

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

No One Will Snatch Them from My Hand

Thursday & Sunday, May 8 & 11, 2025

10:45 AM Pre-Service Song "Because He Lives (Amen)"

As We Gather

In our world of constant change and abundant challenges to our faith, we often feel alone, and fear causes us to question where God is and what He is doing. Our Good Shepherd has pledged never to abandon us but to be with us always. More than this, He has promised that no one can snatch us from His hand. He is the powerful Good Shepherd who lays down His life for His sheep. Because of the investment He has made in us, He does not surrender us to temptation, trouble, trial, or test.

₩ PREPARATION №

6:30 PM & 8:15 AM Opening Hymn "Father Welcomes" LSB 60510:45 AM Opening Song "House Of The Lord"

Invocation

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

Confession and Absolution

P: All we like sheep have gone astray;

C: we have turned everyone to his own way;

P: and the LORD has laid on Jesus the iniquity of us all. He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross

C: that we might die to sin and live to righteousness.

Silence for reflection and examination.

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that

we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

- P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**
- P: He who began this good work within you will bring it to completion on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. The peace of the Lord be with you. **C: Amen.**

₩ WORD ₩

Kyrie

- P: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord. **C: Lord, have mercy.**
- P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord. **C: Lord, have mercy.**
- P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. C: Amen.
- **6:30 PM & 8:15 AM Hymn of Praise** "I Am Jesus' Little Lamb" *LSB 740*
- 10:45 AM Song of Praise "Great Are You Lord"

Salutation

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

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray. Almighty God, merciful Father, since You have wakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep, grant us Your Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know Him who calls us each by name and follow where He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our

Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

First Reading Acts 20:17–35

(after the reading)...

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

Epistle Revelation 5:1-14

(after the reading)...

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

8:15 & 10:45 Special Music "Witness" arr. by Victor Johnson. Performed by Adult Choir.

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

Verse Romans 6:9; John 10:14

P: Alleluia. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again;

C: death no longer has dominion over Him. Alleluia.

P: I am the good shepherd.

C: I know My own and My own know Me. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel Luke 1:26-31

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the first 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 "The King of Love My Shepherd Is" *LSB* 709

10:45 AM Sermon Song "Mighty To Save"

Sermon

Apostles' Creed

Offering & Attendance/Involvement Cards

10:45 AM New Member Reception

Prayer of the Church

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

Lord's Prayer

Benediction

- P: Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do His will, working in you that which is pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. **C: Amen.**
- 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** "Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us" *LSB 711*

10:45 AM Closing Song "Today Is The Day"

Today we welcome Redeemer's newest member:

₱ By Transfer, Kristin Lynn Tieck. 619 14 St. SE Apt. B2, Orange City, IA 51041

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome! A cordial welcome to everyone worshiping with us today. We are happy to have you share the joy of this Lord's Day with us. A special welcome to those worshiping 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 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. 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.

Please stop by Care Corner to sign an *Anniversary* card for Jeff & Melissa Wittman celebrating 25 years together.

Birthday card for Carol Junck.

Altar Flowers are given by Justin & Emily Wulf celebrating 11 years together.

Pulpit Flowers are given by Sandy Zalme in honor of the all Fallen Fire Fighters.

As we ring Bells Across America on May 11, we remember Andy Zalme from Redeemer and other fallen firefighters across our nation.

It is our pleasure to welcome Ben & Rebecca Helge and their son Viktor Emil who serve the Lord in the Czech Republic. They have come tonight to share a mission report. May God continue to bless them in their ministry. If you wish to support them, please see the insert.

Pastor Zirpel & Dan Fisher will attend a theological conference in Mitchell, SD, Friday & Saturday, May 8-10.

Work-Day at Woodbury County Fair Food Booth: May 13, 8:00 am. Sign-up sheet on Narthex table. Thanks!

Please join us in the Parish Hall between services in celebrating Carol Junck's 90th birthday next Sunday, May 18th. All are welcome!

