

THURSDAY & SUNDAY, APRIL 25 & 28, 2024
 FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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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

Russell C. Senstad, Pastor
David N. Zirpel, Pastor
Jonathon Bailey, Director of Christian Education
Christy Jessen, Family Ministry Assistant
Tara Vander Weil, Preschool Director
Michelle Prescott, Preschool Instructor
Brian Searls, Facilities Supervisor
Angela DuBois, Office Manager

Jennifer Lay, Receptionist
Vacant, Director of Music
Shannon Peterson, Adult Choir Accompanist
Bonnie Rossman, Jan Null, Sharleen Schlotman & Paulette Schmidt, Organists
Kristy Fisher, Assistant / Volunteer Coordinator
Jim Schroeder, Christian Estate Planning Counselor



Redeemer
Lutheran Church
Family Friendly, Outward Reaching

Sunday, April 28, 2024: Tradition Worship Service: Prayer and Preaching (LSB p. 260)

Opening Hymn “Come, Thou Almighty King” *LSB 905*

Opening Versicles *LSB 260*

L This is the day which the Lord has made;

C **let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

L From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

L Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;

C **I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.**

L Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.

C **Teach me Your paths.**

L Sanctify us in Your truth.

C **Your Word is truth.**

L From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

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.**

Hymn of Praise “Today Your Mercy Calls Us” *LSB 915*

Readings From Holy Scripture

First Reading *Acts 8:26–40*

L (after the reading)...

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

Epistle Reading *1 John 4*

L (after the reading)...

L 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.

Holy Gospel *John 15:1–8*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fifteenth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.** *(after the reading)...*

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

Responsory LSB 263

L Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.

C **Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.**

L Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.

C **Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.**

L Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

C **Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.**

Ten Commandments

C **You shall have no other gods.**

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

Honor your father and your mother.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

The Second Article

P As we celebrate the risen Christ in this season of Easter, let us speak together the words of the Apostles' Creed regarding our Savior, who is the Second Person of the Holy Trinity.

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, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the virgin Mary, 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; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity. This is most certainly true.

Lord's Prayer

Children's Message & Celebrate Song 

Hymn of the Day "Spread the Reign of God the Lord" *LSB 830*

Sermon

Offering & Attendance / Involvement Cards

(The Offering of Peace is exchanged during Offering)

Ringling of the Bells for Fallen Firefighters

Dedication of the Quilts

Prayer of the Church

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

Collect of the Day

P O God... one God, now and forever. **C** **Amen.**

Collect for the Word

P Blessed Lord...one God, now and forever. **C** **Amen.**

6:30 PM Evening Prayer

C I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day;

and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me.

8:15 AM Morning Prayer

C I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me.

New Testament Canticale LSB 266

C Christ has been raised from the dead! Alleluia. Alleluia. Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed. Raised from the dead, He will never die again. Death has no more dominion over Him. Christ has been raised from the dead! Alleluia. Alleluia. Dying, Christ dies to sin, once for all. Living, He lives to God. Count yourselves as dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus, our Lord. Christ has been raised from the dead! Alleluia. Alleluia.

Benedicamus and Benediction LSB 267

L Let us bless the Lord. **C** **Thanks be to God.**

L The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us. **C** **Amen.**

Closing Hymn "Praise to You and Adoration" LSB 692

Contemporary Worship Service, A Service of Prayer and Preaching

Pre-Service Song “Jesus Name Above All Names”

Welcome

Opening Song “More Love, More Power”

Sentences for the Service

P God is spirit: **C** and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.

P Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord, Jesus Christ.

C This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

P From the rising of the sun to its setting;

C the name of the Lord is to be praised.

Act of Adoration

P Let us adore our heavenly Father, who created us, who sustains us, who loves us with an everlasting love and gives us the light of the knowledge of His glory in the face of Jesus Christ.

C We praise you, O God and acknowledge you to be the Lord.

P Let us glory in the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, who though He was rich, yet for our sakes became poor; who in every respect was tempted as we are, yet without sinning; who went about doing good and preaching the Gospel of the Kingdom; who became obedient unto death, even death on a cross; who died and is alive forevermore; who has opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers; who is seated at the right hand and of God in the glory of the Father, who will come again as Judge and King.

