



## Transfiguration of Our Lord

February 11, 2024 | 11 AM

# WELCOME!

## Welcome! It is a joy to worship together!

Epiphany is the season of light. We have journeyed through Advent, our preparing for Christ born in our world, to Christmas, the celebration of the gift of God's presence among us, and now to Epiphany, the ways in which this Holy Presence in the person of Jesus enlightens the world. Enlighten us!

*As a community in the model of Christ, we warmly welcome all who have come seeking God in worship at Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church. We welcome people of every race, gender, ethnic background, social status, physical ability, sexual orientation, and gender identity. Together in our diversity and as a Reconciling in Christ congregation, we seek to embrace the love of God offered to us in Jesus Christ. We gather to experience the presence of God in Word and Sacrament and to give praise to God who loves us unconditionally.*

### WORSHIP ONLINE OR BY PHONE (11:00 am service)

By phone: call 1-206-337-9723. Then enter this number when prompted: 822 691 346. This method will let you listen in, but not view the service.

- By Facebook Live: Go to [www.facebook.com/ourredeemers](https://www.facebook.com/ourredeemers). You don't have to have a facebook account – it's a public channel.
- By Zoom: Download the Zoom app to your computer, tablet, or cell phone. It's free! Click this link: <https://Zoom.us/j/822691346>. (Upgrade Zoom to the current version.)

**All are Welcome to Communion!** Christ hosts this meal, and ALL are invited to share this feast of life and forgiveness. Our shared communion bread is gluten free and we offer wine and grape juice. Children commune at the discretion of their parents. If you do not wish to receive communion, we invite you to come forward to receive a blessing. To receive communion at your seat, please alert an usher.

### OUR VISION

**In the model of Christ and for the life of the world, we are an inclusive, devoted, caring and spiritual community that accepts challenges, takes risks and grows.**

*We are on land created by God and stewarded for generations by the indigenous ancestors of the Duwamish people, who are still here. We honor the Creator's continuing presence in this land, confess our complicity in its brokenness, and awoken to our connectedness with all of creation.*



**Are you newer here or visiting?  
Has your information recently changed?**  
Then fill out our contact information form by using this QR code so we know where to send you information about our various ministries or important news about the church.

# GATHER

## PRELUDE

*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* arr. by Larry Shackley  
from "The Essential Collection for the Church Pianist" - Jane Holstein, Editor,  
Hope Publishing Company

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Kids' Choir - *Let Us Walk in the Light of the Lord*  
by Vicki Hancock Wright

## WELCOME AND SILENT PREPARATION

### \*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,  
creator of darkness and light,  
word of truth,  
wind sweeping over the waters.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our distance from God in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

**God, our rock and refuge,  
we pour out our hearts before you.  
We have known you but have not always loved you.  
We have wounded one another  
and sinned against you.  
We have not always recognized the Holy Spirit  
dwelling in each of us.  
Remember your covenant.  
Renew your creation.  
Restore us,  
that we might proclaim your good news to all.  
Amen.**

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters.  
God has spoken:  
The time of grace is now.

*continued*

*\*Please stand, as you are able.*

In Jesus, the reign of God has come near.  
 By the authority of ✠ Jesus Christ,  
 your sins are forgiven.  
 You are God's beloved.

**Amen.**

**\*OPENING HYMN**

*Love Divine, All Love's Excelling*

1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heav'n, to  
 2 Breathe, oh, breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - 'ry  
 3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; let us all thy  
 4 Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion, pure and spot - less

earth come down! Fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy  
 trou - bled breast; let us all in thee in - her - it; let us  
 life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -  
 let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -

faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,  
 find thy prom - ised rest. Take a - way the love of sin - ning;  
 more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing,  
 ly re - stored in thee! Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,

pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with  
 Al - pha and O - me - ga be; end of faith, as  
 serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee  
 till in heav'n we take our place, till we cast our

thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.  
 its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.  
 with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.  
 crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise!

