



Thursday & Sunday, August 17 & 20, 2023

### **As We Gather**

In his letter to the Christians in the city of Philippi, Paul spoke of the exalted Lord Jesus Christ. He wrote that, having completed His saving work, Jesus was to be worshiped by all people. So worthy is the Christ that “at the name of Jesus every knee should bow . . . and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father” (Philippians 2:10–11). The work of missionaries, which is to include all of God’s redeemed people, is ultimately to bring glory to God. That glorifying is heard in our praises and shown in our deeds that reflect our Lord’s boundless love and bring others into the circle of His grace.



## ✠ PREPARATION ✠

**10:45 AM Pre-Service Song** “Fierce”

**6:30 PM & 8:15 AM Opening Hymn** “Come, Thou Almighty King” *LSB 905*

**10:45 AM Opening Song** “Your Grace Is Enough”

### **Invocation**

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

### **Opening Sentences**

P: The earth is the LORD’s and the fullness thereof,

**C: the world and those who dwell therein,**

P: for He has founded it upon the seas

**C: and established it upon the rivers.**

P: All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord,

**C: and all the families of the nations shall worship before You.**

P: All the earth worships You and sings praises to You;

**C: they sing praises to Your name.**

**6:30 PM & 8:15 AM Hymn of Praise** “Bless the Lord, My Soul” *LSB 814; stz. 1, 3, 5-6*

**10:45 AM Song of Praise** “Same God”

### **Reading** *Isaiah 2:2–5*

P: It shall come to pass in the latter days that the mountain of the house of the LORD shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be lifted up above the hills; and all the nations shall flow to it,

**C: and many peoples shall come, and say: “Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob, that He may teach us His ways and that we may walk in His paths.”**

P: For out of Zion shall go the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

**C: He shall judge between the nations, and shall decide disputes for many peoples; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore.**

P: O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD.

### **Prayer**

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

### **Confession and Absolution**

P: O LORD, I call upon You; hasten to me!

**C: Give ear to my voice when I call to You!**

P: I say to the LORD, You are my God;

**C: give ear to the voice of my pleas for mercy, O LORD!**

P: With confidence I will confess my transgressions unto the LORD.

**C: For the LORD is gracious and compassionate and rich in forgiveness.**

P: As people gathered around God's Word, we confess before God that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and admit that by our own strength we cannot free ourselves from our sinful nature. As people called to walk in His ways and to share God's love, let us take refuge in His infinite mercy, seeking and imploring His grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ, and saying, "God be merciful to me, a poor, sinful being." In repentance, let us confess our sins unto our gracious God.

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

P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our 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. To them who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all. **C:Amen.**

✠ **WORD** ✠

**Epistle** *Romans 10:11–17*

(*after the reading*)... L: This is the Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual** *Psalms 67:1–2*

**C: May God be gracious to us and bless us; and make His face to shine upon us, that Your way may be known on earth, Your saving power among all nations.**

**ALL Services: Special Music** “Gratitude” Performed by Justin Popeney. Words & Music by Dante Bowe, Ben Hastings, and Brandon Lake. Arr. by Grant Wall and Justin Popeney.

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

**Holy Gospel** *Matthew 15:21-28*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, 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.**

**Children’s Message & Celebrate Song** 🎵

**6:30 PM & 8:15 AM Hymn of the Day** “Jesus Shall Reign” *LSB 832*

**10:45 AM Sermon Song** “I’m Listening”

**Sermon**

**Nicene Creed**

**Offering & Attendance/Involvement Cards**

*(The Offering of Peace is exchanged during Offering)*

**Prayer of the Church**

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

✠ **SACRAMENT** ✠

**Preface**

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

P: Lift up your hearts. **C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

P: We thank You, almighty God...In Him, we have received redemption and forgiveness of sins. **C: Amen.**

**The Words of Our Lord**

**Proclamation of Christ**

P: Teach us to pray as our Lord has taught us:

**Lord’s Prayer**

**Pax Domini**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C: Amen.**

## **Distribution of Holy Communion**

**6:30 PM & 8:15 AM Distribution Hymns** “How Great Thou Art”  
*LSB 801*; “On Galilee’s High Mountains” *LSB 835*; “Christ the  
Eternal Lord” *LSB 829*; stz. 2 & 3

**10:45 AM Distribution Hymns** “The Blessing” and “Just As I Am  
(I Come Broken)”

## **Benediction**

P: Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our  
Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the  
eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do  
His will, working in us that which is pleasing in His sight, through  
Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. **C: Amen.**

**Mission Sequence- Closing Hymn** “We Are Called to Stand Together” *LSB*  
*828 (tune of “Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle” LSB 454)*

