

# Redeemer Lutheran Church

You have a place at God's table. You have a place here.

**F**or the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.

Acts 2:39, NRSV



**Sunday, April 23, 2023**  
**Third Sunday of Easter**  
**Rev. Sara Gorman**

# GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please stand.*

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (ELW p. 94)

*The assembly stands. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

**P** Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God,  
who forgives all our sin,  
whose mercy endures forever.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known,  
and from whom 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 Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one  
another.

Gracious God,

**C** **have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from  
you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly  
sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us  
our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and  
things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and  
uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve  
you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior  
and Lord. Amen.**

P God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C Amen.

## GATHERING SONG: *Open The Eyes of My Heart, Lord*

Words and Music by  
Paul Baloche

$\text{♩} = 112$  **CHORUS**

E<sup>5</sup> B/D#

O - pen the eyes \_ of my heart, \_ Lord, \_ o - pen the eyes \_ of my heart;

4 A<sup>2</sup>/C# A<sup>2</sup> E<sup>sus</sup> E **1, 3.**  
E<sup>sus</sup>

\_ I want to see You, \_ I want to see You. \_

9 **VERSE** B C#m A<sup>2</sup>

To see You high and lift - ed up, \_ shin - ing in the light of Your glo-

13 B<sup>sus</sup> B C#m F#m<sup>11</sup>

- ry. \_ Pour out Your pow'r and love; \_ As we sing ho - ly, ho - ly, ho -

17 B<sup>sus</sup> **BRIDGE** E<sup>5</sup>

1. D.C. 2.

- ly. \_ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, \_

22 B/D# A<sup>2</sup>/C# A<sup>2</sup>

ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly; \_ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, \_ I want to

26 **1.** E<sup>sus</sup> E E<sup>sus</sup> repeat as desired **2.** E<sup>sus</sup> E

see You. \_ see You. \_

## GREETING

**P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C** **And also with you.**

## KYRIE


*Refrain*



Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, on our world and on our way.




Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, ev-'ry day.



1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the  
2 That we may live out your im-passioned re-sponse to the  
3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for  
4 For your Spir-it to guide; that you cen-ter our lives in the



u - ni - ty of all; for  
hun - gry and the poor; that  
friends and fam - i - ly; for  
wa - ter and the word; that you



this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,  
we may live out . . . . truth and jus-tice and grace,  
life and for love, . . . . for our work and our play,  
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,



*Refrain*

let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

A Let us pray.

**C O God, your Son makes himself known to all his disciples in the breaking of bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*The assembly is seated.*

## WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

### FIRST READING: Acts 2:14a, 36-41

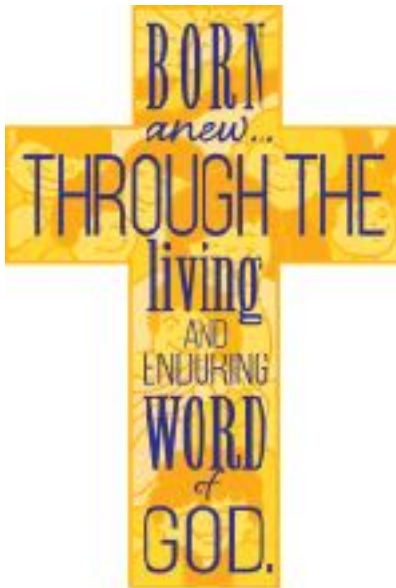
R A reading from Acts.

<sup>14a</sup>Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed [the crowd], <sup>36</sup>“Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

<sup>37</sup>Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, “Brothers, what should we do?” <sup>38</sup>Peter said to them, “Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. <sup>39</sup>For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.” <sup>40</sup>And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” <sup>41</sup>So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

R The word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**



1 PETER 1:23. NRSV

## SECOND READING: 1 Peter 1:17-23

R A reading from 1 Peter.

<sup>17</sup>If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. <sup>18</sup>You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, <sup>19</sup>but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. <sup>20</sup>He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. <sup>21</sup>Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.

<sup>22</sup>Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. <sup>23</sup>You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

R The word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

*The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



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, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## GOSPEL: Luke 24:13-35

**P** The holy gospel according to Luke.

**C** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>13</sup>Now on that same day [when Jesus had appeared to Mary Magdalene,] two [disciples] were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, <sup>14</sup>and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. <sup>15</sup>While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, <sup>16</sup>but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. <sup>17</sup>And he said to them, “What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?” They stood still, looking sad. <sup>18</sup>Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, “Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?” <sup>19</sup>He asked them, “What things?” They replied, “The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before

God and all the people, <sup>20</sup>and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. <sup>21</sup>But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. <sup>22</sup>Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, <sup>23</sup>and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. <sup>24</sup>Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.” <sup>25</sup>Then he said to them, “Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! <sup>26</sup>Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?” <sup>27</sup>Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

<sup>28</sup>As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. <sup>29</sup>But they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.” So he went in to stay with them. <sup>30</sup>When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. <sup>31</sup>Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. <sup>32</sup>They said to each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?” <sup>33</sup>That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. <sup>34</sup>They were saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!” <sup>35</sup>Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

