

Your Future Is Bright and Glorious

Thursday & Sunday, October 31 & November 3, 2024

As We Gather

We are reminded that this gathering is in truth a far greater assemblage than the number of people in this room at this time. The letter to the Hebrews reminds us that as we journey through our earthly lives we are surrounded by "so great a cloud of witnesses" (12:1) and tells of "the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven" and "the spirits of the righteous made perfect" (12:23). Hymn writer Isaac Watts reminds us that "the saints on earth and those above but one communion make; joined to their Lord in bonds of love, all of His grace partake" (*TLH* 478:1). With joy and thanksgiving, we celebrate the faith that binds us together with the faithful of all times!

10:45 AM Pre-Service Song "Great Is The Lord"

6:30 PM & 8:15 AM Opening Hymn "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" LSB 657 sts. 1–4

10:45 AM Opening Song "Awesome God"

Invocation

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

Opening Sentences *Psalm* 34:1, 3, 8–9;

- P: Light is sown for the righteous, and joy for the upright in heart. Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous, and give thanks to His holy name!
- C: For the LORD loves justice; He will not forsake His saints. They are preserved forever.
- P: I will bless the LORD at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth.
- C: Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt His name together!
- P: Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in Him!
- C: Oh, fear the LORD, you His saints, for those who fear Him have no lack!

Confession and Absolution

- P: Beloved of God, we rejoice to be numbered with the saints. In confidence, let us come before our gracious Lord to confess our sins and to receive His gracious absolution.
- C: Almighty God, we repent of our sins—the inherited sinfulness that is our original condition and our manifold sins in thought and in word and in deed. In Your mercy, forgive us. Create in us clean hearts, O God, that we may serve You as Your redeemed people, now and forever.
- P: Because of the sacrifice of His beloved Son for the sins of all people, God has promised His forgiveness. In the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. May you

ever live as the saints with a bright and glorious future that you are in Christ Jesus. **C: Amen.**

Saints Celebration Part 1

- P: The words of the Lutheran Confessions give three specific reasons for remembering and honoring the saints. The Apology of the Augsburg Confession states: "Our Confession approves honoring the saints in three ways. The first is thanksgiving. We should thank God because He has shown examples of mercy, because He wishes to save people, and because He has given teachers and other gifts to the Church" (Ap XXI 4). Some of the saints listed in the commemorations section of the hymnal lived long earthly lives. Others, especially some of the martyrs who died on account of their faith in the first centuries of the Christian Church, did not. Today we bring to our remembrance someone old and someone young from the legions of saints from past centuries.
- Reader 1: St. Polycarp, who was born less than four decades after Jesus ascended into heaven, had a long and impactful ministry. As a young man, he knew and studied under St. John, the disciple of Jesus. For over fifty years, he cared for the church at Smyrna, which is now in the land of Turkey. During the time of his leadership, there was continuing persecution of Christians by the governing authorities. During the time when Marcus Aurelius was Roman Emperor, Polycarp was arrested and taken to the local stadium, where he was ordered to renounce his faith in Christ. In response to that order, Polycarp replied: "Eighty and six years have I served Him, and He has done me no wrong, and can I revile my king that saved me?" St. Polycarp, whose name translates as "much fruit" labored fruitfully for his Lord. He is remembered as a martyr on the church calendar each year on February 23.
- **Reader 2:** St. Katherine of Alexandria lived in Egypt in the last years of the third century and the first years of the fourth. Raised in a wealthy and educated family, she came to know of

Jesus through her course of studies as a teenager. Although by this time in history Roman state persecution of Christians was subsiding, there were still times when admitting to being a follower of Jesus Christ could bring a sentence of death. Courageously confessing her firmly held belief, Katherine went before the Roman Emperor Maxentius and requested that the persecutions and executions of Christian people for their faith stop. Refusing to give up her faith, Katherine calmly faced a prison sentence that was ultimately followed by her execution. During her time of captivity she continued her Christian witness, leading to the conversion of soldiers sent to guard her and scholars sent to dissuade her from her beliefs and even the empress, who had come to visit her. In the book of Revelation, St. John gave these words of encouragement from the Lord: "Be faithful unto death, and I will give you the crown of life" (2:10). From her few years of earthly life, Katherine left a lasting spiritual legacy.

- P: I believe that I shall look upon the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living!
- C: For the LORD loves justice; He will not forsake His saints. They are preserved forever.