Public Domain

**\*GREETING**

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

**And also with you.**

**\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Almighty God, the resplendent light of your truth  
 shines from the mountaintop into our hearts.  
 Transfigure us by your beloved Son,  
 and illumine the world with your image, through Jesus Christ,  
 our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
 one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

# PROCLAIM

## FIRST READING

2 Kings 2:1-12

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the people:

**Our ears and hearts are open.**

<sup>1</sup>Now when the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. <sup>2</sup>Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. <sup>3</sup>The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent."

<sup>4</sup>Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. <sup>5</sup>The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know; be silent."

<sup>6</sup>Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. <sup>7</sup>Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. <sup>8</sup>Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

<sup>9</sup>When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." <sup>10</sup>He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." <sup>11</sup>As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. <sup>12</sup>Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

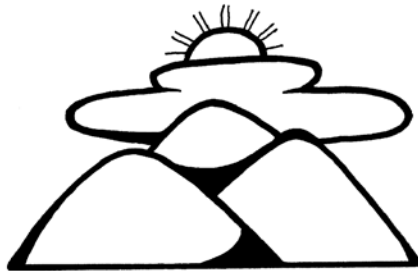
Holy Wisdom. Holy Word.

**Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 50:1-6

- <sup>1</sup>The mighty one, God the Lord, has spoken;  
calling the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.
- <sup>2</sup>**Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty,  
God shines forth in glory.**
- <sup>3</sup>Our God will come and will not keep silence;  
with a consuming flame before, and round about a raging storm.
- <sup>4</sup>**God calls the heavens and the earth from above  
to witness the judgment of the people.**
- <sup>5</sup>“Gather before me my loyal followers,  
those who have made a covenant with me and sealed it with sacrifice.”
- <sup>6</sup>**The heavens declare the rightness of God’s cause,  
for it is God who is judge.**

## \*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



## \*THE GOSPEL

Mark 9:2-9

The holy Gospel according to Mark, the ninth chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>2</sup>Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, <sup>3</sup>and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. <sup>4</sup>And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. <sup>5</sup>Then Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” <sup>6</sup>He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. <sup>7</sup>Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, “This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!” <sup>8</sup>Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. <sup>9</sup>As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## KIDS' MESSAGE | SERMON

Pastor Deanna Wildermuth





**HYMN OF THE DAY**

*Oh, Wondrous Image, Vision Fair*



1 Oh, won - drous im - age, vi - sion fair of  
 2 With Mo - ses and E - li - jah nigh the in -  
 3 With shin - ing face and bright ar - ray, Christ  
 4 And faith - ful hearts are raised on high by  
 5 O Fa - ther, with the e - ter - nal Son, and



glo - ry that the church may share, which Christ up - on the  
 car - nate Lord holds con - verse high, and from the cloud, the  
 deigns to man - i - fest to - day what glo - ry shall be  
 this great vi - sion's mys - ter - y; for which in joy - ful  
 Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er one, we pray you, bring us



moun-tain shows, where bright - er than the sun he glows!  
 Ho - ly One says, "This is my be - lov - ed Son."  
 theirs a - bove who joy in God with per - fect love.  
 song we raise the voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.  
 by your grace to see your glo - ry face to face.

Public Domain

**\*APOSTLES CREED**

**I believe in God the Almighty,  
 Creator of heaven and earth,  
 and in Jesus Christ, his 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 place of the dead;  
 on the third day he rose again from the dead;  
 he ascended into heaven,  
 and is seated at the right hand of God Almighty;  
 from there he will come to judge the living and  
 the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
 the holy catholic Church,  
 the communion of saints,  
 the forgiveness of sins,  
 the resurrection of the body,  
 and life everlasting.  
 Amen.**

## \*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

As we celebrate Christ embodied in human form, we pray for God's blessing on the church, the world, and all of creation.

