9:00am

LAY ASSISTANT - Mark Harris
LECTOR - Terry Divelbliss
COMMUNION ASSISTANTS - Kim Chupinka, Cheryl Debowski, Susan Loeser, Phyllis Permar
GREETER - Ruth Brosky
USHERS - Mike Debowski and Gary Milavec
GIFT BEARERS - Anne and Sophie Scher
ALTAR GUILD- Susan Loeser and Becky Long
POWERPOINT - Dan and Sam Scher

11:00am

ACOLYTES - Isaac and Owen Hilderhoff
LAY ASSISTANT - Carl Ruppel
LECTOR - Brian Casper
COMMUNION ASSISTANTS - Jackie Beck, Gerda Moul, Linda Nickles, Susan O'Brien
GREETER - Susan O'Brien
USHERS - Doug Meley and Jim Doughy
GIFT BEARER - Max Rush
ALTAR GUILD - Barb Hrabar and Joyce Kilgore
POWERPOINT - Ryan Hettinger
CAMERA - Sam Mizia
TELLERS (Monday) - Barb Schumacher and Jena Oberg

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