



Blessed Redeemer Lutheran Church

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HOLY COMMUNION

IS CELEBRATED AT OUR 5:30PM SATURDAY AND 9:00AM SUNDAY SERVICE

Oneness at communion presupposes oneness in doctrine. For this reason we practice close communion, and ask guests desiring to commune to speak with the pastor before the service. To those communicants with dietary needs we offer gluten free wafers.

AS WE GATHER

We enjoy lives of liberty and freedom—freedom especially from any oppressive or tyrannic political government. Spiritually, however, we are not free, but slaves to sin and death. Spiritually, we need a deliverer, a Savior, a benevolent king. Paul reminds us of how, because of sin, being apart from God we had no hope. But he points us to Christ Jesus, who came to bring us near to the one hope of salvation by His blood. Jesus is the saving King who takes away your sin and delivers you through death. The Shepherd’s compassion is for all and is for you. The title “King” was placed above His head on the cross. Now by His victory, all earthly sovereigns cast their crowns before Him. Receive His compassionate rule today as He brings us near to Himself by His Word and Sacraments and calls you blessed.

SERVICE OF PRAYER AND PREACHING

WORDS OF WELCOME		Elder of the Day
BAPTISMAL HYMN (<i>Sat. Only</i>)	<i>“Baptized into Your Name Most Holy”</i>	LSB 590 vs. 1-3
ORDER OF HOLY BAPTISM FOR	<i>Hunter Nicholas Hanten</i>	LSB page 268
BAPTISMAL HYMN (<i>Sat. Only</i>)	<i>“Baptized into Your Name Most Holy”</i>	LSB 590 vs. 4
OPENING HYMN (<i>Sun. Only</i>)	<i>“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”</i>	LSB 700
OPENING VERSICLES [Common]		LSB page 260
O.T. CANTICLE	<i>“God’s Word Is Our Great Heritage”</i>	LSB 582

✠ READINGS FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE ✠

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Daniel 5:5-9, 24-28

Immediately the fingers of a human hand appeared and wrote on the plaster of the wall of the king's palace, opposite the lampstand. And the king saw the hand as it wrote. Then the king's color changed, and his thoughts alarmed him; his limbs gave way, and his knees knocked together. The king called loudly to bring in the

enchanters, the Chaldeans, and the astrologers. The king declared to the wise men of Babylon, “Whoever reads this writing, and shows me its interpretation, shall be clothed with purple and have a chain of gold around his neck and shall be the third ruler in the kingdom.” Then all the king's wise men came in, but they could not read the writing or make known to the king the interpretation. Then King Belshazzar was greatly alarmed, and his color changed, and his lords were perplexed.

“Then from his presence the hand was sent, and this writing was inscribed. And this is the writing that was inscribed: MENE, MENE, TEKEL, and PARSIN. This is the interpretation of the matter: MENE, God has numbered the days of your kingdom and brought it to an end; TEKEL, you have been weighed in the balances and found wanting; PERES, your kingdom is divided and given to the Medes and Persians.”

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE READING

Colossians 2:8-15

See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have been filled in him, who is the head of all rule and authority. In him also you were circumcised with a circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ, having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the powerful working of God, who raised him from the dead. And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Leader: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 8th chapter.

People: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

GOSPEL READING

John 8:1-11

but Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. Early in the morning he came again to the temple. All the people came to him, and he sat down and taught them. The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery, and placing her in the midst they said to him, “Teacher, this woman has been caught in the act of adultery. Now in the Law, Moses commanded us to stone such women. So what do you say?” This they said to test him, that they might have some charge to bring against him. Jesus bent down and wrote with his finger on the ground. And as they continued to ask him, he stood up and said to them, “Let him who is without sin among you be the first to throw a stone at her.” And once more he bent down and wrote on the ground. But when they heard it, they went away one by one, beginning with the older ones, and Jesus was left alone with the woman standing before him. Jesus stood up and said to her, “Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?” She said, “No one, Lord.” And Jesus said, “Neither do I condemn you; go, and from now on sin no more.”