- 1. We are called to stand together With the saints of ages past,  
With the patriarchs and prophets In the faith they once held fast;  
Promises and hopes they treasured Now we find fulfilled at last!**
- 2. Those whom Jesus called apostles Journeyed with Him  
side by side, Heard His teaching, felt His power, Saw the  
way He lived and died; Then the news of resurrection  
They delivered far and wide.**
- 3. Through the intervening ages Round the world the Guided  
where the Spirit led; So the body grew in stature, Serving  
Christ, the living head.**
- 4. Now in many tongues and cultures Songs of celebration  
ring; Millions who confess our Savior Honor Him as Lord  
and King And, for courage, grace and guidance Every day  
their prayers they bring.**
- 5. To each coming generation Tell the truth, persuade, explain,  
Till the time when time is ended, Till the Savior comes again –  
Till the saints are all untied Under Christ’s eternal reign!**

**10:45 AM Closing Song** “My God Is Still The Same”

## 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](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.

**Altar Flowers** are given by Aaron & Tawnya Becker in honor of their 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

**Pulpit Flowers** are given by Bob & Pam Naylor in honor of their 43<sup>rd</sup> anniversary.

***Happy Anniversary to Don & Barb Jorgensen celebrating 66 years together!***

**Today (August 20) we bid farewell** to our Director of Music, Justin Popeney. After nearly four years of service, Justin will be greatly missed. We pray for his success at his new job in Le Mars. Thank you for your service and God Bless!

**As Justin ends his services at Redeemer**, we begin looking for a new Director of Music. If you know of anyone that you think would be a good fit, please share their name with either pastor. Very soon, we'll have a job description posted on our website. Thank you!

**We are excited to welcome our Missionary, John Wolf.** He will be sharing the exciting work being done in Africa. Thanks for being with us John!

**Karroll & Helen Carson's memorial services** will be held on Monday, August 21, 10:00, at Meyer Brother's Chapel, Morningside. Redeemer members are invited!

**The installation service** of Rev. Steve Schulz at Mission Central will be on Monday, August 28, 1:30 pm. Everyone invited!

**Confirmation Parents:** Just a heads up to mark your calendar for August 30 at 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall. We have our opening orientation meeting that evening. There is a letter coming your way with more details, but please save the date and plan to attend.

**If you are looking** to aid and assist the victims of the Maui wildfires, Iowa District West is working on a disaster response that is led by new IOWAY director, Julie Mann. If you want to contribute immediately, you can go to the California/Nevada/Hawaii (CNH) district website [www.cnh-lcms.org](http://www.cnh-lcms.org) and give to them. They are in charge of the LCMS churches in Hawaii.

**Upcoming Bible Study 'HEAVEN CHANGES EVERYTHING':** In this 7 week course, we will study what the Bible Says about Heaven and the implications for us who believe God's promises. Materials for this Bible study will be taken from Randy Alcorn's study on Heaven. It will include video teaching plus the workbook. The study will be on Wednesday nights, beginning September 13<sup>th</sup> – October 25<sup>th</sup>, 5:45-7 PM. Location will be determined by class size. If you have any questions or desire to attend, please contact Curt Green.

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**We have 30+ different flavors of jams & jellies available in the Parish Hall: \$6 each or 5 for \$25!**

We now have German dinner pickled beets - \$6 a pint. And we have hamburger sweet dills (\$8 a qt), dill pickles (\$8 a qt), & sweet pickles (\$6 a pt). August proceeds will go to Seminarian Luke Konkell & family at Ft. Wayne, IN. ~~Pastor Zirpel

**Aronia Jam & Jelly**  
**Aronia Berry Jelly**  
**Aronia Blueberry Jalapeno Jam**  
**Aronia Jalapeno Jam**  
**Aronia Rhubarb Jam**  
**Aronia Strawberry Jam**  
**Black Raspberry Rhubarb Jalapeno Jam**  
**Blackberry Jam**  
**Blackberry Jalapeno Jam**  
**Blueberry Jam**  
**Cherry Jam**  
**Cherry Aronia Jam**  
**Cherry Jalapeno Jam**  
**Cherry Rhubarb Jam**  
**Cherry Rhubarb Jalapeno Jam**  
**Chokecherry Jelly**  
**Elderberry Jelly**

**\* Elderberry Pancake Syrup**  
**Gooseberry Jam & Jelly**  
**Grape Jelly**  
**Jalapeno Mixed Fruit Mixed Berry Jalapeno Peach Jam**  
**Peach Jalapeno Jam**  
**Pear Jam & Jelly**  
**Red Currant Jelly**  
**Red Raspberry Rhubarb Jam**  
**Rhubarb Ginger Lime Jam**  
**Rhubarb Jam**  
**Strawberry Jam**  
**Strawberry Jalapeno Jam**  
**Strawberry Rhubarb Jam**  
**Strawberry Rhubarb Jalapeno Jam**  
**Wild Grape Jelly**  
**Wild Plum Jelly**  
**Wild Raspberry Rhubarb Jam**

**We are in need of Sunday School Teachers** for grades 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> from 9:30-10:30 AM. If you are interested, please contact Jonathon Bailey.

