

# THURSDAY & SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20 & 23, 2025 LAST SUNDAY IN THE CHURCH YEAR

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# REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

& KINDERCOTTAGE PRESCHOOL

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#### TRADITIONAL SERVICE:

6:30 PM Thursdays; 8:15 AM Sundays CONTEMPORARY SERVICE: 10:45 AM Sundays

SUDANESE SERVICE: 1:00 PM Sundays communion celebrated 1st & 3rd Sunday of month

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Leon Schoenfeld, Christian Estate Planning Counselor

# SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20 & 23, 2025: TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE: DIVINE SERVICE 4 (LSB P. 203)

#### Confession and Absolution

**Hymn of Invocation** "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" *LSB 549* **Invocation** 

#### **Exhortation** LSB 203

- Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.
- P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

### Confession of Sins LSB 203

Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

#### **Absolution LSB 203**

- 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.

Service of the Word

#### Introit

- P Let all the earth fear the LORD;
- let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him!
- P Come, bless the LORD, all you servants of the LORD, who stand by night in the house of the LORD!
- Lift up your hands to the holy place and bless the LORD!
- May the LORD bless you from Zion, he who made heaven and earth!
- 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.
- P Let all the earth fear the LORD;
- let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him!

Kyrie LSB 204

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

Hymn of Praise "Were You There" LSB 456

#### Salutation and Collect of the Day

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

# **Old Testament Reading** *Malachi 3:13–18* (after each request)...

A This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

**Epistle** Colossians 1:13–20 (after each request)...

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

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

Alleluia and Verse LSB 205

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Holy Gospel Luke 23:27–43

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-third chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord. (after the reading)...

## **Apostles' Creed**

Children's Message & Celebrate Song

Hymn of the Day "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me" LSB 761

#### Sermon

## Prayer of the Church

P: (after each request)...Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

#### Offering & Attendance/Involvement Cards

### Lord's Prayer

#### **Benedicamus and Benedicittion LSB 212**

- A Let us bless the Lord. C Thanks be to God.
- 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. Amen.

Hymn to Depart "O Savior, Precious Savior" LSB 527

# Contemporary Worship Service, 10:45 AM Sunday, November 23, 2025: Service of God's Word 3

Pre-Service Song "Give Thanks"

Welcome

Opening Song "Awesome God"

Baptism Levi Dale Hordusky

#### **Call to Worship**

- P Let us confess our sins to our heavenly Father.
- I have lived as if God did not matter and as if I mattered most. I have not honored my Lord's name as I should; my worship and my prayers have faltered. I have not let His love have its way with me, and so my love for others has failed. There are those whom I have hurt, and those whom I failed to help. My thoughts and desires have been soiled with sin. What troubles me particularly is ... (silence for self-examination).
- O Almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor miserable sinner confess to you all my sins with which I have ever offended you and deserved your punishment now and forever. But I am sincerely sorry for them, and I pray you, for the sake of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ to be merciful to me.

Song of Praise "Create In Me"

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

#### Holy Gospel Luke 23:27–43

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-third chapter.
- 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

Sermon Song "Were You There"

#### Sermon

#### Offering & Attendance/Involvement Cards

#### **Prayer of the Church**

- **P** (after each request)...Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.

#### The Response

- The Lord is my light and my salvation whom shall I fear?
- The Lord is the stronghold of my life of whom shall I be afraid?
- P One thing I ask of the Lord, this is what I seek that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life,
- **G** to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to seek Him in His temple.
- P For in the day of trouble He will keep me safe in His dwelling; He will hide me in the shelter of His tabernacle and set me high upon a rock.
- Then my head will be exalted above the enemies who surround me; at His tabernacle I will sacrifice with shouts of joy; I will sing and make music to the Lord.
- P Hear my voice when I call, O Lord;
- De merciful to me and answer me.
- P My heart says of You, "Seek His face!"
- Your face, Lord, I will seek.

- P Do not hide Your face from me, do not turn Your servant away in anger.
- You have been my helper. Do not reject me or forsake me, O God my Savior.
- P Teach me Your way, O Lord;
- lead me in a straight path because of my oppressors.
- P I am still confident of this:
- I will see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.
- **P** Wait for the Lord;
- **©** be strong and take heart and wait of the Lord.

#### Benediction

P Go in the strength, the peace, and the joy of the Lord, and come again soon. The Lord be with you. Live toward the work and the beauty He would fulfill in you for Himself and for others. Go, you are free.