**P** The gospel of the Lord.

**C Praise to you, O Christ.**

*The assembly is seated.*



# CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

## SERMON

*Silence for reflection follows the sermon.*

## HYMN OF THE DAY: *Alleluia, Jesus Is Risen (377)*



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is ris - en!  
2 Walk - ing the way, Christ in the cen - ter  
3 Je - sus the vine, we are the branch - es;  
4 Weep - ing, be gone; sor - row, be si - lent;  
5 Cit - y of God, Eas - ter for - ev - er,



Trum - pets re - sound - ing in glo - ri - ous light!  
tell - ing the sto - ry to o - pen our eyes;  
life in the Spir - it the fruit of the tree;  
death put a - sun - der, and Eas - ter is bright,  
gold - en Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - sus the Lamb,



Splen - dor, the Lamb, heav - en for - ev - er!  
break - ing our bread, giv - ing us glo - ry;  
heav - en to earth, Christ to the peo - ple,  
Cher - u - bim sing: O grave, be o - pen!  
riv - er of life, saints and arch - an - gels,



Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight!  
Je - sus our bless - ing, our con - stant sur - prise.  
gift of the fu - ture now flow - ing to me.  
Clothe us in won - der, a - dorn us in light.  
sing with cre - a - tion to God the I AM!



Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - rise.



Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!

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*Please stand.*

## CREED

**C** I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

## COUNCIL INSTALLATION

### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

**A** Hear us, O God.

**C** Your mercy is great.

### PEACE

**P** The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C** And also with you.

*The assembly is seated.*

# MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

## OFFERING

### **Offertory Song: *I Could Sing of Your Love Forever***

I could sing of Your love forever

I could sing of Your love forever

I could sing of Your love forever

I could sing of Your love forever

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*Please stand.*

## OFFERING PRAYER

A Let us pray,

**C Generous God, in this meal you offer your very self. We give thanks for these gifts of the earth. In the breaking of this bread reveal to us the Risen One. In the pouring of this wine pour us out in service to the world; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

### DIALOGUE

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 our thanks and praise.**

## PREFACE

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. 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, ho - san - na in the high - est.



## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

**P** In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

## LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

**P** Taste and see that the Lord is good.

**C** **Amen.**

*The assembly may be seated.*

# COMMUNION


All are welcome to the Lord's table. You do not need to be a member of this congregation nor a Lutheran. Communion is a gift from God for the people of God, no matter where they are on their faith journey.

Gluten-free bread is available, as is grape juice. If you have questions about Baptism, Holy Communion, or faith, please take a moment and speak with the pastor.

## COMMUNION SONGS

### Gift of Finest Wheat (484)


*Refrain*




You sat - is - fy the hun - gry heart with gift of fin - est wheat.



Come give to us, O sav - ing Lord, the bread of life to eat.



1 As when the shep - herd calls his sheep, they know and heed his voice;  
2 With joy - ful lips we sing to you our praise and grat - i - tude  
3 Is not the cup we bless and share the blood of Christ out - poured?  
4 The mys - t'ry of your pres - ence, Lord, no mor - tal tongue can tell:  
5 You give your - self to us, O Lord; then self - less let us be,



*Refrain*

so when you call your fam - 'ly, Lord, we fol - low and re - joice,  
that you should count us wor - thy, Lord, to share this heav' n - ly food.  
Do not one cup, one loaf, de - clare our one - ness in the Lord?  
whom all the world can - not con - tain comes in our hearts to dwell.  
to serve each oth - er in your name in truth and char - i - ty.

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## **Baptized In Water**



1 Bap - tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, cleansed by the  
2 Bap - tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, dead in the  
3 Bap - tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, marked with the



blood of Christ our king: heirs of sal - va - tion, trust - ing his  
tomb with Christ our king: one with his ris - ing, freed and for -  
sign of Christ our king: born of the Spir - it, we are God's



prom - ise, faith - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.  
giv - en, thank - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.  
chil - dren; joy - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.

Text: Michael Seward, b. 1932

Music: BUNESSAN, Gaelic tune

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## Stay With Us



1 Stay with us, till night has come: our praise to  
2 Walk with us, our spir - its sigh: hear when our  
3 Walk with us, the road will bend: make all our  
4 Talk with us, till we be - hold a joy - ful  
5 Stay with us, till day is done: no tears nor



you this day be sung. Bless our bread, o - pen our  
wea - ry spir - its cry. Feel a - gain our loss, our  
weep - ing, wail - ing end. Wipe our tears, for - give our  
life you will un - fold. Heal our eyes to see the  
dark shall dim the sun. Cheer the heart, your grace im -



eyes: Je - sus, be our great sur - prise.  
pain: Je - sus, take us to your side.  
fears: Je - sus, lift the heav - y cross.  
prize: Je - sus, take us to the light.  
part: Je - sus, bring e - ter - nal life.

