



in the grace and knowledge
of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

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RALLY DAY WORSHIP SERVICE

Thursday, Sept. 10, 2020 at 6:30 PM

Sunday, Sept. 13, 2020 at 8:15 & 10:45 AM

As We Gather

The Bible doesn't tell us about classes or unique times to teach the faith. Yet in today's readings we learn that parents are to be teaching their children about the Lord constantly; that the Holy Spirit uses Word and Sacrament to bring to faith those who don't know their Savior in Jesus Christ; and that we dare not hinder children from knowing the love of Jesus. Actually, whenever we hear the Word, class is in session. God's Word is always at work in our hearing, producing growth and change, the essence of true learning.

Sunday, Sept. 13, 2020
Christian Education Sunday

10:45 AM Pre-Service Song "In Christ Alone"

6:30 PM & 8:15 AM Opening Hymn "Father Welcomes" LSB 605

10:45 Opening Song "Our God"

Invocation and Verses

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

P: The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom,

C: and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight.

P: Let the wise hear and increase in learning

C: and the one who understands obtain guidance.

P: Hear, my child, your father's instruction,

C: and forsake not your mother's teaching.

6:30 PM & 8:15 AM Hymn of Praise "Christ Be My Leader" LSB 861

10:45 AM Song of Praise "Rooftops"

Collect of the Day

P: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, You have entrusted to Your people the task of teaching all nations.

C: Enlighten with the wisdom of Your Holy Spirit those who teach and those who learn that the joyous truth of the Gospel may be known in every generation;

P: for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C: Amen.**

Old Testament Deuteronomy 6:4-15 (*Teach your children diligently.*)
(after the reading)...

L: This is the Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Confession & Forgiveness, Part 1

P: Let us confess our failure to heed the instructions of the Lord. We know that we are to love You, O Lord, with all that we are and have.

C: We confess that we have been swayed by the "gods" of this world, wasting more time on acquiring things and

pleasing ourselves than spending time teaching each other the fear of the Lord. Forgive us.

P: We recognize, gracious God, that You have entrusted us to each other in our families and congregation, where we are to use every means to teach about You and Your infinite mercy in Christ our Lord.

C: We confess that we have listened to the voices of this world drown out Your precious Gospel. Forgive us.

P: For Jesus' sake our heavenly Father has promised us an eternal Promised Land, full of more than physical buildings and food for the stomach. He offers full and free pardon to all who repent and rely on His mercy. Rejoice in the grace and mercy of the Lord our God. **C: Amen.**

Second Reading Acts 2:37-41 (*The promise is for you and your children.*)
(after the reading)...

L: This is the Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Third Reading 2 Peter 3:14-18
(after the reading)...

L: This is the Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Confession & Forgiveness, Part II

P: Let us confess our failure to live out our baptismal faith. O Holy Spirit, we acknowledge with joy the gift of faith bestowed on us through Baptism.

C: But we confess that too often we have not lived as members of the Body of Christ, but only as citizens of this fallen world. Forgive us.

P: We give thanks, heavenly Father, that You have given the promise of salvation to us and our families.

C: But we confess that we have let the promise fade when the cares of this world have loomed over us. Forgive us.

P: God's Word and Sacraments are real! With the faith given you in Holy Baptism, may the Holy Spirit open your ears and hearts to the grace poured out on you. In Christ you are the forgiven children of God. **C: Amen.**

Alleluia and Verse *Proverbs 2:6*

P: Alleluia. For the LORD gives wisdom;

C: from His mouth come knowledge and understanding. Alleluia.

Gospel Teaching "Jesus Blesses Little Children" *Matthew 19:13-15;*
Mark 10:13-; Luke 18:15-17

Holy Gospel Luke 18:15-17 (*Let the children come to Jesus.*)

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke, the 18th chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord. (after the reading)...

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

Confession & Forgiveness, Part III

P: Let us confess our failure to include everyone --children, adults, friends and strangers -- in our congregation's worship, fellowship, and outreach.

C: We confess that we have been content to have our own needs met. We have preferred ministries and practices that are familiar and comfortable, to those which might be more welcoming and enlightening. Forgive us for our narrowness of vision.

P: We give thanks, Lord Jesus, that You have received us to Your embrace even as You blessed infants and children during Your earthly pilgrimage.

C: By Your Holy Spirit, open our hearts to those whom we have ignored so that we may bring them to hear of Your gracious Word of mercy and forgiveness.

P: As our heavenly Father has used those saints who have gone before us to invite us into His family and instruct us in the truth of His Gospel, so He freely forgives us all our sins and uses us to increase His family of faith. 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 Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen. Thanks be to God!

