# SERVICE OF WORSHIP AND HOLY COMMUNION

NOVEMBER 5, 2023, 11:00AM ALL SAINTS SUNDAY



## OUR REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

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## WORSHIP SERVICES

5:30pm, Saturday

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

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.

Online services are available through facebook.com/ORLutheran, YouTube and the church's website.

## GROWING IN GOD (SUNDAY SCHOOL)

September 24 - May 5, 10:00 AM, Age 3-Adults

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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

Remain Seated

#### SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

This morning we celebrate the baptism of Evelyn Noel Dye, daughter of Allyson Noel Hepler and Zachariah Martin Dye. Sponsoring Evelyn are Julie and Brant Moore. As a part of the Body of Christ, we also share in the responsibility to support this child as she grows in faith; therefore, let us also participate in the baptismal liturgy.

- P God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.
- P Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have Evelyn Noel baptized into Christ?

Parents: I do.

P As you bring Evelyn to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities:

to live with her among God's faithful people, bring her to the word of God and the holy supper, teach her the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments, place in her hands the holy scriptures, and nurture her in faith and prayer, so that Evelyn may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace.

P Do you promise to help Evelyn grow in the Christian faith and life? **Parents: I do.** 

P Sponsors, do you promise to nurture Evelyn Noel in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help her live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

Sponsors: I do.

P People of God, do you promise to support Evelyn Noel and pray for her in her new life in Christ?

C We do.

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

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

Parents and Sponsors: I renounce them.

- P Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God? **Parents and Sponsors: I renounce them.**
- P Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God? **Parents and Sponsors: 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. Amen.

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- P Blessed are you, O God, maker and ruler of all things. Your voice thundered over the waters at creation. You water the mountains and send springs into the valleys to refresh and satisfy all living things.

Through the waters of the flood you carried those in the ark to safety. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery to freedom. In the wilderness you nourished them with water from the rock, and you brought them across the river Jordan to the promised land.

By the baptism of his death and resurrection, your Son Jesus has carried us to safety and freedom. The floods shall not overwhelm us, and the deep shall not swallow us up, for Christ has brought us over to the land of promise. He sends us to make disciples, baptizing in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Pour out your Holy Spirit; wash away sin in this cleansing water; clothe the baptized with Christ; and claim your daughters and sons, no longer slave and free, no longer male and female, but one with all the baptized in Christ Jesus, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### C Amen.

P Evelyn Noel, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

#### C Amen.

P Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life. Sustain Evelyn Noel with 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.

#### C Amen.

P Evelyn Noel, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

#### C Amen.

Congregational Representative: Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

- P Let us welcome our new sister.
- C We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

Stand

**GATHERING SONG**, Shall We Gather at the River, #423



- 1 Shall we gath er at the riv er, where bright an gel feet have trod,
- 2 On the mar-gin of the riv-er, wash-ing up its sil-ver spray,
- 3 Ere we reach the shin-ing riv er, lay we ev 'ry bur den down;
- 4 Soon we'll reach the shin-ing riv er, soon our pil-grim-age will cease;



with its crys-tal tide for-ev-er flow-ing by the throne of God? we will walk and wor-ship ev-er, all the hap-py gold-en day. grace our spir-its will de-liv-er, and pro-vide a robe and crown. soon our hap-py hearts will quiv-er with the mel-o-dy of peace.



Yes, we'll gath-er at the riv-er, the beau-ti-ful, the beau-ti-ful riv-er;



gath-er with the saints at the riv - er that flows by the throne of God.

#### **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.

Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, 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: Revelation 7:9-17 (Pew Bible page 999)

L A reading from the book of Revelation.

<sup>9</sup>After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. <sup>10</sup>They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

<sup>11</sup>And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, <sup>12</sup>singing,

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom

and thanksgiving and honor

and power and might

be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

<sup>13</sup>Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" <sup>14</sup>I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

<sup>15</sup>For this reason they are before the throne of God,

and worship him day and night within his temple,

and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

<sup>16</sup>They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;

the sun will not strike them,

nor any scorching heat;

17 for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

L The word of the Lord. C Thanks be to God.