Parade Float – Join the Fun! If you'd like to be part of the parade float, come help us *decorate* on *Wednesday, the 14th at 5:30 PM* at the church. For those walking in the parade, we'll meet at the church on Thursday, the 15th at 5:00 PM to get lined up by 5:30. We're still accepting candy donations to hand out during the parade—drop them off at the church anytime between now and Thursday the 15th!

End of School Year Family Picnic! Come celebrate the end of the school year with a fun-filled family picnic at beautiful Bacon Creek Park!

Where: Pavilion #2 When: Sunday, May 25th | 5:00–7:00 PM

We'll be grilling up hamburgers and hot dogs, so come hungry. Kids can enjoy the playground, and there's plenty of space for everyone to explore the walking trail or even try some fishing. Bring the whole family, invite your friends—everyone's welcome! Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. Let's kick off summer together with good food, laughter, and great company. Questions contact DCE Jonathon Bailey 620-655-5395.

Join us for a powerful day of worship and music at the *Christian Cross Fest—a free Christian music festival in Norfolk, NE!*

Date: Saturday, **June 7**th **Time:** 2:00 PM – 11:00 PM (Food will be available for purchase from food vendors on-site)

Departure from church: 12:00 PM (noon) **Return:** Around 1:00 AM on **Sunday, June 8**th

Everyone is invited! Students younger than high school must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. We're renting a **15-passenger van** for transportation. If you would like to ride with us, **please contact DCE Jonathon Bailey by May 25th** at **620-655-5395.** Let's make it a day of praise, fellowship, and fun!

RiseFest is coming! June 20-21. One of the best Christian concert events of the year is coming to Sheldon, IA. It will be a wonderful happening for the whole family. For more information, go to www.riseministries.com

VBS Training – Volunteers Needed! We will be holding a VBS Training Session on Sunday, June 1st at 4:00 PM. VBS is fast approaching, and we're still in need of a few more volunteers to serve as Crew Leaders. Crew Leaders help guide their crew of kids from station to station throughout the evening—it's a fun and rewarding way to make a difference!



VBS Student Registration Now Open! Online registration is now available for VBS! All potty-trained children through 5th grade are invited to attend. You can register online using the QR code on the information sheets in the entryway, or pick up a paper form. VBS is

July 6th-10th, 6-8:30 PM (Dinner 5:30-6 PM) Questions? Reach out to **DCE Jonathon Bailey at 620-655-5395.**

Redeemer's Youth Rummage will take place on Friday, June 13th, 8:00 AM-6 PM & Saturday, June 14th, 8:00 AM-2 PM. Items for the rummage sale may be dropped off beginning Sunday, June 8th. No mattresses or outdated electronics will be accepted!

Summer Sunday School Teachers Needed: Summer Sunday School is just around the corner, and we need teachers! You'll be able to sign up for Sundays that fit your schedule. We'll provide the lesson plan and craft supplies needed for that day. Our attendance has been growing, so we're asking for **two teachers each Sunday**. Interested or have questions? Contact **DCE Jonathon Bailey** at **620-655-5395**.

Tuition Assistance for 2025-2026 School Year. Please see the May newsletter for information from The Endowment and Legacy committee regarding tuition money available to Redeemer members who enroll in a Lutheran Church Missouri Synod school, at preschool through graduate levels. **Please note**, **applications are due by June 1**st **and funds are limited.**

Redeemer Lutheran Church members leaving a legacy for future generations. Please see Redeemer's website for information from The Endowment and Legacy committee regarding an opportunity to "Remember the Future" of Redeemer by including Redeemer in your estate plans. This info can be found under the MORE tab / Monthly News and Bulletins / Leaving a Legacy.

We are thrilled to announce that our Lutheran Women in Mission (LWML) is looking for passionate and dedicated individuals to join our leadership team! We have openings for the roles of *President Elect* and *Treasurer*.

