



SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Wake Up and Stand!

Thursday & Sunday, February 13 & 16, 2025

As We Gather

What a contrast we hear today, between someone who trusts only in other people, who are like the “chaff that the wind drives away” (Psalm 1:4) and the one who trusts in the Lord, who “knows the way of the righteous” (Psalm 1:6), as Jeremiah writes. But that difference pales when we read the Gospel and Epistle. Luke’s writing of the Beatitudes continues with the woes and laments about people who have all they need right now. And the Epistle tells us plainly that those “who have fallen asleep in Christ” believe with Paul what is “of first importance”: that Christ has been raised and that we shall stand with Him. In fact, our Lord is “the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep” (1 Corinthians 15:20). Today we reflect on what we believe and confess, on which we receive power to live, and by which we shall stand forever.

✘ PREPARATION ✘

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

6:30 PM & 8:15 AM Opening Hymn “Christ Is Our Cornerstone”
LSB 912

10:45 AM Opening Song “Your Love Defends Me”

Invocation

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

Opening Sentences

P: I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received:

C: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that He was buried, that He was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

P: In fact Christ has been raised from the dead,

C: the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

P: Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy,

C: for behold, your reward is great in heaven.

Confession and Absolution

P: Relying on the grace of God and anticipating the joys of heaven He has prepared for Jesus' sake, let us confess our sins to our gracious God.

Heavenly Father,

C: we confess that, although You have blessed us like trees planted by streams of water, we have failed to bear fruit for You and have feared when life has been difficult. Forgive us.

P: Lord Jesus Christ,

C: we confess that we have not relied on Your resurrection as proof of the grace of God. We have not always lived in the hope of our own resurrection. Forgive us.

P: O Holy Spirit,

C: we confess that we have failed to keep the faith You have given us. It is not always active in the face of the

**difficulties of life and opposition from other people.
Forgive us and renew a strong faith within us.**

P: By the grace of God, you are like trees planted by streams of water! Grace is abundant daily in God's Word and by His promises. For the sake of our living Lord, rejoice and be glad! I 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!

✠ WORD ✠

6:30 PM & 8:15 AM Hymn of Praise "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" *LSB 790*, stz. 1, 3, 5

10:45 AM Song of Praise "What A Beautiful Name It Is"

Salutation

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

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray. Grant us, heavenly Father, to so appreciate Your grace in giving us faith in Your Son that we live each day in thanksgiving for the precious Gospel

C: until we fall asleep in Christ and awaken to the glory You have prepared for us for His sake;

P: through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C: Amen.**

Old Testament Reading *Exodus 17:1-7*

(after the reading)...

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

Epistle *1 Corinthians 15:1-20*

L: Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received:

C: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that He was buried, that He was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures,

L: and that He appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then He appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep.

Then He appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, He appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and His grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed. Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? But if there is no resurrection of the dead,

C: then not even Christ has been raised.

L: And if Christ has not been raised,

C: then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain.

L: We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified about God that He raised Christ, whom He did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised,

C: not even Christ has been raised.

L: And if Christ has not been raised,

C: your faith is futile and you are still in your sins.

L: Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. If in this life only we have hoped in Christ,

C: we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

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

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

Holy Gospel *Luke 6:17–26*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the sixth chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

P: [Jesus] came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of His disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem and the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon, who came to hear Him and to be healed of their diseases. And those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all the crowd sought to touch Him, for power came out from Him and healed them all. And He lifted up His eyes on His disciples, and said: "Blessed are you who are poor,

C: for yours is the kingdom of God.

P: "Blessed are you who are hungry now, **C: for you shall be satisfied.**

P: "Blessed are you who weep now, **C: for you shall laugh.**

P: "Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you and revile you and spurn your name as evil, on account of the Son of Man! Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven; for so their fathers did to the prophets. "But woe to you who are rich,

C: for you have received your consolation.

P: "Woe to you who are full now, **C: for you shall be hungry.**

P: "Woe to you who laugh now, **C: for you shall mourn and weep.**

P: "Woe to you, when all people speak well of you,

C: for so their fathers did to the false prophets.

