



THURSDAY & SUNDAY, APRIL 23 & 26 2026
FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER 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	Jennifer Lay, Receptionist
David N. Zirpel, Pastor	Kristy Fisher, Assistant / Volunteer Coordinator
Jonathon Bailey, Director of Christian Education	Charity Koehler, Handbell & Adult Choir Director
Christy Jessen, Family Ministry Assistant	Nate Klaumann, Exalt Choir Leader
Tara Vander Weil, Preschool Director	Shannon Peterson, Adult Choir Accompanist
Jazmin Martinez, Preschool Aide	Bonnie Rossman, Jan Null, Sharleen Schlotman & Paulette Schmidt, Organists
Brian Searls, Facilities Supervisor	Leon Schoenfeld, Christian Estate Planning Counselor
Angela DuBois, Office Manager	

SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 2026: TRADITIONAL WORSHIP
SERVICE: DIVINE SERVICE 4 (LSB P. 203)

Confession and Absolution

Hymn of Invocation “Blest Be the Tie That Binds” *LSB 649*

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, 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.**

Absolution LSB 203

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.**

Service of the Word

Introit

P I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, and I lay down my life for the sheep.

C **Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!**

P For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

C **Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!**

P For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

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.**

P I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, and I lay down my life for the sheep.

Hymn of Praise “What a Friend We Have in Jesus” LSB 770

Salutation and Collect of the Day

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

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

First Reading Acts 2:42–47

(after the reading) ...

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

Epistle 1 Peter 2:19–25

(after the reading) ...

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

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 John 10:1–10

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the tenth 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

Children's Message & Celebrate Song 

Hymn of the Day "Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us" *LSB 711*

Sermon

Offering & Attendance / Involvement Cards

Prayer of the Church

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

Lord's Prayer

Benedicamus *LSB 212*

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

Benediction *LSB 212*

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 "The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want" *LSB 710*

Contemporary Worship Service, 10:45 AM
Sunday, April 26, 2026: Service of God's Word 1

Pre-Service Song “Fierce”

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Song “Your Love Defends Me”

Responsive Reading

P Shout for joy to the Lord,

C All the earth.

P Serve the Lord with gladness;

C Come before Him with joyful songs.

P Know that the Lord is God.

C It is He who made us, and we are His: we are His people,
the sheep of His pasture.

P Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise;

C Give thanks to Him and praise His name.

P For the Lord is good and His love endures forever;

C His faithfulness continues through all generations.

P 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.

Song of Praise “You Never Let Go”

Prayer of the Believers

P O God, the helper of all who call on You, have mercy on us and
give us eyes of faith to see Your Son that we may follow Him on
the way that leads to eternal life; 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.

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P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the tenth 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 and Song 

Song “How Great Is Our God”

Offering & Attendance / Involvement Cards

Statement of our Faith: Apostles’ Creed

Prayer of the Church

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

Lord’s Prayer

Benediction

Closing Song “Soul On Fire”

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: [redeemerchurchsc@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 **Wedding** card for Tim & Heidi Young.

Altar Flowers are given by Bob & Pam Naylor in honor of Bob's 80th birthday.

Pulpit Flowers are given Gary & Eileen Bumsted in honor of our Mothers' Birthdays.

Questioning night is this coming Wednesday, 4/29 at 7:00 pm. Everyone in the church is welcomed to join our eight confirmands as they give testimony to the truths they've learned from scripture. There will be a little celebratory reception that follows around 8:00 pm.

Red M&Ms: Men's breakfast and bible study will be next Saturday, May 2nd. Breakfast is at 7:30 a.m. with an 8 a.m. study to follow. All men are invited to come and enjoy the fellowship and learning.

On May 10th, during the education hour (9:30 a.m.), we will be hosting a farewell cake and coffee for Paulette Schmidt. The reception will be in the parish hall. Very soon she will be moving to be closer to her sons and her grandchildren. While we are excited for her, we're sad to see her

leave. We wish Paulette God's speed and we are very thankful for the years of service and the many areas of ministry that she has been involved, here and throughout our circuit.