Closing Song "Just A Closer Walk With Thee"

# Today we welcome Redeemer's newest member:

⊕ By Baptism, Levi Dale Hordusky. Parents are Hunter & Jessica Hordusky. Sponsors are Trevor & Stephanie Moore.

# **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: <a href="www.redeemersiouxcity.com">www.redeemersiouxcity.com</a> 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: <a href="mailto:redeemerchurchsc@gmail.com">redeemerchurchsc@gmail.com</a>. 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 a Birthday card for Nick Schmith.

**Pulpit Flowers** are given by Marty & Marcia Delperdang in honor of their 56<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

It's our pleasure to welcome the Gideons today! They have joined us to give a mission report on Thursday and Sunday. There will also be a brief question / answer sharing at the beginning of the bible study on Sunday morning.

**Join Our Thanksgiving Eve Worship Services** with Holy Communion at 11:30 AM and 6:30 PM Wednesday, Nov. 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Advent is coming.** Next Sunday, Nov. 30, is already the first Sunday in Advent. Soon Christmas will be here! Prepare the way of the Lord! We will also be starting a new adult bible study on that day. It's titled: "Our Dear Christ Enters In".

**Help Needed:** Immediately after our Thanksgiving services, November 26 (roughly 7:30 pm), we'll be looking for helping to bring up the Christmas tree and decorations from the basement. We'll do the final decorations on Friday Nov. 28, at 9:30 a.m. All help is welcome.

Our annual voters meeting be December 7, at 2:00 pm. Budgets will be available in the back of the church.

Offering Envelopes for 2026 are now available. They are located in the hallway under the coat rack next to the Office.

**The Office** will be closed on Thursday, Nov. 27 & Friday, Nov. 28 for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

#### Soup Supper, Christmas Caroling, Fellowship, and more!

Our second annual *Soup Supper/Christmas Caroling* event will be held on the evening of **Monday, December 1**. This year we will begin our evening at 5 pm with a soup supper and fellowship at church. Then we will break into some small groups and head out to spread the Christmas cheer, singing our favorite Christmas carols to many of our shut-in or care facility residents. Please consider joining us this year. The more people we get to go out caroling with us, the more people we can reach. We have sign-up sheets at the back of the sanctuary, for both people who would like to participate, as well as names of members who anyone would like for us to go visit and sing to. What a great way to kick off the advent season and get into the Christmas spirit!

Redeemer Youth & LWML '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 through December 11.

Youth Christmas Program: With Christmas just around the corner, it's time to start preparing for our annual Youth Christmas Program! We will begin having 1-hour practices on Sunday afternoons starting November 9th at 1:00 PM. This first practice is when we will assign parts, so please make every effort to attend.

#### **Practice Schedule:**

- November 23 1 hour @ 1:00 PM
- No Practice November 30
- December 6 (Saturday) 2 hours @ 10:00 AM

- December 7 1 hour @ 1:00 PM
- December 13 (Saturday) Dress Rehearsal @ 10:00 AM
- December 14 (Sunday) Program at 3:00 PM (Please arrive at the church by 2:30 PM)

We're looking forward to a fun and meaningful season as we share the story of Christ's birth!

**Youth Silent Auction Fundraiser!** The youth will be hosting their annual *Silent Auction Fundraiser*. We will be collecting Baskets to auction off. **Bidding on the Baskets will begin on November 9**<sup>th</sup>. Bidding will end on Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, after the 10:45 worship service. All proceeds will go to the youth to help pay for the mission trip to Sulphur, Ok. Thank you to everyone for your generous support of our youth. Questions contact Jonathon Bailey, DCE.

Family Christmas Party - Join us for our annual Family Christmas Party on Friday, December 13th from 6:00–8:00 PM at Redeemer Lutheran Church. There will be crafts and games in the gym, Bingo in the Parish Hall, and pictures with Santa! This is an all ages event

- everyone is welcome!
  - Crafts: Picture Ornament, Cookie Decorating, Card Making, Christmas Gel Bags
  - Games: Snowball Fight, Minute to Win It, Bible Trivia, Obstacle Course
  - Bingo: Prizes and Christmas Music Bingo
  - Snacks: Popcorn, Coffee, Hot Chocolate, Nachos, and Hotdogs

Come enjoy an evening of fun, food, and fellowship as we celebrate the Christmas season together!