Giving of the Bibles (3rd graders)

Children's Message

6:30 PM & 8:15 AM Hymn of the Day "Shepherd of Tender Youth" LSB 864

10:45 Sermon Song "Above All"

Sermon 'Grown In The Savior' 2 Peter 3:18

Apostles' Creed

Rite of Commitment to Christian Education (*During the Thursday service, the congregation will give the responses*)

P: Our gracious God has worked faith in our hearts so that we may joyfully respond to His will and purpose. Let us therefore commit ourselves to the important task of teaching the truth of the Gospel and deepening the trust we have in Christ, our Savior. Parents: through Moses, God instructs us to teach His Word diligently to our children.

Parents: We commit ourselves to talk of Jesus when we sit in our house, and when we walk by the way, and when we lie down, and when we rise. Deuteronomy 6:7

P: Children: Through St. Peter, God tells us that "the promise is for you and for your children." *Acts 2:39*

Parents & Children: We promise to trust God's Word. For Jesus' sake, He has forgiven all our sins and opened heaven to us. We will not pay attention to the "gods" of the people around us. Deuteronomy 6:14

P: Teachers: Jesus rebuked the disciples, telling them and us to "Let the children come to [Him], and ... not hinder them." *Luke 18:16a*

Teachers: We commit ourselves to teaching the children with every means at our disposal so that they will be eager to learn about their Lord, who has declared them to be citizens of His kingdom. Luke 18:16b

P: The promise is not only for us and our children. Peter said it is also "for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to Himself." *Acts 2:39*

C: We commit ourselves as a congregation to the ministry of outreach education, inviting our friends and neighbors, our fellow citizens and visitors, to learn about the triune God, His love, mercy, and forgiveness for the sake of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

P: God has promised that His Word "shall not return to Me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it." *Isaiah 55:11* May the Holy Spirit continue to use Word and Sacrament to enable us to keep the commitments we have made this day, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

Installation of Teachers

Prayer of the Church

P: *(after each petition)*...Lord, in Your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

Preface

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.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P: Blessed are You, Lord our God, for You have not only had mercy on us all, but You have deemed us worthy to serve You as we teach one another of Your grace and mercy. Although we and the whole human race have disobeyed You, nevertheless, before the creation of the world, You planned to send Your Son into our world to bear our sins and to be our Savior. We give thanks that You have worked faith in our hearts so that we may trust Your promises and receive the grace you have poured out upon us. To You, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all praise and glory now and forever. **C: Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

Prayerful Responsory

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

C: and also with you, Amen.

P: Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good;

C: for His steadfast love endures forever.

Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and enable you to serve Him in joy. The Lord make His face to shine on you and open doors of fruitful opportunity to you. The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace. **C: Amen.**

6:30 PM & 8:15 AM Closing Hymn "Lord Jesus Christ, the Children's Friend" LSB 866

10:45 AM Closing Song "Soul On Fire"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome! A cordial welcome to everyone worshipping with us today. We are happy to have you share the joy of this Lord's Day with us. A special welcome to those worshipping with us for the first time. If you are looking for a church home and would like to know more about our congregation, please speak to a pastor after service or call the church at 712.276.1125.

Our worship services will continue to be available, traditional &/or contemporary, on our website: www.redeemersiouxcity.com or like us on Facebook or find us on YouTube.

Redeemer offerings may be dropped off at the church anytime during the week at the south entrance offering box. On Sunday mornings, there is also an offering box at the north entrance. You may also mail offerings to RLC, 3204 S. Lakeport, Sioux City, IA 51106.

Just a reminder that we welcome prayer requests through our church e-mail: redeemerchurchsc@gmail.com. You don't have to be a member to request prayers.

Altar Flowers are given by Mike & Suzie Loghry in honor of their 13th anniversary.

Pulpit Flowers are given by Philip & Chris McMahon in honor of their 63rd anniversary.

Altar & Pulpit Flower Sponsorship Dates Available: To sign up, please stop by the main office to see available dates to sponsor altar or pulpit flowers for an upcoming Sunday. This is a special way to celebrate a birthday or anniversary, remember loved ones who have passed away, or just celebrate God's glory! Cost is \$35 for Altar flowers and \$25 for Pulpit flowers. Thank you!

Please be sure to pick up your flowers after second service on Sundays.

On Sundays, August 30 and September 6, members of Redeemer gave special offerings for the Gospel Mission Soup Kitchen: \$577. Thank you for your generosity. Monies collected will buy carry-out containers, napkins, plastic silverware, etc. so that meals given will be carry-out. In the future, they hope to begin serving meals as they have done in the past. But they need volunteers. If you can help, please contact Kristine Schrad (new volunteer coordinator) at the church office.

