

19th Sunday after Pentecost Healing Service

September 29, 2024 | 9 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.

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 Redemeer's is proud to be a Reconciling in Christ (RIC) church.

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 awaken to our connectedness with all of creation.



GATHER

PRELUDE

WELCOME | SILENT PREPARATION

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

United as the Body of Christ in whom we are baptized, God grows and waters us with the power of the Holy Spirit that by faith we might produce good works.

Let us pray.

By your word, eternal God, your creation sprang forth, and we were given the breath of life. By your word, eternal God, death is overcome, Christ is raised from the tomb, and we are given new life in the power of your Spirit. May we boldly proclaim this good news in our words and our deeds, rejoicing always in your powerful presence. **Gather our hearts in faith, and lift our hands in celebration.**

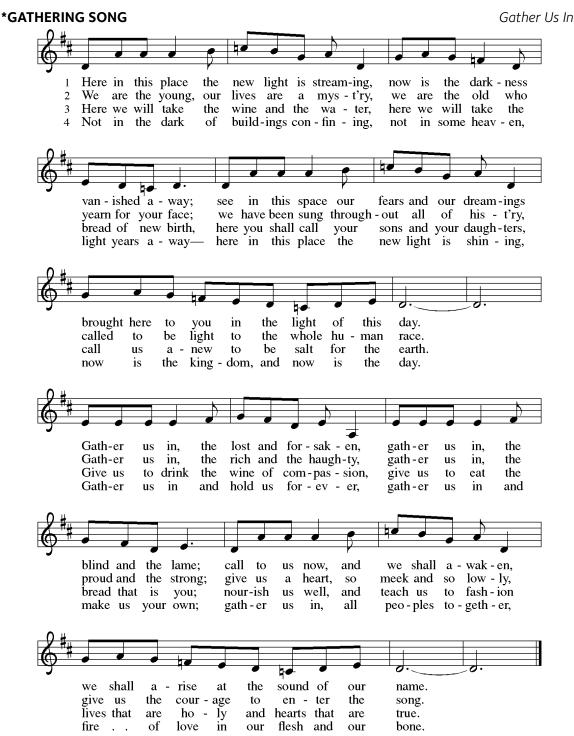
Mighty and merciful God, lover of justice and equity, you call us to support the weak, to help those who suffer, and to honor all people. By the power of your Holy Spirit, make us advocates for your justice and instruments of your peace, so that all may be reconciled in your beloved community. **Gather our hearts in hope, and join our hands in prayer.**

Direct us, O Lord God, in all our doings with your most gracious favor, and extend to us your continual help; that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name; and finally, by your mercy, bring us to everlasting life. **Gather our hearts in love, and extend our hands in service and support.**

By these waters we are transformed;

We are gathered and adopted as God's people through the life and death of Jesus & Christ. By faith we are given rebirth and made alive in Christ.

Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have gathered your servants into the one body of your Son, Jesus Christ. **Give us courage, patience, and vision to discern the way you have called us; and strengthen our hands in this vocation, to witness to the world in our care and service to others,** through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**



*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**

Let us pray:

Generous God, through your son's life, death, and resurrection, you reconciled all things to yourself, that we might know healing and peace. Let your Spirit come to rest on us, that we are gathered and empowered to bear and proclaim your healing and comforting Word, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

PROCLAIM

FIRST READING

Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29

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

⁴The rabble among them had a strong craving; and the Israelites also wept again, and said, "If only we had meat to eat! ⁵We remember the fish we used to eat in Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; ⁶but now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at."

¹⁰Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, all at the entrances of their tents. Then the Lord became very angry, and Moses was displeased. ¹¹So Moses said to the Lord, "Why have you treated your servant so badly? Why have I not found favor in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? ¹²Did I conceive all this people? Did I give birth to them, that you should say to me, 'Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a sucking child, to the land that you promised on oath to their ancestors'? ¹³Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they come weeping to me and say, 'Give us meat to eat!' ¹⁴I am not able to carry all this people alone, for they are too heavy for me. ¹⁵If this is the way you are going to treat me, put me to death at once—if I have found favor in your sight—and do not let me see my misery."

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¹⁶So the Lord said to Moses, "Gather for me seventy of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; bring them to the tent of meeting, and have them take their place there with you."

²⁴So Moses went out and told the people the words of the Lord; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. ²⁵Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again.

²⁶Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. ²⁷And a young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." ²⁸And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, "My lord Moses, stop them!" ²⁹But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the Lord's people were prophets, and that the Lord would put his spirit on them!"

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING

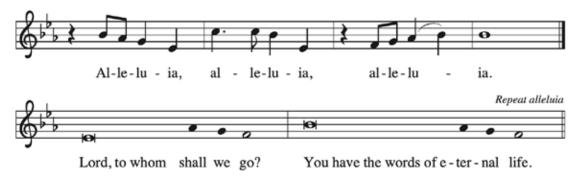
James 5:13-20

A reading from the letter of James.

