

Be merciful,  
**JUST AS YOUR FATHER**  
 is merciful.  
 LUKE 6:36

THURSDAY & SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 20 & 23, 2025  
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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	Jennifer Lay, Receptionist
David N. Zirpel, Pastor	Kristy Fisher, Assistant / Volunteer Coordinator
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Christy Jessen, Family Ministry Assistant	Nate Klaumann, Exalt Choir Leader
Tara Vander Weil, Preschool Director	Shannon Peterson, Adult Choir Accompanist
Michelle Prescott, Preschool Instructor	Bonnie Rossman, Jan Null, Sharleen Schlotman & Paulette Schmidt, Organists
Brian Searls, Facilities Supervisor	Jim Schroeder, Christian Estate Planning Counselor
Angela DuBois, Office Manager	

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2025: TRADITIONAL WORSHIP  
SERVICE: DIVINE SERVICE 4 (LSB P. 203)

## Confession and Absolution

**8:15 AM Prelude** “Faith and Truth and Life” arr. by Sandra Eithun.  
Performed by Handbells.

**Hymn of Invocation** “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” *LSB 790*

### Invocation

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

### Exhortation LSB 203

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C who made heaven and earth.**

**P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

**C 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

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

### Prayer for Forgiveness

**P** Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **C Amen.**

## Service of the Word

### Introit

- P** Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him; fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his way.
- C** **Fret not yourself because of evildoers; be not envious of wrongdoers!**
- P** For they will soon fade like the grass and wither like the green herb.
- C** **Trust in the LORD, and do good; dwell in the land and befriend faithfulness.**  
Delight yourself in the LORD, and he will give you the desires of your heart.
- C** **Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him, and he will act. 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** Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him; fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his way.

### Kyrie *LSB 204*

- C** **Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**

### Hymn of Praise “Songs of Thankfulness and Praise” *LSB 394*

#### Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P** The Lord be with you. **C** **And also with you.**
- P** Let us pray. O God, the strength of all who put their trust in You, mercifully grant that by Your power we may be defended against all adversity; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C** **Amen.**

#### Old Testament Reading *Genesis 45:3–15*

*(after the reading)...*

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

#### Epistle *1 Corinthians 15:21–26, 30–42*

*(after the reading)...*

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**Special Music** “Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing” arr. by Sandra Eithun. Performed by Handbells.

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

**Alleluia and Verse** LSB 205 

**C** 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 6:27–38*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the sixth chapter.

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

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

**Apostles’ Creed**

**Hymn of the Day** “Lord of All Nations, Grant Me Grace” *LSB 844*

**Sermon**

**Prayer of the Church**

P: Let us pray for the whole Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

**Offering & Attendance / Involvement Cards**

**Lord’s Prayer**

**Benedicamus and Benediction**

**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. **C** **Amen.**

**Hymn to Depart** “Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus” *LSB 660*

# Contemporary Service

## Service of God's Word 2 - 10:45 AM

**Prelude** "Faith and Truth and Life" arr. by Sandra Eithun.  
Performed by Handbells.

**Welcome**

**Opening Song** "Forever"

**Invocation/Opening Sentences**

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

**C** Amen.

**Confession**

**C** Lord have mercy on us. In this hour, help us to see our sins and to desire a fresh start with You. Help us to see the shortcoming in our lives and to look to You for answers to our problems. Give us a new vision of what life can be like. Teach us to hope, to love, to give, and renew our faith. Lord have mercy on us, and forgive us for Jesus' sake.

**Good News of God's Forgiveness**

**P** Our God has heard the cries of His people and has had mercy on us. He has seen our need and provided for our salvation. He has seen our condition and provided the solution. He has seen our hearts and given us a Savior. Through the suffering, death, and resurrection of Jesus our sin is forgiven. We are free from our sin, free from Satan's power, free to live in victory. Praise God for His goodness.

**Song of Praise** "More Love, More Power"

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**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the sixth chapter.

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

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**A Statement of Our Faith - Apostles' Creed**

**Children's Message & Song**

**Sermon Song** “Have Thine Own Way”

**Sermon**

**Offering & Attendance / Involvement Cards**

**Prayer of the Church**

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

**C** hear our prayer.

**Lord's Prayer**

**Benediction**

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace. **C** **Amen.**

**Closing Song** “Through It All”

## 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](http://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](mailto:redemerchurchsc@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 a *birthday* card for Tony Hardyk.

**Today is Food Sunday at Redeemer!** We welcome your gifts of nonperishable food for Redeemer's Food Shelf, as well as monetary gifts to the Orphan Grain Train and Redeemer's Food Shelf. If you or someone you know is in need of food, please see either pastor or stop in the church office. Thank you!

