



## THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Sunday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023

### **As We Gather**

When Jesus appeared on the scene of human history, His coming was like the light of a new day. Isaiah had prophesied a day would come filled with joy as at the harvest or when victors divide spoils. But daylight also reveals problems covered by darkness, like the divisions at the Church in Corinth, as Paul writes. Jesus' light not only reveals, but it also forgives, heals, and enlivens. People brought the sick and demon-possessed to our Lord, and the first four disciples jumped at the opportunity to follow Him. What ills shall we bring to worship today for resolution? Sins requiring forgiveness, gloom needing joy, divisions seeking reconciliation? Jesus came into human history to die and rise for us; today He comes through Word and Sacrament in grace and mercy to meet our deepest needs. Let us rejoice in the light of God's forgiveness, mercy, and love.

## ✠ PREPARATION ✠

**10:45 AM Pre-Service Song** “I Can Only Imagine”

**8:15 AM Opening Hymn** “The People That in Darkness Sat” *LSB 412; stz. 1-3*

**10:45 AM Opening Song** “O Praise Him (All This For a King)”

### Invocation

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

### Opening Sentences

P: The word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing,

**C: but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.**

P: Wait for the LORD; be strong, and let your heart take courage;

**C: wait for the LORD!**

### Confession and Absolution

P: St. Matthew writes that Jesus began to preach, saying, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.” Let us respond by confessing our sins and asking our Lord’s forgiveness.

**C: Heavenly Father, we confess our sins to You. We are too much a part of this fallen world. Because our citizenship is in heaven, invade our thoughts, words, and deeds by Your gracious power. Help us to live each day as pilgrims heading to the eternal promised land. Turn us from our sinful direction to follow our Savior’s gracious lead, walking in ways pleasing to You for Jesus’ sake. Amen.**

P: “For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.” Be assured that through Jesus’ blood-bought rescue, you are already citizens in the Kingdom of heaven. In the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

## ✠ WORD ✠

**8:15 AM Hymn** “He’s Risen, He’s Risen” *LSB 480; stz. 1, 5*

### Kyrie

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord, **C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: For peace that breaks into this world from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. **C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: For peace that knows no boundaries, for growth in the Church around the world, and for unity around the cross of Christ, let us pray to the Lord. **C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: For this holy house and for all who respond here in worship and praise to our victorious King, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **C: Amen.**

**8:15 AM Hymn of Praise** “Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness” *LSB 849*

**10:45 AM Song of Praise** “Reckless Love”

**Salutation**

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

**Prayer of the Day**

P: Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God,

**C: mercifully look upon our infirmities and stretch forth the hand of Your majesty to heal and defend us;**

P: through Jesus Christ...one God, now and forever. **C: Amen.**

**Old Testament Reading** *Isaiah 9:1–4*

(*after the reading*) L: This is the Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual** *Psalms 117:1–2a; 96:8*

P: Praise the LORD, all nations! **C: Extol Him, all peoples!**

P: For great is His steadfast love toward us,

**C: and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.**

P: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name;

**C: bring an offering, and come into His courts!**

**Epistle** *1 Corinthians 1:10–18*

(*after the reading*) L: This is the Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

**ALL Services: Special Music** “Look For Me At Jesus Feet” by Squire Parsons. Performed by John Stansell.

L: Please stand as you are able for the reading of the Holy Gospel.

**Holy Gospel** *Matthew 4:12–25*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourth chapter.

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

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

**Children’s Message & Celebrate Song** ♪

**8:15 AM Hymn of the Day** “Your Hand, O Lord, in Days of Old” *LSB 846*

**10:45 AM Sermon Song** “Too Good To Not Believe”

**Sermon**

**Apostles’ Creed**

**Prayer of the Church**

- P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. Let us pray for the Church here and around the world, that God's light would shine through us, attracting many who still walk in the darkness of their own making, and uniting in faith and confession all who trust in Christ their Lord.
- C: Light of the world, use Your Church to enlighten those who live in this world's darkness, and enable our brothers and sisters to find in their Savior the true source of peace and concord.**
- P: Let us pray for governments local and national, that God would open leaders' eyes to see opportunities for peace between nations and safety and concord among their citizens.
- C: Light come to us from above, we ask that You guide, protect, and defend elected officials, police in our communities, and troops deployed, that peace may break out and the Church may prosper.**
- P: Let us pray for those near and dear to us, [*including . . .*]. Lord Jesus,
- C: source of light and health and peace, hear the prayers of all who call to You in their illnesses, sorrows, and grief. Shine on them in blessings and peace so that faith may remain firm until it is replaced by sight.**
- P: Let us pray for expectant parents, helpful counselors, and resourceful agencies as they seek to help families be nurseries of growth in body, soul, and mind.
- C: By Your gracious visitation, give them strength, increase their love, and provide unexpected joy in their service to You and the people around them.**
- P: Into Your hands, heavenly Father, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **C: Amen.**

