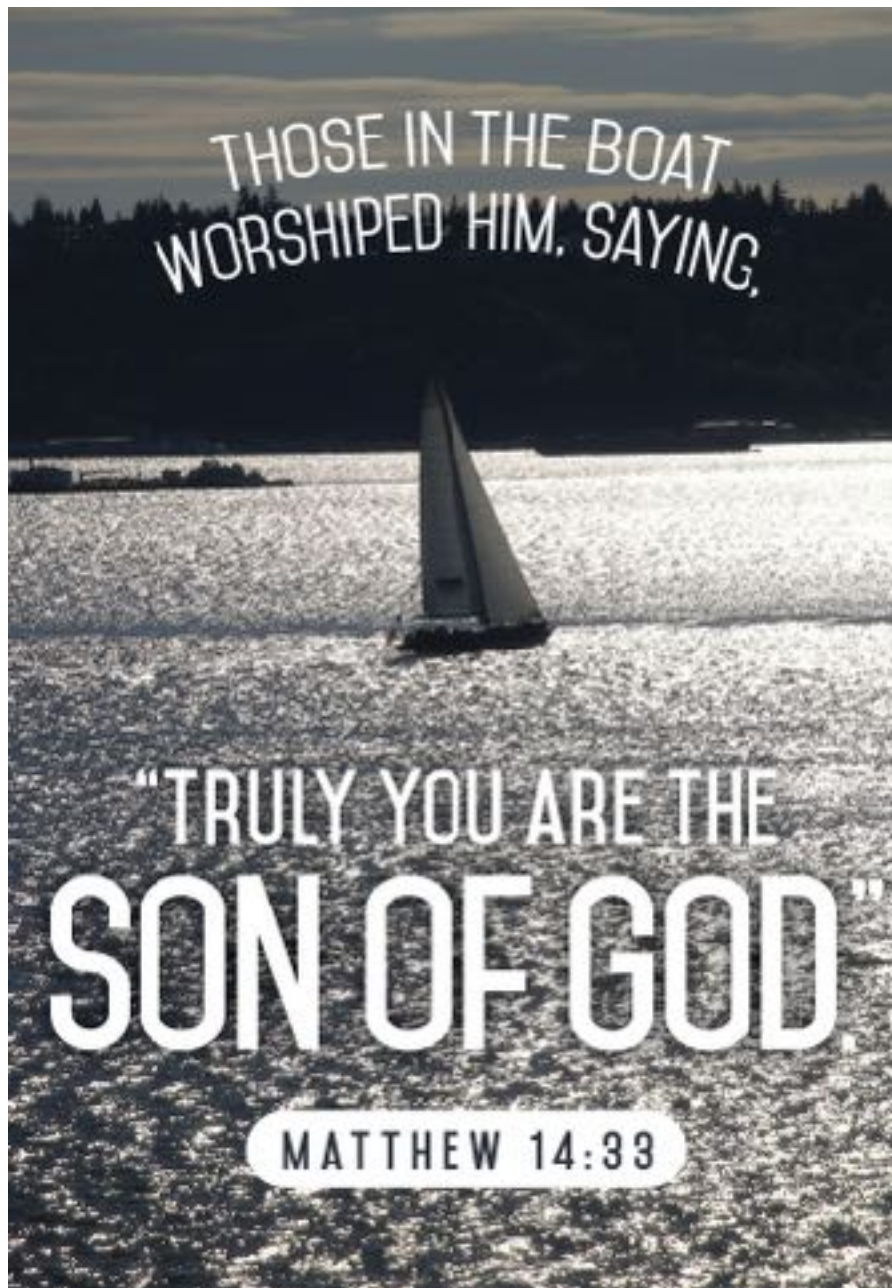


# Redeemer Lutheran Church

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

## Leader Version



**Sunday, August 13, 2023**  
**Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Rev. Sara Gorman**

# GATHERING

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please stand.*

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*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 greets us in this and every season, whose word never fails, whose promise is sure.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of our neighbors. Merciful God,

**C** **we confess that we have sinned. We have hurt our community. We have squandered your blessings. We have hoarded your bounty. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.**

**P** Righteous God,

**C** **we confess that we have sinned. We have failed to be honest. We have lacked the courage to speak. We have spoken falsely. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.**

**P** God is a cup of cold water when we thirst. God offers boundless grace when we fail. Claim the gift of God's mercy: you are freed and forgiven in the name of † Jesus Christ.

**C** **Amen.**

## GATHERING SONG: *I Am*

There's no space that His love can't reach  
There's no place where we can't find peace  
There's no end to amazing grace

Take me in with Your arms spread wide  
Take me in like an orphan child  
Never let go never leave my side

I am holding onto You  
I am holding onto You  
In the middle of the storm  
I am holding on (I am)

*REPEAT FROM BEGINNING, THEN END WITH*

In the middle of the storm  
I am holding on (I am)  
In the middle of the storm  
I am holding on (I am)

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## 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** (*Verses 1 & 3*) *ELW p. 184*

Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way,  
Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all;  
for this holy house, for all who worship and praise,  
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord  
Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way,  
Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes, for friends and family;  
for life and for love, for our work and our play,  
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord  
Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way,  
Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

A Let us pray.