## **SECOND READING: 1 John 3:1-3** (Pew Bible page 990)

A A reading from the first letter of John.

<sup>1</sup>See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup>Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. <sup>3</sup>And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

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 Matthew.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. <sup>2</sup>Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

<sup>3</sup>"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>4</sup>"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

<sup>5</sup>"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

<sup>6</sup>"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

<sup>7</sup>"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

<sup>8</sup>"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

<sup>9</sup>"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

<sup>10</sup>"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>1</sup> Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. <sup>12</sup> 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**

## HYMN OF THE DAY, For All the Saints



#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A Let us turn our hearts to God, our breath and life, as we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

## A brief silence.

- A Holy God, the church triumphant gathers around your throne to praise you. We join them in worship and remember your sustaining grace in every generation. Heal our divisions; show us unity in your presence. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.
- A Holy creator, we marvel at your creation revealed in the cycle of seasons, changing landscapes, and the rise and fall of ocean tides. Turn us from selfish consumption and open us to gentle healing of the earth so all creation thrives. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.
- A Holy healer, bless the brokenhearted and all who mourn. Send your compassion to all who grieve, grant wholeness to those who are sick, and accompany the dying. Be near to all who need you especially Carol, Lori, Chris, Jen, Gary, Randy, Mandy, and those we name out loud and in our hearts. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.
- A Holy God, we give you thanks for the gift of new birth. Today, we remember especially those who have become a part of your family this past year through baptism at Our Redeemer:

Luca Valentino Trojan

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Amelia Mary Beckman
+
Samantha Rae Beaversen
+
Amelia Marie Baumgart
+
Jackson Daniel Kinn
+
Evelyn Noel Dye
+

- A We give you thanks for the gift of your Holy Spirit that will accompany them all the days of their lives. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.

A Holy One, for the saints who now rest in your mercy, we give you thanks. We remember their witness of faithfulness and love. This day, we especially remember members of our congregation and our loved ones who have joined the heavenly witness since last All Saints Sunday.

Susan L. Beeson + Carol J. Butler + Ronald V. Kilgore +

Ann George	Kathleen Scaglione
George Hildebrand	Mario Scaglione
Dawn Howe	Don Smith
Evelyn Humphrey	Bernard Solo
Linda Levernight	Donna Stafford
Gordon Ley	Jeanette Steffick
Marilyn Locher	Jean Tengeres
Ruth Marston	Greg Thomas
Rose McCarthy	Barb Van Lehn
Margaret Moran	Pauline Vick
Marjorie Norton	Billie D. Ward
Tracy Perles	Denise Scott Wible
Dave Provenzano	Paul Wilson
Mary Rhone	Frank J. Yocca
Frank Rively	
	George Hildebrand Dawn Howe Evelyn Humphrey Linda Levernight Gordon Ley Marilyn Locher Ruth Marston Rose McCarthy Margaret Moran Marjorie Norton Tracy Perles Dave Provenzano Mary Rhone

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- A We praise you for the eternal life they have been given through Jesus Christ. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.
- P We offer our spoken prayers and those held in our hearts, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.
- C Amen.

## MEAL

#### OFFERING AND MUSICAL OFFERING

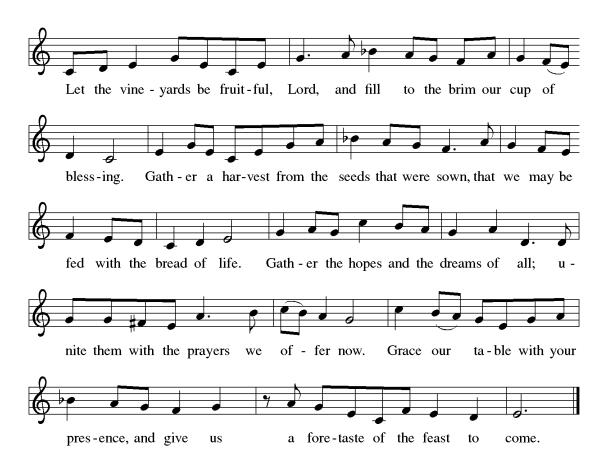
Our monetary offerings are part of our worship of God. Because so many of our people give their offerings through Simply Giving, the offering plate is not passed, but located in the back of the sanctuary for your use as you enter or leave the sanctuary. One plate is brought forward at the time of the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