*A brief silence.*

We pray for the church, that the transformational power of God enters the hearts of all people. May its leaders serve as examples of your grace and healing across time and space. God of grace,  
**receive our prayer.**

We pray for the creation, that we will humbly observe the swirl of wind and the heat of the bright sun. Teach us to honor all you have made and to care for the animals, plants, air, and bodies of water of this planet. God of grace,  
**receive our prayer.**

We pray for those charged with leadership, lawmaking, and governance of our towns, states, and countries, that they will strive for goodness and justice all the days of their lives and callings. God of grace,  
**receive our prayer.**

We pray for any who are sick and suffering  
Guide us to offer hospitality, shelter, friendship, and care to any in need. God of grace,  
**receive our prayer.**

We pray for this congregation and its ministry in the wider community. May we share the transforming beauty and love of God in ways that honor the dignity of all whom we encounter. God of grace,  
**receive our prayer.**

*For what else do the people of God pray?*

Trusting that all the saints, prophets, and those who die in faith are held in your care, we remember in thanksgiving those who have died (especially). Grant us your gift of salvation as we await your coming again in glory. God of grace,  
**receive our prayer.**

Knowing the Holy Spirit intercedes for us, we offer these prayers and the silent prayers of our hearts in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ.  
**Amen.**

## \*PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you all.

**And also with you.**

*You are invited to share a sign of peace by crossing hands over your heart, or another gesture, saying "Peace be with you."*

# BREAK

## GENEROSITY STORY

Julie Vannoy

## OFFERING SPECIAL MUSIC

Choir - *Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness*

by Bernadette Farrell

Flute: Joanna Elizondo

"Longing for light, we wait in darkness. Longing for truth, we turn to you. Make us your own, your holy people, light for the world to see. Longing for peace, our world is troubled. Longing for hope, many despair. Your word alone has pow'r to save us. Make us your living voice." Refrain: "Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts, Shine through the darkness, Christ be our Light! Shine in your church gathered today."  
"Longing for food, many are hungry. Longing for water, many still thirst. Make us your bread, broken for others, shared until all are fed." Refrain "Many the gifts, many the people, many the hearts that yearn to belong. Let us be servants to one another, making your kingdom come." Refrain

Gifts may be made online at [www.ourredeemers.net/donate](http://www.ourredeemers.net/donate), or use this QR code:



**\*OFFERING RESPONSE**

*Rise, Shine, You People!*



1 Rise, shine, you peo - ple! Christ the Lord has en - tered  
3 Come, cel - e - brate; your ban - ners high un - furl - ing,



our hu - man sto - ry; God in him is cen - tered. He comes to  
your songs and prayers a - gainst the dark-ness hurl - ing. To all the



us, by death and sin sur-round - ed, with grace un - bound - ed.  
world go out and tell the sto - ry of Je - sus' glo - ry.

One License #01597

**\*OFFERING PRAYER**

Blessed are you, Holy One,  
for all good things come from you.  
In bread and cup you open heaven to us.  
Meet us at this table,  
that we receive what we seek  
and follow your Son, Jesus,  
in whose name we pray.

**Amen.**

**GREAT THANKSGIVING**

We gather now at this table, where Christ is the host, and all are truly welcome. Many of us have experienced rejection at different times in our lives, and we come forward here knowing that we will not be turned away, but fully received and welcomed, even as we are.

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Mystery of Light,

we thank you for entering the world,  
for opening us up to the possibility of your presence;  
for parting the wide heavens to send your gentle light;  
for offering your Word to take our mortal flesh.

He was witnessed to by those who heard your gift of presence;

The Shepherds keeping their flocks by night, who first received your promise;  
The Magi who brought gifts for this new baby king;  
Mary and Joseph who accepted by faith your call;  
we know that Christ draws near again to enlighten us to who we really are  
in you.

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 and eternal covenant relationship in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

God, we long for your Spirit of truth and light.

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 your presence on earth.

**Amen.**

## **\*THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Let us pray the prayer Jesus taught us in whatever version is most prayerful for you:

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

## **\*INVITATION TO THE MEAL**

At Jesus' table, heaven and earth are joined as one.  
Come and see.