St. Paul's Lutheran School sincerely thanks everyone for their support of the 2020 Golf Tournament at Old Dane Golf Course on Sunday, August 2. In spite of the Pandemic, it was our most successful tournament of the last 20 years. Thanks for supporting this event for the continued support of St. Paul's Lutheran School. Approximately \$19,500 was raised through golfer entrance fees, business and private hole

sponsorships, pie sales, meal sales, steak sales, and monetary donations. Special thanks to Thrivent Financial for their continued support and sponsorship of this yearly event.

Please take home, or discard into a waste basket, your church bulletins as you leave the sanctuary. Thank You

Coffee and snacks are back! We are offering coffee and prepackaged muffins in the gymnasium. Adult Bible study will follow. Everyone is welcome.

Staff will move their meeting time to 3:15 pm on Tuesdays. We'll be unavailable for about an hour.

The High School Youth Group will be selling baked goods Thursday, September 10th and Sunday, September 13th as a fundraiser. Some of the bake sale items will be pies (*chocolate, coconut cream, pumpkin, triple berry, raspberry, blueberry, cherry, apple, and rhubarb custard*), cheesecake, blueberry cheesecake, german chocolate cake, red velvet cake, scotcheroos, cookies and bread.

The countdown to Rock Sunday School has begun! We don't want you to miss out! Rally Sunday School kicks off Sunday, September 13th at 9:30am. This is a chance for you to fill out any forms, to meet your Sunday School teachers and students and to get to know their classroom and classmates. This year we recommend you to wear a mask for Sunday School but we are not requiring it. Masks will be available if you forgot. Rally Sunday also involves a meal and games on the lawn after the late service.

CONFIRMATION CLASS will be meeting at SERTOMA Park this Wednesday. Please drop your child off at the park by 5:40 and pick them up at 7:00 pm. FYI, Memory work and schedule are available on our website....redeemersiouxcity.com

Her Health Women's Center Annual Fundraising Banquet will be Tuesday, September 15 from 6:30 PM- 8:30 PM at the Sioux City Convention Center. Tickets are complimentary, but reservations required. Reserve your spot today at ParntersofHerHealth.org. If you have any questions call Susie at 712-276-0237.

Two out of every three people do not know Jesus as their Savior. Lutheran Women in Mission is reaching out to a world in need of the Gospel through mission grants. You have the opportunity to help reach others with the saving Word of Jesus. This year, LWML is celebrating **GivingTuesday** on September 15. You may donate toward the 2019–2021 LWML Mission Goal by using LWML Facebook, lwml.org/givingtuesday. Your donation will be doubled on that day, thanks to the commitment of a generous donor. You can HELP by sharing on GivingTuesday. *(If you are unable to donate online, you may send your contributions to the LWML office at 801 Seminary Place Suite*

L010, St. Louis, MO 63105. Be sure to note GivingTuesday 2020 with your contribution.)

LWML Iowa West District Fall Retreat September 19, 2020 at Mission Central has been postponed! Plans are to reschedule as a Spring Retreat. Stay tuned for details after February 2021

High School Youth Group will meet on Sunday, September 20th at 4PM for Mini-golf. We will meet at the church and carpool over. We will end the night with pizza at the church.

ATTENTION SOUP KITCHEN VOLUNTEERS: It is Redeemer's turn to serve at the Siouxland Soup Kitchen on **Friday, September 25th.** Please consider helping with this rewarding program. Sign-up sheet is available at the back of the sanctuary. *Please note a slight change in service times and restrictions to the number of people allowed to serve.* For questions or the current Covid-19 restrictions, please contact Rhonda Camarigg at 259-2627.

Pickleball is the fastest growing sport in America. Some members of Redeemer have expressed interest in having pickleball here at Redeemer. If you would have interest in playing pickleball or even starting a team from Redeemer, please let either pastor know or contact Robin Johnson at 712-574-2539. For more information about pickleball look up www.usapickleball.org

Saving Hy-Vee Receipts: Time to start saving your Hy-Vee receipts for KinderCottage Preschool!! All receipts from Sioux City or South Sioux City stores are eligible for the School Bucks program. *All receipts MUST be dated August 1, 2020 through April 25, 2021.* The preschool receives \$1 for every \$100 of receipts we turn in. This is an easy way for anyone to support the preschool. Please place any receipts in the bin located in the fellowship hall marked for Hy-Vee receipts. We greatly appreciate your help!

If you would like to watch 'Main Street Living' at a different time other than Sunday morning, 10:30, you can log on to the website (www.mainstreetliving.com). Just hit "Sioux City."

Even though we can't pay for food or pharmaceutical items, we do have individuals who will shop and deliver your items. Just call 712.276.1125.

