



Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 24, 2025 | 10 AM

WELCOME!

Welcome! It is a joy to worship together.

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 (11am 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. 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](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.



*Our Redeemer's is proud to be a
Reconciling in Christ (RIC) church.*

We are gathered on this land, which touches the shared waters of the peoples of the Suquamish, Tulalip, and Muckleshoot Nations. This is God's creation and home to the Coast Salish peoples, whose long history, voices, and practices call inhabitants to loving stewardship, faithful advocacy, and inclusive story-telling. We honor the Creator's presence in this land, confess our complicity in its brokenness, and proclaim our interconnectedness with God's creation and all its creatures.

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GATHER

Time after Pentecost theme – Christ: Our Common Life With God and Each Other

WELCOME

CENTERING MUSIC

*REMEMBERING BAPTISM

Let us remember our baptism into this, the Body of Christ.

Those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace.

And you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you.

For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we no longer know him in that way.

For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died.

I have been crucified with Christ, and it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live, I live by the faith of the ☩ Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

(excerpts from the letters of St. Paul)

*OPENING HYMN

One Bread, One Body

Refrain



One bread, one bod-y, one Lord of all; one cup of
bless-ing which we bless, and we, though man-y
through-out the earth, we are one bod - y in this one Lord.
1 Gen - tile or Jew, ser - vant or free,
2 Man - y the gifts, man - y the works,
3 Grain for the fields, scat-tered and grown,
Refrain
wom - an or man, no more.
one in the Lord of all.
gath - ered to one for all.

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*GREETING

The endless grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ
The eternal love of God,
and the everlasting communion of the Holy Spirit
be with you all. (2 Corinthians 13:14)

And also with you.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God of grace, give us the humility of your Son, that we may embody the generosity of your Son. Lead us to resist the urge to hold and and guard places for ourselves, and claiming your as our own, instead leaving pride of place for those you .

By your Holy Spirit, enliven us to be Christ's body in the world, that more and more we will give you praise and serve your earth and its many peoples. In the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

PROCLAIM

FIRST READING

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

May the spirit of the Lord rest on you,
the spirit of knowledge and the love of the Lord. (*Isaiah 11:2*)

Hear what the Spirit is saying:
Our ears and hearts are open.

¹ Let mutual affection continue. ² Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. ³ Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them, those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. ⁴ Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled, for God will judge the sexually immoral and adulterers. ⁵ Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have, for he himself has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." ⁶ So we can say with confidence,

"The Lord is my helper;

I will not be afraid.

What can anyone do to me?"

⁷ Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. ⁸ Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. ¹⁵ Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. ¹⁶ Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



*GOSPEL READING

Luke 14:1, 7-14

Jesus said, "The Spirit of the Lord is on me,
because the Lord has anointed me
to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." (*Luke 4:18-19*)

The good news of Jesus Christ, from the Gospel of Luke.

¹ On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the Sabbath, they were watching him closely.

⁷ When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. ⁸ "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host, ⁹ and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. ¹⁰ But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. ¹¹ For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

¹² He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers and sisters or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. ¹³ But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. ¹⁴ And you will be blessed because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

May the glory of the Lord endure forever;

Bless the Lord, O my soul.

Praise the Lord! (*Psalms 104:33-34*)

HYMN OF THE DAYGreat God, Your Love Has Called Us*

1 Great God, your love has called us here, as we, by love, for
 2 We come with self - in - flict - ed pains of bro - ken trust and
 3 Great God, in Christ you call our name and then re - ceive us
 4 Then take the towel, and break the bread, and hum - ble us, and
 5 Great God, in Christ you set us free your life to live, your



love were made. Your liv - ing like - ness still we bear,
 cho - sen wrong, half - free, half - bound by in - ner chains,
 as your own, not through some mer - it, right, or claim,
 call us friends. Suf - fer and serve till all are fed,
 joy to share. Give us your Spir - it's lib - er - ty



though marred, dis - hon - ored, dis - o - beyed. We come, with all our
 by so - cial forc - es swept a - long, by pow'rs and sys - tems
 but by your gra - cious love a - lone. We strain to glimpse your
 and show how grand - ly love in - tends to work till all cre -
 to turn from guilt and dull de - spair, and of - fer all that



heart and mind your call to hear, your love to find.
 close con - fined, yet seek - ing hope for hu - man - kind.
 mer - cy seat and find you kneel - ing at our feet.
 a - tion sings, to fill all worlds, to crown all things.
 faith can do while love is mak - ing all things new.

***LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT**



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Spirit helps us in our weakness, for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with groanings too deep for words.” (*Romans 8:26*)

Silence for contemplation.

For the leaders of the church, we pray. Inspire deacons, pastors, Sunday school teachers, and Christian education directors with a passion for speaking the word of God. Equip all the baptized to share your word of grace. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For the well-being of creation, we pray. Sustain farm workers and all who labor in fields and vineyards to grow the food we eat. Revive plains and pastures, and provide for the cattle and creatures who rely on the land for their sustenance. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You work vindication and justice for all who are oppressed. Strengthen the resolve of world leaders and local officials in the way of love and mercy, so that all persons may experience abundant life. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For the lowly and those who are ignored, we pray. Provide for the needs of vulnerable communities, those who are unemployed, burdened by debt, or struggle to make ends meet. Accompany all who need reassurance of your loving presence. We pray especially for those named in our prayer list this week. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For the hospitality ministries of this congregation, we pray. Give ushers and greeters a spirit of welcome for visitors, and bless the work of those who feed and nourish us. Raise leaders among us and give new life to our Welcome Team. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For whom and what else do we pray?

With all your apostles, prophets, and saints who rest in you; we thank you for gathering all to yourself in the Body of your Son. As they now rest from their labors, guide us by the witness of your voice in their lives, that we may also pursue your reign among the peoples of this world. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

All our prayers spoken aloud or in our hearts, we commend to you, O Lord, believing your Spirit intercedes for us, (*Romans 8:27*) and asking in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.** (*John 14:13*)

COMMUNE

*PEACE

Jesus said, “My peace I leave with you. My peace I give you.” (*John 14:27*)
The peace of Christ, which surpasses all understanding, be with you all. (*Philippians 4:7*)
And also with you.

*We greet each other with sign of Christ’s peace
by gesture and word, such as “Peace be with you.”*

OFFERING

FAITH FORMATION

Let us be imitators of God, as beloved children, and walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave and offered himself up for us. (*Ephesians 5:1-2*)

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OFFERING MUSIC

Eric Johnson – “Song Over the Waters” by Marty Haugen

***OFFERING RESPONSE**

When You Send Forth Your Spirit

Refrain — All

When you send forth your Spir - it, we are re -

newed, we are re-newed. When you send forth your

Spir - it, we are re - newed, we are re-newed.

Leader or All

1 Man - i - fold your works, O God of might:

Mak - er of the earth, the air, the light.

Wa - ters great and wide and all there - in,

crea - tures that a - bide, let life be - gin.

Refrain

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***OFFERING PRAYER**

O Lord, how manifold are your works!
In wisdom you have made them all;

These all look to you

to give them their food in due season;

when you give to them, they gather it up;
when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.

**When you send forth your spirit, they are created,
and you renew the face of the ground.**

Bless the Lord, O my soul. (*excerpts, Psalm 104*)

**Bless us, O Lord, and these, your gifts, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen.**

***AT THE TABLE**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We give you thanks, O God,
through Jesus Christ, your beloved Son,
whom you sent in this end of the ages
to save and redeem us and to proclaim to us your will.

**In every age you sent prophets
to make known your loving will for all humanity.**

In the fullness of time, you sent your chosen servant
to preach good news to the afflicted,
to break bread with the outcast and despised,
and to free the world from its bondage to sin.

