



CHURCH OF THE
REDEEMER

THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 27, 2020

Officiant: Blessed be God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Officiant: Almighty God to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN

You may kneel or sit during the prayer of confession

Officiant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

People: Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word and deed,
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Priest: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Officiant: O Lord, open our lips.

People: And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Officiant: O God, make speed to save us;

People: O Lord, make haste to help us.

Officiant: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

People: As it was in the beginning, is now,
and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Officiant: Praise the Lord.

People: The Lord's name be praised.

ALL HAIL THE POWER

Verse 1

All hail the power of Jesus name
Let angels prostrate fall
Bring forth the royal diadem
And crown Him Lord of all
Bring forth the royal diadem
And crown Him Lord of all

Verse 2

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race
Ye ransomed from the fall
Hail Him who saves you by His grace
And crown Him Lord of all
Hail Him who saves you by His grace
And crown Him Lord of all

Verse 3

Sinners whose love can never forget
The wormwood and the gall
Go spread your trophies at His feet
And crown Him Lord of all
Go spread your trophies at His feet
And crown Him Lord of all

Verse 4

Let every kindred every tribe
On this terrestrial ball
To Him all majesty ascribe
And crown Him Lord of all
To Him all majesty ascribe
And crown Him Lord of all

Verse 5

O that with yonder sacred throng
We at His feet may fall
We'll join the everlasting song
And crown Him Lord of all
We'll join the everlasting song
And crown Him Lord of all

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CHILDREN'S FOCUS

ACTS 28:23-31

²³ When they had appointed a day for him, they came to him at his lodging in greater numbers. From morning till evening he expounded to them, testifying to the kingdom of God and trying to convince them about Jesus both from the Law of Moses and from the Prophets. ²⁴ And some were convinced by what he said, but others disbelieved. ²⁵ And disagreeing among themselves, they departed after Paul had made one statement: "The Holy Spirit was right in saying to your fathers through Isaiah the prophet:

²⁶ "'Go to this people, and say,
"You will indeed hear but never understand,
and you will indeed see but never perceive."

²⁷ For this people's heart has grown dull,
and with their ears they can barely hear,

and their eyes they have closed;
lest they should see with their eyes
and hear with their ears
and understand with their heart
and turn, and I would heal them.'

²⁸ Therefore let it be known to you that this salvation of God has been sent to the Gentiles; they will listen."

³⁰ He lived there two whole years at his own expense, and welcomed all who came to him, ³¹ proclaiming the kingdom of God and teaching about the Lord Jesus Christ with all boldness and without hindrance.

The Holy Bible, ESV

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

JOHN 12:44-50

⁴⁴ And Jesus cried out and said, "Whoever believes in me, believes not in me but in him who sent me. ⁴⁵ And whoever sees me sees him who sent me. ⁴⁶ I have come into the world as light, so that whoever believes in me may not remain in darkness. ⁴⁷ If anyone hears my words and does not keep them, I do not judge him; for I did not come to judge the world but to save the world. ⁴⁸ The one who rejects me and does not receive my words has a judge; the word that I have spoken will judge him on the last day. ⁴⁹ For I have not spoken on my own authority, but the Father who sent me has himself given me a commandment—what to say and what to speak. ⁵⁰ And I know that his commandment is eternal life. What I say, therefore, I say as the Father has told me."

The Holy Bible, ESV

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

HOMILY

Rev. Paul Calvin

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

THE COLLECT

O merciful Lord, grant to your faithful people pardon and peace, that by your grace we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve you with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE PEACE

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

As we remember the peace that we have been given with God through his forgiveness, we also remember that He has made us at peace with one another. That is why we "exchange the peace." You may say "The peace of the Lord" to those around you, or just say "Hello."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE OFFERTORY

In order to support the mission of the church financially, you may send checks to Church of the Redeemer, P.O. Box 130965, St. Paul, MN 55113, or if you wish to give online or set up direct deposit from your bank account, please visit <https://oftheredeemer.org/give/>

Officiant: Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the Kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as Head above all. All things come from you, O Lord,

People: And of your own have we given you.

1 Chronicles 29:11, 14

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant: It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth...

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of ___

Hosts. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of ___

Hosts. Hea - ven and earth are ___ full of the

glo - ry of your ma - jes - ty Bles - sed is he who

comes ___ in the name of the Lord Ho - san - na in the

high - est Ho - san - na in the high - est Ho - san - na

in the high - - - est.

Elizabeth Stewart
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*Celebrant: Holy and gracious Father...
Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:*

Celebrant and People:
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

Celebrant: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving...

...all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

Celebrant and People: AMEN.

And now, as our savior Christ has taught us we are bold to pray together,

Celebrant and People:

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.