**ANTHEM,** The Great Cloud

#### PRESENTATION OF OFFERING

Stand

**Offering Song**, Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful, #182

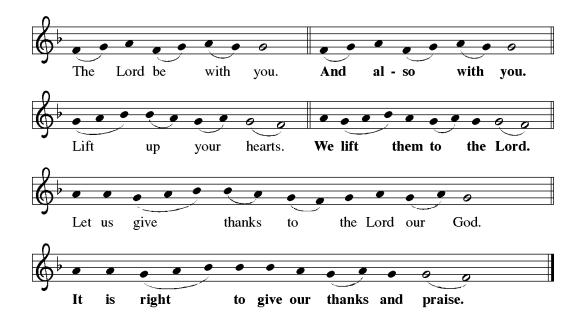


#### OFFERING PRAYER

A Let us pray. God of all goodness, generations have turned to you, gathered around your table, and shared your abundant blessings. Number us among them that, as we gather these gifts from your abundance, and give thanks for your rich blessings, we may feast upon your very self and care for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Servant.

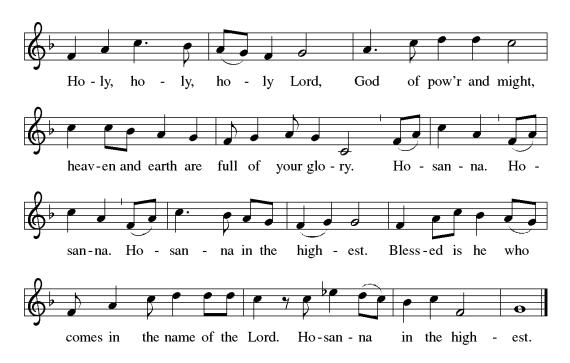
#### $\mathbf{C}$ Amen.

### **GREAT THANKSGIVING**



P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ.

By the witness of your saints you show us the hope of our calling and strengthen us to run the race set before us, that we may delight in your mercy and rejoice with them in glory. And so, with all the saints, with the choirs of angels and all the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



#### THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P Holy God, our Bread of life, our Table, and our Food, you created a world in which all might be satisfied by your abundance.

You dined with Abraham and Sarah, promising them life, and fed your people Israel with manna from heaven. You sent your Son to eat with sinners and to become food for the world.

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 given for us and his rising from the grave, we await his coming again to share with us the everlasting feast.

By your Spirit nurture and sustain us with this meal: strengthen us to serve all in hunger and want, and by this bread and cup make of us the body of your Son.

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,

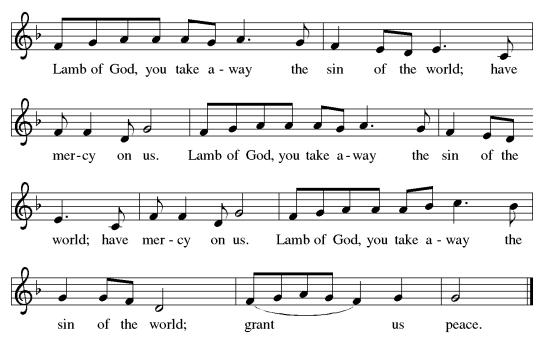
but deliver us from evil.

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

#### **Invitation to Communion**

P There is a place for you at the banquet. Come and feast at Jesus' table.

Sit



#### 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. Wine is offered by Communion Assistants holding the silver chalices. Grape juice is offered by the third Communion Assistant on either side holding the pottery chalice. (The grape juice is purple.)