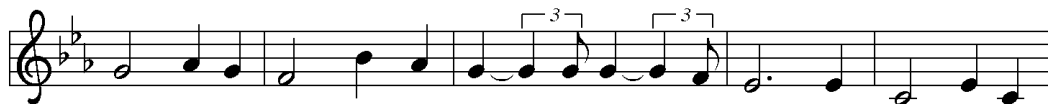
**All Are Welcome**  
*to commune, including children (as parents permit).*



# LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



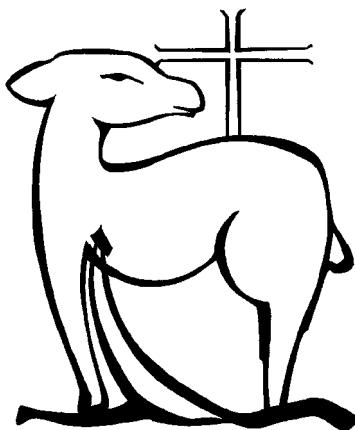
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the



world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -



way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.



COMMUNION HYMNS

*Dazzling Presence on the Mountain*



1 Daz - zling pres - ence on the moun - tain: hu - man eye had  
 2 From this mount of mys - tic splen - dor to the cross Christ  
 3 From the heights of new cre - a - tion, Christ be - holds his  
 4 Let our praise ring from each moun - tain, in - to deep - est



nev - er seen such a won - der, such re - splen - dence,  
 press - es on; here no Mo - ses nor E - li - jah,  
 world, re - deemed; as with Pe - ter and com - pan - ions,  
 val - leys pour, where, with lives of grate - ful ser - vice,



heav'n and earth in cloud con - vene.  
 on - ly thieves Christ's wings a - dorn.  
 brings us now to sights un - seen.  
 we a - dore Christ ev - er - more.



"This is my Son, the be - lov - ed," thun - d'rous voice from  
 "Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy," was one's pen - i -  
 Jus - tice, mer - cy, and com - pas - sion: these the booths he  
 To the Son, God's own be - lov - ed, and the Spir - it



cloud ex - claimed. Word made flesh to heal cre - a - tion,  
 ten - tial sigh. With trans - fig - ur - ing as - sur - ance,  
 bids us build, that the earth he loves may flour - ish  
 end - less - ly, may the church's praise be lift - ed



to dis - ci - ples God pro - claimed.  
 Christ re - joins his fer - vent cry.  
 as each life with grace is filled.  
 to the bless - ed Trin - i - ty.



1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion,  
 2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,  
 3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,  
 4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions,

Son of God and Son of Man!  
 robed in flow'rs of bloom - ing spring;  
 bright the spar - kling stars on high;  
 Son of God and Son of Man!

Tru - ly I'd love thee, tru - ly I'd serve thee,  
 Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er,  
 Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er  
 Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o - ra - tion,

light of my soul, my joy, my crown.  
 he makes our sor - rowing spir - it sing.  
 than all the an - gels in the sky.  
 now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

### **\*TABLE BLESSING**

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

**Amen.**

**SEND**

### **\*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Giver of every gift,

Christ's body is our food, and we are Christ's body.

Enlighten us to life by your power

for the benefit of all and to your glory,

now and forever.

**Amen.**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **\*BLESSING**

God who names you,

Christ who claims you,

and the Holy Spirit who dwells in you,

✠ bless you and remain with you always.

**Amen.**

**\*SENDING HYMN**

*We Are Marching in the Light*

First system of musical notation. The treble clef staff contains a melody with a triplet of eighth notes. The bass clef staff contains a bass line with a triplet of eighth notes. The lyrics are: "We are march - ing in the light of God, we are march-ing in the".

Second system of musical notation. The treble clef staff continues the melody with a triplet of eighth notes. The bass clef staff continues the bass line with a triplet of eighth notes. The lyrics are: "light of God. We are march - ing in the light of God,".