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

Children's Message & Celebrate Song 🎵

6:30 PM & 8:15 AM Hymn of the Day "The Gospel Shows the Father's Grace" *LSB* 580; stz. 1, 3, 5

10:45 AM Sermon Song "How Great Is Our God"

Sermon

Catechism *The Second Article*

C: I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at

the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

P: What does this mean? **C: I believe that Jesus Christ,**

P: true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the virgin Mary,

C: is my Lord, who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil;

P: not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death,

C: that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness,

P: just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity. **C: This is most certainly true.**

Prayer of the Church

P: Let us pray for ourselves, the church around the world, and all people in their various circumstances.

C: Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

P: Around the world many are poor and homeless, wandering far from home. Heavenly Father, meet their needs through us, Your servants, and even those people who may think they control them. Give them the clothing and shelter they need, and introduce them to the promise of Christ about His rule.

C: Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you shall be satisfied.

P: We pray, Lord Jesus, for Your blessings on all who work in voluntary relief organizations and professional counseling agencies. Protect and guide them so that their efforts bring thanksgivings, health, and new opportunities.

C: Blessed are you who weep now, for you shall laugh.

P: O Holy Spirit, hear the prayers of those who are sick, in mourning, or unemployed, [*especially . . .*]. Answer them as Your plans allow, relieve their suffering, calm their tears, and give them opportunity to use the gifts and abilities You have given them.

C: Blessed are you when people hate you.

P: Visit, strengthen, guide, and direct us in the church here and around the world, Lord, our God. Grant that what we say with our lips be reflected in how we live our lives and what we accomplish with our hands and feet. These and any other things You would have us ask of You, heavenly Father, grant to us for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, in whose name we pray. **C: Amen.**

Offering & Attendance/Involvement Cards

✠ SACRAMENT ✠

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...one God, now and forever. **C: Amen.**

The Words of Our Lord

Lord's Prayer

Pax Domini

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

Distribution

6:30 PM & 8:15 AM Distribution Hymns "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence" *LSB* 621 and "Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face" *LSB* 631

10:45 AM Communion Hymns "Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)" and "King Of Kings"

Post-Communion Thanksgiving

P: Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift,

C: and we implore You to strengthen us so that our intentions are turned to acts of service and our

confessions of faith become lives reflecting Your gracious love and mercy;

P: through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C: Amen.**

Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. **C: Amen.**

6:30 PM & 8:15 AM Closing Hymn “Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good” *LSB* 819

10:45 AM Closing Song “Graves Into Gardens”

Dismissal

P: Blessed are you! Rejoice, leap for joy, for your reward is great in heaven. Go in peace as you serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Holy Communion is celebrated at Redeemer in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that we may show forth His death until He comes. We ask visitors who are in doubt or hold a confession differing from that of this congregation, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, to first speak with a pastor.

Our worship services will continue to be available, traditional &/or contemporary, on our website: 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.

Just a reminder that we welcome prayer requests through our church email: [redeemerchurchsc@gmail.com](mailto:redemerchurchsc@gmail.com). You don't have to be a member to request prayers.

If you would like to give a charitable donation, you may drop off at the church or mail to RLC, 3204 S. Lakeport, Sioux City, IA 51106.

Pulpit Flowers by Marty & Marcia Delperdang in memory of Mom.

***Dear Friends of Redeemer & LWML,** Thank you for your prayers of comfort and peace on the passing of my dad. ~~ Lenore Field*

Pastor Senstad would like to thank everyone for the prayers. His melanoma surgery went well and he anticipates a good recovery.

A monetary door offering (envelope in your bulletin) will be taken today for the Brian & Jennifer Lay Family. They lost their apartment in the Morningside fire which totally destroyed 22 apartments affecting 40+ individuals and families. If you have furniture, etc. you would like to donate, see Pastor Zirpel. We can't take that now as they are still looking for appropriate housing. Any donated furniture, etc. that they can't use will be

donated to the Gospel Mission, and they will give to the fire victims, free-of-charge, etc.

The congregation is invited to a reception of Redeemer's Octogenarians (November, December, January, & February), immediately following the 8:15 service on Sunday.

Door Locks: We continue to learn the processes of working with our new door locks. If you need access to the church during non-business hours, please contact Angie DuBois in the office.

New Cameras are being installed in the church. The same grant that paid for the new door locks is funding new cameras throughout the church. Smile, you're on candid camera.

Pastor Senstad will be at Whispering Creek senior living this coming Wednesday, February 19th, for devotions at 10:30 a.m. Please share this information with those you think could benefit from being there.