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 all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Send your Holy Spirit, our Advocate,
to fill the hearts of all who share this bread and cup
with courage and wisdom to pursue love and justice in all the world.
for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

***LORD'S PRAYER**

We pray as our Lord, Jesus has taught us; in the language closest to our hearts.

**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 COMMUNION

Many of us have experienced rejection, exclusion, and marginalization at different times in our lives, but we come here, knowing we will not be turned away. So come, whether this is your first time, or your hundredth. Those who have tried to follow, and all of us who have fallen short. Come, because this simple feast is a reminder God's table is big enough for all of us. And thanks be to God, all have a place at this table.

All Are Welcome

to commune, including children (as parents permit).



LAMB OF GOD

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

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

sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. O Lamb of God,

you take a - way the sin of the world; grant us your peace.

COMMUNION HYMNS

Let Us Go Now to the Banquet

Refrain / Estribillo



Va - mos to - dos al ban - que - te, a la
Let us go now to the ban - quet, to the



me - sa de la crea - ción; ca - da cual con su ta - bu -
feast of the u - ni - verse. The ta - ble's set and a place is



re - te tie - ne un pues - to y u - na mi - sión.
wait - ing; come, ev - 'ry - one, with your gifts to share.



1 Hoy me le - van - to muy tem - pra - no; ya me es -
1 I will rise in the ear - ly morn - ing; the com -
2 God in - vites all the poor and hun - gry to the
3 May we build such a place a - mong us where all



pe - ra la co - mu - ni - dad; voy su - bien - do a - le - gre la
mu - ni - ty's wait - ing for me. With a spring in my step I'm
ban - quet of jus - tice and good where the har - vest will not be
peo - ple are e - qual in love. God has called us to work to -

Refrain / Estribillo



cues - ta, voy en bus - ca de tu a - mis - tad.
walk - ing with my friends and my fam - i - ly.
hoard - ed so that no one will lack for food.
geth - er and to share ev - 'ry - thing we have.

Here is bread for the hun - gry soul. Here is
wine for the thirst-y heart. Here is for - give-ness full and
free, here at the ta - ble of the Lord.

The musical score is written on three staves in G major (one sharp). The first staff contains the melody for 'Here is bread for the hun - gry soul. Here is'. The second staff continues with 'wine for the thirst-y heart. Here is for - give-ness full and'. The third staff concludes with 'free, here at the ta - ble of the Lord.' and includes a repeat sign with a box labeled 'Repeat as desired' and a final bar line labeled 'Final'.

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BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

There are varieties of gifts but the same Spirit,
and there are varieties of services but the same Lord,
and there are varieties of activities,
but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone.
To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. (*1 Corinthians 12:4-7*)

**We know that all things work together for good for those who love God,
who are called according to God's purpose.** (*Romans 8:28*)

May the Body and Blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ
keep you in everlasting grace
and eternal life.

Amen.

SEND

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*BENEDICTION

May the creator and giver of life,
The way, the truth and the life,
And the breath of life, the new life of Christ's church,
Bless ☩ and keep you now and forever.

Amen.

*SENDING HYMN

For a Thousand Tongues to Sing



- 1 Oh, for a thou-sand tongues to sing my great Re-deem - er's praise,
- 2 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as - sist me to pro - claim,
- 3 The name of Je - sus charms our fears and bids our sor - rows cease,
- 4 He speaks, and lis - t'ning to his voice, new life the dead re - ceive;



the glo - ries of my God and king, the tri-umphs of his grace!
to spread through all the earth a - broad the hon - ors of your name.
sings mu - sic in the sin - ner's ears, brings life and health and peace.
the mourn - ful, bro - ken hearts re - joice, the hum - ble poor be - lieve.

- 5 Look unto him, your Savior own,
O fallen human race!
Look and be saved through faith alone,
be justified by grace!

- 6 To God all glory, praise, and love
be now and ever giv'n
by saints below and saints above,
the church in earth and heav'n.