C You are the King of glory, O Christ.

P Let us rejoice in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Giver of life, by whom we are born into the family of God, and made members of the body of Christ; Whose witness confirms us, whose wisdom teaches us, whose power enables us to do far more than all we ask or think. **C** All praise to you, O Holy Spirit.

Song of Praise “Awesome God”

Act of Confession

P O God, our Father, since you have set forth the way of life for us in your Son, we confess with shame our slowness to learn of Him, our failure to follow Him, our reluctance to bear the cross.

C **Have mercy and forgive us, O Lord.**

P Forgive us the poverty of our worship, our neglect of fellowship and of Your Word, our hesitating witness for Jesus, our evasion of responsibility in your service, our imperfect stewardship of your gifts.

C **Have mercy and forgive us, O Lord.**

P Forgive us that so little of your love has reached others through us, that we have been thoughtless in our judgments, hasty in condemnation, grudging in forgiveness, slow to seek reconciliation, unwilling to help our neighbors as we ought.

C **Have mercy on us, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out our transgressions. Wash us from our iniquity and cleanse us from our sin. Create in us clean hearts, O God, and put a new and right spirit within us.**

Time to Hear God's Word

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Children's Message and Song

Sermon Song “Have Thine Own Way”

Sermon

Offering & Attendance/Involvement Cards

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Act of Thanksgiving

- P** Almighty God, we lift up our hearts in gratitude to you, and for all your loving kindness we bless your holy name. For life and health, for love and friendship, and for the goodness and mercy that have followed us all the days of our life.
- C** **Glory, thanksgiving, and praise be to you, O Father Almighty, through Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

An Act of Supplication

- P** Almighty God, because you have committed to your people the ministry of intercession, hear us as we pray for others, and grant that our hearts may be filled with peace and love. For your people here and everywhere, that you would inspire them with love for your house, zeal in your service, and joy in the advancement of your kingdom.
- C** **We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

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Lord's Prayer

Final Blessing

Closing Song “I'll Fly Away”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome! A cordial welcome to everyone worshipping with us today. We are happy to have you share the joy of this Lord's Day with us. A special welcome to those worshipping 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: redemerchurchsc@gmail.com. You don't have to be a member to request prayers.

Altar Flowers (1) are given by Ruby Kahler in memory of Art.

Pulpit Flowers are given by Sandy Zalme in memory of our Fallen Firefighters Across America.

Today we join with the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation and remember the men and women who died while serving. We will take a moment for the *Tolling of the Bells* in remembrance of their sacrifice.

Special thanks to our member, Rev. Bruce Jackson, for sharing a sermon with us. It's always enjoyable to hear him preach.

Pastor Zirpel & Pam are attending a retirement event for a distant relative in Grand Forks, ND, this weekend.

CONFIRMATION QUESTIONING NIGHT: Is this coming Wednesday, May 1. The congregation is invited to come and hear the students share a word about their faith at 7:00 pm. Pictures and a reception will follow. Students, please be at the church by 5:15 pm so that we can run through our questions and practice walking in.

Lamplighters will meet Wednesday, May 1st, 9:30 AM at Calvary.

Red M&Ms: We will be meeting this coming Saturday, May 4, at 7:30 a.m. for breakfast and bible study.

Confirmation Sunday service will be next Sunday, May 5, at 2:00 pm. Everyone is invited, bring family.

The kitchen remodeling is almost complete with a few minor details. Additional monetary donations to this project are sincerely appreciated. Thank You!

Summer Bible Study: This summer Redeemer is trying something new! A summer study which will meet 4 flexible times. Those interested will study a humorous but insightful book called ***“Your Future Self will Thank You: Secrets to Self-Control from the Bible and Brain Science”*** Have you ever asked yourself: *Why can't I control my anger? Or stop overeating? Or wasting time online?* When we fail, it's easy to make excuses or blame our circumstances. But let's face it: the biggest enemy is usually the one staring back at us from the mirror every morning. We lack self-control. **The first meeting will be Wednesday, May 15** (which means I need to know who is coming before then). At this time, we will hand out the books and get to know each other as a group. After that, the group will decide when the next meeting will be in June. If this interests you, please contact Curt Green.