President Elect: Assists in leading our organization, supports the President, and helps plan / execute our events. One year term, then rolls into one year term as President.

Treasurer: Manages our finances, keeps our budget on track, and ensures our financial records are accurate and up-to-date. Two year term.

If you feel called to serve in either of these roles, please reach out to Tawnya Becker (712-253-3528) by May 31, 2025. Your involvement will help us continue to grow and make a positive impact in our church and community.

Her Health Women's Center: Your CHANGE can make a difference for LIFE! By participating in our Baby Bottle Campaign you help Her Health Women's Center provide confidential and caring services at no charge for anyone in Siouxland facing an unintended pregnancy. Pick up a bottle and fill it with coins, cash or checks and return it by June 16th, Father's Day. For more information on the ministry of Her Health Women's Center go to PartnersofHerHealth.org

Women's Morning Bible Study- Wednesday, May 14th, 10:00 AM, in the Conference Rm: New Study "Forgiveness" – Lesson 1 *'Forgiveness is Always Personal'* pgs. 23-45. If interested contact Jackie Krueger.

Women's Evening Bible Study – Wednesday, May 14th, 5:30 PM, at Oscar Carl Vineyard. Bible Study- "Forgiving Your Prodigals" Lesson 7

Day 2: Repentance: Coming to Our Senses, pg. 193

Day 3: Scanning the Horizon, pg. 200

Day 4: Hiring the Band and Clearing the Dan e Flooor, pg. 204.

If interested contact Tawnya or Michaela Uhl.

'Women Serving in Christ' Bible Study- Thursday, May 15th, 1:00 PM, in the Fellowship/Parish Hall. Bible Study: 'Divine times' pg. 18, Spring Quarterly. Bible Study Leader- Ruth Simon, Host-Emily Behrens & Shirley Barth. Join us for fellowship and studying God's word. Everyone is welcome!

June 26-29th - 2025 LWML Convention in Omaha, NE. *Online registration now open. Late Registration starts May 1.* If you would like to car pool, please sign up ASAP, so that we may determine if we have sufficient numbers. Sign up on the counter at the back of the Sanctuary.

Woodbury County Fair (LWML Sioux City Zone) Wednesday, July 30th – Please sign up to volunteer and/or provide a pie(s). Volunteers needed **9:30 AM-1 PM**, **1:00-4:30 PM**, and **4:30-7:30 PM**. Pies needed (Cherry, Apple, Peach, or \$20 donation for pie). Sign Up sheet in the South Entrance.

Thrivent Members Who Have Choice Dollars - NEW Choice Dollars for the 1st quarter of 2025 are now available. To direct your Choice Dollars, call the Home Office at 1-800-847-4836 or you can direct them online at www.thrivent.com.

Jams & Jellies are available for asking! (5 for \$25 or \$6 each. Dill pickles \$8 a quart)

Volunteer Opportunity: Share God's Love at the Crittenton Center! Make a difference in the lives of children by volunteering to read stories and engage with kids at the group shelter. Sign up on the sheet in the back of the sanctuary. Volunteer application and orientation details will follow. Learn more about the Crittenton Center's mission at <u>crittentoncenter.org</u>. Let's spread love and hope together!

1. May 12th: Time TBD: Bowling at Warrior Lanes (Warrior Hotel in downtown Sioux City). Once we've pinned down the time we'll decide if we also do lunch/dinner.

If interested, contact: Christina Eggink-Postma, Vice President of Community Engagement and Development, Crittenton Center, 712-255-4321 x147 ceggink-postma@crittentoncenter.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.

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.

May 18 airing - This is the Life – "Man Adrift" – A Fisher Family episode that discusses the relationship of faith and works. Worship Service – Rev. Richard Milbrandt of St. Peter Lutheran Church in Ocheyedan, IA, delivers the message "Come, Lord Jesus, Be Our Guest" based on Acts 18:1-18. You can watch Main Street Living broadcasts on your computer through the website: www.mainstreetliving.com and click on "Sioux City."