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed for us, once for all upon the cross.

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Bread and Cup are given to the communicants with these words:

*The body of Christ, the bread of heaven.
The blood of Christ, the cup of salvation.*

Directions for Communion

All baptized believers in Jesus Christ are welcome to receive communion. However, if you are not able to receive you may remain seated or come forward for a prayer of blessing from one of our ministers. Please indicate your desire for a prayer of blessing by crossing your arms across your chest.

Outdoors: Greeters will dismiss and direct one representative of each household to receive Holy Communion from the Table at the front or rear of our gathering, depending upon where you are seated. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

Single-person households are welcome to receive and consume at the Table. Household representatives will distribute and consume with their family members at the place where they are seated.

Indoors: Greeters will dismiss you by row to receive Holy Communion. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. Please extend your open palm to receive and wait to consume the bread after you have returned to your pew.

Prayer Ministry

If you would like to receive prayer for physical, emotional, or spiritual needs, prayer ministers are available to pray with you during our communion worship and for a short time after the service. This time of prayer is considered private and confidential, and whatever you share with prayer ministers will not be brought up again by them unless you initiate.

If you are unable to receive Communion today, you may participate in worship with the following prayer:

A Prayer When Unable to Receive Communion

Heavenly Father, I now join my heart and mind with all my brothers and sisters in Holy Mother Church throughout the world who gather at your holy table this day to remember your death and proclaim your resurrection. Accept my soul and body as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to you, through the merits of your dear son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Hasten the day when I may once more draw near with them to receive the most precious sacrament of your body and blood. Amen.

GOODNESS OF GOD

Verse 1

I love You Lord
Oh Your mercy never fails me
All my days
I've been held in Your hands
From the moment that I wake up
Until I lay my head
I will sing of the goodness of God

Chorus

All my life You have been faithful
All my life You have been so so good
With every breath that I am able
I will sing of the goodness of God

Verse 2

I love Your voice
You have led me through the fire
In darkest night
You are close like no other
I've known You as a father
I've known You as a friend
I have lived in the goodness of God

Bridge

Your goodness is running after
It's running after me
Your goodness is running after
It's running after me
With my life laid down
I'm surrendered now
I give You everything
Your goodness is running after
It's running after me

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GOD IS WORKING HIS PURPOSE OUT

Verse 1

God is working his purpose out
As year succeeds to year
God is working His purpose out
And the time is drawing near
Nearer and nearer draws the time
The time that shall surely be
When the earth shall be filled
With the glory of God
As the waters cover the sea

Verse 2

From utmost East to utmost West
Where'er man's foot hath trod
By the mouth of many messengers
Goes forth the voice of God
Give ear to me ye continents
Ye isles give ear to Me
That the earth may be filled
With the glory of God
As the waters cover the sea

Verse 3

March we forth in the strength of God
With the banner of Christ unfurled
That the light of the glorious gospel's truth
May shine throughout the world
Fight we the fight with sorrow and sin
To set their captives free
That the earth may be filled
With the glory of God
As the waters cover the sea

Verse 4

All we can do is nothing worth
Unless God blesses the deed
Vainly we hope for harvest-tide
Till God gives life to the seed
Yet nearer and nearer draws the time
The time that shall surely be
When the earth shall be filled
With the glory of God
As the waters cover the sea

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Celebrant and People:

Heavenly Father, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out into the world to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

Celebrant: The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

Deacon: Alleluia. Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia.

WELCOME!

Thank you for joining us in worship today. We are blessed by your participation with us. If you would like to be contacted by one of our clergy or added to our weekly email communication, please enter your information [using this link](#). Thank you!

A digital copy of today's bulletin with links is available at:
<https://oftheredeemer.org/events/gathered-worship/>

HOLY IMAGINATIONS

As we make our way through the Book of Acts this summer, let's engage our imaginations. Kids, youth and adults are all invited to share artwork based on the Sunday Acts passage. No deadlines, and you are welcome to return to earlier passages and prompts anytime.

[Upload your work here.](#)

SERMON REFLECTION QUESTIONS

- The book of Acts begins in Jerusalem (Acts 1:4) and ends in Rome (Acts 28:14b). How does the movement from Jerusalem to Rome illustrate the geographic, cultural, and political scope of the Church's witness (Acts 1:8)?
- What are the differences between disbelief and unbelief? Did Paul's quotation of Isa. 6:9-10 primarily address disbelief or unbelief?

GATHERED WORSHIP: FALL & WINTER



We have been blessed by great weather for outdoor services these past few weeks! Thanks be to God, and thank you to everyone who helps to make our outdoor gathered services possible.

