

JOHN 3:16, NIV

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

'Genuine Love'

Thursday & Sunday, March 7 & 10, 2024

As We Gather

We hear today of eternal life that is given to us because of God's great love for us, shown to us in perhaps the most famous Bible verse, John 3:16. This verse speaks of God's genuine love for us and the world shown in Jesus' death on the cross for us. The love of God never ends. God's love is present here and now and extends into eternal life as eternal love. May we be so encouraged by God's love to share it with others. Thanks be to God for such love!

№ PREPARATION

10:45 AM Pre-Service Song "You Never Let Go"

6:30 PM & 8:15 AM Opening Hymn "My Song Is Love Unknown" LSB 430

10:45 AM Opening Song "Fierce"

Invocation

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

Opening Sentences

P: God so loved the world, C: that He gave His only Son,

P: that whoever believes in Him should not perish

C: but have eternal life.

P: Our Lenten journey leads us to the cross where Jesus gave His life,

C: and then to the resurrection and eternal life.

Confession and Absolution

- P: Though Christ has loved us with this genuine love that gives us eternal life, we sometimes ignore His love and refuse to share Christ's love with others. Still, our heavenly Father is merciful, and He invites us to draw near to Him in hope and confidence to ask for His grace. Silence for reflection.
- P: Heavenly Father, C: we have sinned against You and against our neighbors. We have not loved You with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not loved our enemies. Forgive us, renew our love, on account of Jesus. Amen.
- P: Jesus Christ was lifted up on the tree of the cross so that we might be forgiven. His genuine love is for the world and is for you. 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. We are forgiven by the genuine love of Jesus.

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6:30 PM & 8:15 AM Hymn of Praise "On Eagles' Wings" *LSB* 727; vrs. 1-2

10:45 AM Song of Praise "Nobody Loves Me Like You"

Salutation

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

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, You have loved us with an everlasting love that grants us eternal life. Burn Your love ever stronger within our hearts, Lord, so that we may love others as You have loved us; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C: Amen.**

Old Testament Reading *Numbers* 21:4–9 (after the reading)...

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

Epistle Ephesians 2:1–10 (after the reading)...

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

8:15 & 10:45 AM Special Music "How Beautiful" arr. by Benjamin Harlan. Performed by Adult Choir.

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

Holy Gospel John 3:14-21

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the third 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 "God Loved the World So That He Gave" *LSB* 571

10:45 AM Sermon Song "You Are My King (Amazing Love)"

Sermon

Apostles' Creed

Prayer of the Church

P: (after each petition)...Jesus, may our hearts be burning

C: with more fervent love for You.

Offering & Attendance / Involvement Cards

(The Offering of Peace is exchanged during Offering)

6:30 PM & 8:15 AM Offertory "Create in Me" *LSB* 956

Lord's Prayer

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 "God Loves Me Dearly" LSB 392

10:45 AM Closing Song "Good God Almighty"

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: RedeemerLC or find us on YouTube: Redeemer Lutheran Church Sioux City.

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.

Please stop by Care Corner to sign *sympathy* cards for the family of John Merchant, the family of Robert Stephens, the family of Charles Schmith, and the family of Roxann Dobesh.

Anniversary card for Dale & Nadine Henningsen.

Altar Flowers (1) are given by Sean & Michaela Uhl in honor of their 2nd anniversary.

Pulpit Flowers are given by Dale & Nadine Henningsen in honor of their 60th anniversary.

Due to the upcoming retirement of our Facility Supervisor, Doug Camarigg, Redeemer is seeking a new Facility Supervisor. If you are interested or know someone who would be interested, please speak to either Pastor.

In preparation of remodeling the kitchen, the kitchen has been gutted. During the next few weeks, work has earnestly begun on the kitchen project. The freezer, refrigerator, tables with boxes of kitchen contents from cabinets, etc. are stored along the east & north walls of the gym. Food preparation for upcoming Lenten meals, etc. is taking place in the gym closet. Please be patient with the kitchen remodeling project. People have been very generous toward the cause, but we could still use more donations. If you do, please mark you check for the kitchen remodel. Thank You!

Update on the echo problem in the church proper. We know that we have an echo issue in the sanctuary. And we've contact several people to help us work on it. We've found a group that can help us with the sound suppression (take out much of the echo). And we're trying to contract them to help. The only delays are that these contractors are

booked out many months and it is amazingly expensive. But we will continue to pursue getting this issue resolved.

MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICE, March 13, 11:30 AM & 7 PM: Join us for the *Guided to the Cross* special service for Week 4 of Lent, as we are drawn to Calvary to deepen our trust. In word and song, we contemplate how to live lives of trust in God, who entrusted his Son, Jesus, on the cross for our sake. We will also have a Lenten meal (Spaghetti) served at Noon & 5-6:45 PM hosted by Confirmation. (Free-will Offering & Carry-outs available).

Reminders: March 13th Meal is hosted by Confirmation- Spaghetti Meal. Also, there will be No Evening High School Youth Group on Sunday, Mar. 24th.

Leadership Council: We have a regularly scheduled meeting this coming Thursday, March 14th, at 7:30 pm. Please Jim Arends know if you are unable to attend.

