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*Years*



**1924-2024**

*We know that  
Our Redeemer lives!*  
*Job 19:25*



**OUR REDEEMER**  
LUTHERAN CHURCH

**FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

Sunday, 23 June A+D 2024, 9:00 A.M.

Wednesday, 26 June A+D 2024, 7:00 P.M.

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**WE ARE PLEASED TO HAVE YOU WITH US TODAY AS WE GATHER AROUND GOD'S GIFTS OF FORGIVENESS, LIFE, AND SALVATION.** If you are with us for the first time, please take a moment to introduce yourself to our pastor. Should you be looking for a church home, please indicate so when you sign the Record of Fellowship tablet. We would love to take the opportunity to tell you more about our congregation and what it means to be a part of the people of God here in the Twin Cities area.

**A WORD TO OUR GUESTS ABOUT HOLY COMMUNION:** In the Sacrament of the Altar, our Lord Jesus Christ gives us His very Body and Blood to eat and drink. Receiving the Sacrament is not merely a matter between God and the person, but a "communion," something done in "community." It is a public confession of our faith and expression of the unity that exists between Christians. Because of these reasons, Our Redeemer Lutheran Church practices closed communion. We invite those who are members in good standing of LCMS congregations to join us at the altar today. All those communing for the first time should speak with the pastor before doing so.



**PREPARING FOR THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR:** Christ offers His very body and blood, with the bread and wine, for the forgiveness of our sins. Those who come before the holy altar of God to receive this body and blood do so having prepared to receive this holy gift.

1. Have you confessed your sins before God in heaven? (See the Ten Commandments, *LSB* page 321.)
2. Are you able to come forward in a spirit of unity with those communing with you? (See 1 Corinthians 1:10; 11:18-19.)
3. Do you share the confession of faith proclaimed in this congregation and church body? (See Acts 2:42, 1 Corinthians 11:26.)
4. Do you believe that this bread and wine is truly the body and blood of Christ? (See *LSB*, page 326, "What is the Sacrament of the Altar?")
5. Do you believe that this body and blood are given for your forgiveness, life, and salvation? (See *LSB* page 327, "What is the benefit of this eating and drinking?")

**Our Redeemer is a congregation of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod.  
To learn more about The LCMS, visit [www.lcms.org](http://www.lcms.org).**



## FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Sunday, 23 June A+D 2024 • 9:00 A.M.

Wednesday, 26 June A+D 2024 • 7:00 P.M.

**Lutheran Service Book,  
Divine Service, Setting Three, pg. 184**

### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

#### HYMN OF INVOCATION

*“Children of the Heavenly Father” LSB 725*

*Stand*

#### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

*LSB 184*

### SERVICE OF THE WORD

#### INTROIT

*Psalm 27:3–4a, 5; antiphon: vv. 1–2*



The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom | shall I fear?\*

The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I | be afraid?

**When evildoers assail me to eat | up my flesh,\***

**my adversaries and foes, it is they who stum- | ble and fall.**

Though an army encamp against me, my heart | shall not fear;\*

though war arise against me, yet I will be | confident.

**One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek | after:\***

**that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days | of my life.**

For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of | trouble;\*

he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift me high up- | on a rock.



**Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;**



**as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.**

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom | shall I fear?\*

The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I | be afraid?

**When evildoers assail me to eat | up my flesh,\***

**my adversaries and foes, it is they who stum- | ble and fall.**

#### KYRIE

*LSB 186*

#### GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

*LSB 187*

**SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY***LSB 189*

O Lord, grant that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by Your governance that Your Church may joyfully serve You in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

*Sit***OLD TESTAMENT READING***Genesis 50:15-21*

<sup>15</sup>When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "It may be that Joseph will hate us and pay us back for all the evil that we did to him." <sup>16</sup>So they sent a message to Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this command before he died, <sup>17</sup>'Say to Joseph, Please forgive the transgression of your brothers and their sin, because they did evil to you.' And now, please forgive the transgression of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. <sup>18</sup>His brothers also came and fell down before him and said, "Behold, we are your servants." <sup>19</sup>But Joseph said to them, "Do not fear, for am I in the place of God? <sup>20</sup>As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today. <sup>21</sup>So do not fear; I will provide for you and your little ones." Thus he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.

**GRADUAL***Psalm 79:9-10a*

Atone for our sins, for your | name's sake!\*

Why should the nations say, "Where | is their God?"

**Help us, O God of our sal- | vation,\***

**for the glory of your name de- | liver us.**

**EPISTLE***Romans 8:18-23*

<sup>18</sup>For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. <sup>19</sup>For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God. <sup>20</sup>For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of him who subjected it, in hope <sup>21</sup>that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. <sup>22</sup>For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. <sup>23</sup>And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies.

*Stand***ALLELUIA AND VERSE***LSB 190; Psalm 9:4b, 9*

Alleluia. You have sat on the throne, giving righteous judgment. The LORD is a stronghold for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble. Alleluia.

**HOLY GOSPEL***Luke 6:36-42*

<sup>36</sup>[Jesus said:] "Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful.

<sup>37</sup>"Judge not, and you will not be judged; condemn not, and you will not be condemned; forgive, and you will be forgiven; <sup>38</sup>give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you."

<sup>39</sup>He also told them a parable: “Can a blind man lead a blind man? Will they not both fall into a pit? <sup>40</sup>A disciple is not above his teacher, but everyone when he is fully trained will be like his teacher. <sup>41</sup>Why do you see the speck that is in your brother’s eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye? <sup>42</sup>How can you say to your brother, ‘Brother, let me take out the speck that is in your eye,’ when you yourself do not see the log that is in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take out the speck that is in your brother’s eye.”