Gluten-free wafers are available from the pastors. Let them know that you need one when you come forward to receive the bread.

## COMMUNION SONG, By Your Hand You Feed Your People, #469



- 1 By your hand you feed your peo ple, food of an gels, heav-en's bread.
- 2 In this meal we taste your sweet-ness, bread for hun ger, wine of peace.
- 3 Send us now with faith and cour age to the hun gry, lost, be reaved.



For these gifts we did not la - bor, by your grace have we been fed: Ho - ly word and ho - ly wis-dom sat - is - fy our deep-est needs. In our liv - ing and our dy - ing, we be - come what we re - ceive:



Christ's own bod-y, blessed and bro-ken, cup o'er-flow-ing, life out-poured,



#### Stand

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

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Let us pray.
Lord Jesus,
in this simple meal you have set a banquet.
Sustain us on the journey,
strengthen us to care for the least of your beloved children,

and give us glad and generous hearts as we meet you on the way.

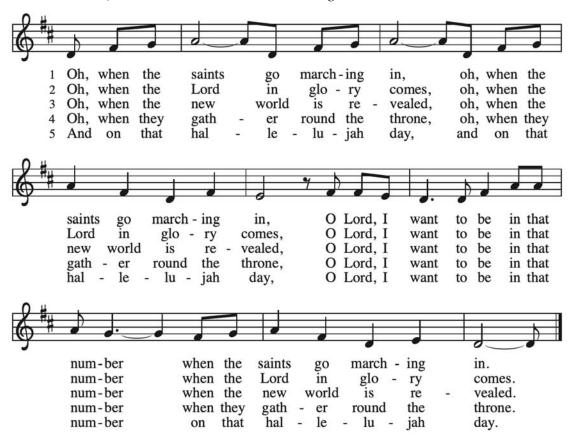
C Amen.

## **SENDING**

#### BLESSING

- P May the God of all creation, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved, who strengthens us for service, give you reason to rejoice and be glad! The blessing of God, Sovereign, + Savior, and Spirit, be with you today and always.
- C Amen.

## CLOSING HYMN, Oh, When the Saints Go Marching In



#### DISMISSAL

- A Beloved of God, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

#### THIS WEEK AT "OUR REDEEMER"

## SUNDAY, November 5, 2023, All Saints Sunday

9:00am Worship

10:00am Growing in God

10:00am Adult Class

11:00am Worship

12:15pm 4th-6th Pizza & Movie

## MONDAY, November 6, 2023

9:00am Noah's Ark Preschool

2:00pm Constitution Committee Meeting

## TUESDAY, November 7, 2023, Election Day

9:00am Noah's Ark Preschool

## WEDNESDAY, November 8, 2023

9:00am Noah's Ark Preschool

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

## THURSDAY, November 9, 2023

9:00am Noah's Ark Preschool

7:00pm Worship & Music Committee Meeting

## FRIDAY, November 10, 2023

9:00am Noah's Ark Preschool

## SATURDAY, November 11, 2023

5:30pm Worship

## SUNDAY, November 12, 2023, Season of Pentecost

9:00am Worship

10:00am Growing in God

10:00am Adult Class

11:00am Worship

4:30-6:15pm Youth Group (7th-12th Grade)

6:30-8:00pm Crossroads

#### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Prayers of healing and comfort are requested for Carol Brandyberry, Lori Gajdowski, Chris Decker, Jen Barbati, Gary McGaffic, Randy Stonemark, Mandy Jarosh, and those friends and family members who have asked for our prayers: Nancy Lyons, Marcy Raeford, Lisa Kilgore, Liliana Milovic, Laura Norton, Anthony Santaguida, Margaret "Peggy" Stopko, Judy Concannon, Ray Keisling, Dan Stimmel, Tamara Brister, Wendy Brosky, Heidi Garner, Janice Poole, Nester Miskow, and Betty Rively.