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Introit

- C: These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.
- Women: In You, O LORD, do I take refuge; let me never be put to shame; in Your righteousness deliver me. For You are my rock and my fortress; and for Your name's sake You lead me and guide me.
- Men: Into Your hand I commit my spirit; You have redeemed me, O LORD, faithful God.
- C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be

forever. Amen. These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

6:30 PM & 8:15 AM Hymn of Praise "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" *LSB* 549; sts. 1-2, 7

10:45 AM Song of Praise "More Love, More Power"

Salutation

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

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray...In His abiding name, we pray. C: Amen.

First Reading *Revelation 7: (2–8) 9–17* (after the reading)...L: This is the Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

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

Holy Gospel Matthew 5:1-12

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth 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 🎝

- 6:30 PM & 8:15 AM Hymn of the Day "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" *LSB* 686
- 10:45 AM Sermon Song "Lord, I Lift Your Name On High"

Sermon

Saints Celebration Part 2

- P: Two other reasons for commemorating the saints noted in the Lutheran Confessions are the strengthening of our faith and the imitation, first of faith, then of other virtues. The calendar of the saints includes both men and women from every era of history and from many lands. So now we meet one saints:
- **Reader 1:** Often showing up first on an alphabetical list of the saints, Ambrose lived in northern Italy in the fourth century.

As a child, he proudly announced on one occasion, "I shall one day be bishop." His studies and experiences, however, took his life in a different direction and eventually he became a governor in northern Italy, ruling from the city of Milan. When the local bishop of that region died, conflict broke out in Milan between two possible successors. When crowds of supporters of both sides gathered in conflict in the city center, Ambrose, as governor, went to keep order. The result of his peace-keeping efforts was that he was acclaimed as bishop by the crowd. He was the right man at the right time. He served the people and congregations at Milan tirelessly for almost a quarter of a century and used all his talents in the service of the Lord.

- P: The LORD is the strength of His people; He is the saving refuge of His anointed.
- C: Light is sown for the righteous, and joy for the upright in heart. Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous, and give thanks to His holy name!

Nicene Creed

Commemoration of the Saints

P: We remember with thanksgiving those who have gone before us with the sign of faith, for they were created by God to offer Him praise and thanksgiving forever. God gave new life to them through Holy Baptism, nourished them in the company of His people at His Holy Table and in His mercy summoned them to His eternal presence so that they may continue to serve Him forever.

In joyful anticipation of the resurrection to life eternal, we remember before You, O Lord, those relatives, friends, and fellow members of this congregation who have gone before us in faith. We offer thanksgiving for the gift of faith and hold fast to the certainty of Your promises that where You are, there Your servants shall be also. Bless the memories of the saints among us and keep us firm in the certain hope of the great reunion to come in Your gracious eternal kingdom. In Jesus' name we pray, **C: Amen.**

Prayer of the Church

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

Offering & Attendance / Involvement Cards

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

Proclamation of Christ

- P: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- P: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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 Children Hear the Mighty Deeds" *LSB* 867 and "Thee Will I Love, My Strength, My Tower" *LSB* 694
- 10:45 AM Communion Songs "Give Thanks" and "Create In Me"

Post-Communion Thanksgiving

P: Let us pray...one God, now and forever. C: Amen.

Saints Celebration Part 3

- P: In the book of Revelation, the description of the company of heaven is one that includes "every tribe and language and people and nation." That amazing and diverse group of individuals will include many saints we know today by name and reputation as their stories are passed from generation to generation. There will be others who were forgotten on earth but will certainly be fully known in the bright and glorious company of the blessed that is heaven.
- P: Gracious is the LORD, and righteous; our God is merciful.
- C: For the LORD loves justice; He will not forsake His saints. They are preserved forever. Oh, save Your people and bless Your heritage! Be their shepherd and carry them forever.
- P: Acknowledging the gifts to us through anonymous saints of all centuries we offer praise to God in our prayer.

Closing Prayer

P: Eternal Father, You have shown to us, in the words of Jesus Christ, Your Son, the way of those who are truly blessed. Grant us grace to live out our days as Your people who walk in ways of meekness and faith, following the path of our Lord and imitating the faith and virtues of the saints in our lifetimes. Send Your Holy Spirit to direct and counsel us in all things and bring us at last to Your eternal kingdom. In the name of Christ, we pray. 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 "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me" *LSB* 761 10:45 AM Closing Song "I'll Fly Away"

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: <u>www.redeemersiouxcity.com</u> 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: <u>redeemerchurchsc@gmail.com</u>. 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.

Altar Flowers are given by Al & Melissa Joens in memory of John Merchant.

In Our Prayers we will remember those saints called to their heavenly home since last Easter: *Keith Bales* (4-5), *Yvonne Beck* (9-10), and *Paul Holmes* (9-28).