**APOSTLES’ CREED**

LSB 192

*Sit*

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

*“O God, My Faithful God”* LSB 696

**SERMON**

*“Be Like Your Father”* Luke 6:36-42

*Stand*

**OFFERTORY**

LSB 192

*Sit*

**OFFERING**

*Stand*

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

*Each petition ends with:*

**P** Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT**

**PREFACE**

LSB 194

**SANCTUS**

LSB 195

**LORD’S PRAYER**

LSB 196

**THE WORDS OF OUR LORD**

LSB 197

**PAX DOMINI**

LSB 197

**AGNUS DEI**

LSB 198

*Sit*

**DISTRIBUTION**

*Guests are asked to please read “A Word to Our Guests About Holy Communion” on page 2 of this week’s bulletin.*

*Those who are communing are encouraged to prepare themselves using “Preparing for the Sacrament of the Altar” on page 2 of the bulletin.*

*The Lord’s Supper is distributed at the altar rail. Each table is dismissed with the following blessing:*

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart  $\text{✠}$  in peace.

**C** Amen.

**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

*"Christ Be My Leader" LSB 861 (Sun. only)*

*"Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness" LSB 622 (Sun. only)*

*"May We Thy Precepts, Lord, Fulfill" LSB 698 (Sun. only)*

*Stand*

**NUNC DIMITTIS**

*LSB 199*

**THANKSGIVING**

*LSB 200*

**SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS**

*LSB 201*

**BENEDICTION**

*LSB 202*

**HYMN TO DEPART**

*"Sent Forth by God's Blessing" LSB 643*

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# News & Notes

**THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR THIS MORNING** are dedicated to Jack Barthels and his family.

**IT'S TIME TO GET READY FOR OUR 100<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION!** Please RSVP either online or on the sign in sheet in the Narthex! We also invite you to sign up for a recipe book! They are free! We are asking for a \$5 donation if you are able! Wait there is more! Get your merchandise too! Contact Claire with questions or return the order forms to her office!

**THANK YOU TO ALL WHO MADE OUR RUMMAGE SALE A SUCCESS!** Special thanks to the Swanson Family for all their hard work and dedication in making this happen. Thank you to everyone else who pitched in and to all of you who shopped. We raised \$1,596.00 to support projects here at Our Redeemer!

**OUR NEXT MEN'S BREAKFAST AND BIBLE STUDY** will be this Saturday, June 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 A.M. Men of all ages are invited to join us!

**IF YOU HAVE NOT HAD YOUR PICTURE TAKEN** for our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary history book & directory, please make an appointment with Claire to stop by the church during office hours.

**LIFE THOUGHTS IN THE CHURCH YEAR –Trinity 4:** Whether it be the evils of abortion or the assaults on biblical marriage, it becomes easier to attack people rather than confront the evil. We end up fighting evil with evil. But the way of Christ is different. "Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them" (Romans 12:14). "Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good" (12:21). *Jesus, help us boldly confront evil and compassionately deal with those caught up in it. Amen.*

**STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS:** *Luke 6:40 – "A disciple is not above his teacher, but everyone when he is fully trained will be like his teacher."* This statement is the key to understanding all of sanctification (how we are made holy): It starts with Jesus. He has redeemed us by His sacrifice on the cross, and now we are to follow Him. We are to grow into the image of God, to be like our Teacher, Lord, and King Jesus. We learn generosity from the one who gave His all for our sake. How is the Lord calling you to imitate His generosity in your callings in home, church and society?

# Serving in God's House

	<u>MUSIC</u>	<u>ELDERS</u>	<u>ALTAR GUILD</u>
<i>Week of 6/23</i>			
Sunday, 9:00 A.M.	Marian Volek & Choir	Bradley Linsmeyer Bob Roska	Lisa Swanson
Wednesday, 7:00 P.M.	Digital Music	Bob Roska	Lisa Swanson
<i>Week of 6/30</i>			
Sunday, 9:00 A.M.	Bruce Rasmussen	Rob Kuehl Jim Reed	Cindy Koller
Wednesday, 7:00 P.M.	Digital Music	Bob Roska	Cindy Koller

## This Week's Schedule

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
Sunday (23)	9:00 A.M.	Divine Service
	10:30 A.M.	Adult Bible Study
Monday (24)		
Tuesday (25)	5:30 P.M.	Choir Practice
Wednesday (26)	7:00 P.M.	Divine Service
Thursday (27)	10:00 A.M.	Bible Study
Friday (28)		
Saturday (29)	7:00 A.M.	Men's Group Breakfast & Bible Study
Sunday (30)	9:00 A.M.	Divine Service
	10:30 A.M.	Adult Bible Study

## Monthly Financial Report

	<u>MAY</u>	<u>YEAR-TO-DATE</u>
Receipts:	\$26,039.57	\$92,185.00
Expenses:	\$22,295.12	\$88,694.47
<b>Difference:</b>	<b>\$3,744.45</b>	<b>\$3,490.53</b>

## Attendance Report

<u>SERVICE</u>	<u>ATTENDANCE</u>	<u>COMMUNION</u>
Sun., June 16 <sup>th</sup> , 9:00 A.M.	82	69
Weds., June 19 <sup>th</sup> , 7:00 P.M.	8	8
<b>Total</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>77</b>