Third system of musical notation. The treble clef staff continues the melody with a triplet of eighth notes. The bass clef staff continues the bass line with a triplet of eighth notes. The lyrics are: "we are march-ing in the light of God. we are march - ing in the light of, the light of God."

Fourth system of musical notation. The treble clef staff continues the melody with a triplet of eighth notes. The bass clef staff continues the bass line with a triplet of eighth notes. The lyrics are: "we are march - ing in the light of God. We are march - ing \_\_\_\_\_ oo. We are march - ing, march - ing, we are march - ing, march - ing,".

*continued*

we are march - ing in the light of God.

we are march - ing in the light of, the light of God.

we are march - ing in the light of God.

We are march - ing \_\_\_\_\_ oo

We are march - ing, march - ing, we are march - ing, march - ing.

we are march - ing in the light of God.

We are...  
dancing; praying; singing.

**\*DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. You are God's beloved.

**Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

*Immortal, Invisible* from "Hymns of Majesty" arr. by Phillip Keveren  
from "Hymn Medleys" arr. by Phillip Keveren, Hal Leonard Corporation



### **We Pray for...**

Yvonne Boon, Sandy Box, Jennifer Carter, Barb Dougherty, Cindy Funai, Jordan Holt, Chris & Rusty Huffstetter, Helen Jones, Bob McIntyre, Mandy Neill, Chris Odell, Barbara Olsen, Jean Perry, Trina Prisk-Hall, Duaine Rembold, David Schrader, Pauline Sigurdson, Carolyn Swanson, Charlotte Wallstrom; all married couples struggling with conflict and separation, immigrant families remaining separated, Road to Housing guests.

### **Grieving the Loss of**

Miriam Myers, Ken Nelson

*To include someone in the prayers, [email](#) the church -or- fill out the online prayer request form: [LINK](#). (Requests received after each Wednesday will be put in the following week's bulletin.)*

### **IN OUR SERVICE TODAY**

Preaching/Presiding:

Pastor Deanna Wildermuth\*

Assistant Minister: Judith Malmgren

Lector: Ardene Adams

Communion Setup: Marie Nordquist

Communion Assistant: Linda Carbone

Ushers: Ardene Adams, Kris Rogness

Zoom Host: Erica Lee

Musicians: Karen Lee, Our Redeemer's Choir

### **\*About Pastor Deanna Wildermuth**

In my varied work life, I've transitioned from teaching and caregiving to administrative roles and pastoral work, serving in various capacities across North Dakota, Wisconsin, and NW Washington. Recently retired, I now cherish time with my husband, Keith, and grandsons. Reflecting on my core values, I draw parallels between knitting and our role as God's people, emphasizing Jesus' two fundamental 'stitches': love God and love your neighbor.

## Ministers of Our Redeemer's

### **Pastor David Hahn**

Interim Pastor

[pastordavid@ourredeemers.net](mailto:pastordavid@ourredeemers.net)

651.587.4417

### **Gianfranco Foddai**

Informal Worship / Music Director

[gianfranco@ourredeemers.net](mailto:gianfranco@ourredeemers.net)

### **Karen Lee**

Traditional Worship / Music Director

[karen@ourredeemers.net](mailto:karen@ourredeemers.net)

### **Debbie Lematta** x105

Communications Coordinator

[communications@ourredeemers.net](mailto:communications@ourredeemers.net)

### **Mandy Neill** x102

Welcome Ministry

[welcome@ourredeemers.net](mailto:welcome@ourredeemers.net)

### **Karie Stearns** x101

Parish Administrator

[administrator@ourredeemers.net](mailto:administrator@ourredeemers.net)

**[www.ourredeemers.net](http://www.ourredeemers.net) | 206.783.7900**  
**2400 NW 85th Street, Seattle, WA 98117**

*Music reprinted under CCLI License #2540500,  
OneLicense.net #A-706853, and LicenSingOnline  
#L10114*

*Liturgy reprinted under Augsburg Fortress Liturgies  
License #SAS000631*

*Cover Image: "Testimony," ©Jan Richardson.*

**VIEW NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS  
USING THIS QR CODE:**



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

For more details, check the website calendar or current newsletter.