LWML - You're invited to a Special Tea Party! Join us Sunday, February 23rd, 2:00 PM, in Redeemer's Parish Hall. Bring your mother, daughter, grandmother, aunt, niece, or friend to share your love of Christ to the favorite women in your life. Sip on tea, enjoy dainty finger foods and special treats, entertainment, Photo Booth / Keepsake, and wear a fancy hat – Prizes for the most creative hats (optional).

St. Paul's High School *Singing Saints*: You are invited to join us for a special night of music on Friday, February 28th, 7:00 PM, in the Sanctuary. The award-winning choir has toured annually since 1971 with over 1000 appearances in the United States, Canada, and Europe. The choir has a singular focus-that of boldly proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ through a vast range of music styles including sacred Renaissance, German Chorales, American Spirituals, 19th-century motets, 20th-century anthems, and more. For more information about the St. Paul's High School go to **www.splhs.org**.

LWML (Save the Dates)

March 5th – Ash Wednesday (Soup & Pie Meal).

April 5th – Sioux City Zone Spring Rally; here at Redeemer.
Keynote speaker, Rev. Keith Haney.

June 26-29th - 2025 LWML Convention in Omaha, NE.

Save the Date: Sarah How will be returning for a Women's Conference on March 28 from 6-8 PM and March 29 from 9 AM -1 PM. If you have any question please contact Amy Dirks.

LWML - Religious Greeting Cards now available for all occasions!
Single cards \$1.00 or 12 cards for \$10.00.

LWML Winter 2024 Women's Quarterly Magazines are here. Pick up a copy on the counter at the back of the Sanctuary.

Thrivent Members Who Have Choice Dollars: IF YOU HAVE 2024 CHOICE DOLLARS THAT HAVE NOT BEEN DIRECTED, YOU MUST DIRECT THEM BEFORE MARCH 31, 2025 OR YOU LOSE THEM. THEY DO NOT CARRY OVER! YOU HAVE MORE CHOICE DOLLARS TO DIRECT AFTER EACH QUARTER (March 31, June 30, September 30, and December 31). MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!
To direct your Choice Dollars, call the Home Office at 1-800-847-4836 or you can direct them online at www.thrivent.com.

Ushers Wanted! We are in need of Ushers for our 10:45 AM service. No Experience Necessary. If interested, Please contact Doug Stucky.

Jams, Jellies & Pickles are available for asking!

Aronia Jam

**Aronia Syrup*

Aronia Berry Rhubarb

Aronia Blueberry Jam

Aronia Berry Jelly

Aronia Peach Jam

Blackberry Jam

Blackberry Jelly

Blueberry Rhubarb Jam

Choke Cherry Jelly

**Choke Cherry Syrup*

**Chokeberry Syrup*

Fruit Juice Jalapeno Jam

Fruit Juice Jelly

Gooseberry Jam

Gooseberry Jelly

Jalapeno Jam

Red Currant Jelly

Red Raspberry Rhubarb –

Jalapeno Jam

Red Raspberry –

Jalapeno Jam

Rhubarb Ginger Jam

Rhubarb Jalapeno Jam

Strawberry Jalapeno Jam

Wild Plum Jalapeno Jam

Wild Plum Rhubarb Jam

Wild Raspberry –

Rhubarb Jam

PICKLES

Dill

Sweet Pickles

Loess Hills Birds & Nature

Photography Exhibit Betty Strong Encounter Center: UNTIL FEBRUARY 23-- Features the photographers of Northwest Iowa. For more information: <https://www.loesshillsaudubonsociety.org>



Giving has never been easier! You can now scan Redeemer's QR Code to access our online giving. Just open up your camera on your phone and point it at the QR code centering it on your screen. You may have to hold it still for a few seconds. Then tap the pop-up banner/link. This will direct you to Redeemer's giving website.

If you have "new" flats (lids) and/or new/used canning rings (narrow or wide), you no longer need, we would gladly accept your donation. Just put in a sack or box and place outside Pastor Zirpel's door. Canning jars, especially 8 oz (narrow) and 16 oz (narrow & wide) jars, also accepted. ~~Thank You!

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.

February 16 airing - This is the Life – "The True Abundance" – A tale of misunderstanding and forgiveness. Worship Service – Rev. Russell Senstad of Redeemer Lutheran Church in Sioux City, IA, delivers the message "Let Down Your Nets" based on Luke 5:1-11.

