

The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost October 4, 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.

Steadfast

Verse 1
I will build my house
Whether storm or drought
On the rock that does not move
I will set my hope
In Your love O Lord
And Your faithfulness will prove

Chorus You are steadfast steadfast (2X)

Verse 2
By the word You spoke
All the starry host
Are called out by name each night
In Your watchful care
I will rest secure
As you lead us with Your light

Verse 3
I will not trust in the strength of kings
On Your promise I will stand
I will shout for joy I will raise my voice
Hallelujah to the Lamb

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CHILDREN'S FOCUS

Isaiah 5:1-7

- ¹ Let me sing for my beloved my love song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard
- My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill.
- ² He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it;

and newed out a wine vat in it; and he looked for it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes.

- ³ And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah,
- judge between me and my vineyard.

 ⁴ What more was there to do for my vineyard, that I have not done in it?

When I looked for it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes?

⁵ And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard.

I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured: I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. ⁶ I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and briers and thorns shall grow up; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it. ⁷ For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel, and the men of Judah are his pleasant planting; and he looked for justice, but behold, bloodshed; for righteousness, but behold, an outcry!

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

Matthew.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

MATTHEW 21:33-44

³³ "Hear another parable. There was a master of a house who planted a vineyard and put a fence around it and dug a winepress in it and built a tower and leased it to tenants, and went into another country. ³⁴ When the season for fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to get his fruit. ³⁵ And the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. ³⁶ Again he sent other servants, more than the first. And they did the same to them. ³⁷ Finally he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' ³⁸ But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and have his inheritance.' ³⁹ And they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. ⁴⁰ When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" ⁴¹ They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons."

⁴² Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the Scriptures:

"'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes'?

⁴³ Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people producing its fruits. ⁴⁴ And the one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and when it falls on anyone, it will crush him."

The Holy Bible, ESV

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord. People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Homily

Andy Bramsen

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

Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in continual godliness, that through your protection it may be free from all adversities, and devotedly serve you in good works, to the glory of your Name; 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.

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:



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.

<u>Outdoors:</u> 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.

<u>Indoors:</u> 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 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.

HIS LOVE IS MY RESTING PLACE (PSALM 23)

Verse 1

The Lord is my guide and friend I rest well when I'm with him No hunger or thirst or anxious need When my Lord is here with me

Chorus

His love is my resting place
My Shepherd is kind and full of grace
The arms of my Lord are strong and safe
His love is my resting place

Verse 2

The shadow of death may fall With darkness upon my way But always my Lord is near to me His love is my resting place

Verse 3

Your goodness will be my feast Your kindness will overflow And always your love will follow me And your house will be my home

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Arise, Shine, For Your Light Has Come

From Isaiah 60

Verse 1

Arise shine for your light has come and the glory of God is on you Arise see when the earth grows dark that the Lord will arise upon you The Lord will arise upon you

Chorus

Nations will come to your light lift up your eyes and see We'll gather together and come to you And your love will be all that we know Your love will be all that we know

Verse 2

Arise come to the open gates for the Father is welcoming you Fear not for the Lord brings peace and redemption to all who believe Redemption to all who believe

Bridge

The sun will not shine cause you'll be all the light that we need and violence will end all the wars that we wage will cease We will glorify your name We will glorify your name.

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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.

Today's Preacher - Andy Bramsen

Andy grew up in Senegal, West Africa. He is an Associate Professor of Political Science at Bethel University and has studied at the University of South Carolina - Aiken, Baylor University, and University of Notre Dame. Andy has served our church as a member of the vestry and in numerous other areas of ministry. He and his wife Sara, are the parents of four children, and live in Blaine.

Notes

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://oftheredeemer.breezechms.com/form/c07d6e

SERVICE OPPORTUNITY WITH ST. JOHN'S KAREN ANGLICAN

This past Tuesday, representatives of Church of the Redeemer joined family members from St. John's Karen Anglican church in welcoming a refugee family from Thailand. This is our second opportunity to welcome and support a refugee family, and a great occasion 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.



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@oftheredeemer. org) or Julie Willey (julie@oftheredeemer.org) for more information and the Zoom link.

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.

Pastoral Care & Benevolence

Please contact <u>Fr. Paul</u>, <u>Deacon Liz</u>, or <u>Deacon Dawn</u> if you are in need or are aware of someone who has immediate needs for food, transportation, housing, or healthcare.

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. Participate at: https://oftheredeemer.org/events/evening-prayer/

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 president and other representatives, we will keep a 24 hour prayer vigil, beginning with Morning Prayer, 7:30 a.m. on election day Nov. 3 and ending with Morning Prayer, 7:30 a.m. on Nov. 4. A sign-up form will be shared in the coming weeks.

GATHERED WORSHIP: FALL & WINTER



Beginning next Sunday,
Oct. 11, 4:30 p.m. we will
gather for indoor gathered
worship at Calvary Church
in Roseville (2120 Lexington
Ave. N, Roseville, MN 55113).
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+

Morning Prayer - 7:30 a.m.

Join us in worship via Zoom on Wednesdays, 7:30 a.m. each week.

Oct. 7–21, we will reflect on Micah 6:8 with guest testimonies.

This coming Wednesday, Oct. 7, Pastor Dan Carlson, a former police chief and founder of Public Safety Ministries, will share testimony on acting justly in law enforcement.



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/

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