## worship

### **9 AM Informal Worship | In-person**

In this hour-long service, an ensemble leads us in a mix of traditional hymns and contemporary music. We hear a challenging and thoughtful message, pray together and take communion. Children are welcome and, for the little ones, our staffed nursery is open.

### **11 AM Traditional Worship | In-person & Online**

The 11:00 am service is liturgy deeply rooted in the Lutheran tradition of God's living word. Join together in prayer, familiar hymns and communion at God's all-welcoming table. We wish one another peace and blessings and leave the service more connected, challenged and hopeful than before.

## *Ash Wednesday*

*February 14*

*7 PM Worship*

As we prepare to journey into the season of Lent, you are invited to take part in the gift of Ash Wednesday worship, asking God to "Restore Us" in grace and love.





# community

## Introducing Our "Bloom & Grow" Auction April 27th!

Saturday, April 27, 5-8 PM | Fellowship Hall

Join us for an enchanting evening of bidding and blossoms at our "Bloom and Grow Auction" on Saturday, April 27. Immerse yourself in a world where every bid helps cultivate community and fosters growth! **We are procuring items for both the live and the silent auctions!** If you have a vacation home, gift baskets, or other experiences, services, or items that you can offer for a good cause, let Mandy Neill at [welcome@ourredeemers.net](mailto:welcome@ourredeemers.net), or Karie Stearns at [administrator@ourredeemers.net](mailto:administrator@ourredeemers.net) know. Thank you!

## Madonna's Book Group

Sunday, February 25th, 3 PM | TBD

The book the group is reading and discussing on February 25th is THE SWEET SPOT by Amy Poeppel. You are invited to join in! Contact Lynne at [buckomcneill@yahoo.com](mailto:buckomcneill@yahoo.com) with questions or to be added to the contact list.

## Holden Still Has Room: Register Soon!

July 14-21 | Holden Village [REGISTER](#)

We have 27 people signed up for Holden Village! There is still time to register as long as spots are available. Choose from a 5-day or 7-day stay. Payment plans are available. **Register using this LINK** (<https://rebrand.ly/5174bf>). There is a \$150 deposit required at registration. Payment plans are available.

Through prayerful discernment and many hours of interviewing potential pastors, our Call Committee has reached a unanimous decision!

**Please join us today at 10:00 am as the  
Call Committee introduces Pastor Thomas Voelp.**

The Call Committee and Pastor Thomas will be present in the Fellowship hall for a "meet and greet," with coffee and delicious treats.

**A Congregational Meeting, to vote on extending a call to Pastor Thomas Voelp, will occur on Sunday, February 25th at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall.** If you have questions or concerns about your eligibility to vote in this meeting, contact our Parish Administrator, Karie Stearns, at [administrator@ourredeemers.net](mailto:administrator@ourredeemers.net), or 206.783.7900.





# social justice

A FORCE FOR POSITIVE CHANGE

## **Earth Care Beach Cleanup Retreat - Are You Interested?**

April 19-21, 2024

Our Redeemer's is coordinating with Washington CoastSavers again this year to remove debris from coastal beaches! If we can get enough people showing interest, we will spend the weekend near the coast cleaning up the beach and having fun! Come and enjoy both the fellowship and the stewardship of caring for the earth! Please contact Paul and Maria Kalina ([paulkalina@hotmail.com](mailto:paulkalina@hotmail.com), [maria\\_damico@yahoo.com](mailto:maria_damico@yahoo.com)) if you are interested in participating in this year's Earth Care Beach Cleanup Retreat. We need enough people to show interest so we can start making reservations.

## **Neighborhood Recycling Roundup - Save the Date!**

May 11, 2024, 10 AM - 2 PM

Start saving your electronic recycling, clean styrofoam and bikes for the our spring Recycling Roundup! Consider volunteering to meet some of the 250 neighborhood households that participate in this event! If you're interested in helping launch this event with some work prior and day of please contact Connie Sandstrom at [conniesandstrom05@gmail.com](mailto:conniesandstrom05@gmail.com).