Come Celebrate our Lord by sharing your talents. *“As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: (1 Peter 4:10 ESV)* A huge thank you to the over 100 women of Redeemer Lutheran Church that participated in the Word, service, and fellowship event(s) this year for Lutheran Women in Mission. We are “Growing in God's Grace” (2 Peter 3:18). We are growing and look forward to individuals stepping up to engage and develop opportunities to enhance our activities. Please prayerfully consider taking the opportunity to serve...Contact Jackie Krueger or Tawnya Becker. Redeemer Lutheran Women in Mission officers and chairs are needed for the 2024 – 2025 year. We are working to create a leadership structure that is fluid with limited length and bite size roles!!!

Redeemer Lutheran Women in Mission Spring Gathering

"Growing our Faith" Faith ~ Fellowship ~ Fun Come join us and invite a friend or family member!!!! Sunday April 28th at 12:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall Program: Lunch, Devotion, Craft & Service Activities. Participate in one or all activities:

- Decorate a pot and pot a plant...materials provided or you can bring your own. Pots to decorate are available for all ages from coloring to painting.
- Assemble Hygiene Kits for Orphan Grain Train. Items to assemble will be available.
- Ingathering for Ronald McDonald House: Go online [Wish List - Ronald McDonald House Sioux City](#) or pick up a copy on the counter at the back of the Sanctuary

Quilting – Please remember us this summer (Rummaging, Spring

Cleaning, Goodwilling.) We can use almost any material and / or sheets and blankets.

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.

Calling all volunteers! We need your help to clean and paint the Woodbury County Fair booth to get it ready for this year's festivities. If you have some free time and would like to help, there's a sign-up sheet in the back of the sanctuary. Date to be determined.

It's that time again-Summer is coming! That means Sumer Sunday School and VBS are fast approaching. We will again need volunteers to teach Summer Sunday School. Sign-up will be available in the entry way by door 3. For VBS we will need volunteers to teach and lead groups and several other positions. Sign-up will also be available in the entry way by door 3 starting the first part of May. If you have any questions or know what position you would like for VBS please call DCE Jonathon Bailey. Thank you for all the support you give the young people of our congregation.

VBS Wishlist: This year for VBS we are in need of egg cartons. Any egg cartons will work. Thank you.

We would like to recognize our graduating seniors on Sunday may 12th. There will be a cake reception during the education hour followed by a recognition ceremony during the 10:45 worship service.

TUITION ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR for Redeemer Lutheran Kinder Cottage Preschool and St Paul's Lutheran School (grades K-5). Members of Redeemer may receive \$500 per student towards Kinder Cottage Preschool tuition and/or \$1,000 per student towards St Paul's Lutheran School tuition. This assistance is courtesy of a generous donation to the Redeemer Lutheran Church Endowment and Legacy Fund. If interested, please call the church office {712-276-1125} to provide your contact information or pick up a form. Please note that funds are limited, and forms are processed on a first come/first served basis.

KinderCottage Fall 2024 Enrollment: We are now taking enrollment for our Fall 2024-25 classes! You may pick up a form from one of our staff at the

preschool, call us at 712-224-2273 OR you can go online to the church website, redeemersiouxcity.com and click on the link to the preschool for a form.



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

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!

Thrivent Members Who Have Choice Dollars! NEW Choice Dollars for the 1st quarter of 2024 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.

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.

April 28 airing - This is the Life – "No Place To Hide" – A pastor, who has to face the death of his wife, cannot find comfort. Worship Service – www.mainstreetliving.com.

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Follow us for great stories, pictures, and updates. Thank you!