May Fundraisers - Throughout the Month of May

- Our congregation will be hosting special fundraisers to support an important upgrade to our church sound system. We will be offering a variety of homemade goods, including: **Fresh-baked pies** – ½ or whole – \$10/\$20 (Apple, Cherry, German Chocolate Cake, Peach and Strawberry Rhubarb). **Jams, jellies, and pickles as well.** All proceeds will go directly toward improving our sound system so that everyone can better hear and participate more fully in the worship services and events. Sales will be available after Thursday and Sunday services each week in May. *If you'd like a specific pie on a particular day, you can place a request in advance.* Thank you for your continued generosity and support as we work together to strengthen our church community.
- **Pizza Ranch Fundraiser Night: On Monday, May 18, 4:00–8:00 PM,** come out for great food and a great cause! Tips and 10% of all sales will benefit Redeemer's sound system project. Kids enjoy the *Fun Zone* Arcade at half price all evening! We're also looking for volunteers to help bus tables—let us know if you can lend a hand!

TUITION ASSISTANCE FOR 2026-2027 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 Redeemer KinderCottage Preschool or St. Paul's Lutheran School (grades K-5).

YOUTH NEWS & EVENTS BELOW – If you have questions, please contact **Jonathon Bailey, DCE.**

➤ **Graduate Recognition Sunday:** We will recognize our 2026 high school graduates on Sunday, May 10th at both worship services. A cake reception will follow the 8:15 a.m. service.

Senior Bibles - Bibles for our seniors are available on the table in the parish hall. Please take a moment to write an encouraging note or highlight a favorite Bible verse. These Bibles will be presented to the seniors on Graduation Sunday.

Senior Breakfast - Senior Breakfast will be held on Sunday, May 9th at 9:00 a.m. All seniors are invited to come relax, enjoy a meal, and spend time in devotion. Parents are welcome to attend as well.

- **Sunday School Announcement:** As the school year comes to a close, so does our regular Rock Sunday program. Our last day of Sunday School will be May 17th. We will take a couple of weeks off before transitioning into our Summer Sunday School program.

Summer Sunday School will begin on June 7th. Middle school and high school students will meet in the upstairs youth room, while 5th grade and younger will meet in the large room downstairs.

LWML NEWS & EVENTS!

- **Bloom Ladies Night- Redeemer Lutheran Church:** Tuesday, April 28th, 6:00 PM. Join us for a night of fellowship as we discover how flowers can encourage our 'growing' faith. The night will include a light meal, a craft, and devotion. We are collecting items for Camp Okoboji (dish towels, rugs of all sizes, paper towels, 'GAIN' brand laundry soap & bleach). ***Please RSVP to your LWML group or Jen Copenhaver by April 21.***
- **Jesus & Java:** Come Join Us on Saturday, May 2nd, at 9:00 AM! Grab a cup of your favorite morning starter and stay for a devotion and fellowship time together. (Council Oak Coffee Parlor, 101 W. 3rd, Sioux City, IA)
- **Join us as a Young Women's Representative** at the LWML District Convention at Camp Okoboji **June 11-13, 2026.** This is your chance to learn more about LWML and how you can serve. Meet other young women who are passionate about faith and service. Participate in workshops, Bible Studies, and fun activities. Experience the joy of fellowship and inspiration in a beautiful camp setting. Interested? **Contact: Tawnya Becker or Jackie Krueger by March 25th.** Qualifications: 1) Member of a Sioux City Zone Church, 2) Ages between 18-40.
- **Religious Greeting Cards** are available (South Narthex) for all occasions! (single cards \$1.00 or 12 cards for \$10.00).

Steak Sales: Support St. Paul's Lutheran School with our Steak Fundraiser! Steaks - 2 for \$25, each steak is 12 oz and ¾" thick and individually wrapped (Previous year's steaks were 8 – 10 oz and 1" thick) Place your order today! Order forms are available on the back table in the Parish Hall, next to the jams and jellies.

THRIVENT Members Who Have Choice Dollars! NEW Choice Dollars for the 1st quarter 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.



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.

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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 3 airing - This is the Life – “Hope Enough to Live By” – A medical research scientist falls into despair after an accident and subsequent events. Worship Service – Rev. Scott Porath of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Eagle, NE, delivers a message for the 5th Sunday of Easter. This program is interpreted and closed captioned for the deaf and hard of hearing. Visit www.mainstreetliving.com for more information.

Redeemer's Missionaries of the year for 2026 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!