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Music: STAY WITH US, Walter L. Pelz, b. 1926

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*Please stand.*



## BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

**P** May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in eternal life.

**C** **Amen.**

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**C** **Gracious God, in you we live and move and have our being. With your word and this meal of grace, you have nourished our life together. Strengthen us to show your love and serve the world in Jesus' name. Amen.**



## SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

## BLESSING

**P** The God of all,  
who raised ✝ Jesus from the dead,  
bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit  
to live in the new creation.

**C** **Amen.**

## SENDING SONG: *Now The Green Blade Rises* (379)



1 Now the green blade ris - es from the bur - ied grain,  
2 In the grave they laid him, love by ha - tred slain,  
3 Forth he came at Eas - ter like the ris - en grain,  
4 When our hearts are win - try, griev - ing, or in pain,



wheat that in dark earth man - y days has lain;  
think - ing that he would nev - er wake a - gain,  
he that for three days in the grave had lain;  
your touch can call us back to life a - gain.



love lives a - gain, that with the dead has been;  
laid in the earth like grain that sleeps un - seen;  
raised from the dead, my liv - ing Lord is seen;  
fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been;



love is come a - gain like wheat a - ris - ing green.

Text: John MacLeod Campbell Crum, 1872–1958

Music: NOËL NOUVELET, French carol

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## DISMISSAL

**A** Go in peace. Serve the Risen One.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

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## Meal Prep Help Needed - Tuesday, May 11

Dear Friends,

Our Redeemer Family has supported the work of Love INC since they began in Sheboygan County. One of their programs that has become quite successful is called the New Way Program (formerly called Transformational Ministry). It is made up of life skills classes geared to teach and equip participants to take charge of their lives, gain new perspectives and free themselves from cycles that no longer serve them. A simple meal is served before the class begins to encourage fellowship between all those involved.

Churches, in support of Love INC's mission, take turns providing, serving and cleaning up after the meal. The meals can be prepared at the class location in Sheboygan, or can be prepared at home and brought in and served, depending on the group's preference.

Redeemer would like to take a turn providing this meal on Tuesday, May 11. If you feel called to help prepare this meal, or to come help serve and clean up the meal (estimated two to two and a half hours) please contact Doreen Salkowski at 920-893-8118 or 920-946-8328. Please leave a message if there is no answer, or email at dsalkowski@wi.rr.com.

Doreen and Linda Hundt will be working together to coordinate this meal with the volunteers who come forward to help.

There are so many "servant-hearted" people at Redeemer, I know we can easily make this happen.

Blessings,  
Doreen Salkowski

# Announcements

Check the weekly email (contact [office@redeemerplymouth.org](mailto:office@redeemerplymouth.org) to subscribe) or our website calendar ([redeemerplymouth.org](http://redeemerplymouth.org)) for more announcements and community events

## Redeemer Calendar

### April 23, 2023 Sunday

09:00 AM Sunday Worship & Council Installation  
01:00 PM High School Youth

### April 26, 2023 Wednesday

06:00 PM Confirmation Class

### April 30, 2023 Sunday

09:00 AM Sunday Worship & Baptism  
10:15 AM Children's Sunday School

### May 3, 2023 Wednesday

6:00 PM Confirmation

### May 7, 2023 Sunday

9:00 AM Sunday Worship  
10:15 AM Sunday School

### May 8, 2023 Monday

6:00pm Worship & Music Team

### May 14, 2023 Sunday

9:00 AM Sunday Worship

### May 16, 2023 Tuesday

6:00 PM Christian Life Team  
7:00 PM Council

### May 18, 2023 Thursday

5:30 PM Altar Guild

### May 21, 2023 Sunday

9:00 AM Sunday Worship & Graduate Recognition  
10:15 AM Children's Sunday School  
1:00 PM High School Youth Group

### May 24, 2023 Wednesday

6:00 PM Confirmation

### May 28, 2023 Sunday

9:00 AM Sunday Worship

### June 4, 2023 Sunday

9:00 AM Sunday Worship

### June 11, 2023 Sunday

9:00 AM Sunday Worship



## Project Angel Hugs

Hunting for Hugs  
Scavenger Hunt



**SAVE THE DATE!**

**Saturday April 29th, 2023**

**(Rain Date: May 6th)**

**1:00pm-4:00pm**

Grab your family and friends to join in the fun to support Project Angel Hugs! Each participant will receive a wristband, list of Scavenger tasks and stamp card. You will follow the clues to our wonderful local businesses in a race to win prizes. Cost is \$15.00 per person or 50\$ per team of four or more.

Prizes: 1st Place: \$100.00 Chamber Cash

2nd Place: \$50.00 Chamber Cash

3rd Place: \$25.00 Chamber Cash

Tickets for Sale starting April 1st at PAH office. More info to come!

## ARTS AT THE WAELDERHAUS

### Annika Nelson

Sunday, April 30  
2:00 p.m.

Classical Guitarist

2022 RDK

Scholarship Recipient



Free of charge and open to the public.  
Reservations recommended.