

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

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Welcome to Redeemer Homecoming 2018!

We are glad you are here as we gather to hear God's word! Today we will:

- ❖ Celebrate God's goodness as he calls us "home" to his church, into his presence.
- ❖ Welcome Pastor Simeon Raddatz and his wife Lauren and son Elias.
- ❖ Pastor Raddatz will be our guest preacher. He is a son of our congregation, a son of our former Pastor Mark Raddatz.
- ❖ Visit and renew old friendships.
- ❖ Enjoy a delicious covered dish meal on the church lawn (weather permitting).
- ❖ We are collecting a special Homecoming offering for Sarah Wright and the Wagner family following the death of Barbara and Warren Raymond. Please use the special envelopes from the Update or in the Narthex.

Welcome to all and we extend a special welcome to our guests. Please sign the Guest Register, introduce yourself to the Pastor, and please, come and worship with us again.

Worship is a time when our Lord speaks and gives and we listen and receive his gifts of mercy, presence and forgiveness. We respond in prayer, praise and thanksgiving.

Keep a time before worship begins for silence and prayer and meditation. You may use this prayer to prepare for worship:

O Lord, my creator, redeemer, and comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His name. Amen.

✠ Prelude ✠

Service of Prayer and Preaching

(Taken from the Lutheran Service Book, p. 260)

-Stand-

Hymn: Father Welcomes, #605

Opening Versicles (SPOKEN RESPONSIVELY AS PRINTED BELOW)

P This is the day which the Lord has made;

C **let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

P From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

P Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;

C **I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.**

P Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.

C **Teach me Your paths.**

P Sanctify us in Your truth.

C **Your Word is truth.**

P From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

All *Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.*

-Sit-

Old Testament Reading *Genesis 2:18-25*

R This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Psalmody 128 (chanted responsively by Cantor (R) and Congregation (C) as printed below)



R Blessed is everyone who | fears the Lord,* who walks | in his ways!

R The Lord bless you from | Zion!* May you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days | of your life!

C You shall eat the fruit of the labor | of your hands;* you shall be blessed, and it shall be | well with you.

R Your wife will be like a fruitful vine with- | in your house; *your children will be like olive shoots around your | table.

C Behold, thus shall the | man be blessed* who | fears the Lord.

R The Lord bless you from | Zion!* May you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days | of your life!

C May you see your children's | children!* Peace be upon | Israel!

All Glory be to the Father and | to the Son and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be | ginning, *is now, and will be forever. | Amen*

R Blessed is everyone who | fears the Lord,* who walks | in his ways!

Epistle Reading Hebrews 2: 1-13

R This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

-Stand-

Gospel Mark 10:2-16

Responsory



- 1 Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.
- 2 Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.
- 3 Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.



C Lord, I love
the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glo-ry dwells. ,

-Sit-

Hymn: Lord of All Hopefulness, #738

Sermon Mark 10:2-16

Offering

-Stand-

Offertory Hymn: for the Fruits of His Creation, #894

Responsive Prayer

P Holy God, holy and most gracious Father,
C have mercy and hear us.

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.

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life (+) everlasting. Amen.

P I cry to You, O Lord;
C in the morning my prayer comes before You.
P Restore to me the joy of Your salvation,
C and uphold me with a willing spirit.
P My mouth is filled with Your praise,
C and with Your glory all the day.
P Every day I will bless You

C and praise Your name forever and ever.

P By awesome deeds You answer us with righteousness,

C O God of our salvation, the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas.

P Bless the Lord, O my soul;

C and all that is within me, bless His holy name!

P He redeems your life from the pit

C and crowns you with steadfast love and mercy.

P Hear my prayer, O Lord;

C let my cry come to You.

P *Let us pray.* Merciful Father, Your patience and loving-kindness toward us have no end. Grant that by Your Holy Spirit we may always think and do those things that are pleasing in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen

(Additional petitions and thanksgivings are offered here.)

C I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

P The Lord bless us, defend us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life.

C Amen.