Building Healthy Families: *“I have learned now that while those who speak about one’s miseries usually hurt, those who keep silence hurt more.”* (C.S. Lewis) If you’re alive and old enough to read this, you’ve probably experienced the deep pain of losing someone you love. The Gospel, God’s ministering through His Spirit, the support of a pastor, and the love of family and friends help us heal. But sometimes – for a variety of important reasons – the pain of grief doesn’t resolve and we feel stuck. If this is true for you or someone you know, call us. Lutheran Family Service offers specialized care

for complicated or unresolved grief that will help. Learn more at www.LutheranFamilyService.org Lutheran Family Service

SERVING THIS WEEK- (April 23 & 26, 2026): USHERS: Thursday 6:30 PM – Harlan & Mary Feddersen (Al & Melissa Joens, Shelly Fergan, Mike Searls). **Sunday 8:15 AM – Team 1** (Alex Erickson, Marc Benson, Larry Nelson, Jerry Van Peurse). **10:45 AM- Team 5** (Mark Boyd). **ACOLYTES: 8:15 AM-** Liam Behrens; **10:45 AM-** Camden Doscher & Caleb Amick. **GREETERS: 8:15 AM-** Shirley Barth & Lorelee Fink; **10:45 AM-** Shirley Stokes. **TECHNOLOGIST: Thurs. 6:30 PM-** Heidi Schleis; **Sun. 8:15 AM-** Erik Koehler; **10:45 AM-** Curt Green. **COUNTING TEAM: 4-** Fink & Buckley. **COFFEE & ROLL SERVERS:** John & Anita Stansell

SERVING NEXT WEEK- (April 30 & May 3, 2026): USHERS: Thursday 6:30 PM – Harlan & Mary Feddersen (Al & Melissa Joens, Shelly Fergan, Mike Searls). **Sunday 8:15 AM – Team 1** (Alex Erickson, Marc Benson, Larry Nelson, Jerry Van Peurse). **10:45 AM- Team 5** (Mark Boyd). **ACOLYTES: 8:15 AM-** TBD; **10:45 AM-** TBD. **GREETERS: 8:15 AM-** Aaron & Tawyna Becker; **10:45 AM-** Scott & Beth Bowman. **TECHNOLOGIST: Thurs. 6:30 PM-** Heidi Schleis; **Sun. 8:15 AM-** TBD; **10:45 AM-** TBD. **COUNTING TEAM: 1-** Buckley & Lessmann. **COFFEE & ROLL SERVERS:** TBD

Record of Our Discipleship: Week Ending April 19, 2026

Worship Attendance: Sunday, 46+180+103=329 (30%)

Adult Bible Study: 25; ROCK Sunday: 23; ROCK Wednesday: 8

<u>Date</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Budgeted Income</u>	<u>%</u>
April 19, 2026	\$11,630	\$16,129	72%
Year-to-date	\$253,991	\$258,070	98%

Building Fund Income:

<u>Year-to-date</u>	<u>Weekly Income</u>	<u>Total</u>
\$1,334	\$0	\$1,334

New Sound System Income:

<u>Year-to-date</u>	<u>Weekly Income</u>	<u>Remaining</u>
\$975	\$100	\$94,170

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER

Sunday, April 26, 2026

8:15 & 10:45 AM Worship Services

9:30 AM ROCK Sunday

9:30 AM Adult Confirmation
9:45 AM Adult Bible Study
1:00 PM Sudanese Worship

Monday, April 27, 2026

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

Tuesday, April 28, 2026

1:30 PM Staff/Bible Study Mtg
5:00 PM Aktion Meal/MWM
5:30 PM Adult Fitness
6:00 PM Sioux City Zone 'Women's Night Out' hosted by Redeemer

Wednesday, April 29, 2026

6:15 PM Handbell Practice
7:00 PM 8th Grade Questioning
7:15 PM Adult Choir Practice
7:30-9 PM Youth Group

Thursday, April 30, 2026

5:30 PM Adult Fitness
6:00 PM BSF Bible Study
6:30 PM Worship Service
7:00 PM Elders Mtg

Friday, May 1, 2026

9 AM- Noon Food Shelf

Saturday, May 2, 2026

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

Sunday, May 3, 2026

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

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