**C O God our defender, storms rage around and within us and cause us to be afraid. Rescue your people from despair, deliver your children from fear, and preserve us in the faith of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

*The assembly is seated.*

## WORD

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

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

**FIRST READING: 1 Kings 19:9-18**

R A reading from 1 Kings.

<sup>9</sup>At [Horeb, the mount of God,][Elijah] came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, “What are you doing here, Elijah?” <sup>10</sup>He answered, “I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.”

<sup>11</sup>He said, “Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by.” Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; <sup>12</sup>and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. <sup>13</sup>When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, “What are you doing here, Elijah?” <sup>14</sup>He answered, “I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.” <sup>15</sup>Then the Lord said to him, “Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. <sup>16</sup>Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. <sup>17</sup>Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. <sup>18</sup>Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him.”

R The word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## SECOND READING: Romans 10:5-15

R A reading from Romans.

<sup>5</sup>Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that “the person who does these things will live by them.” <sup>6</sup>But the righteousness that comes from faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) <sup>7</sup>“or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). <sup>8</sup>But what does it say?

“The word is near you,  
on your lips and in your heart”

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); <sup>9</sup>because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. <sup>10</sup>For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. <sup>11</sup>The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” <sup>12</sup>For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. <sup>13</sup>For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

<sup>14</sup>But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? <sup>15</sup>And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

R The word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

*The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.*

**Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.  
Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia.  
Alleluia, alleluia.**

**GOSPEL: Matthew 14:22-33**

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

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

<sup>22</sup>[Jesus] made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side [of the Sea of Galilee], while he dismissed the crowds.<sup>23</sup>And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, <sup>24</sup>but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. <sup>25</sup>And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. <sup>26</sup>But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, “It is a ghost!” And they cried out in fear. <sup>27</sup>But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, “Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.”

<sup>28</sup>Peter answered him, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.” <sup>29</sup>He said, “Come.” So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. <sup>30</sup>But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, “Lord, save me!” <sup>31</sup>Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, “You of little faith, why did you doubt?” <sup>32</sup>When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. <sup>33</sup>And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.”

**P** The gospel of the Lord.

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

*The assembly is seated.*

## SERMON

*Silence for reflection follows the sermon.*

### HYMN OF THE DAY: ***Firm Foundation***

Jesus You're my firm foundation

I know I can stand secure

Jesus You're my firm foundation

I put my hope in Your holy Word

I put my hope in Your holy Word

I have a living hope (*ECHO*)

I have a future (*ECHO*)

God has a plan for me (*ECHO*)

Of this I'm sure of this I'm sure

Jesus You're my firm foundation

I know I can stand secure

Jesus You're my firm foundation

I put my hope in Your holy Word

I put my hope in Your holy Word

Your Word is faithful (*ECHO*)

Mighty in power (*ECHO*)

God will deliver me (*ECHO*)

Of this I'm sure of this I'm sure

Jesus You're my firm foundation

I know I can stand secure

Jesus You're my firm foundation

I put my hope in Your holy Word

I put my hope in Your holy Word

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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.

## 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: *Lord, Listen To Your Children***

Lord, listen to your children praying,  
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;  
Lord, listen to your children praying,  
send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

Text: Ken Medema, b. 1943

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*Please stand.*

## OFFERING PRAYER

**P** Let us pray,

**C** **God of field and forest, sea and sky,  
you are the giver of all good things.  
Sustain us with these gifts of your creation,  
and multiply your graciousness in us,  
that the world may be fed with your love,  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and 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, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn

## HOLY HOLY HOLY (ELW p. 190)

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of pow'r and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory, full of your glory.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

## 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

### ***Draw Me Close***

Draw me close to You never let me go  
I lay it all down again  
To hear You say that I'm Your friend

You are my desire no one else will do  
'Cause nothing else could take Your place  
To feel the warmth of Your embrace  
Help me find the way bring me back to You

*Chorus*

You're all I want  
You're all I've ever needed  
You're all I want  
Help me know You are near

***REPEAT FROM BEGINNING***

*Ending*

Help me know You are near

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***He Is Lord***

He is Lord, He is Lord.  
He has risen from the dead  
And He is Lord.  
Every knee shall bow,  
Every tongue confess  
That Jesus Christ is Lord

He is Love, He is Love.  
He is Comforter and Friend  
And He is love.  
Every knee shall bow,  
Every tongue confess  
That Jesus Christ is Love

He is Grace, He is Grace.  
He has sacrificed His Life  
And He is Grace.  
Every knee shall bow,  
Every tongue confess  
That Jesus Christ is Grace.