Hymn: Go, My Children, with My Blessing, #922

+ POSTLUDE +

SERVING REDEEMER: Mason Houston, Bryson Burkett, Acolytes; Barbara Sigmon, Organist; Stephan Raddatz, Cantor; The Reverend Greg Alms, Pastor; The Reverend Simeon Raddatz, Guest Preacher; Mr. & Mrs. Tony Huffman, Greeters; Allen Bumgarner, Trent Clonger, Bill Little, Johnny Sigmon, Ushers.

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the greater Glory of God and in honor of Barbie Laney's birthday (10/10) and in remembrance of Tim Laney's birthday (10/10) with love from their children and grandchildren.

CHURCH COUNCIL-2018 BUDGET MEETING October 15th 7:00 p.m.

3RD QUARTER VOTER'S MEETING October 21st following worship to approve budget.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM PRACTICE begins October 21st & 28th at 2:00 p.m.

ECCCM REDEEMER WORKDAY October 25th.

CATAWBA VFD RIBEYE STEAK MEAL October 20 4pm – Until Cost \$15 Adult and all take out orders; \$6 Children under 10. Call in orders to go 828/241-4955.

HALLOWEEN ON MAIN STREET the Town of Catawba is sponsoring Halloween on Main Street Wednesday, October 31st 6-8:00 p.m. and has invited community churches to join them in providing a fun and safe Halloween for our youngsters. Redeemer will be hosting the annual trunk or treat in the church parking lot and invites Redeemer members to decorate and fill their vehicle trunks with goodies! To go along with Trunk or Treat, the Town will be offering face painting, games, hayrides, and hotdogs. Prizes will be awarded for the best costumes in all age ranges and the best decorated vehicle trunks.

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY November 4th we will celebrate the remembrance of the faithful departed. If you have any immediate Christian family member who you wish to have included, please contact the church office.

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

- **STUMP THE CHUMP** – 9:00 a.m. through 10-21 Parish Hall with Pastor
- **THE DEFENDERS OF FAITH** resumed this morning with the Book of Acts 9:00 a.m.
- **THE AUGUSBURG CONFESSION** 7:00 p.m. through October 24 with Pastor
- **WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY** 10:30 a.m. studying the book of Genesis

HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT THOSE RECOVERING FROM FLORENCE

LOCALLY Pastor Eric Hollar needs volunteers to help with Hurricane Relief efforts in Eastern NC. If you can help or need more info email hollar76@yahoo.com

SED-LCMS

- For financial donations - <http://se.lcms.org/giving/>
- For District Relief updates - <http://se.lcms.org/resources/disaster-relief/>
- To sign up for the Disaster Relief Update newsletter email - tholmes@se.lcms.org

+ G O D ' S P E O P L E P R A Y +

Prayers for the sick and suffering: Joe Cottle (Heart condition, Brother of Fran Little); Carol Pelto (Mother of Steve Pelton); Paula Lancaster (Home); Mark Herbert; (Blood clot); Tom Hurley (friend of Carroll Yount); Betty Matthews; Sharon Abernathy (co-worker Maria Bratton); Bert Sigmon; Travis Smith (grandson of Georgia Lyda); Penny Sundell (friend of Amanda Eury); Brian Sullivan (friend of Angela Isenhour); Jeannie Sigmon; Dan & Carol Pelto (parents of Steve Pelto); Rick Talledira (friend of Mark Herbert); Jerry Kanipe (brother of Betty Matthews); J.R. Littlejohn; Marilyn Fertig; Shirley Stewart; Jerry Clontz (friend of Trent & Tina Cloninger); Shirley Grindstaff (friend of Ken & Nancy Edwards); Wilma Hoke, (friend of Janice Ervin); Virginia Winecoff, (Friend of Janice Ervin); Erin Sipe (daughter of Gary & Susan Witherspoon); James Hedrick (friend of Avis and Bobby Matthews; Jerry Tibbs (Jackie Sherrill's Pops); Linda Richards (friend of Fran Little); Guy Lee (friend of Rodney Yount); Joshua Bokaguard.

In thanksgiving for prayers answered on behalf of Pem Andreson.