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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- (May 8 & 11, 2025): Thurs. (Harlan & Mary Feddersen, Al & Melissa Joens, Shelly Fergan, Mike Searls). Sunday 8:15

AM- Team 1 (Alex Erickson, Marc Benson, Larry Nelson, Jerry Van Peursem). 10:45 AM- Team 5 (Mark Boyd, Kirk Campbell, Andrew Campbell, Preston Marsh). GREETERS: 8:15 AM- Lamont & Drenda Onken; 10:45 AM- Dale & Tina Revell. ACOLYTES: 8:15 AM- Evan Shrauner & Eliana Engel; 10:45 AM- Bruce Bailey. TECHNOLOGIST: Thurs. 6:30 AM- Tim Young; Sun. 8:15 AM- Jordan Fisher; 10:45 AM- Curt Green. COUNTING TEAM: 2 - Hermelbracht's & Mack. COFFEE & ROLL SERVERS: Senior Reception

<u>SERVING NEXT WEEK- (May 15 & 18, 2025):</u> same as last week.

<u>GREETERS</u>: 8:15 AM- Bruce & Roberta Timmons; 10:45 AM- Scott & Beth Bowman. <u>ACOLYTES</u>: 8:15 AM- Evan Shrauner & Eliana Engel; 10:45 AM- Bruce Bailey. <u>TECHNOLOGIST</u>: Thurs. 6:30 AM- Tim Young; Sun. 8:15 AM- Erik Koehler; 10:45 AM- Temperance Thompson. <u>COUNTING TEAM</u>: 4 – Buckley & Fink. <u>COFFEE & ROLL SERVERS</u>: Dale & Nadine Henningsen

Record of Our Discipleship: Week Ending May 4, 2025

Worship Attendance: Sunday, 48+156+219=423 (35%) Adult Bible Study: 26; ROCK Sun. 31; ROCK Wed: n/a Sudanese: 11

 Date
 Income
 Budgeted Income
 %

 May 4, 2025
 \$15,892
 \$15,548
 102%

 Year-to-date
 \$276,116
 \$281,339
 98%

Building Fund Income:

Year-to-date Weekly Income Total \$655.00 \$120.00 \$775.00

New Sound System Income:

Year-to-date Weekly Income Goal \$130.00 \$130.00 \$125,000

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER

Sunday, May 11, 2025

Mother's Day

8:15 & 10:45 AM Worship Services

Senior Graduates- Cake Reception after 8:15 AM Service

No Adult Bible Study

9:30 AM Adult Confirmation Instruction for Membership

9:30 AM ROCK Sunday

10:45 AM Blanket Dedication for Seniors

1:00 PM Sudanese Worship

4:00-6 PM Pickleball

Monday, May 12, 2025

5:30 PM Adult Fitness

6:30 PM Pickleball

Tuesday, May 13, 2025

8:00 AM Work Day at the Woodbury County Fair Food Booth

1:30 PM Staff/Bible Study Mtg

5:00 PM Aktion Meal/MWM

Wednesday, May 14, 2025

10:00 AM Women's Bible Study in Conference Rm

1:00 PM Pickleball

5:30 PM Women's Bible Study at Oscar Carl Vineyard

7:30-9 PM Youth Group

Thursday, May 15, 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- center rm)

6:30 PM Worship w/Holy Communion

6:30 PM Morningside Days Parade

Friday, May 16, 2025

9:00 AM - Noon Food Shelf

Sunday, May 18, 2025

8:15 & 10:45 AM Worship w/Holy Communion

9:30 AM Carol Junck Birthday Celebration

9:30 AM Adult Bible Study

9:30 AM Adult Confirmation Instruction for Membership

9:30 AM ROCK Sunday

1:00 PM Sudanese Worship

4:00-6 PM Pickleball