February 23 airing - This is the Life – "Richest Man in the World" – A gardener reminds a town what's most important in life. Worship Service – Rev. Bryan Meadows of Zion Lutheran Church in Rapid City, SD, delivers the message "Who Else Teaches That" based on Luke 6:27-38. Additional information is available on the web site: www.mainstreetliving.com.

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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 2025 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- (February 13 & 16, 2025): same as last week. **Sunday 8:15 AM- Team 2** (Scott Ernst, Brian Duff, Roy Olsen, Lamont Onken, Phil Schauer). **10:45 AM- Team 6** (Mark Shapiro, Jim Phillips, Jeremy Schram, Aaron, Schutt). **GREETERS: 8:15 AM-** Lamont & Drenda Onken; **10:45 AM- Marty & Marcia Delperdang.** **ACOLYTES: 8:15 AM-** (open); **10:45 AM- Kennedy Robinson & Brayden Surber.** **TECHNOLOGIST: Thurs. 6:30 PM-** Tim Young; **Sun. 8:15 AM-** Erik Koehler; **10:45 AM-** Curt Green.. **COUNTING TEAM: 2** –Mack & Hermelbracht. **COFFEE & ROLL SERVERS:** Geri Phillips & Karen Grieme

SERVING NEXT WEEK- (February 20 & 23, 2025): same as last week. **GREETERS: 8:15 AM-** Bruce & Roberta Timmons; **10:45 AM-** Jackie Krueger & Jayne Edwards. **ACOLYTES: 8:15 AM-** (open); **10:45 AM-** Hayden Kunze & Abby Bailey. **TECHNOLOGIST: Thurs. 6:30 PM-** Tim Young; **Sun. 8:15 AM-** Jordan Fisher; **10:45 AM-** Tim Young. **COUNTING TEAM: 3** – Bobolz's & Schmith's. **COFFEE & ROLL SERVERS:** Paul & Cindy Fleckenstein

Record of Our Discipleship: Week Ending February 9, 2025

Worship Attendance: Sunday, 27+159+100=286 (24%)

Adult Bible Study: 30; ROCK Sunday: 43; ROCK Wed: N/A

Sudanese: 13

<u>Date</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Budgeted Income</u>	<u>%</u>
Feb. 9, 2025	\$20,117	\$15,630	129%
Year-to-date	\$101,769	\$93,780	109%

Building Fund Income:

Year-to-date	Weekly Income	Total
\$140	\$20	\$160

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER

Sunday, February 16, 2025

8:15 & 10:45 AM Worship Service
 9:30 AM Adult Bible Study
 9:30 AM ROCK Sunday
 9:30 AM Adult Confirmation
 1:00 PM Sudanese Worship
 4:00-6 PM Pickleball
 6-9 Tubing at Cone Park

Monday, February 17, 2024

9:00 AM Quilting
 5:30 PM Adult Fitness
 6:30 PM Pickleball

Tuesday, February 18, 2024

11:00 AM Retired Educators Meal/MWM
 1:30 PM Staff Bible Study/Mtg
 7:00 PM Life Light Bible Study at *Whispering Creek*

Wednesday, February 19, 2025

10:30 AM Devotions w/Pastor Senstad at *Whispering Creek*
 5-5:40 PM Midweek Meal (*Walking Tacos*)
 5:00-7 PM Midweek Classes
 5:00-7 PM ROCK Wednesday Class
 5:30 PM Midweek Bible Study
 6:00 PM Handbell Practice
 7:15 PM Adult Choir Practice
 7:30-9 PM Youth Group

Thursday, February 20, 2025

10:00 AM Thrivent Choice Mtg
 1:00 PM 'Women Serving in Christ' Mtg
 5:30 PM Adult Fitness

6:00 PM BSF Bible Study (lower level)

6:30 PM Worship Service

Friday, February 21, 2025

9:00 AM - Noon Food Shelf

Sunday, February 23, 2025

FOOD SUNDAY

8:15 & 10:45 AM Worship Service

9:30 AM Adult Bible Study

9:30 AM ROCK Sunday

9:30 AM Adult Confirmation

1:00 PM Sudanese Worship

2:00-4 PM LWML: Tea Party-Parish Hall

4:00-6 PM Pickleball