Please join us on Sunday December 14<sup>h</sup>, at 3:00 pm for the Children's Christmas Program. The Sunday School and rock Wednesday students have been working hard to learn their songs and lines for the program. So come watch them as they tell you the true meaning of Christmas and the decorations that we use. Stay after the program for cookies and coffee.

High School & Middle School Youth Christmas Party - Join us on Sunday, December 14th from 5:30-7:30 PM for our Youth Christmas

Party! We'll have an Ugly Christmas Sweater Contest, a Gingerbread Building Contest, and a Cookie Exchange. Bring a friend! Come for food, fun, and festive fellowship — don't miss it!

**Siouxland's New Horizons Band** will present Christmas concerts during the month of December: *Whispering Creek, Friday, Dec. 5,* 2:30, Lewis & Clark Interpretive Center, Sunday, Dec. 7, 2:00, Morningside Lutheran Church, Dec. 10, 12:30, Holy Spirit, Dec. 12, 2:30, and Sunrise – Point, Dec. 15, 2:00. Public is invited!

Select large & small Pies and canned items are always available. November proceeds support our missionary family, JJ Wolf. December proceeds will support Bibi's Hope Orphanage, Bamako, Mali, West Africa. Thanks so much for your support in these projects!

As in year's past, a special Christmas offering will be taken on December 18 & 21 for Bibi's Hope Orphanage in Bamako, Mali, West Africa. This offering goes towards the Christmas presents for the children, as well as a special Christmas meal & outing. Thanks for your support

This year we are partnering with Mid-Step Services. The Angel Tree will go up November 19<sup>th</sup>. Take a tag and purchase the requested item(s) and return gift wrapped and tagged by December 14<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for sharing God's love as we celebrate Jesus's birth!

**LWML - Religious Greeting Cards** Now Available (South Entrance) for all occasions! (single cards \$1.00 or 12 cards for \$10.00). We now have Christmas Cards available! (single cards \$1.00, small box-18ct. \$4.00, large box-24ct \$7.00)

**LWML MITES Sunday, November 30<sup>th</sup> – Feed your MITE Box!**Grant #5 – Iowa West District, Unity Ridge Lutheran School, Scholarship Assistance \$17,120.05. Thank You for Your Support!

**LWML- Christmas Cantata, December 14**<sup>th</sup>! If you are willing to provide muffins, pastry, coffee cake, etc. between the services, please sign up in the back of the sanctuary or contact Brenda Ernst.

**LWML -** Come join in the fun, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 5:00 PM, decorating the Parish Hall.

The October – December 'Portals of Prayer' are now available! Stop by the South Entrance or office and get your copy today! Thanks!



Tour of Steeples (Friday, December 5<sup>th</sup>: 4-7 PM & Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup>: 10 AM-3 PM). 20+ local churches will be open to the public for you to come and go. This event is free to the public. A free-will donation can be dropped at any participating church. (Donations will be split between the

'Soup Kitchen' and 'Warming Shelter') Each church will have a map with the list of churches to take on your tour. For more information: Scan QR Code, Facebook/Tour of Steeples, or call 712-898-9349/712-276-3346.

Time to start saving your Hy-Vee receipts for KinderCottage

Preschool!! All receipts from Sioux City or South Sioux City stores are
eligible for the School Bucks program. Receipts MUST be dated September
1, 2025 through April 1, 2026. Receipts for Fuel, Gift Cards or any
services offered at Customer Service will not be eligible nor counted
toward the receipt totals. The preschool receives \$1 for every \$100 worth
of receipts we turn in. This is an easy way for anyone to support the
preschool. Please place any receipts in the bin located in main office marked
for Hy-Vee receipts. We greatly appreciate your help!

**Come Join Us on Facebook** ---- LWML Redeemer Lutheran Church - Sioux City.

**Thrivent Members Who Have Choice Dollars -** NEW Choice Dollars for the 3rd quarter of 2025 are now available. Please direct them as soon as possible by calling the Home Office at 1-800-847-4836 or you can direct them online at <a href="https://www.thrivent.com">www.thrivent.com</a>. Thank You for continued support of the Choice Dollar program at Redeemer.

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!



**Giving!** You can 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

Nov 30, 2025 - 10:00am - "Puzzle Club Christmas" The Puzzle Club must solve a missing person mystery before Christmas. 10:30 AM - Rev. Lucas Booher, pastor at Zion Lutheran Church in Storm Lake, IA, presents a message titled "Hosanna to the King!". This sermon is based on Matthew 21:1–9. This program is interpreted and closed captioned for the deaf and hard of hearing. If you would like to watch Main Street Living at a different time other than Sunday morning, 10:30, you can log on to the website (www.mainstreetliving.com). Just hit "Sioux City."