Our Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive is now and goes through our Thanksgiving Eve worship services at 11:30 AM and 6:30 PM Wednesday, Nov. 27. Baskets will be in South and North entrances. Your donations of nonperishable food will go to needy people in our congregation and community. If you would like to donate a turkey, ham, or both you can bring it to the church and we'll put them in the freezer. Thank you! **Your Offering Envelopes for 2025** are available for pick up. They are located in the hallway under the coat rack next to the Office.

Youth Silent Auction Fundraiser: The youth is hosting their annual *Silent Auction Fundraiser*. We will be collecting Baskets to auction off. Basket donations will be accepted through November 9th. Bidding on the Baskets will begin on November 10th and end Sunday November 24th after the 10:45 worship service. All proceeds will go to the youth to help pay for their trip to New Orleans for the National Youth Gathering. Thank you to everyone for your generous support of our youth. Questions contact Jonathon Bailey.

Friendsgiving Sunday – A Celebration of our Church Family & Friends. Join us November 10th, at 12:00 PM. Meal furnished by Redeemer Lutheran Women in Mission. Ingathering: Food Pantry and Toys for Tots. RSVP by November 3rd. Sign-up sheet is located in the back of the Sanctuary.

LWML Board Meeting Monday, November 11th, 6:30 PM in the conference room. All are welcome to attend.

On Tuesday, November 12 at Noon, Meals with a Mission will serve a Thanksgiving meal to our older members, etc. in the gym. We could use extra help with a few deliveries, also, that day on Wednesday. Please contact Kristy Fisher or Pastor Zirpel if you can help deliver. That evening at 5.00 we serve 200 Aktion clients & relatives/friends their Thanksgiving meal.

LWML & Redeemer Youth 'TOYS FOR TOTS'- Your donation helps provide a brighter Christmas for the less fortunate children in our community. New and unwrapped toys ages 0-18 years. We will have drop off sites at the South & North entrance November 1 – December 12.

NOVEMBER 10th-CHRISTMAS PROGRAM PRACTICE: If you are interested in being part of the Christmas program, join us in the basement for our first practice of the year. Parts will be assigned, and we will go through the program. Practice is from 1-2PM. All ages are welcome.

Siouxland LCMS Churches and Concordia Seward Man's Choir invite you to "Hymns and Songs of Hope" on Sunday,

November 3rd, 3:00 PM with a light meal to follow, located at Calvary Lutheran Church (4400 Central St., Sioux City, IA). A fundraiser for Iowa West Congregations impacted by the June 2024 Flooding. All free-will gifts from this day will be given to *Trinity, Hawarden and Christ the King, Spencer.*

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

The Exalt team is always looking for more musicians to join us for the 10:45 Contemporary Service on Sunday mornings! If you, or someone you know, would like to join the group, please let Nathan Klaumann know either after church or by contacting him directly!

Technologist Wanted! We are in need for students or adults who are interested in running technology on Sunday mornings. No experience necessary. We will train you. If interested, please contact Angie DuBois or Tim Young.

Thrivent Members Who Have Choice Dollars: NEW Choice Dollars for the 3rd Quarter of 2024 are now available. Please direct them as soon as possible by calling 1-800-847-4836 or by directing them online at **www.thrivent.com.** Thanks for your continued support of the Choice Dollar program at Redeemer.

Fresh rhubarb, rhubarb custard, strawberry rhubarb custard & strawberry rhubarb pies, small & large are available, Thursday and Sunday mornings. \$20 for large & \$9 for small! Tkx for your purchases! Thanks for all your help. **During the month of November, sales will go to the JJ Wolf Missionary Family of Africa**. Small jars of jams, jellies, & pickles are \$6 each or 5 for \$25. Large jars of pickles & jams are \$8 each or 5 for \$35. Varied flavors of syrups are \$8.

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PICKLES

Dill Hamburger Sweet Dills Sweet Pickles

<u>PIES</u>

Rhubarb Rhubarb Custard Strawberry Rhubarb

"Fields of Honey" (Lg & Sm. Bottles)

GriefShare Support Group (Fall Cycle) – At GriefShare group, you'll find understanding, guidance, relief, and a safe place to navigate the challenges of grief. Come join us on Tuesdays through December 10th from 10:30 – noon and on Thursdays through December 12th from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. There will be no sessions Thanksgiving week. Please register at <u>calvaryleeds.com</u>. If questions please call Diane Harris at 712-389-5226. Bring a friend. There is hope in this journey.

The Vendor Sale at the American Legion Buildings in Sergeant Bluff is November 9th, 9 AM -2:30 PM.