In anticipation of the changing weather, the vestry and I have been in contact with Calvary

Church in Roseville about the potential use of their sanctuary in the fall and winter. We're pleased to announce that we will begin indoor gathered worship in their sanctuary on Sunday, Oct. 11, 4:30 p.m. Calvary's sanctuary capacity of 200 with social distancing and HVAC system provides a much more favorable setting for gathering during the pandemic and we're grateful to be included in their plans for stewardship of their facilities.

This is a temporary arrangement for Sunday services and we will continue to use Gathering Place for midweek and other smaller group gatherings. Details of how we will gather at Calvary will be shared in an upcoming video.

blessings in Christ,

Paul+

WOMEN'S FALL RETREAT

All women of Redeemer are invited to a half-day retreat at Shepherd's Hill Farm on **Saturday, October 10, 1:00-4:30 p.m.** During the afternoon we will pray and worship together. Our format will be simple and open. You are welcome to arrive as early as 9am to enjoy some time and space in a beautiful outdoor setting!

Contact Anne Calvin or Dawn Lundgren if you have any questions

Register HERE: <https://ofthereedeemer.breezechms.com/form/c07d6e>

SERVICE OPPORTUNITY WITH ST. JOHN'S KAREN ANGLICAN

This past week, Arrive Ministries, a refugee resettlement agency and ministry in the Twin Cities, informed us that a family of six is arriving from Burma next week and has connections with us through a family member at St. John's Karen Anglican church in St. Paul. This is our second opportunity to welcome a refugee family and a great opportunity for partnership and fellowship with our brothers and sisters at St. John's.

Fall and winter clothing is an immediate need for the family! Please bring donations of jackets, hats, mittens, and other fall/winter clothing to our next Sunday service. Please contact Kyong Song with questions (kyongmin.song@gmail.com).

- Men's coats sizes medium or small.
- Women's coats size 4 or 6.
- Coats and clothing for girls ages 7, 9, & 12.
- Coats and clothing for son, age 14.

YOUTH OF THE REDEEMER

This coming school year we are excited to launch Church of the Redeemer's first formal Youth Group! Youth will be meeting once a week for a time of fellowship, teaching, and sharing. We will be exploring the question "What is our salvation for?" through the video curriculum "For the Life of the World: Letters to the Exiles." We ask for your prayers as we move forward in developing youth programming.



KidConnect - Gathered

Children in K-3rd and 4th-5th are invited to gather outside before the Sunday worship service for bible engagement and connection with their peers. Children will come every other week with children in the same family on the same week. Please watch for details via email about start time, location and other info!

KidConnect - Zoom

Nursery and preschool aged children are invited to join weekly Zoom gatherings on **Sundays 9–9:30 a.m.** starting September 20. Contact Anna Wilson (anna@ofthedeemer.org) or Julie Willey (julie@ofthedeemer.org) for more information and the Zoom link.

UPCOMING REGIONAL EVENTS

Throughout the month of October, the Anglican churches of Minnesota and South Dakota are joining with one another in a special prayer focus for the spheres of healthcare, education, government, and other places of need. A printed daily prayer guide will be distributed this Sunday and Evening Prayer will be offered via Zoom each Thursday, 7 p.m. beginning Oct. 1. Save these dates!

- Oct. 1: Healthcare
- Oct. 8: Education
- Oct. 15: Places of need
- Oct. 22: Government

Revive

Revive is an annual weekend when our family of churches in the Upper Midwest diocese gather for worship and teaching. Mark your calendars for a special live-streamed event, Thursday, Oct. 29-31. More details to come!

Election day prayer vigil

As we and our nation elect a new president and other representatives, we will keep a 24 hour prayer vigil, beginning with Morning Prayer, 8 a.m. on election day Nov. 3 and ending with Morning Prayer, 8 a.m. on Nov. 4. A sign-up form will be shared in the coming weeks.

MORNING PRAYER

Join us in worship on Wednesdays, 8 a.m. each week. You may participate by dial-in or via internet with audio and video. Morning Prayer follows a brief order of service lasting approximately 30 minutes that includes musical worship, scripture readings, a brief reflection on the day's scripture passage, and prayer. Login information and a downloadable orders of service is available at:

<https://oftheredeemer.org/events/wednesday-worship-prayer/>

PASTORAL CARE & BENEVOLENCE

Please contact [Fr. Paul](#), [Deacon Liz](#), or [Deacon Dawn](#) if you are in need or are aware of someone who has immediate needs for food, transportation, housing, or healthcare.

READING OF ACTS 27 & 28

This summer we're studying the book of Acts together as a church. For the context around recent sermons, enjoy these [readings of Acts 27 & 28](#) by Kyong and Emily Song.



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