The most recently added names appear at the beginning of the lists and will remain for 3 months. You may remove a name sooner or ask for renewal if a person is still in need of prayer after the three months. If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please submit your request in writing and place in the offering plate, drop off in the church office, or submit by email to orlc@comcast.net.

**Correction** - In last weekend's bulletin we inadvertently omitted Eliza Prex from the list of those receiving their First Communion. We apologize for our error.

**Altar Flowers -** This weekend's altar flowers have been given by Larry and Susan Steffick in memory of parents, Paul and Vica Steffick and Charles and Emma Mayer.

**Adult Learning -** The Adult Class normally meets on Sundays in the Conference Room at 10:00am. The class is talking about the ELCA Social Statement For Peace in God's World. This is a timely discussion in a world full of divisions. All adults are invited to participate in a lively and respectful conversation. You can find the Social Statement by searching for it on the ELCA website.

4th-6th Pizza & Movie - All 4th-6th graders are invited to join Pastor Kerri for a special All Saints themed pizza and movie afternoon on Sunday, November 5 at 12:15pm. We'll have a pizza lunch and watch "Coco."

Family Friday - K-6th graders and families: bring your dinner and join us on Friday, November 10 at 5:30pm in the social hall.

Youth Group - All 7th-12th graders are invited to join Pastor Kerri for Youth Group on Sunday, November 12 from 4:30-6:15pm. We'll make and eat dinner together and play games. Crossroads Confirmation students are also invited to attend Youth Group and then stay for class.

**Pub Theology** - All adults are welcome to join in great fellowship and lively conversation around topics of interest in our daily lives each month at the Voodoo Brewing Company in Houston, PA. We'll meet in November on **Tuesday, November 28 at 7:00pm**. In December, we'll meet on **Thursday, December 28**.

Advent Soup Supper - Mark your calendars. This annual event will be held on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>December 2 at 6:15pm</u>. The event will include games and activities for everyone as well as the opportunity to make an Advent wreath for your home. Please sign up to attend as well as to bring a soup, bread or dessert if you are able.

Dining Divas Holiday Lunch - Tuesday, December 5, 12:30pm at Atria's

The next Dining Divas gathering will take place on a special day for a special event! We will meet once between Thanksgiving and Christmas. Signing up as soon as possible will be helpful in getting reservations at a busy time of year. If possible, please sign up by the weekend before Thanksgiving. The Dining Divas is a wonderful opportunity for women to get to know one another better and to enjoy a relaxed time together.

**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. **Donations Needed for the City Mission & Blessings in a Backpack** - The Service and Outreach Committee invites you to remember the needs of our neighbors when you go to the grocery store. Throughout the fall and winter we will continue to collect much needed items for the Washington City Mission and the Blessings in a Backpack program that serves children in need at Ringgold Elementary School North. Donations can be placed in the designated containers in our Narthex.

- City Mission Thanksgiving Boxes of Love The City Mission is planning to provide a Box of Love filled with the contents for a Thanksgiving meal to more than 800 families in the community. Our Redeemer Lutheran Church is sending \$500 for Boxes of Love from the budget of the Service and Outreach Committee. Individuals may make monetary donations at Citymission.org/donate. In the meantime, items needed by the City Mission Food Pantry on an everyday basis may be placed in the City Mission bin in the Narthex. Those items include Ramen noodles, cereal, canned meats, peanut butter and jelly, diapers (sizes 4, 5, 6), spaghetti sauce and noodles.
- **Blessings in a Backpack** microwavable cups of Chef Boyardee/mac and cheese style pastas, applesauce or fruit cups/squeeze pouches, snack size boxes of raisins.

Christmas Gifts That Make a Difference - The Service and Outreach Committee invites you to help someone in need this Christmas. Take an "Ornament" from the tree in the narthex in order to provide a gift for one of these three great agencies: Glade Run Lutheran Services, Washington County Children and Youth Social Service Agency, and ELCA Good Gifts (World Hunger).