## **Help Feed Our Neighbors - Ballard Sunday Dinners**

Make it your 2024 intention to help out at Ballard Sunday Dinner (BSD) on the third Sunday of each month. BSD is a ministry in which we partner with local churches to feed our hungry neighbors. All roles have lots of availability, and we partner up with you until you're comfortable! Please make the commitment to help and sign up for a few months in advance by using this link: <https://rb.gy/ea817>. Reach out to Amy Borgmeyer ([amy\\_borgmeyer@gmail.com](mailto:amy_borgmeyer@gmail.com)) if you have any questions. Thank you for all that you do!

## **Lutheran World Relief: Make Personal Care Kits for Lent!**

As you begin your preparations for the season of Lent, you're invited to consider a hands-on Lutheran World Relief project. Personal Care Kits are one of our most requested items and make a simple yet profound difference for impoverished families. The goal is to collect and assemble at least 50 kits. Here are the most needed items:

- Bath towels-dark colors and lightweight - 50 needed. (Target has "Room Essentials" towels for \$3 each.)
- 4 oz. bars of Ivory soap - 100 bars needed. (Fred Meyer sometimes has packages of ten bars on sale.)
- Sturdy combs, nail clippers, and toothbrushes.

Please purchase and drop off the items at the church office in the basket next to the front doors as soon as you can but no later than mid-April. Contact Sharon Longaker if you have questions: [slongaker@msn.com](mailto:slongaker@msn.com).



# faith formation

TRANSFORMING SPIRITUALITY

## Help Needed in Faith Formation Classrooms

We are in need of people who can serve as the second adult when classes are held for Sprouts and O-Rock. It is our policy that adults working with children need to do so with another adult, whether we have one or ten kids attending. The second adult can assist as needed but doesn't need to teach the class. If you can volunteer one Sunday a month between now and June, please contact Betsy McGregor at [bemac7309@gmail.com](mailto:bemac7309@gmail.com) for more information or to volunteer."

## Our Redeemer's Adult Forums

Sundays, 10 AM | Fellowship Hall

In February we finish up our curious exploration of how God meets us in Scripture and through each other. Starting Feb 18th our own Dana Wright kicks off a 4-week Lenten series called "What are Christians (Lutherans) For?" Together we'll explore and discuss an essay by renounced Biblical scholar Walter Bruegemann regarding our covenantal relationship with God.

## LiVE Project - Lent with Baldwin & Bonhoeffer Course

6-week course via Zoom, Thursdays 7-8:30PM starting February 15

What might Dietrich Bonhoeffer (a Lutheran German theologian) and James Baldwin (a Black, 20th century author and novelist) together have to prophetically speak to our current time? Learn more and register here: <https://rb.gy/6stsdC>. Use promo code: LIVEBUNDLE2023 for free registration!

## The Journey: An Orientation to Our Redeemer's Community

COMING THIS OCTOBER

The Journey is a class and a conversation, especially for those newer to the Our Redeemer's Community, where we learn more together about what being Lutheran and a part of Our Redeemer's means. Because an important aspect of the Journey class is a chance to get to know the pastor, and our community is still in pastoral transition, we've decided to move the class to next October. Keep an eye out for more information closer to the date.

