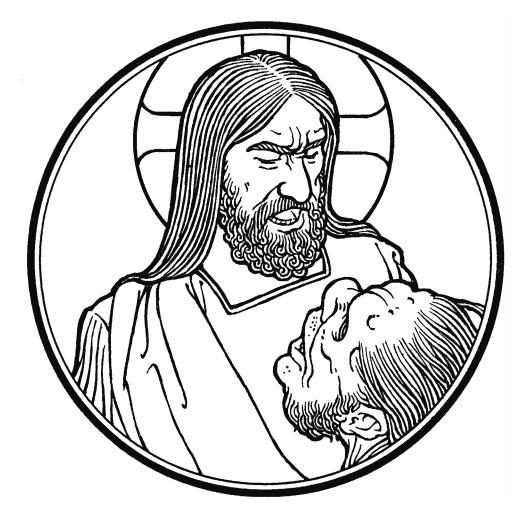
THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY WEEK OF JANUARY 28, 2024



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Please fill out a Communion/Visitor Card and place it in the Offering Box.

Opening Hymn: 825 Rise, Shine, You People

- ↑ Order of Service, Divine Service 4, LSB p. 203
- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- **P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **C** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.
- Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.
- Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the H Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Kyrie and Gloria in Excelsis (Music: LSB p. 204)

- **C** Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.
- To God on high be glory And peace to all the earth; Goodwill from God in heaven Proclaimed at Jesus' birth! We praise and bless You, Father; Your holy name, we sing— Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heav'nly King.

- To You, O sole-begotten, The Father's Son, we pray;
 O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away.
 Have mercy on us, Jesus; Receive our heartfelt cry,
 Where You in pow'r are seated At God's right hand on high—
- For You alone are holy; You only are the Lord. Forever and forever, Be worshiped and adored; You with the Holy Spirit Alone are Lord Most High, In God the Father's glory. "Amen!" our glad reply.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- P Let us pray. ... Almighty God, You know we live in the midst of so many dangers that in our frailty we cannot stand upright. Grant strength and protection to support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

among you, from your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your brothers—it is to him you shall listen— ¹⁶just as you desired of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly, when you said, 'Let me not hear again the voice of the LORD my God or see this great fire any more, lest I die.' ¹⁷And the LORD said to me, 'They are right in what they have spoken. ¹⁸I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers. And I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him. ¹⁹And whoever will not listen to my words that he shall speak in my name, I myself will require it of him.

²⁰But the prophet who presumes to speak a word in my name that I have not commanded him to speak, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that same prophet shall die."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

1 Corinthians 8:1–13

¹Concerning food offered to idols: we know that "all of us possess knowledge." This "knowledge" puffs up, but love builds up. ²If anyone imagines that he knows something, he does not yet know as he ought to know. ³But if anyone loves God, he is known by God.

⁴Therefore, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that "an idol has no real existence," and that "there is no God but one." ⁵For although there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as indeed there are many "gods" and many "lords"— ⁶yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

⁷However, not all possess this knowledge. But some, through former association with idols, eat food as really offered to an idol, and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. ⁸Food will not commend us to God. We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. ⁹But take care that this right of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. ¹⁰For if anyone sees you who have knowledge eating in an idol's temple, will he not be encouraged, if his conscience is weak, to eat food offered to idols? ¹¹And so by your knowledge this weak person is destroyed, the brother for whom Christ died. ¹²Thus, sinning against your brothers and wounding their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. ¹³Therefore, if food makes my brother stumble, I will never eat meat, lest I make my brother stumble.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

↑ Alleluia and Verse

C Alleluia, Alleluia! These things are written that you may believe That Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Holy Gospel Mark 1:21–28

(Music: LSB p. 205)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

²¹They went into Capernaum, and immediately on the Sabbath [Jesus] entered the synagogue and was teaching. ²²And they were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes. ²³And immediately there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit. And he cried out, ²⁴"What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God."

²⁵But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" ²⁶And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying out with a loud voice, came out of him.

²⁷And they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, "What is this? A new teaching with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him."

²⁸And at once his fame spread everywhere throughout all the surrounding region of Galilee.

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

C 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.

♣ Hymn: 849 Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness
Sermon

↑ Prayer of the Church

- **P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P To the Holy Trinity who alone is God of gods and Lord of lords, from whom with Jesus Christ are all things, and for the revelation of His saving knowledge to us and all the world, that together we may be known by God, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For the Church and her ministers, that the God who speaks by His Christ, the Prophet greater than Moses, would make them diligent to listen to His Word and speak it faithfully in His name; and that God would preserve us from false prophets who would lead us away from His truth, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- P For our families and homes, that God would guard them and build them up in love; that He would support parents in their task of instructing their children; that He would strengthen those whose faith is weak; and that He would make us bold to forego convenience and security to attest the truths of our most holy faith, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- P For those who are sick, distressed, in danger or facing any need, that the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Great Physician who cast out unclean spirits and taught with authority, would sustain them with patience, trusting in His merciful care, and so graciously relieve them, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For all who partake this day of Christ's holy body and blood, that in their eating and drinking they may receive the benefits of forgiveness of sins and renewal of life, and so receive a foretaste of the feast to come, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.