### **Offering & Attendance/Involvement Cards**

**8:15 AM Offertory** "God Loves Me Dearly" *LSB 392*

**10:45 AM Offering Song** "Take My Life"

### **Lord's Prayer**

### **Benediction**

P: The peace of God Almighty—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit—be with you this day and forever. **C: Amen.**

**8:15 AM Hymn to Depart** "Sent Forth by God's Blessing" *LSB 643*

**10:45 AM Closing Song** "See A Victory"

# **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](http://www.redeemersiouxcity.com) or you can like us on Facebook or find us on YouTube.

**Children's Bulletins and Quiet Bags** are in the back of the church. Please place the Quiet Bags in the plastic container (next to the bags) when finished. Thank You!

**Large-Print Bulletins** and hearing devices are available from Ushers.

**Prayer requests** may be shared with the Prayer Leader in the Choir Loft after service. We also welcome prayer requests through our church e-mail: [redeemerchurchsc@gmail.com](mailto:redemerchurchsc@gmail.com). You don't have to be a member to request prayers.

**Pulpit Flowers** are given by the Timmon's children in honor of Roberta's birthday.

**Pulpit Flowers** are given by Ida Milligan in memory of Roger.

***Thank you** to my church family for the prayers, cards, and well wishes during my knee surgery. Recovery is going nicely. I am Blessed. ~~ Barb Jorgensen.*

***Thank you** for all your thoughts, prayers, kind words, and HUGS during this difficult time. I know my sister Cathy is home in Heaven and pain free. ~~ Connie & Larry Nelson.*

**It is our pleasure** to welcome guest preachers to Redeemer. Thursday evening is the Rev. Michael Wolfram. And Sunday morning is the Rev. Max Phillips. They are with us to share about the amazing ministry of Lutheran Family Services. LFS and Redeemer have a long and wonderful history together.

**LIFE LIGHT:** We have just started so there is still plenty of time to jump in. We have moved up the starting time to 6:30 pm. We previously met at 7:00 pm, but moving it forward a half hour helps the residents of Whispering Creek.

**Elders:** Just a reminder that we have a regularly scheduled meeting this coming Thursday, Jan. 26<sup>th</sup>. If you are unable to attend, please let Jeremy Schram know in advance.

**Superbowl Fundraiser!** Order your Superbowl Soup and Subs starting today through Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup>. Items can be picked up on Sunday,

February 12<sup>th</sup>. Youth, please plan to be to be in the gym to put orders together at 8 AM.

**No Pickleball today at 4 PM. See you Monday!!**

**Life Sunday will be on January 26 and 29.** Not only will we acknowledge “Life” in our worship services, but we will also, by name, acknowledge the baptisms and funerals of Redeemer members of 2022.

**We have a special voters meeting February 5** immediately after the second service. (Roughly noon) This shouldn't be a lengthy meeting, there is only one agenda item: CALL a Director of Christian Ministry. All voters are welcomed and encouraged to attend.

**Pickleball Tournament! February 25 at 10 am.** If needed we will finish at 4 on Sunday. Limited to first 16 males and first 16 females. Random draw for teams at 9:30 Saturday morning. To sign up please call Robin Johnson.

**Church Mailboxes:** The results from our survey done earlier this year showed that there are people who value a mailbox. The Leadership Council has decided to continue to provide mailboxes for those who'd like one. We would like to start the New Year out with a clear idea of how many mailboxes to provide, so a sign-up sheet has been placed in the back of the church for those wishing to keep their mailbox.

**NEW Choice Dollars** for the 4th Quarter are now available. Please direct them as soon as possible by calling Home Office at 1-800-847-4836 or by directing them online at [www.thrivent.com](http://www.thrivent.com). Thanks for your continued support of the Choice Dollar program at Redeemer.

**Have an interest in assisting our young members of our congregation?** ROCK Wednesday has a place for you. We are in need of more adult volunteers to help. If you would like to help, please contact Christy. Come check us out on a Wednesday night downstairs at the church 5:45 – 6:45 PM.

**We are in need of a Sunday School Teacher** for grades 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 9:30-10:30 AM. If you are interested, please contact Tara Van Meter.

**Scan the QR code** with your phone to access REDEEMER KIDS on



Facebook! This is for Redeemer families of children PreK-5th grade or for those who would like to keep informed on what we are up to in kid's ministry! This is a great resource where we will post events, updates, pictures, and more!