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

RESPONSORY [Common]

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CATECHISM REVIEW | THE LORD’S PRAYER

LSB page 324

The Fifth Petition

Pastor: And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.

All: Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Pastor: What does this mean?

All: We pray in this petition that our Father in heaven would not look at our sins, or deny our prayer because of them. We are neither worthy of the things for which we pray, nor have we deserved them, but we ask that He would give them all to us by grace, for we daily sin much and surely deserve nothing but punishment. So we too will sincerely forgive and gladly do good to those who sin against us.

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LORD’S PRAYER

SERMON HYMN

“Rise! To Arms! With Prayer Employ You”

LSB 668

SERMON

“The Handwriting on the Wall”

Daniel 5:5-9, 24-28

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- Pastor: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.
Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of the universe, who has sanctified us with Your Word—Your Holy Commandments, Your Holy Scriptures, but above all, with Your Holy Word made flesh, Your only-begotten Son to be our Good Shepherd, our Savior, our Lord, and our King.
- People: Receive our praise for the gift of Your salvation and life.**
- Pastor: Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of the universe, for You have commanded us to pray.
- People: Grant Your Holy Church peace and strength to give witness to Your mercy for all people.**
- Pastor: Bless our nation with faithful leaders who will govern according to Your will in righteousness.
- People: Sustain all who protect and defend us from harm and danger both in the world and in Your gift of faith.**
- Pastor: Endow Your ministers with compassion and grace to reach the lost and to serve Your people faithfully with Your Word and Sacraments.
- People: Guard and protect them from the assaults of the devil and all enemies of Your Word.**
- Pastor: Deliver and heal all who are in trouble, danger, or illness, [*especially . . .*]. Like a shepherd, lead us all to the still waters and green pastures of Your grace. Lord, in Your mercy,
- People: hear our prayer.**
- Pastor: (*Special petitions that end in, “Lord, in Your mercy”*).
- People: Hear our prayer.**
- Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- People: Amen.**

OFFERING

‡ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ‡

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:

HYMN

“Lord, from Your Hand”

CCS 84

Ken Bible

- Lord, from Your hand I take the bread,
And from your cup I drink the wine.
You serve forgiveness for my need.
You serve Your holy life for mine.
2. Now from Your lips I hear the words:
"This is My body and My blood."
I see the mercy in Your eyes.
I see the pain. I see the love.
3. I see the cross. I see Your face.
My God, what agony and grief!
I see You suffer as You die.
I hear You pray.
It is for me.
4. O Jesus, Savior, Holy God!
I live and breathe in Your embrace!
Lord, ev'ry moment draw my heart
To love and serve You face to face.

HYMN

“My Peace”

CCS 37

by Keith Routledge

My peace I give unto you; it's a peace that the world cannot give.
It's a peace that the world cannot understand; peace to know, peace to live,
My peace I give unto you. (*Sung three times*)

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HYMN

“O Lord, We Praise Thee”

LSB 617

COLLECT FOR GRACE

LSB 228

Pastor: Let us pray.

All: Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of the universe, for You have not abandoned Your creation but have sent Your Son to be our Shepherd and our righteousness. Give us the strength of faith to follow Him who calls us by name that we may dwell in safety as Your redeemed people now and forever; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, and our eternal King, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR THE WORD

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LUTHER’S PRAYER

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NEW TESTAMENT CANTICLE *“Lord, Bid Your Servant Go in Peace”*

LSB 937

BLESSING

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CLOSING HYMN *“Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus”*

LSB 660

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OUR WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

5:30PM SATURDAY

Gary Klatt
Elder
Kris Deardoff
Organist

9:00AM SUNDAY

Rick Melius
Elder
Parker Coughlin
Ben Christoffer
Acolytes
Kris Deardoff
Organist

Mike Beyer
Congregational Chairman
Rick Melius
Head Elder

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