Altar Guild will resume monthly meetings with the exception of June, July, & Nov. Next meeting will be on March 28th at 1:00 PM.

Youth Group Fundraiser: The Redeemer Youth are having an envelope fundraiser! This is the perfect fundraiser for those of you who enjoy helping the youth but don't want to take another trinket home. In the parish hall, in front of the mailboxes, is a table with 150 envelopes. Take an envelope of your choice. Inside you will find a handwritten "thank you" note from one of our high school students. Whatever the number on the front of the envelope is, that is how many dollars you put in the envelope. (Envelope 10 gets \$10 and so on) You keep the thank you note as a reminder to pray for our youth. You then return the envelope to the Office or DCE Jonathon Bailey. The proceeds from this fundraiser will go towards the Kentucky Mission trip and the Youth gathering next summer.

Bethany Lutheran Church, 1201 Dubuque Street in Sioux City, will host their annual *Palm Sunday Brunch* after the 10:30 a.m. worship service. Serving will be from about 11:30 a.m. to about 12:30 p.m. and will feature waffles and syrup, scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, orange juice, coffee and milk. There will be a free-will offering.

Journey to the Empty Tomb (Beyond Eggs and Bunnies) - Join us for a step-by-step journey with Jesus on Saturday, March 23^{rd} , from 1:00-3 PM. You will be taken on a guided tour in groups of 10-12 starting from the birth of Christ, all the way to the empty tomb and beyond. Learn about Jesus birth, many of his miracles, his death and resurrection and answer the question: what are we supposed to do now? Goodie bags for the first 200 students will be handed out. We are looking for volunteers to help with this event. We will have a sign-up sheet located by the front

doors. Any questions, see Jonathon Bailey.

LWML Spring 2024 Lutheran Woman's Quarterly magazine is here!!! Please pick a copy on the counter at the back of the Sanctuary.

The LWML Iowa West District Convention will be in Okoboji, IA June 13-15. Applications to attend convention as a Young Women's Representative (YWR) for the Sioux City Zone can be submitted online at the following link: https://tinyurl.com/ywr2024. Applicants are encouraged to be between the ages of 22 and 35, a member of an LCMS church, Iowa District West and be available to attend the convention. Application deadline is flexible/extended. See Hannah Duff, who has attended as a YWR, or Jackie Krueger for more information.

Save the Dates! Youth Rummage Sale – Friday, June 28th and Saturday, June 29th. Donations will be accepted starting on Sunday, June 23rd.

Vacation Bible School – Sunday, July 7^{th} – Thursday, July 11^{th} , 6:00-8 PM. Meal starts at 5:30 PM. (Ages- Potty trained through 5^{th} grade).

Lenten Program: We are pleased to invite you and your friends to a special Lenten concert by Jill Miller on March 17 at 4:00 PM, at St. James Global Methodist Church, 2032 S. Cypress. There is no cost, just a free-will donation.



Plan to attend <u>Voices Unite</u> on Saturday, April 6th, at Redeemer Lutheran Church. If you are a singer you can participate in the festival. Sign in begins at 9 a.m. that day. Our guest composer is Craig Courtney. The festival includes rehearsals, food, fun, and fellowship - and it's FREE! If you are not a singer you can attend the

concert that will be put on in the sanctuary at 4:00 p.m. The Voices Unite choir will collaborate with the Sing for Joy children's choir, the Ringmaster's bell choir, and a local string quartet. For more information visit the website: www.voicesunite.org or scan the qr code.



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.

We have New York Strip 10 oz. steaks available in our freezer, once again. A box is \$120, same as last year, or 2 for \$15.00. If you need some, just ask. All proceeds go to St. Paul's Lutheran School. ~~Pastor Zirpel

Thrivent Members Who Have Choice Dollars: If you have 2023 choice Dollars that have not been directed, you must DIRECT THEM BEFORE MARCH 31, 2024, 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.

School Bucks (Rules): All receipts must be from the Sioux City or South Sioux City Hy-Vee's or the Hy-Vee Mainstreet Store. Receipts must be dated August 1, 2023 – April 22, 2024. No Fuel, postal, money order, Western Union, lottery, Quest, Mid-American or gift card receipts will be accepted. If any of these receipts are found in any of the bundles, the entire bundle amount might not be counted and will not go towards your school total. If you have any questions regarding the receipts, contact Tara Vander Weil at 712-333-9507.

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.

March 17 airing - This is the Life — "Holy Land Tour Part 1" — A video tour of locations in Jesus' earthly ministry, led by SD pastor Nabil Nour who grew up in Israel. Worship Service — Rev. Russell Senstad of Redeemer Lutheran Church in Sioux City, IA, delivers the message "We Want to See Jesus" based on John 12:20-33. Additional information is available on the web site: www.mainstreetliving.com.

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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!

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!