It's easy to participate. Just select a tag/ornament and follow the instructions. There will be a variety of items, including gift cards. Physical gifts are to be delivered to the church without wrapping so that the agencies can utilize them for specific children and families. Financial donations for ELCA Good Gifts should be made payable to Our Redeemer Lutheran Church and clearly marked "ELCA Good Gifts."

On Christmas Day, it's very rewarding to know that somewhere a child or family is smiling because of a gift you provided.

## **Possible Refuge Resettlement**

Some of the pastors in Conference 6 (includes the South Hills, Airport area, and Washington County) of the Southwestern Pennsylvania Synod have been looking into the possibility of Participating in the resettlement of a refugee/family in our area. This might happen through Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services or Jewish Family and Community Services which has an office at St. John's Lutheran Church in Carnegie. In either case, we need to do some planning before we would be able to answer the who, when and where questions! Important matters like housing transportation, and job opportunities need to be looked into. A financial commitment of somewhere between \$12,000 and \$20,000 in the first six months of the resettlement is required.

At this point we are trying to identify people who are interested in helping with this process either by getting personally involved and/or by making a financial commitment This is a big project which is best undertaken by multiple congregations. If you are interested in participating in at least the exploration of this possible ministry, please let either Pastor Martha (clementsonmartha@gmail.com) or Martha Rhone (mrhone28@hotmail.com), chair of Service and Outreach, know of your interest. You also can direct your questions to either of them.

### THIS SUNDAY'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE (NOVEMBER 5, 2023)

## 9:00am

ACOLYTE - Sam Scher
LAY ASSISTANT - Susan Loeser
LECTOR - Debbie Healey Langley
COMMUNION ASSISTANTS - Tina
Borra, Kim Chupinka, Debbie Healey
Langley, Garrett Langley, Linda
Nickles, Phyllis Permar
GREETER - Linda Nickles
USHERS - Dave Borra and Clint Langley
GIFT BEARERS - Anne and Sophie
Scher
ALTAR GUILD - Tina Borra and Kim
Chupinka

POWERPOINT - Dan and Sam Scher

## 11:00am

ACOLYTE - Henry Binotto LAY ASSISTANT - Carl Ruppel LECTOR - Sally Ruppel COMMUNION ASSISTANTS - Brenda Binotto, Barb Hrabar, Sue Lambert, Becky Long, Soheila Lunney, Sally Ruppel **GREETERS** - Binotto Family USHERS - Jacob Casper and Max Rush GIFT BEARER - Jack Binotto ALTAR GUILD - Sue Lambert and **Becky Long** POWERPOINT - Gary Milavec CAMERA - Sam Mizia TELLERS (Monday) - Gary Milavec and Jackie Beck

## **NEXT SUNDAY'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE (NOVEMBER 12, 2023)**

## 9:00am

ACOLYTE - Child Volunteer Requested
LAY ASSISTANT - Ken Rigby
LECTOR - Dianne Rigby
COMMUNION ASSISTANTS - Missy
Bookhammer, Tina Borra, Debbie
Healey Langley, Ruth Ann Lowery,
Beth Pansino, Phyllis Permar
GREETER - Phyllis Permar
USHERS - Clint and Garrett Langley
GIFT BEARER - Child Volunteer
Requested
ALTAR GUILD - Tina Borra and
Volunteer
POWERPOINT - Jennifer Hewitt

## 11:00am

ACOLYTE - Child Volunteer Requested
LAY ASSISTANT - Max Rush
LECTOR - Heather Morelli
COMMUNION ASSISTANTS - Eliana
and Jackie Beck, Barb Hrabar, Becky
Long, Gerda Moul, Susan O'Brien
GREETER - Dani Mizia
USHERS - Jim and Max Mizia
GIFT BEARER - Penny Mizia
ALTAR GUILD - Becky Long and
Volunteer
POWERPOINT - Meredith Pomposelli
CAMERA - Sam Mizia
TELLERS (Monday) - Dave Borra and
Jennifer Hewitt

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**DEADLINE: December 15.**