



**Good News from the Beginning:
The Gospel in Genesis**

*The Good News of a Savior
Who Gives Us a New Beginning*

Thursday & Sunday, March 13 & 16, 2025

10:45 AM Pre-Service Song “From The Inside Out”

As We Gather

What are the odds of getting a do-over in our lives? In the world of sports, as in many other arenas, a second opportunity to begin again in a race or other type of competition is generally not possible. A false start in a race can lead to disqualification. Repositioning a move after completing one in a chess match is simply not permitted. Rules are rules, and that’s the way it is. There is no room for mercy. But it is different with our God, who offers forgiveness again and again to those who repent and turn to Him with contrite hearts. In his explanation of the Third Article of the Apostles’ Creed in the Small Catechism, Martin Luther confidently writes, “In this Christian Church He [God] daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers” (LSB, p. 323). Thank God for His most gracious do-overs!

6:30 PM & 8:15 AM Opening Hymn “Today Your Mercy Calls Us” LSB 915

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.**

Psalm *Psalm 130*

P: Out of the depths I cry to You, O LORD!

C: O Lord, hear my voice! Let Your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy!

P: If You, O LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand?

C: But with You there is forgiveness, that You may be feared.

P: I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in His word I hope;

C: my soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning.

P: O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with Him is plentiful redemption.

C: And He will redeem Israel from all his iniquities. lory 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.

Salutation

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

Collect

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

Hymn Introduction

Reader 1: The image of the freely flowing and life-giving fountain appears in a number of favorite Bible passages and hymns. The psalmist speaks of the Lord as he poetically writes, "For with You is the fountain of life" (Psalm 36:9), and hymn writer Johann Heermann describes God as the "true fountain ever flowing" in his hymn text "O God, My Faithful God" (*LSB* 696:1). In the first stanza of the Lenten hymn "Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain," author James Montgomery invites sinners to come to the "pure and healing fountain" (*LSB* 435:1) that flows from Jesus, our Savior. In the third stanza, Montgomery affirms that "Health this fountain will restore," reminding us that Lent is a time for restoration and renewal in Christ.

Reader 2: "Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain" first came into Christian Church usage in an English hymnbook called *A Selection of Psalms and Hymns for Public and Private Use*. The stanzas were simply titled "A fountain opened for sin and uncleanness" when first printed in 1819. James Montgomery wrote over 400 hymns. While still in his teens, he supported himself by publishing poetry, and later in life he was granted a literary pension by the British government. Though more than two hundred years old, his hymn stanzas compel us to come to the fountain of our Savior, with the promise "They that drink shall thirst no more" (*LSB* 435:3).

6:30 PM & 8:15 AM Hymn of Praise "Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain" *LSB* 435

10:45 AM Song of Praise "King Of Kings"

First Reading *Genesis 6:1–22*
(after the reading)...

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

Prayer Response

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

Second Reading 1 Peter 3:13–22

L: Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, but in your hearts regard Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect, having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil.

C: For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that He might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, in which He went and proclaimed to the spirits in prison, because they formerly did not obey, when God's patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through water.

L: Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to Him.

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

Holy Gospel Luke 17:22–37

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the seventeenth 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 "All Christians Who Have Been Baptized" *LSB* 596; vrs. 1-4

10:45 AM Sermon Song “10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)”

Sermon

Nicene Creed

Passion Reading *John 18:15–27*

(after the reading)...

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Offering & Attendance/Involvement Cards

Prayer of the Church

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

C: hear our prayer.

Responsive Litany

P: Hear our prayer, O Lord. **C: Let our cry come to You.**

P: Almighty God, grant us true repentance over our sins

C: and steadfast faith in Your forgiveness,

P: knowing that while we justly deserve Your punishment,

C: You are a God who freely pardons.

P: When we are weighed down by guilt or despair, lift us up in
Your mercy

C: and grant us a new beginning, standing in Your grace.

P: As You once gave the rainbow as a sign of Your mercy,

C: draw our eyes to the cross of Christ,

P: that we may see in Him the assurance that Your mercies are
new every morning

C: and Your faithfulness to us is great.

P: Hear us, O Lord, as we silently bring You our private petitions.

The Words of Our Lord

Lord’s Prayer

Distribution

6:30 PM & 8:15 AM Distribution Hymns “Go to Dark Gethsemane”
LSB 436; “Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed” LSB 437;

10:45 AM Communion Songs “The Blessing” and “I Will Rise”

Benediction

P: The Lord bless you, defend you from all evil, and bring you to everlasting life. **C: Amen.**

6:30 PM & 8:15 AM Closing Hymn “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” *LSB* 425

10:45 AM Closing Song “Soul On Fire”

Dismissal

P: Go in peace as you serve the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Holy Communion is celebrated at Redeemer in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that we may show forth His death until He comes. We ask visitors who are in doubt or hold a confession differing from that of this congregation, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, to first speak with a pastor.