Scan the QR code with your phone to access the REDEEMER YOUTH



Facebook page! This is for Redeemer Middle/High School youth & families and/or anyone who would like to keep informed on what we are up to in youth ministry! This is a great resource where we will post events, updates, pictures, and more!

**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.

**January 29 airing** - This is the Life – “Transition” – A young boy reacts to the reality of the divorce of his parents and the new reality he now faces. Worship Service – Rev. Alexander Blanken of St. Paul’s Evangelical Lutheran Church in Winside, NE, delivers the message “A Word With Authority” based on Luke 4:31-44. Additional information is available on the web site: [www.mainstreetliving.com](http://www.mainstreetliving.com).

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**page** <https://www.facebook.com/Bibishopemissiontrip>

Follow us for great stories, pictures, and updates. Thank you!

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**Redeemer's Missionaries** of the year for 2023 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!

**SERVING THIS WEEK- (January 19 & 22, 2023): USHERS: Thursday 6:30**

**PM: (Feddersen's). Sunday 8:15 AM Team 3 (Gary Flammang, Mitchel Bauman, Gary Bumsted, Paul Fleckenstein, Bob Naylor). 10:45 AM Team 7- (Doug Stucky, Nate Klaumann, Christian Stai, Tom Stokes).**

**GREETERS: Sunday 8:15 AM- Karen Grieme; 10:45 AM- Shirley Stokes.**

**ACOLYTES: Sunday 8:15 AM- Joseph Gustman & Kayden Gustman; 10:45**

**AM- Cody Schutte & Alyssa Urban. TECHNOLOGIST: Thurs. 6:30 PM-**

**Drake VanMeter; Sun. 8:15 AM- Hannah Koehler; 10:45 AM- David**

**Senstad. COUNTING TEAM: 2 (Mack & Hermbelbracht's). COFFEE &**

**ROLL SERVERS: Karen Grieme & Geri Phillips**

**SERVING NEXT WEEK- (January 26 & 29, 2023): USHERS: Same as last**

**week. GREETERS: Sunday 8:15 AM- Dale & Nadine Henningsen; 10:45 AM-**

**Scott & Beth Bowman. ACOLYTES: Sunday 8:15 AM- Mesa Zellmer; 10:45**

**AM- Hailey Siepker & Xavier Young. TECHNOLOGIST: Thurs. 6:30 PM-**

**TBD; Sun. 8:15 AM- Hannah Koehler; 10:45 AM- Curt Green. COUNTING**

**TEAM: 3 (Gale & Carol Bobolz). COFFEE & ROLL SERVERS: TBD**

**Record of Our Discipleship: Week Ending Jan. 15, 2023**

Worship Attendance: Sunday, 41+132+180=353 (27%)

Adult Bible Study: 31; ROCK Sun: 34; ROCK Wed: N/A

Sudanese: 9

<u>Date</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Budgeted Income</u>	<u>%</u>
Jan. 8, 2023	\$11,038	\$15,703	70%
Year-to-date	\$35,216	\$62,811	56%

**Building Fund Income:**

Year-to-date	Weekly Income	Total
\$827.00	\$30.00	\$857.00

**THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER**

**Sunday, January 22, 2023**

8:15 & 10:45 AM Worship Service

9:30 AM Adult Bible Study

9:30 AM ROCK Sunday

9:30 AM Adult Confirmation

No Pickleball

*High School Youth Selling Subs for Superbowl*

**Monday, January 23, 2023**

9:30 AM Quilting

5:30 PM Adult Fitness

6:30 PM Pickleball

**Tuesday, January 24, 2023**

5:00 PM Aktion Meal/MWM

5:30 PM Adult Fitness

6:30 PM Life Light Bible Study at *Whispering Creek*

**Wednesday, January 25, 2023**

1:00 - 3 PM Pickleball

1:30 PM Staff Bible Study/Mtg

5-5:40 PM Midweek Meal (*Loose Meats & Chips*)

5:00- 7 PM Midweek Class

5:00- 7 PM ROCK Wednesday

6:00 PM Handbells

7:15 PM Adult Choir

**Thursday, January 26, 2023**

1:00 PM Altar Guild

5:30 PM Adult Fitness

6:30 PM Worship Service

7:00 PM Elders Mtg

**Friday, January 27, 2023**

*No Preschool- (staff attending Workshop)*

9:00 AM – Noon Food Shelf

**Saturday, January 28, 2023**

6:30 PM Supper Club at *Red Lobster*

**Sunday, January 29, 2023**

**MITES SUNDAY & LIFE**

**SUNDAY**

8:15 & 10:45 AM Worship Service

9:30 AM Adult Bible Study

9:30 AM ROCK Sunday

9:30 AM Adult Confirmation

4:00- 6 PM Pickleball

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