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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- (November 20 & 23, 2025): USHERS:

Thursday 6:30 PM- Harlan & Mary Feddersen (Al & Melissa Joens, Shelly Fergan, Mike Searls). Sunday 8:15 AM- Team 3 (Gary Flammang, Mithcel Bauman, Gary Bumsted, Paul Fleckestein, Bob Naylor). 10:45 AM- Team 7 (Doug Stucky, Loren Field, Rick Lieber, Julie Madden, Jason Madden) GREETERS: 8:15 AM- Justin & Emily Wulf; 10:45 AM- Marty & Marcia Delperdang. ACOLYTES: 8:15 AM- Jase Fisher & Jaiden Thomas; 10:45 AM- Cameri Jones & Eliana Engel. TECHNOLOGIST: Thurs. 6:30 PM- Heidi Schleis; Sun. 8:15 AM- Erik Koehler; 10:45 AM- Curt Green. COUNTING TEAM: 2- Mack & Hermelbracht's. COFFEE & ROLL SERVERS: Dave & Lori Albrecht

THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE (November 26, 2025): USHERS:

**6:30 PM- Team 2** (Scott Ernst, Brian Duff, Roy Olsen, Lamont Onken, Phil Schauer). **GREETERS: 6:30 PM-** Loralee Fink & Shirley Barth; **ACOLYTES- 6:30 PM-** Braden Surber & Kashton Surber. **Technologist: 11:30 AM-** TBD: **6:30 PM-**Heidi Schleis

SERVING NEXT WEEK- (November 30, 2025): USHERS: same as last week. GREETERS: 8:15 AM- Dave & Lori Albrecht; 10:45 AM- Jayne Edwards. ACOLYTES: 8:15 AM- Jase Fisher & Jaiden Thomas; 10:45 AM- Cameri Jones & Eliana Engel. TECHNOLOGIST: Sun. 8:15 AM- Jordan Fisher; 10:45 AM- Curt Green. COUNTING TEAM: 3- Bobolz's & Schmith's. COFFEE & ROLL SERVERS: Dale & Nadine Henningsen

Record of Our Discipleship: Week Ending November 16, 2025 Worship Attendance: Sunday, 41+160+114=315 (28%)

Adult Bible Study: 24; ROCK Sunday: 33; ROCK Wednesday: 16 Sudanese: 3

Date	Income	Budgeted Income		<u>%</u>
Nov. 16, 2025	\$13,392	\$15,548		85%
Year-to-date	\$660,971	\$723,650		91%
	<b>Building F</b>	und Income	<u>.</u>	
Year-to-date	Wee	kly Income	Total	
\$5.469.55		\$0	\$5.469.55	

**New Sound System Income:** 

Year-to-date Weekly Income Remaining \$13,660 \$0 \$95,670

#### THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER

#### Sunday, November 23, 2025

#### **FOOD SUNDAY**

8:15 & 10:45 AM Worship Services

9:30 AM ROCK Sunday

9:30 AM Adult Confirmation Instruction for Membership

9:45 AM Adult Bible Study

1:00 -3 PM Sudanese Worship

1:00-2 PM Christmas Program Practice

Senior Youth Gathering in Des Moines, IA

#### Monday, November 24, 2025

5:30 PM Adult Fitness

6:30 PM Pickleball

#### Tuesday, November 25, 2025

1:30 PM Staff/Bible Study Mtg

#### Wednesday, November 26, 2025

11:30 AM & 6:30 PM Thanksgiving Eve Service w/Holy Communion No Midweek Meal

No Midweek

No ROCK Wednesday No Handbell Practice No Adult Choir Practice

#### Thursday, November 27, 2025

#### Office is Closed

No Preschool

No Worship Service

#### Friday, November 28, 2025

#### Office is Closed

No Preschool

No Food Shelf

#### Sunday, November 30, 2025

#### FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT/MITES SUNDAY

8:15 & 10:45 AM Worship Services

No ROCK Sunday

9:30 AM Adult Confirmation Instruction for Membership

9:45 AM Adult Bible Study

1:00-3 PM Sudanese Worship

No Christmas Program Practice