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.

***Christina Edwardson**, daughter of Pastor Zirpel & Pam, two-day test results are negative from Mayo. Wonderful news. So now she will do further testing in one year instead of 6 months. Thanks for your prayers!*

We have an amazing new sound system in the parish hall. Come enjoy coffee and a donut and/or stay for Bible study. We'll turn on the system and show it off.

Join us for our Midweek Lenten Service, March 19th, 11:30 AM & 7:00 PM. In this service for Week 2 of Lent, we embrace the news that Jesus listens to us like no other and answers all our questions and concerns. We will also have a Lenten meal (Spaghetti) served at Noon & 5-6:45 PM hosted by our Confirmation kids. (Free-will Offering & Carry-outs available).

LWML: Thursday, March 20th, 1:00 PM – Jonathan Bailey Bible Study/Leader. Rose Petersen – Host. Lower-Level Center Room- Park & enter building at door #3 to avoid steps. Service Project: Bring 2 cans of meat and / or soup for the food pantry. Join us for fellowship and studying God's word. Everyone is welcome!

Jams, Jellies, & Pies will be available at the Sergeant Bluff Vendor Sale on March 22, Redeemer March 28-29, and Vendor Sale at Hinton, April 12. All proceeds go to the 22 families who lost everything at the Morningside Estate fire, February 6.

Youth Gathering Bible study meeting- The next Bible study for the youth gathering will be held on **March 23rd @ 3:00 pm**. We will meet in the center room.



Save the Date: Sarah How, Christian speaker and author, 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 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. Registration includes both days which includes breakfast, snacks and shopping with vendors. Come join other women for an uplifting weekend designed to strengthen your connection to God, yourself and others.

Musketeers Tickets- If you would be interested in joining us for a Musketeers game, please stop by the table in the entrance and sign up. The game will be on **Saturday, April 5th, at 6:00 PM**. Tickets will cost \$14 each. If you have any questions, contact DCE Jonathon Bailey 620-655-5395.

FISH BOIL: Sunday, April 6th, 11:00 AM – 1 PM, Grace Lutheran Church, 1430 7th Ave., Le Mars, IA. Join us for Alaskan Pollock, new potatoes, and pearl onions – cooked Door County Wisconsin style, coleslaw, & homemade desserts. No reservations necessary. Free-will offering. (Make checks out to 'Orphan Grain Train'. *All proceeds go to 'Orphan Grain Train' for worldwide disaster relief.*)

The Wednesday evening Bible Study "Forgiveness" at Oscar Carl Vineyard will pause during Lent to avoid conflicts with services and dinners. We'll resume on April 23rd, 2025. Questions contact Tawnya Becker or Michaela Uhl.

LWML: April 5th – Sioux City Zone Spring Rally; here at Redeemer. Keynote speaker, Rev. Keith Haney. *9:00 AM Registration, 9:30 AM Brunch. RSVP by calling or emailing Redeemer: 712-276-1125 or Redeemer.church.sc@gmail.com*

June 26-29th - 2025 LWML Convention in Omaha, NE. *Online registration now open.*

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

LWML Spring 2025 Women's Quarterly Magazines are here. Pick up a copy on the counter at the back of the Sanctuary.

Her Health Women's Center's Annual Fundraising Vision Dinner 2025 registration is open, and we have space for everyone this year! It's sure to be a great evening as we welcome our special guest, Kelly Lester. Kelly will share her amazing story and experiences, and how God has brought beauty from ashes in her life. Get ready to be Inspired and Inspire those in our community! **Date: Tuesday, April 8th, 6:30-8:30 PM, at the South Sioux City Marriot Center (385 East 4th St.). Questions, please call 712-276-0237.**



Plan to attend Voices Unite! If you aren't familiar with Voices Unite, it is a one day singing festival that concludes with a public concert. The entire event is free! Singers are welcome to come at 9am on April 12th to learn songs composed by Victor Johnson, our guest composer and director. If you aren't a singer, please come and enjoy the free concert at 4:00 pm. The event takes place at Redeemer Lutheran Church. You can learn more and register at the website: www.voicesunite.org or by scanning the qr code.

Easter Car Hop- The Youth Committee would like to invite everyone to participate in our first *Easter Car Hop*. Similar to the Trunk-or-Treat, we will decorate our cars for Easter and give treats to the kids who will "hop" from car to car. **This event will take on Sunday, April 13th, from 2-4 PM, in our church parking lot.** Please have your cars lined up and ready to hand out treats by 1:45. Plan on enough treats for 250-300 people. Car registration is available at the table in the entryway. If you have any questions, contact DCE Jonathon Bailey at 620-655-5395.