**LWML - You're invited to a Special Tea Party!** Join us Sunday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2:00 PM, in Redeemer's Parish Hall. Bring your mother, daughter, grandmother, aunt, niece, or friend to share your love of Christ to the favorite women in your life. Sip on tea, enjoy dainty finger foods and special treats, entertainment, Photo Booth / Keepsake, and wear a fancy hat – Prizes for the most creative hats (optional).

**Women's Morning Bible Study:** Wednesday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 AM, Conference Rm. **"Pew Sisters"** Bible Study for women "goes and tells what God has done" in the lives of real women in the church today – Session #9 – "Hope: Losing Your Voice / Prayer"  
If interested contact: Jackie Krueger.

**Women's Evening Bible Study:** Wednesday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 PM. Location at Oscar Carl Vineyard. If interested contact: Michaela Uhl or Tawnya Becker.

## **“Forgiving Injustices and Persecution” Lesson 6**

Day 2: Leave the Justice to God- pg. 168

Day 3: Persecution and Radical Grace- pg. 172

Day 4: Vengeances belongs to the Lord- pg. 176

**Elders:** We have a regularly scheduled meeting this coming Thursday, February 27, 2025 at 7:00 pm. Please let Jeremy Schram know if you are unable to attend.

**St. Paul’s High School *Singing Saints*:** You are invited to join us for a special night of music on Friday, February 28<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 PM, in the Sanctuary. The award-winning choir has toured annually since 1971 with over 1000 appearances in the United States, Canada, and Europe. The choir has a singular focus-that of boldly proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ through a vast range of music styles including sacred Renaissance, German Chorales, American Spirituals, 19<sup>th</sup>-century motets, 20<sup>th</sup>-century anthems, and more. For more information about the St. Paul’s High School go to **[www.splhs.org](http://www.splhs.org)**.

**Red M&Ms:** Men’s Bible study is this coming Saturday, March 1, at 7:30 a.m. Men of Redeemer, come join us for breakfast and bible study.

**Annual Waffle Brunch:** St. Paul’s Lutheran School will host their annual Waffle Brunch on Sunday, March 9, 8:00 am – 1:00 pm. Cost: \$12/Adult and \$7/children under 10. Tickets will also be available at the door. Come and join us! (St. Paul’s Lutheran School, 612 Jennings St., Sioux City, IA 51101 – phone 712-258-6325)

**Join us for our upcoming Ash Wednesday Service,** March 5<sup>th</sup>, 11:30 AM & 7:00 PM. We begin the season of Lent contemplating that Jesus is our Forgiver. We remind ourselves that Jesus forgives us again and again by his cross, even though we do not deserve it.

**LWML Ash Wednesday:** Would you be able to lend a hand and/or provide a pie? *Soup & Pie Meal* March 5<sup>th</sup>, 12:00 PM & 5:00 PM. Sign up in the back of sanctuary or contact Jackie Krueger.

### **LWML (Save the Dates)**

**April 5<sup>th</sup>** – Sioux City Zone Spring Rally; here at Redeemer. Keynote speaker, Rev. Keith Haney.

**June 26-29<sup>th</sup>** - 2025 LWML Convention in Omaha, NE. Online registration opens up March 1.





**Save the Date:** Sarah How will be returning for a Women's Conference here at Redeemer on **March 28 from 6-8 PM and March 29 from 8 AM -1 PM.** Register by directly paying at [www.SarahHow.com/stillmarch25](http://www.SarahHow.com/stillmarch25) or scan the QR code. **The deadline to register is**

**Monday, March 24.** If you have any question please contact Amy Dirks at 712-490-5664.

**LWML - Religious Greeting Cards** now available for all occasions! Single cards \$1.00 or 12 cards for \$10.00.

**LWML Winter 2024 Women's Quarterly Magazines are here.** Pick up a copy on the counter at the back of the Sanctuary.

**Thrivent Members Who Have Choice Dollars:** IF YOU HAVE 2024 CHOICE DOLLARS THAT HAVE NOT BEEN DIRECTED, YOU MUST DIRECT THEM BEFORE MARCH 31, 2025 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](http://www.thrivent.com).**