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*DISMISSAL

Go in peace, as the Spirit leads you. **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE

We Pray for...

Amira, Robert Anderson & family, Tom Carlson, Jennifer Carter, Peter D'Amico, Gerry & Bob Faley, Cindy Funai, Lance Haag, Don Hansen, Donnalyn Hansen, Shirley Holt and family, Chris & Rusty Huffstetter, Helen Jones, Bud Knapp, Judy Malmgren, Roger Mandery, Rich Mathes, Nicole McCormick & family, Bob McIntyre, Barbara Moen & family, Prentice family, Iko Rodenberger, Michelle Rundle, Kjersti Sangrey, David Schrader, Chuck Stearns, Sharon Stearns, Carolyn Swanson, Charlotte Wallstrom, Henderson Widner, Krissandra Wood, Eliot Wright & family, Jon Wright, Kelly Wright, Nickolas Zardis and family; asylum seekers, refugees, and those seeking housing and a home; those living with mental illness and loneliness; children and parents; immigrant families remaining separated; those outside in the elements; Road to Housing guests.

Grieving the Loss of

Ken Prentice, Ron Stuepfert,
Auntie May, Larry Lundberg

*To include someone in the prayers, email the church
(pastorthomas@ourredeemers.net)*

*Requests received after each Wednesday will be put in the
following week's bulletin.*

IN OUR SERVICES TODAY

Preaching/Presiding: Pastor Thomas Voelp

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Communion Server: Linda Carbone

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Umbrella Setup: Niels Running

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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worship

Summer Worship: One Service at 10 AM

Throughout the summer we worship at one combined
10:00 am service on Sundays.

Healing Service Next Week Sunday, August 31 | 10 AM Worship

Join us for a special Healing Service at 10:00 am next Sunday, a time of prayer, comfort, and renewal.



community

Kickoff Preview

September 7 - God's Work. Our Hands. Sunday. On September 7th we join congregations across the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America to celebrate **GOD'S WORK. OUR HANDS—a day to lift up the many ways we are called**

to serve. After our 10:00 am service, all are invited to participate in small-group conversations exploring how we can grow in outreach, justice ministries, and meet the real needs of our community and neighborhood. This is a powerful opportunity to listen, share, and shape the future of our collective service. Want to help with the service or the conversations afterward? Contact Pastor Thomas or Volunteer Coordinator Lake Niell (volunteer@ourredeemers.net) and get involved!



September 14 - ANNUAL CHURCH POTLUCK. Join us for our final 10:00 am summer service on Sunday, September 14. After service, we'll **celebrate the season with a potluck picnic of food, fellowship, and fun in the church's front yard**—a gathering to send off summer and energize us for the year ahead!

September 21 FALL KICKOFF! On the following Sunday we return to **two service times** and launch our Fall Faith Formation programming.



faith formation

TRANSFORMING SPIRITUALITY

The Journey: Exploring Faith & Community

Sundays, September 28 – October 26 | 4-7 PM

Whether you're new to Our Redeemer's, considering membership, or looking to deepen your connection, The Journey is a five-week experience of learning, conversation, and community. Led by Pastor Thomas and ministry leaders, each week explores a different aspect of Lutheran faith, spirituality, and congregational life.



Open to all—newcomers, long-timers, and everyone in between—this is a meaningful space to ask questions, share stories, and grow in faith together. Participants are invited to become members on All Saints' Sunday (Nov 2), if they feel called. Questions? Contact Pastor Thomas.

This Week at Our Redeemer's

Today, August 24, Sunday

10 AM - Summer Worship

11:15 AM - **Ice Cream Social & Volunteer
Appreciation** | Our Redeemer's

August 25, Monday

9 AM - 12 PM - Volunteer Gardening Crew |
Our Redeemer's

August 31, Sunday

HEALING SUNDAY

10 AM - Summer Worship

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



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