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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- (April 25 & 28, 2024): **USHERS:** Thurs. 6:30 PM – Harlan & Mary Feddersen (Al & Melissa Joens, Shelly Fergan, Mike Searls). **Sunday 8:15 AM – Team 3** (Gary Flammang, Mitchel Bauman, Gary Bumsted, Paul Fleckenstein, Bob Naylor). **10:45 AM – Team 7** (Doug Stucky, Nate Klaumann, Christian Stai, Tom Stokes). **GREETERS: 8:15 AM-** Tawnya & Aaron Becker; **10:45 AM-** Shirley Stokes. **ACOLYTES: 8:15 AM-** TBD; **10:45 AM-** Jax Findley & Kennedy Robinson. **TECHNOLOGIST:** Thurs. 6:30 PM- Tim Young; Sun. 8:15 AM- Hannah Koehler; **10:45 AM-** David Senstad. **COUNTING TEAM: 4** (Buckley & Fink). **COFFEE & ROLL SERVERS:** Loralee Fink / Karen Vock

SERVING NEXT WEEK- (May 2 & 5, 2024): **USHERS:** Thurs. 6:30 PM – Harlan & Mary Feddersen (Al & Melissa Joens, Shelly Fergan, Mike Searls). **Sunday 8:15 AM – Team 4** (Gary Kitzmann, Dave Albrecht, Dick Braun, Dale Henningsen, James Bailey). **10:45 AM – Team 8** (Dave Schotman, Scott & Beth Bowman, Steve Dirks, Brian Owens, Paul Schlotman). **GREETERS: 8:15 AM-** Scott & Brenda Ernst; **10:45 AM-** Scott & Beth Bowman. **ACOLYTES: 8:15 AM-** Sam & Victoria Peterson; **10:45 AM-** Abby Bailey. **TECHNOLOGIST:** Thurs. 6:30 PM- Tim Young; Sun. 8:15 AM- Hannah Koehler; **10:45 AM-** Curt Green. **COUNTING TEAM: 1** (Buckley & Lessmann). **COFFEE & ROLL SERVERS:** Youth

Record of Our Discipleship: Week Ending April 21, 2024

Worship Attendance: Sunday, 60+150+110=320 (26%)

Adult Bible Study: 25; ROCK Sun. 33; ROCK Wed: 13

Sudanese: 8

<u>Date</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Budgeted Income</u>	<u>%</u>
April 21, 2024	\$6,665	\$15,548	43%
Year-to-date	\$246,267	\$248,774	99%

Building Fund Income:

<u>Year-to-date</u>	<u>Weekly Income</u>	<u>Total</u>
\$790.00	\$0.00	\$790.00

Kitchen Fund Income:

<u>Total Amt Needed</u>	<u>Year-to-date</u>	<u>Weekly Income</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Remaining Balance</u>
\$48,000	\$37,915	\$100	\$38,015	\$9,985

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER

Sunday, April 28, 2024

FOOD SUNDAY

8:15 & 10:45 AM Worship Services

9:30 AM Adult Bible Study
9:30 AM Adult Confirmation
9:30 AM ROCK Sunday
12:00 PM LWML Spring Gathering
1:00 PM Sudanese Worship
6-7:30 PM HS Youth Group

Monday, April 29, 2024

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

Tuesday, April 30, 2024

1:30 PM Staff/Bible Study Mtg

Wednesday, May 1, 2024

9:30 AM Lamplighters & LSA Mtg at *Calvary*
1:00- 3 PM Pickleball
7:00 PM 8th Grade Questioning

Thursday, May 2, 2024

5:30 PM Adult Fitness
6:00 PM BSF Bible Study (*lower level- Center Rm*)
6:30 PM Worship w/Holy Communion

Friday, May 3, 2024

9:00 AM – Noon Food Shelf

Saturday, May 4, 2024

7:30 AM Red M&M's Breakfast & Bible Study

Sunday, May 5, 2024

Confirmation Sunday

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
2:00 PM Confirmation Service
4:00-6 PM Pickleball

Redeemer Lutheran Church
Sermon Summary

Name _____ Grade **6** or **7** or **8**

Date _____

Sermon Text _____

Sermon Title _____

Preacher (circle one) Senstad Zirpel Other

Name one sin (Law) specifically spoken about in this sermon.

What is the Good News (Gospel) message in this sermon?

How can I apply this to my own life?