## **Women's Retreat - "Finding Hope"**

Friday - Sunday May 3-5

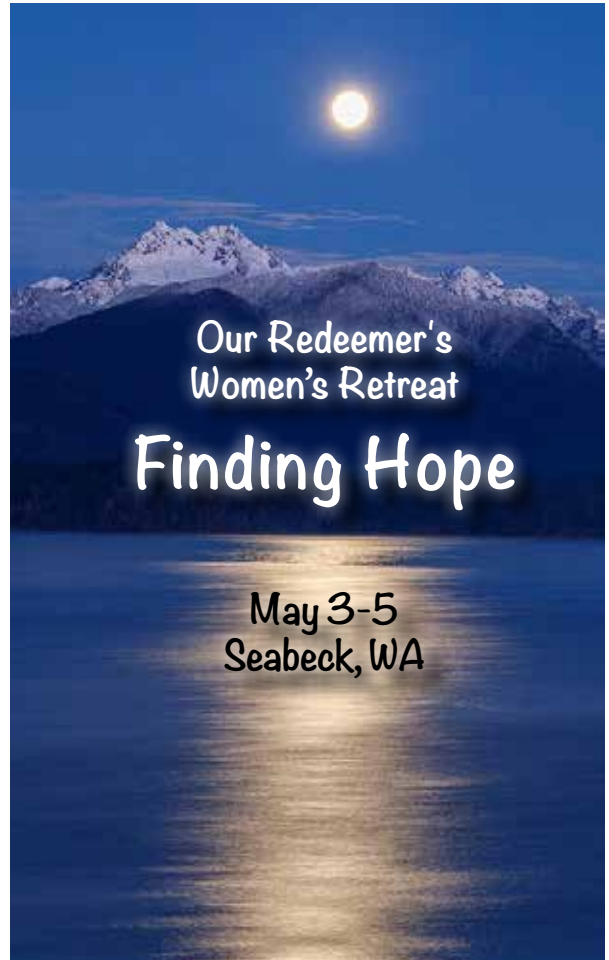
Register: <https://rebrand.ly/pytax06>

Isn't it time for you to build new relationships and deepen existing ones within your community of women? Anyone who identifies as female is invited to beautiful Seabeck Conference center on Hood Canal May 3-5.

Pastor Deanna Wildermuth is our retreat guest speaker. She's crafting retreat programs tailored to our community for our retreat theme, Finding Hope.

A fun and personable retired Lutheran pastor, Pastor Deanna will also be the guest preacher at Our Redeemer's for our February 11th services! She is an engaging, dynamic, articulate and creative preacher. Then experience more of what the Pastor is developing for our community of women at the retreat!

REGISTER SOON to reserve your space at beautiful Seabeck Conference Center on Hood Canal: <https://rebrand.ly/pytax06>. Paper registration forms are also available in the church office.



*At the Seabeck Women's Retreat you'll enjoy views of the Olympic mountains, good food, comfortable beds, trails and beaches, and the company of wonderful women.*

## This Week at Our Redeemer's

*Today, Sunday, February 11*

**9 AM - Informal Worship**

9 AM - Sprouts In-Person | Downstairs

**10 AM - Pastor Candidate of Choice "Meet and Greet" | Fellowship Hall**

10 AM - Adult Forum | Fellowship Hall

**11 AM - Traditional Worship**

*Tuesday, February 13*

1:30 PM - Staff Meeting

7 PM - Council Meeting | In-Person

7 PM - LiVE Synod-wide Bible Study | Zoom

*Wednesday, February 14*

7:00-8:30 AM & 4-5:30 PM Ashes to Go

**7 PM - Ash Wednesday Worship**

*February 15, Thursday*

7 PM - LiVE Project: Lent with Baldwin & Bonhoeffer Course | Zoom

*February 16-18, Friday-Sunday*

**Rest & Reset Retreat | Rainbow Lodge, North Bend**

*Sunday, February 18*

**9 AM - Informal Worship**

9 AM - Sprouts In-Person | Downstairs

10 AM - O-ROCK Youth Classes | Downstairs

10 AM - Adult Forum | Fellowship Hall

**11 AM - Traditional Worship**

2 PM - Ballard Sunday Dinner | Ballard First Lutheran

Email [administrator@ourredeemers.net](mailto:administrator@ourredeemers.net) if you need online or in-person meeting help. Find meeting information in the announcements in this bulletin or on the church's [website calendar](#).



[www.ourredeemers.net](http://www.ourredeemers.net)

2400 NW 85th Street  
Seattle, WA 98117