

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

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Welcome to Redeemer Lutheran Church! Welcome to all and we extend a special welcome to our guests. Please sign a Guest Card available in the pew in front of you. 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. You may use this prayer to prepare for worship:

Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells. In the multitude of Your tender mercies prepare my heart that I may enter Your house to worship and confess Your holy name; through Jesus Christ, my God and Lord.

Taking the Lord's Supper at Redeemer ... The Lord's Supper is celebrated at Redeemer in the confession and glad confidence that, as he says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us, and any denial of His Holy Words, that they may show forth His death until He comes. Please fill out a Communion Registration Card (located in pew racks). If you are in any doubt about our confession of faith, are communing for the first time or are a member of another denomination, please speak to the Pastor before communing in person. Thank you.

Here is a prayer for use before taking Holy Communion:

Lord, I am not worthy to be a guest at your holy table. But you are the friend of sinners, and you will not cast me out. This bread is your body, which bore my sins upon the tree. This wine is your blood, which purifies me from all guilt. At your invitation, I come rejoicing. Receive me, my Savior. Amen.

+ **PRELUDE** +

Stand

Baptismal Hymn: God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It, # 594 Verses 1-3

(Tune: Christ the Life of All the Living)

Public Recognition and Celebration of the Baptism of



Holy Baptism (LSB, Page 268)

BROOKS LANEY

Baptized November 10, 2018

Baptismal Hymn: God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It, # 594 Verses 4-5

(Tune: Christ the Life of All the Living)

The Service Continues ~ Divine Service One (LSB, Page 156)

Salutation and Collect of the Day



P The Lord be with you. (2 Timothy 4:22)



C And al - so with you.

P *Let us pray.* O Lord, You have called us to enter Your kingdom through the narrow door. Guide us by Your Word and Spirit, and lead us now and always into the feast of Your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Sit

First Reading: Isaiah 66:18-23

R This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 50:1-15 (spoken responsively as below)

P Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth.

P The Mighty One, God the Lord, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

C Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth.

P Our God comes; he does not keep silence; before him is a devouring fire, around him a mighty tempest.

C He calls to the heavens above and to the earth, that he may judge his people:

P “Gather to me my faithful ones, who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!”

C The heavens declare his righteousness, for God himself is judge! *Selah*

P “Hear, O my people, and I will speak; O Israel, I will testify against you. I am God, your God.

C Not for your sacrifices do I rebuke you; your burnt offerings are continually before me.

P I will not accept a bull from your house or goats from your folds.

C For every beast of the forest is mine, the cattle on a thousand hills.

P I know all the birds of the hills, and all that moves in the field is mine.

C “If I were hungry, I would not tell you, for the world and its fullness are mine.

P Do I eat the flesh of bulls or drink the blood of goats?

C Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and perform your vows to the Most High,

P and call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me.”

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.

P Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth.

Second Reading: Hebrews 12:4-24

R This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse (John 6:68)

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke.



☐ Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

Gospel Reading: Luke 13:22-30

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



☐ Praise to You, O Christ.

Hymn: My Faith Looks Up to Thee, #702

Sermon

Prayer of the Church (1 Timothy 2: 1-4)

Nicene Creed (Spoken by All)

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Sit

Offering

Stand

Offertory: Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, And fill to the brim our

cup of bless - ing, Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were
 sown, That we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the
 hopes and the dreams of all; U - nite them with the prayers we
 of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with Your pres - ence, and
 give us A fore - taste of the feast to come.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

P The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

G And al - so with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

Colossians 3:22

G We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Psalms 136



C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary . . . evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy) Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -



san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The Words of Our Lord (Matthew 26:26-28, Mark 14: 22-24, Luke 22: 19-20, 1 Corinthians 11: 23-25)

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My (+) body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

P In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My (+) blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

Proclamation of Christ (1 Corinthians 11:26)

P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.