He is Hope, He is Hope.  
He has opened up His arms  
And He is Hope.  
Every knee shall bow,  
Every tongue confess  
That Jesus Christ is Hope.

He is Peace, He is Peace.  
He's the calm amid the storm  
And He is Peace.  
Every knee shall bow,  
Every tongue confess  
That Jesus Christ is Peace.

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## Precious Lord Take My Hand (#773)



1. Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, Lead me on, let me  
2. When my way grows drear, Pre - cious Lord, lin - ger  
3. When the dark - ness ap - pears And the night draws



stand, I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.  
near, When my life is al - most gone,  
near, And the day is past and gone,



Through the storm, through the night, Lead me on to the  
Hear my cry, hear my call, Hold my hand lest I  
At the riv - er I stand, Guide my feet, hold my



light, Take my hand, pre - cious Lord, lead me home.  
fall. Take my hand, pre - cious Lord, lead me home.  
hand. Take my hand, pre - cious Lord, lead me home.

Text: Thomas A. Dorsey, 1859-1993

Tune: PRECIOUS LORD, 66 9 D; George N. Allen; arr. by Kelly Hobbs Mickus, b.1966

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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** We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

## SENDING

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

## BLESSING

**P** The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed ✝ bless, keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age.

**C** Amen.



# SENDING SONG: *Blessed Be Your Name*

Words and Music by  
Matt Redman and Beth Redman

## VERSE

♩ = 116

A E F#m7

1. Bless - ed be Your name in the land that is plen -
2. Bless - ed be Your name when I'm found in the des -
3. Bless - ed be Your name when the sun's shin - ing down
4. Bless - ed be Your name on the road marked with suf -

4 D A E

ti - ful, where Your streams of a - bun - dance flow, bless - ed  
 ert place, though I walk through the wil - der - ness, bless - ed  
 on me, when the world's "all as it should be." bless - ed  
 fer - ing, though there's pain in the of - fer - ing, bless - ed

## PRE-CHORUS

7 D 1, 3 2, 4 A E

be Your name. Ev - 'ry bless - ing You pour out I'll  
 be Your name. \_\_\_\_\_  
 be Your name. \_\_\_\_\_  
 be Your name. \_\_\_\_\_

12 F#m7 D A E F#m7

turn back to praise. When the dark - ness clos - es in, Lord, still I will

**CHORUS**

17 D A E F#m7 D

say, "Bless - ed be the name of the Lord, bless - ed be Your name. Bless - ed be the

22 A E F#m7 E D 1 D.C.

*Last time to Coda*  $\oplus$

name of the Lord, bless - ed be Your glo - ri - ous name."

**BRIDGE**

27 A E F#m7 D

2

You give and take a - way, You give and take a - way. My

32 A E F#m7 D D D.S. al Coda

1 | 2

heart will choose to say, "Lord, Bless - ed be Your name." You name." Bless - ed be the

37  $\oplus$  D A

*Coda*

## DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Share the harvest.

C **Thanks be to God.**

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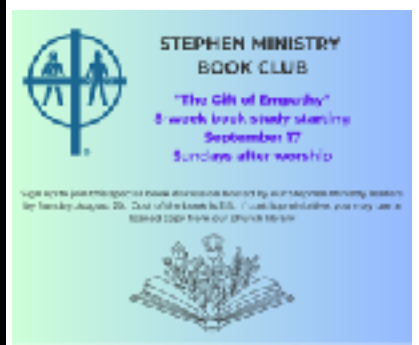
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# Announcements

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

- August 15, 2023 Tuesday**  
6:00pm Christian Life Team  
7:00pm Council
- August 16, 2023 Wednesday**  
9:00am Quilting
- August 20, 2023 Sunday**  
9:00am Worship
- August 23, 2023 Wednesday**  
9:00am Quilting
- August 27, 2023 Sunday**  
9:00am Worship
- August 30, 2023 Wednesday**  
9:00am Quilting
- September 3, 2023 Sunday**  
9:00am Worship
- September 5, 2023 Monday**  
*Office Closed*
- September 6, 2023 Wednesday**  
9:00am Quilters
- September 10 Fallapalooza Sunday!**  
9:00am Outdoor Worship  
Rally Day, Backpack Blessing  
God's Work Our Hands  
10:30am Youth Gathering Info Meeting  
12:00pm Church picnic
- September 13, 2023 Wednesday**  
6:00pm Confirmation Information Meeting
- September 17, 2023 Sunday**  
9:00am Worship  
10:15am Sunday School  
10:15am Stephen Ministry Book Club



## August Item of the Month: Crackers & Snacks

Each month we focus on a specific food item, but any non-perishable items are welcome. There is a labeled bin across from the church member mailboxes where you can place your donations.