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

**Jams, Jellies & Pickles are available for asking!**

*Aronia Jam*

*\*Aronia Syrup*

*Aronia Berry Rhubarb*

*Aronia Blueberry Jam*

*Aronia Berry Jelly*

*Aronia Peach Jam*

*Blackberry Jam*

*Blackberry Jelly*

*Blueberry Rhubarb Jam*

*Choke Cherry Jelly*

*\*Choke Cherry Syrup*

*\*Chokeberry Syrup*

*Fruit Juice Jalapeno Jam*

*Fruit Juice Jelly*

*Gooseberry Jam*

*Gooseberry Jelly*

*Jalapeno Jam*

*Red Currant Jelly*

*Red Raspberry Rhubarb –*

*Jalapeno Jam*

*Red Raspberry –*

*Jalapeno Jam*

*Rhubarb Ginger Jam*

*Rhubarb Jalapeno Jam*

*Strawberry Jalapeno Jam*

*Wild Plum Jalapeno Jam*

*Wild Plum Rhubarb Jam*

*Wild Raspberry –*

*Rhubarb Jam*

**PICKLES**

## Loess Hills Birds & Nature

**Photography Exhibit** Betty Strong Encounter Center: UNTIL FEBRUARY 23-- Features the photographers of Northwest Iowa. For more information: <https://www.loesshillsaudubonsociety.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.

**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!

### 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 2 airing** - This is the Life – "A Friend in Need" – The Christian's duty to forgive. Worship Service – Rev. Neil Wehmas of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Ida Grove, IA, delivers the message God says "This is My Son...listen to Him" based on Luke 9:28-36. Additional information is available on the web site: [www.mainstreetliving.com](http://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 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- (February 20 & 23, 2025): Thursday 6:30 PM-**  
*(Harlan & Mary Feddersen, Al & 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-** Bruce & Roberta Timmons; **10:45 AM-** Jackie Krueger & Jayne Edwards. **ACOLYTES: 8:15 AM-** *(open); 10:45 AM- Hayden Kunze & Abby Bailey.* **TECHNOLOGIST:**  
**Thurs. 6:30 PM-** Tim Young; **Sun. 8:15 AM-** Erik Koehler; **10:45 AM-** Tim Young. **COUNTING TEAM: 3 – Bobolz’s & Schmith’s.** **COFFEE & ROLL SERVERS:** Paul & Cindy Fleckenstein

**SERVING NEXT WEEK- (February 27 & March 2, 2025): Thurs. same as last week. 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, Jason & Julie Madden).* **GREETERS: 8:15 AM-** Justin & Emily Wulf; **10:45 AM-** Scott & Beth Bowman. **ACOLYTES: 8:15 AM-** Cameri Jones; **10:45 AM-** Abby Bailey & Madi Schutt.  
**TECHNOLOGIST:** Thurs. 6:30 PM- Tim Young; **Sun. 8:15 AM-** Jordan Fisher; **10:45 AM-** Tim Young. **COUNTING TEAM: 4 – Fink & Buckley.**  
**COFFEE & ROLL SERVERS:** TBD

**Record of Our Discipleship: Week Ending February 16, 2025**

Worship Attendance: Sunday, 29+115+90=234 (19%)

Adult Bible Study: 27; ROCK Sunday: 27; ROCK Wed: N/A

Sudanese: 10

<u>Date</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Budgeted Income</u>	<u>%</u>
Feb. 16, 2025	\$5,812	\$15,630	37%
Year-to-date	\$107,581	\$109,410	98%

**Building Fund Income:**

<u>Year-to-date</u>	<u>Weekly Income</u>	<u>Total</u>
\$160	\$20	\$180

**THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER**

**Sunday, February 23, 2025**

**FOOD SUNDAY**

- 8:15 & 10:45 AM Worship Service
- 9:30 AM Adult Bible Study
- 9:30 AM ROCK Sunday
- 9:30 AM Adult Confirmation
- 1:00 PM Sudanese Worship
- 2:00-4 PM LWML: Tea Party-Parish Hall
- 4:00-6 PM Pickleball

**Monday, February 24, 2024**

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

**Tuesday, February 25, 2024**

1:30 PM Staff Bible Study/Mtg  
5:00 PM Aktion Meal/MWM  
7:00 PM Life Light Bible Study at *Whispering Creek*

**Wednesday, February 26, 2025**

10:00 AM Women's Bible Study in *Conference Rm*  
5-5:40 PM Midweek Meal (*Walking Tacos*)  
5:00-7 PM Midweek Classes  
5:00-7 PM ROCK Wednesday Class  
5:30 PM Midweek Bible Study  
5:30 PM Women's Bible Study at *Oscar Carl Vineyard*  
6:00 PM Handbell Practice  
7:15 PM Adult Choir Practice  
7:30-9 PM Youth Group

**Thursday, February 27, 2025**

1:00 PM Altar Guild  
5:30 PM Adult Fitness  
6:00 PM BSF Bible Study (lower level)  
6:30 PM Worship w/Holy Communion  
7:00 PM Elders Mtg

**Friday, February 28, 2025**

9:00 AM - Noon Food Shelf

**Saturday, March 1, 2025**

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

**Sunday, March 2, 2025**

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 PM Youth Committee Mtg  
4:00-6 PM Pickleball