C **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.** (Revelation 22:20)

P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

Lord's Prayer (Spoken by all)

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. Matthew 6:9-13

Pax Domini (Peace of the Lord) (John 20: 19)

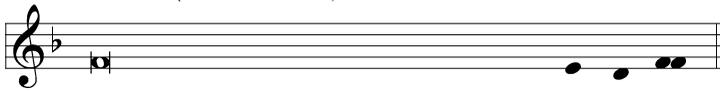
P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.** (We greet one another, saying, “The Peace of the Lord.”)

Agnus Dei (Lamb of God) (John 1: 29)

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.

Benediction (Numbers 6:24-26)



P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you
and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.



C A - men.

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

+ **POSTLUDE** +

The Youth and Leaders who attended the LCMS 2019 Youth Gathering would like to show their appreciation for Redeemer's support to make their trip possible and to also share their experiences with you. Please join them in the parish hall for a "Thank You Dessert Reception".

SERVING REDEEMER: Joslyn Lael, Anna Rhode, Acolytes; Barbara Sigmon, Organist; The Reverend Greg Alms, Pastor; Phillip Davis, Derran Medlin, Elder-Servers; Mr. & Mrs. Donny Houston, Greeters; Trent Cloninger, Bob Eury, Bryant Isenhour, Michael Isenhour, Ushers.

CONFIRMATION MEETING with Parents and Students following this morning's worship.

SUNDAY SCHOOL RALLY DAY SEPTEMBER 1st "Jesus' Love is out of this World!"

SEPTEMBER UPDATES available this morning from Bill and Fran. Please request the Update for family and friends who are unable to worship with us this morning.

COUNCIL ON ADOLESCENTS OF CATAWBA COUNTY is needing volunteers to serve as a Lunch Buddy for a middle school youth this school year. Information and orientation sessions will meet August 26th 5:30-6:30. If you are interested please call Tracey Paul at 322-4591 to schedule this required orientation for first-time Lunch Buddy participants.

FIRST RESPONDER GARDEN OF HONOR engraved bricks (4x8 \$100 8x8 \$250) for the Sidewalk of Honor and also will be adding Veteran names (\$50 each) to the VGH wall on Veteran's Day 2019. Deadline to order a brick or submit a Veteran names is September 30th. Forms are available in Narthex or speak with Fran Little.

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

AUGUST 21ST WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY RESUMES at 10:30 a.m.

LETTER TO THE GALATIANS: Defenders of the Faith Class in the Education Wing Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m.

SEVEN STRANGE STORIES: The Bible has some stories that seem strange to us. But they have so much to teach us! Beginning **SEPTEMBER 1ST** Pastor's Sunday Bible class.

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 11TH AT 7:00 p.m. There are so many Christian groups and denominations: Baptists, Methodists, Roman Catholics, Presbyterians and many more. Join Pastor Alms as we explore how we are all the same and different. Sign up in the Parish Hall!

PRAYERS

Has your friend returned to normal activities?

Please advise church office so prayers of thanksgiving may be made.

FOR THE SICK AND SUFFERING

Members of Redeemer

Dianne Wesson; Rodney Lowrance;
Ruby Overcash; Wendy Bruns;
Carolyn Galloway; Georgia Lyda;
Joanna Wilson; Dennis Hedrick; Doris
Nagle; Mike Grandstaff; Avis
Matthews, Mabel Medlin; Shirley
Stewart; Mark Eury; Bobby
Matthews; Bert Sigmon.

Friends of the Redeemer family

Lee Durham; Edith Miller; Jack Lynn; Melanie
Matthews; Debbie Bernard; Michele Day; Travis
Smith; Evan Owensby; Everett Biscoe; Chris
Worley; Bradley Lyda; Cheryl Kiser; Chris
Averitt; Carol Pelto; Tom Hurley, Travis Smith;
Brian Sullivan; Jerry Kanipe; Wilma Hoke, Erin
Sipe; Jerry Tibbs.



Prayers of thanksgiving for the gift of Baptism and for God's continued blessings upon Brooks Laney.