¹³Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. ¹⁴Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. ¹⁶Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. ¹⁷Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. ¹⁸Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

¹⁹My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, ²⁰you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word. **Thanks be to God.** ***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



*GOSPEL READING

Mark 9:38-50

The holy Gospel if our Lord, Jesus Christ, according to Mark.. Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁸John said to [Jesus], "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." ³⁹But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. ⁴⁰Whoever is not against us is for us. ⁴¹For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

⁴²"If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. ⁴³If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. ⁴⁵And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. ⁴⁷And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, ⁴⁸where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

⁴⁹"For everyone will be salted with fire. ⁵⁰Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

CHILDRENS' MESSAGE | SERMON

Pastor Thomas Voelp



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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Drawn together in the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray with confidence for the church, God's good creation, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

We pray for the people of God in all places. Shape our witness to the good news of Jesus that we joyfully share your transforming and healing love with all whom we encounter. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We pray for the healing of the earth. Renew oceans and seas, marshes and estuaries. Uphold the work of conservationists, oceanographers, and all who care for fragile ecosystems and habitats. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We pray for peace and cooperation among local and global communities. Bless the efforts of community organizers, international aid workers, and all those who work for healing justice and reconciling peace around the world. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We pray for all who are in any need. To all who grieve, bring consolation; to all who are weary or lonely, bring solace. By your grace, make your presence known among all who call to you for healing. We especially pray for those named in our prayer list this week. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We pray for caregivers: doctors and nurses, home health aides and counselors, and those who care for loved ones. Sustain them in their work and help us to build a health care system that supports all. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For whom and what else do the people of God pray?

We give thanks for the saints who now rest in your eternal presence. In thanksgiving for their lives of faithful service and witness, we commend them to your loving care. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

A brief silence for contemplation.

We entrust these and all our prayers to you, holy God, in the name of your beloved child, Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

COMMUNE

*PEACE

May the peace of Christ be always with you. 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."

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O Jesus I Have Promised

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***OFFERING PRAYER**

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. **Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

Amen

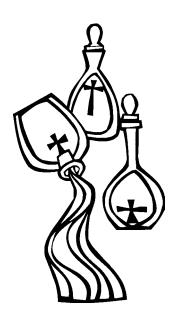


***THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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**

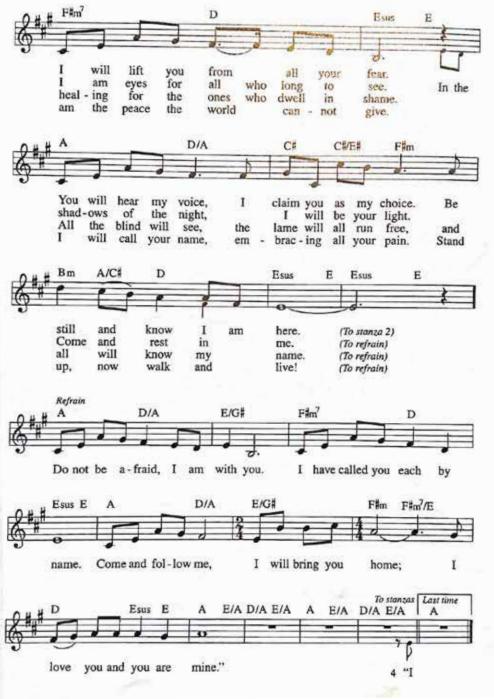




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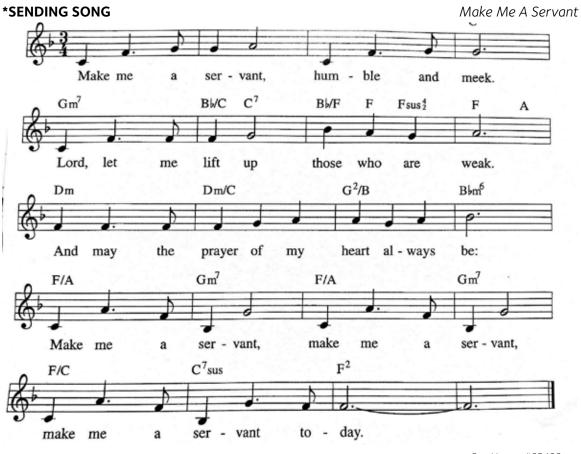
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

*BENEDICTION





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*DISMISSAL

Go in peace, bear the wounded and healing hands of Christ. For all the world. Thanks be to God!

We Pray for...

Jennifer Carter, Cindy Funai, Janice Heinrich, Laura Hoffenbacker, Chris & Rusty Huffstetter, Helen Jones, Carol Kennedy, Roger Mandery, Bob McIntyre, Rosanne Michaels, Herb Myers, Mandy Neill, Bill Nelson, Julie Osinski, Trina Prisk-Hall, Duaine Rembold, Iko Rodenberger, Kjersti Sangrey, David Schrader, Jennifer Seyler, Sharon Stearns, Jenny Stone, Carolyn Swanson, Karen Taylor, Arlene Templin, Charlotte Wallstrom, Kathe Warner, Eliot Wright & Family, Jon Wright, Kelly Wright; asylum seekers, refugees, and those seeking housing and a home; those living with mental illness and loneliness; children and parents; immigrant families remaining separated; Road to Housing quests.