Decord, heavenly Father, we gratefully remember the sufferings and death of Your dear Son, Jesus Christ, for our salvation. Rejoicing in His victorious resurrection from the dead, we draw strength from His ascension before You, where He ever stands for us as our own High Priest. Gather us together 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, for to You alone we give all glory, honor and worship, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Service of the Sacrament

Communion Liturgy: (Music: LSB pp. 208-212)

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

- Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;
 Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.
 Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;
 Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!
- P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. As the glory of Your presence once filled Your ancient temple, so in the incarnation of Your Son, Jesus Christ, You manifested the fullness of Your glory in human flesh. We give You thanks that in His most Holy Supper You reveal Your glory to us. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood so that we may one day behold Your glory face to face. Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:
- 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.

The Words of Our Lord

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." 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."

Pax Vobiscum

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.

Agnus Dei

- 1 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away; O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.
- 2 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away; Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.
- ◆ Distribution Hymns:
 663 Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray
 621 Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence
 527 O Savior, Precious Savior

↑ Post-Communion Liturgy: (Music: LSB p. 211-212)

- O Lord, now let Your servant Depart in heav'nly peace, For I have seen the glory Of Your redeeming grace: A light to lead the Gentiles Unto Your holy hill, The glory of Your people, Your chosen Israel.
- All glory to the Father, All glory to the Son, All glory to the Spirit, Forever Three in One; For as in the beginning, Is now, shall ever be, God's triune name resounding Through all eternity.

- P Let us bless the Lord. C Thanks be to God.
- 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 Amen.

Closing Hymn:

815 All Praise to Thee, for Thou, O King Divine sts. 1, 3, 5

- All praise to Thee, for Thou, O King divine,
 Didst yield the glory that of right was Thine,
 That in our darkened hearts Thy grace might shine. Alleluia!
- 3 Let this mind be in us which was in Thee, Who wast a servant that we might be free, Humbling Thyself to death on Calvary. Alleluia!
- 5 Let ev'ry tongue confess with one accord, In heav'n and earth, that Jesus Christ is Lord, And God the Father be by all adored. Alleluia!

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Worship Times: Sunday at 9:00 A.M. & Monday at 6:00 P.M.

Welcome

We are glad that you have joined us today as we worship our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. If you have any questions during worship, please feel free to ask an usher at any time.

Small children are part of the Body of Christ. We always welcome them in worship. However, we understand that it may not be easy to remain still or quiet. If a break is needed, "Busy Bags" are hanging up as you enter the Sanctuary.

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Altar Flowers

Prayers

This Week at Redeemer

Sunday, January 28th 9:00 am Worship 10:00 am Sunday School

Monday, January 29th 8:15 am Finance 6:00 pm Worship

Tuesday, January 30th
7:00 am Men's Bible Study
9:00 am Women's Bible Study

Wednesday, January 31st 5:00 pm Catechism @ Good Shepherd

Thursday, February 1st

Friday, February 2nd

Saturday, February 3rd

Sunday, February 4th 9:00 am Worship 10:00 am Sunday School

Last Week Attendance: 140 Last Week Offering: \$11,330

Statement on Holy Communion

The Lord's Supper is joyfully received here every weekend and on other holy days. At the altar, our Lord Jesus Christ delivers His true body and blood into our mouths. His gift of body and blood, given in, with, and under the bread and wine, bestows tremendous benefits. His body and blood forgives our sins, strengthens our faith, binds us to the Lord, and unites us with each other. In this is life and salvation. All members of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod have publicly confessed this sacred gift and its blessings, and so are encouraged to commune. Other guests wishing to join our confession and receive this Holy Sacrament are asked to meet with a pastor before communing for the first time. When you have examined yourself according to Christ's bidding (1 Corinthians 11:17-34), come to His Supper rejoicing, just as Jesus asks, knowing that our Lord meets you at His altar with joy. Those coming to the altar for a blessing rather than the Holy Supper are asked to cross their arms over their chest.

Bible Study Update

Pastor Schmitt WILL be holding Bible Study at Redeemer each week. The men's Bible Study will be Tuesdays at 7:00am and the women's Bible Study will be on Tuesdays at 9:00am.

2024 Altar Flowers

The sign-up sheet for 2024 altar flowers is available at the Welcome Center. Thank you to everyone that contributed flowers in 2023!

Fellowship Sign-Up

Just a reminder that there is a sign-up sheet for Fellowship at the Welcome Center. All groups/friends/families are encouraged to sign-up to host fellowship for a week. If you don't want to bake, there are always cookies available to set out. Thank you!