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) 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.

November 10 airing - This is the Life – "In Search of Dignity" – Two factory workers struggle to find meaning after they are replaced by machines. Worship Service – Rev. John Gierke of St. Paul Lutheran Church in West Point, NE, delivers the message "Trusting Through the Testing" based on 1 Kings 17:7-16. 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 2024 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- (October 31 & November 3, 2024): USHERS: Thursday 6:30 PM- Harlan & Mary Feddersen (Al & Melissa Joens, Shelly Fergen, Mike Searls). Sunday 8:15 AM-Team 2 (Scott Ernst, Brian Duff, Roy Olsen, Lamont Onken, Phil Schauer). 10:45 AM- Team 6 (Mark Shapiro, Jim Philips, Jeremy Schram, Aaron Schutt). <u>GREETERS</u>: 8:15 AM- Dick & Deanna Braun; 10:45 AM- Marty & Marcia Delperdang. <u>ACOLYTES</u>: 8:15 AM- Mesa & Sierra Zellmer, 10:45 AM- Dominic DuBois & Jax Findley. <u>TECHNOLOGIST</u>: Thurs. 6:30 PM- Tim Young; Sun. 8:15 AM- Erik Koehler; 10:45 AM- TBD. <u>COUNTING TEAM</u>: 3 (Bobolz's & Schmith's). <u>COFFEE & ROLL SERVERS</u>: Youth

<u>SERVING NEXT WEEK- (November 7 & 10, 2024</u> USHERS: same as last week. <u>GREETERS</u>: 8:15 AM- Scott & Brenda Ernst; 10:45 AM- Jackie Krueger & Jayne Edwards. <u>ACOLYTES:</u> 8:15 AM- Mesa & Sierra Zellmer, 10:45 AM- Leland David & Jax Findley. <u>TECHNOLOGIST:</u> Thurs. 6:30 PM- Tim Young; Sun. 8:15 AM-Jordan Fisher; 10:45 AM- Curt Green. <u>COUNTING TEAM</u>: 4 (Fink & Buckley). <u>COFFEE & ROLL SERVERS</u>: Garlyn & Mary Lyman

Record of Our Discipleship: Week Ending October 27, 2024

Worship Attendance: Sunday, 24+151+103=295 (24%) Adult Bible Study: 24; ROCK Sunday: 36; ROCK Wed: 13 Sudanese: 115

Date	Income	Budgeted Income	<u>%</u>
Oct. 27, 2024	\$10,202	\$15,548	65%
Year-to-date	\$581,643	\$675,707	87%
Building Fund Income:			
Year-to-date	١	Veekly Income	Total
\$2,465		\$100 \$	\$2,565

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER

Sunday, November 3, 2024

Daylight Savings

8:15 & 10:45 AM Worship w/Holy Communion
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
- Silent Auction Basket (Items) Needed- through Nov. 9
- Auction (Nov. 10-24)

Monday, November 4, 2024

11:30 AM Members Luncheon at *Mr. Stir Fry* 5:30 PM Adult Fitness 6:30 PM Pickleball

Tuesday, November 5, 2024

10:00 AM Devotions w/Pastor Zirpel at *Bickford Memory*10:45 AM Devotions at *Bickford Assisted*1:30 PM Bible Study/Staff Mtg
7:00 PM Life Light at *Whispering Creek*

Wednesday, November 6, 2024

9:30 AM Lamplighter's meeting at *Calvary*1:00 PM Pickleball
5-5:40 PM Midweek Meal (*Chicken Pot Pie*)
5:00-7 PM Midweek
5:00-7 PM ROCK Wednesday
6-7:30 PM 'Revelation' Bible Study
6:00 PM Handbell Practice
6:30 PM Women's Bible Study at *Oscar Carl Vineyard*7:15 PM Adult Choir Practice
7:30-9 PM Youth Group

Thursday, November 7, 2024

5:30 PM Adult Fitness 6:00 PM BSF Bible Study – *Center Rm* 6:30 PM Worship Service

Friday, November 8, 2024

9:00 AM - Noon Food Shelf

Saturday, November 9, 2024

9 AM- 2:30 PM Sergeant Bluff Fall Craft Fair (free) - Legion Hall

Sunday, November 10, 2024

8:15 & 10:45 AM Worship Service
9:30 AM Adult Bible Study
9:30 AM ROCK Sunday
9:30 AM Adult Confirmation
12:00 PM LWML-Friendsgiving Sunday
1:00 PM Sudanese Worship
1:00-2 PM Christmas Program Practice Starts
4:00-6 PM Pickleball
*Silent Auction Starts