Grieving the Loss of

Vicky Hobbs, Kathleen Leander

To include someone in the prayers, <u>email</u> the church -or- fill out the online prayer request form: <u>LINK</u>. (Requests received after each Wednesday will be put in the following week's bulletin.

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We ask that you help out at our Sunday services in the roles (and more) shown at left Use this QR Code to sign up online. Thanks!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

For additional details, check the website, online calendar, or current newsletter.



worship

9 AM Informal Worship | In-person

In this hour-long service, there is 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.



social justice

A FORCE FOR POSITIVE CHANGE

Neighborhood Recycling Roundup - October 19 Saturday, October 19, 10 AM - 2 PM | Our Redeemer's Parking Lot

Start saving electronics and Styrofoam to recycle as we care for the earth. Acceptable electronic items include: laptops, desktops+monitors; mobile phones+tablets; servers; cables, software; routers+modems; telecom systems; game consoles, iPods and MP3s; printers and ink toners. The Living Green Technology staff will determine if an item not listed is acceptable or not. If it has a cord, it's a likely acceptable item, except for large appliances and televisions. Questions? Contact Ben Kalina, <u>ben.r.kalina@gmail.com</u>.

Ballard Sunday Dinner - Sign Up Through 2024

Ballard Sunday Dinner (BSD) is one of our ministries in which we partner with other local churches to feed our hungry neighbors on the third Sunday of each month. Make sure to sign up to volunteer through 2024. All the roles have lots of availability – we'll partner up with you until you're comfortable. **SIGN UP** (https://rb.gy/dkvefb). Amy Borgmeyer's email is <u>amy.borgmeyer@gmail.com</u>.



Thanksgiving dinner planning help needed!

We are seeking a leadership team to start planning and organizing this important community outreach event starting in October! Contact Pastor Thomas if you can help out (pastorthomas@ourredeemers.net). Thank you!



faith formation

TRANSFORMING SPIRITUALITY

Adult Forums this Fall Sundays, 10 AM, Fellowship Hall

Come join us Sundays in September through November 24 at 10:00 am for discussions and study around discernment. Forums for October 27 (Reformation Sunday) and November 3 (All Saints Sunday) will be special topics. Come and we'll consider together how we are answering our call to be Christ's community in this time and place, and with what gifts we have to share. Two sessions are intergenerational – all ages invited – to Embodiment church, when we will engage in some spiritual practices that ground, stretch and help us listen for God moving among us. After we serve our annual Thanksgiving meal, we'll take time on November 24 to reflect on our discernment, and how participating in that ministry with our community informs how we believe we are being called together, and what is needed to sustain our ministry and further discernment. Come be part of these important discussions and learning opportunities!

DID YOU KNOW?

LIVE PROJECT CLASSES ARE FREE TO OUR REDEEMER'S CONGREGANTS.

USE PROMO CODE "LIVEBUNDLE2024" WHEN REGISTERING.

THE LIVE PROJECT

You can find the 2024 LiVE Course Catalog

by going to <u>https://rebrand.ly/7g4n6o3</u>. You can also learn more about the LiVE Project at <u>https://www.lutheransnw.org/ministries/the-live-project</u>.



community

Monthly Grounds Crew Work Parties

Monday, September 30, 10 AM - noon | Our Redeemer's Gardens

Come build new church friendships as we tend our church landscaping! Join us tomorrow, September 30, 10:00 am – noon in the front of the church, come for an hour or stay the entire time. Tools are provided but you are welcome to bring your own. Questions? Contact Grounds Crew leads: Carol Hurlburt-<u>chtd015@gmail.com</u> or Connie Sandstrom, <u>conniesandstrom05@gmail.com</u>.

This Week at Our Redeemer's

Today, Sunday, September 29 **9** AM - Informal Worship 9 AM - Sprouts | Downstairs 10 AM - O-Rock & Youth | Downstairs 10 AM - Confirmation | Library 10 AM - Adult Forum | Fellowship Hall **11 AM - Traditional Worship** 4 PM - The Journey | Fellowship Hall

Monday, September 30 10 AM - Monthly Grounds Crew | Our Redeemer's Gardens

Tuesday, October 1 7 PM – Abide: Going Deeper, Synod-wide Bible Study | Zoom Wednesday, October 2 11 AM - Staff Meeting 5 PM - B.A.T. Meeting 7 PM - Choir Rehearsal 7 PM - LiVE Project: Faith in Public Life | Zoom

Saturday, October 5 9 AM - Liturgial Arts Team | Sanctuary

Sunday, October 6 **9 AM - Informal Worship** 9 AM - Sprouts | Downstairs 10 AM - O-Rock & Youth | Downstairs 10 AM - Confirmation | Library 10 AM - Adult Forum | Fellowship Hall **11 AM - Traditional Worship 12:30 PM - Blessing of Pets | Front Patio** 4 PM - The Journey | Fellowship Hall

Email <u>administrator@ourredeemers.net</u> if you need online or in-person meeting help. Find meeting information in the announcements herein or on the church's <u>website calendar</u>.





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