The Youth Rummage sale is very popular and many of you have asked me about it. It is scheduled for **June 13th and 14th**. You may begin dropping items off Sunday June 8th. No mattresses or outdated electronics will be accepted.

Vacation Bible School is July 6th- 10th. Our theme this year is "True North".

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.**

Ushers Wanted! We are in need of Ushers for our 10:45 AM service. No Experience Necessary. If interested, Please contact Doug Stucky 402-404-9068.

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

Dill

Sweet Pickles



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.

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 23 airing - This is the Life – “Hand of God” – Making opportunities from problems. Worship Service – Rev. David Zirpel of Redeemer Lutheran Church in Sioux City, IA, delivers the message, “It is a Call to Repentance and Fruitfulness” based on Luke 13:1-9. Additional information is available on the web site: www.mainstreetliving.com.

SERVING THIS WEEK- (March 13 & 16, 2025): **Thurs.** (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, Jason & Julie Madden). **GREETERS: 8:15 AM-** Aaron & Tawnya Becker; **10:45 AM-** Marty & Marcia Delperdang. **ACOLYTES: 8:15 AM-** TBD; **10:45 AM-** Hayden Kunze & Brody Goldsmith. **TECHNOLOGIST: Thurs. 6:30 PM-** Tim Young; **Sun. 8:15 AM-** Erik Koehler; **10:45 AM-** Curt Green. **COUNTING TEAM: 2 –** Mack & Hermelbracht's. **COFFEE & ROLL SERVERS:** Garlyn & Mary Lyman

Midweek 2 Lenten Services (March 19, 2025): **USHERS: Team 7** (Doug Stucky, Loren Field, Rick Lieber, Julie & Jason Madden). **7 PM GREETERS:** (Tim Young & Heidi Schleis). **ACOLYTES: 7 PM-** (Mesa & Sierra Zellmer). **Technologist: 11:30 AM-** Jennifer Lay; **7 PM-** Tim Young

SERVING NEXT WEEK- (March 20 & 23, 2025): **same as last week.**
GREETERS: 8:15 AM- Gale & Carol Bobolz; **10:45 AM-** Jayne Edward & Jackie Krueger. **ACOLYTES: 8:15 AM-** Camri Jones; **10:45 AM-** Hayden Kunze & Brody Goldsmith. **TECHNOLOGIST: Thurs. 6:30 PM-** Tim Young; **Sun. 8:15 AM-** Erik Koehler; **10:45 AM-** Curt Green. **COUNTING TEAM: 3 –** Bobolz & Schmith's. **COFFEE & ROLL SERVERS:** John & Anita Stansell

Record of Our Discipleship: Week Ending March 9, 2025

Worship Attendance: Sunday, 26+125+138=289 (24%)
 Adult Bible Study: 27; ROCK Sunday: 32; ROCK Wed: 16
 Sudanese: 12

<u>Date</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Budgeted Income</u>	<u>%</u>
Mar. 9, 2025	\$20,208	\$15,630	129%
Year-to-date	\$159,908	\$156,299	102%

Building Fund Income:

<u>Year-to-date</u>	<u>Weekly Income</u>	<u>Total</u>
\$355	\$20	\$375

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER

- Sunday, March 16, 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

Monday, March 17, 2024

9:00 AM Quilting

5:30 PM Adult Fitness

6:30 PM Pickleball

Tuesday, March 18, 2024

11:00 AM Retired Educators Meal/MWM

1:30 PM Staff Bible Study/Mtg

5:30 PM Adult Fitness

7:00 PM Life Light Bible Study at *Whispering Creek*

Wednesday, March 19, 2025

10:30 AM Devotions w/Pastor Senstad at *Whispering Creek*

11:30 AM Lenten Service

12:15 PM Spaghetti Meal* hosted by Confirmation

5-6:45 PM Lenten Meal*

5:00-7 PM Midweek Classes

5:00-7 PM ROCK Wednesday Class

6:00 PM Handbell Practice

7:00 PM Lenten Service

8:00 PM Adult Choir Practice

8:00-9 PM Youth Group

Thursday, March 20, 2025

1:00 PM 'Women Serving in Christ' Mtg

6:00 PM BSF Bible Study (lower level)

6:30 PM Worship Service

Friday, March 21, 2025

9:00 AM - Noon Food Shelf

Sunday, March 23, 2025

8:15 & 10:45 AM Worship Services

9:30 AM Adult Bible Study

9:30 AM ROCK Sunday

9:30 AM Adult Confirmation

1:00 PM Sudanese Worship

3:00 PM Youth Gathering (downstairs-center rm)