Call Committee Update

The Call Committee has now spoken with all the candidates that were open to an interview and will be meeting in the days ahead to confirm the final list to be presented to the Congregation, should all those candidates still be open to a call. In case some are not interested, we have proactively asked the District to provide more names for consideration. At the time of printing this bulletin we are still waiting to hear back from some of the candidates that we previously interviewed so look to future bulletin's to provide further updates.

Redeemer Preschool Update

Our Preschool continues to be a blessing to our church and a blessing to our community – and we give thanks to God for that, and for the amazing team of teachers that make the program the success that it is. Two of our staff, Preschool Director Patti Fellows and Preschool Teacher Jerri Rathjen have advised the Board that this will be their last year at Redeemer.

Firstly, we want to express our deepest gratitude for the incredible impact they have had on the lives of so many young children that have come through the doors at Redeemer. Their dedication, passion, and nurturing spirit have created a foundation of learning and love for Jesus that will last a lifetime.

Now, we start the search for those that will fill the shoes left behind. As we work towards finalizing the details and documents to officially start the search, we also ask the members of Redeemer to think of who they might know that could step into one of these roles, or to reach out to others that might be able to offer insight or recommendations. Should you have any names to pass along – or any questions, please feel free to contact Beth Utech or Michael Gregurich.

2024-25 Preschool Registration Is Open

We are now accepting registrations for preschool. All forms are available in the office or on our website. Please share this information with friends and family! Word of mouth is our best advertising.

Lenten Soup Supper

Sign-up sheets are available at the Welcome Center for our Lenten Suppers. These will begin on Ash Wednesday, February 14th and continue for the next 5 Wednesdays throughout Lent. If any group would like to host a soup supper or multiple soup suppers, please sign your group up at the Welcome Center.

Sledding

Save the Date: Family Ministry would like to invite everyone to join us for sledding on February 10 at Wilson middle school hills from 9-11 a.m., weather permitting. Contact Beth Utecht 952-240-4817 with any questions.



We Need Ushers!

We need ushers! It is getting tougher and tougher to fill our schedule. It is a pretty straight forward task to serve your fellow church members on a Sunday or Monday. Handing out bulletins, lighting the candles and ushering communion are the key responsibilities. If you are interested, please let the office or one of the board members know. We will set up training for those that sign up, and anyone currently ushering that would like a refresher course. Thank you!

Snow Removal Update

A family has agreed to do the snow sidewalk removal for the church. However, they are out of town/unavailable the following dates: Feb 16-18, March 28-3.

If it would snow and you are willing to help with the snow removal any of the above dates, please contact Kyle Weidmayer at (517)-282-0309 or by email at kweidmayer76@icloud.com. Thanks for your help!

Redeemer Book Club

- WHO: Open to all adult members, prospective members, and friends/family of members of Redeemer Lutheran church
- WHAT: Each month, book club participants will take turns choosing a book for the group to read from the Public Library's Book Club Kits. The book selected is at the discretion of the person/persons choosing that month. If the genre is not something a participant is interested in, they will be encouraged to select a book for the next available month.
 - Books will be displayed on the desk at the Welcome Center when available. They should be returned at the monthly gatherings unless other arrangements are made.
- **WHEN:** There will be two (2) sessions scheduled each month, September-May, with the exception of December:
 - o The fourth Thursday of each month at 1:00 PM and
 - The fourth Saturday of each month at 1:00 PM

Summer months may continue, depending on how many participants are interested. Cancellations will be posted on Redeemer's Facebook page.

- WHERE: At Redeemer Lutheran Church; Thursday group may enter through main office doors, and go to the conference room.
 Saturday group may enter through parking lot door at the end of the office wing, and meet in lounge to the left.
- **QUESTIONS:** If you have any questions or need more information, please contact:

Tami Fricke: (920) 905-0369Lisa Battin: (920) 323-6456

Youth Game Night

Youth Game Nights are on February 7th and 21st, from 6:00 - 6:30 pm (following confirmation). Please note the new location: *Good Shepherd Church in Two Rivers*! The February puzzle is below:

Haiku from Mark 1:
The time is fulfilled,
the kingdom of God at hand
Repent and _____.

Kwik Trip, Restocked!

The Kwik Trip cards have been restocked in all denominations (\$10, \$25, \$50, \$100). Thank you for your continued support of this preschool fundraiser!!

Winter Weather

As winter weather is upon us again there might be a time when worship or other activities may need to be canceled. Every effort will always be made to have worship. Since the most likely time to cancel something would be on a weekend, we have learned that it is easier to contact some media outlets over others on the weekend. We will try to make sure every TV station has our information, but WBAY (channel 2) and NBC26 will be the first place that information will be posted along with Redeemer's Facebook page.