<u>SERVING THIS WEEK- (March 7 & 10, 2024):</u> USHERS: Thurs. 6:30

PM – Harland Feddersen (AI & Melissa Joens, Shelly Fergan, 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 Phillips, Jeremy Schram, Aaron Schutt). GREETERS: 8:15 AM-Karen Grieme; 10:45 AM- Dale & Tina Revell. ACOLYTES: 8:15 AM-Open; 10:45 AM-Kennedy Robinson & Kate Van Meter. TECHNOLOGIST: Thurs. 6:30 PM- Tim Young; Sun. 8:15 AM-Hannah Koehler; 10:45 AM-David Senstad. COUNTING TEAM: 1 (Lessmann & Buckley). COFFEE & ROLL SERVERS: Gale & Carol Bobolz

Midweek Lenten Service (March 13, 2024): USHERS: Team 7 (Doug Stucky, Nate Klaumann, Christian Stai, Tom Stokes). 7 PM GREETERS: (Dale & Nadine Henningsen). ACOLYTES: 7 PM- (Madi & Peyton Schutt). Technologist: 11:30 AM- Tim Young; 7 PM- Tim Young

<u>SERVING NEXT WEEK- (March 14 & 17, 2024):</u> Thursday: same as last week. <u>GREETERS</u>: 8:15 AM- Dale & Nadine Henningsen; 10:45 AM- Shirley Stokes. <u>ACOLYTES</u>: 8:15 AM- Open; 10:45 AM- Sienna Karrer & Jax Findley. <u>TECHNOLOGIST</u>: Thurs. 6:30 PM- Tim Young; Sun. 8:15 AM-Hannah Koehler; 10:45 AM- Curt Green. <u>COUNTING TEAM</u>: 2 (Mack & Hermelbracht's). <u>COFFEE & ROLL SERVERS</u>: John & Anita Stansell

Record of Our Discipleship: Week Ending March 3, 2024

Worship Attendance: Sunday, 52+145+102=299 (25%) Adult Bible Study: 25; ROCK Sun. 33; ROCK Wed: TBD Sudanese: 10

Date	Income	Budgeted Income	%
Mar. 3, 2024	\$18,160	\$15,548	117%
Year-to-date	\$138,106	\$139,935	99%

Building Fund Income:

Year-to-date	Weekly Income	Total
\$330.00	\$20.00	\$350.00

Kitchen Fund Income:

Total Amt Needed	Year-to-date	Weekly Income	Total	Remaining Balance
\$48,000	\$35,190	\$0	\$35,190	\$12,810

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER

Sunday, March 10, 2024

8:15 & 10:45 AM Worship Service 9:30 AM Adult Bible Study 9:30 AM Adult Confirmation 9:30 AM ROCK Sunday 1:00 PM Sudanese Worship

4:00- 6 PM Pickleball

6-7:30 PM HS Youth Group

Monday, March 11, 2024

9:00 AM Quilting

5:30 PM Adult Fitness

6:30 PM Pickleball

Tuesday, March 12, 2024

1:30 PM Staff/Bible Study Mtg.

5:30 PM Aktion Meal/MWM

6:30 PM ConnecTeam Mtg

6:30 PM Women's Bible Study at Oscar Carl Vineyard

7:00 PM Life Light Bible Study at Whispering Creek

Wednesday, March 13, 2024

11:30 AM Lenten Service

12:15 PM Spaghetti Meal* hosted by Confirmation

1:00- 3 PM Pickleball

1:30 PM Women's Bible Study in Conference Rm

5-6:45 PM Lenten Meal*

5:00 PM Midweek

5:00 PM ROCK Wednesday

6:00 PM Handbell Practice

7:00 PM Lenten Service

Choir Practice after Lenten Service

Thursday, March 14, 2024

5:30 PM Adult Fitness

6:00 PM BSF Bible Study (lower level)

6:30 PM Worship w/Holy Communion

7:30 PM Leadership Council Mtg

Friday, March 15, 2024

9:00 AM - Noon Food Shelf

Sunday, March 17, 2024

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

9:30 AM Adult Bible Study

9:30 AM Adult Confirmation

9:30 AM ROCK Sunday

1:00 PM Sudanese Worship

4:00- 6 PM Pickleball

6-7:30 PM HS Youth Group

Midweek Lenten & Holy Week Worship Services at Redeemer

Wednesday, March 13 11:30 AM & 7 PM Worship

*Meal: Spaghetti

hosted by Confirmation

Theme: 'Guided to Trust'

Wednesday, March 20

II:30 AM & 7 PM Worship

*Meal: Vegetable Beef, Chili, & Potato Soups, Ham Sliders, Cornbread,

and Dessert

hosted by Bibi's Hope

Theme: 'Guided to Persevere'

Palm Sunday, March 24

Worship 6:30 PM Thursday, March 21; 8:15 & 10:45 AM

Sunday, March 24

Theme: 'Guided to Humility'

Maundy Thursday, March 28

11:30 AM & 7 PM Worship with Holy Communion

Theme: 'Guided to Service'

Good Friday, March 29

11:30 AM & 7 PM Worship

Theme: 'Guided to Sacrifice'

Easter Sunday, March 31

6:30 AM, 8:30 AM, & 10:30 AM Worship w/Holy Communion

Theme: 'Guided to New Life'

7:30-10 AM Redeemer Youth serve Easter Breakfast