If you or someone you know could use food, our Food Pantry is open on Fridays, 9-Noon. Just bring ID and proof of address, and you will be served, as much as two times a month.

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Please Like our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/Bibishopemissiontrip/>
Follow us for great stories, pictures, and updates. Thank you!

Please Like us on Redeemer's Facebook page at (@RedeemerLC).

Additional Listening on Sundays:

1. Good Shepherd Hour- 8:00 AM KSCJ
2. Lutheran Hour- 8:30 AM KSCJ
3. Main Street Living- 10:00 AM KCAU, Channel 9

Recently, we collected Mites for special LWML projects in the US and around the world. If you didn't have the opportunity to give, there are "LWML" mite boxes at the north and south entrances. Please give generously.

Always clearly mark your "special" offerings, so that the office can make sure that you are credited properly. Missionary support is always sent to Mission Central (Gary Thies, Mapleton, IA) through Redeemer Lutheran Church. Your quarterly statements will reflect your "special" offerings if clearly marked.

Redeemer's Missionaries of the year for 2020 are the Adam Lehman Family and the JJ Wolf Family. Contributions may be made to their accounts to Redeemer Lutheran and earmarked as such at any time. Contributions are then sent through Mission Central (Gary Thies, Mapleton) by Redeemer. Thanks for your consideration!

God bless you and be safe! Redeemer Lutheran Church Leadership Council, Elders, & Staff

Did You Know? Every day LFS counselors meet with people who are experiencing a test or trial of some kind or have been hurt by their own or someone else's actions. We can help, and we do, but we know we don't work alone or by our own power. We serve a God who can turn a test into a testimony, a trial into a triumph and a victim into a victorious survivor. Psalm 34 tells us that He is not distant but near to the brokenhearted and to those whose spirit has been crushed. This same God is with you today in whatever test, trial, or pain you are experiencing. Call us if you could use someone to walk with you during this hard time. **Lutheran Family Service - www.LutheranFamilyService.org**

SERVING THIS WEEK (September 10 & 13, 2020): USHERS: Thurs. Harlan Feddersen. **Sun. 8:15 AM- Team 4** (Gary Kitzmann, Dave Albrecht, Dick Braun, Dale Henningsen, Doug Stucky, Wyatt Stucky). **10:45 AM- Team 8** (Dave Schlotman, Scott Bowman, Steve Dirks, Brian Owens). **Technologist: Thurs. 6:30 PM- Gary Judd; 8:15 AM- Gary Judd; 10:45 AM- Curt Green; COUNTING TEAM: #3 (Bobolz's & Schmith's).**

SERVING NEXT WEEK (September 17 & 20, 2020): USHERS: same as last week. **Technologist: Thurs. 6:30 PM- Rick Ellison; 8:15 AM- Gary Judd; 10:45 AM- Curt Green; COUNTING TEAM: #4 (Fink & Hartman's).**

Record of Our Discipleship: Week Ending September 6, 2020

Worship Attendance: Sunday, 37+96+105=238 (15%)

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Budgeted Income</u>	<u>%</u>
Sept. 6, 2020	\$19,388	\$14,423	134%
Year-to-date	\$476,119	\$516,106	92%

Building Fund Income:

Year-to-date	Weekly Income	Total
\$13,015	\$1,325	\$14,340

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER

Sunday, September 13, 2020

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION SUNDAY

8:15 & 10:45 AM Worship Services

9:30 AM Parish Nurse

9:30 AM ROCK Sunday

9:30 AM Adult Bible Study

Noon: Meal in Gym (all food, drink, and tableware provided)

1:00-3 PM Sudanese Worship

Monday, September 14, 2020

5:30 PM Adult Fitness

Tuesday, September 15, 2020

11:00 AM Retired Educators Meal/MWM

3:15 PM Staff Bible Study/Meeting

6:30 PM 'Her Health' Women's Banquet

Wednesday, September 16, 2020

5-5:40 PM Midweek Meal

5:00-7 PM Midweek

5:00-7 PM ROCK Wednesday

6:00 PM Handbells

7:15 PM Adult Choir Practice

Thursday, September 17, 2020

10:00 AM Thrivent Choice Meeting

1:00 PM Esther/Lydia Circle

5:30 PM Adult Fitness

6:30 PM Worship w/Holy Communion

Friday, September 18, 2020

9:00 AM to Noon - Food Shelf

Sunday, September 20, 2020

8:15 & 10:45 AM Worship w/Holy Communion

9:30 AM Parish Nurse

9:30 AM ROCK Sunday

9:30 AM Adult Bible Study
1:00-3 PM Sudanese Worship
2:00 PM Deaf Worship
4:00 PM High School Youth Group

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Wednesday Staff**

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