**Junior Youth Gathering (October 21-22, 2023):** 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students are invited to attend the junior youth gathering in Des Moines. Cost is \$175 to attend. This covers one night hotel stay, 2 meals Saturday and Breakfast on Sunday, a T-shirt and all programming. **Deadline to register is Sunday September 10<sup>th</sup>.** Forms can be picked up in the *form pickup box* on the DCE office Door.

**IOWAY Petal Pushers Trip Dec. 28, 2023 – Jan. 4, 2024:** Under the theme of “Celebrating A World of Music,” the 2024 Rose Parade will take place at 8 a.m. Pacific Time on January 1 in Pasadena, California. The Lutheran Hour Ministries float “Make a Joyful Noise unto the Lord” will be entered as the only Christian float in the parade to carry on its mission of providing a Gospel witness to viewers everywhere, from along the parade route to televisions worldwide. The **Petal Pushers** work on a variety of floats, giving them an opportunity to work side-by-side with people from many different backgrounds, believers and non-believers alike. More than 4,000 volunteers from across the United States and Canada come together to help build floats. This year’s trip is limited to 24 participants so be sure to get your registration and deposit (\$100) in. Registration forms are at the back of the sanctuary.

**NEXT SUNDAY IS FOOD SUNDAY:** Thanks, everyone, for your ongoing support of Redeemer’s Food Shelf! We are seeing an increase in helping several households a week with this mission. We count on your financial support, as well as gifts of nonperishable food and household items. Please bring yours to church Sunday, August 27 (or at any time). We are especially in need of canned meat (tuna, chicken, ham, Spam), peanut butter, shampoo and cereal. Questions? See Angie DuBois. Thank you!

**School Bucks (Rules):** All receipts must be from the Sioux City or South Sioux City Hy-Vee’s or the Hy-Vee Mainstreet Store. Receipts must be dated August 1, 2023 – April 22, 2024. No Fuel, postal, money order, Western Union, lottery, Quest, Mid-American or gift card receipts will be accepted. If any of these receipts are found in any of the bundles, the entire bundle amount might not be counted and will not go towards your school total. If you have any questions regarding the receipts, contact Tara Vander Weil.

**Thrivent College Scholarships:** If you have already filled out an application for the Thrivent College Scholarship please fill out another one. We have misplaced the ones that have been turned in already. The scholarship applications are in the main office or you can email me and I will send you a copy. Sorry for any inconvenience.

**New Mailbox Numbers:** We have assigned everyone who wanted to keep their mailbox a new number. The list of mailbox users and numbers are on the end cap of the mailboxes. If you want a mailbox please sign up for one in the office. Thank you!

**Dear members of Redeemer,** Thank you for your support of the youth of Redeemer. I have only been here a couple of months and I can tell that you care greatly for the young people of this congregation. Your support for the fundraising efforts of our youth is inspiring. One of those fundraisers is the can and bottle redemption program. After speaking with the youth and families, the decision has been made to discontinue this fundraiser. The youth would like to focus their fundraising efforts on other avenues. ***Our last day for collecting cans and bottles will be August 31st.*** Thank you for your continued support of our youth. Blessings! Jonathon Bailey, DCE.

**There will be no Altar Guild meetings in Aug.** We will resume meetings in Sept. Just a reminder that you will still be on duty for the months you signed up to work. Thanks! Pam Naylor

**KinderCottage Fall 2023 Enrollment:** We are now taking enrollment for our Fall 2023-24 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](http://redeemersiouxcity.com) and click on the link to the preschool for a form.

**TUITION ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE FOR THE 2023-2024 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.

**MOM's Day Out:** We are currently taking enrollment for our *MOM's Day Out program* – open to any child 2 ½ years and up. If interested, please contact Tara Vander Weil at 712-224-2273.

**Camp Okoboji** - Travel Camp, September 6-10, 2023. Traveling to Branson & Eureka Springs to see "Queen Esther" & "Passion Play". For more information there is a brochure in the back of the church or call Camp Okoboji 712-337-3325.

**New York Strip Steak Sale** to support St. Paul's Lutheran School. These steaks are conveniently vacuum-sealed and frozen. We are

selling the steaks: 2 steaks for \$15, 4 steaks for \$30, half box (8 steaks) for \$60, and full box (16 steaks) for \$120. They are available after church or during the week—in our kitchen freezer. Talk to either pastor or during the week ask at the office.

**Thrivent Members Who Have Choice Dollars:** NEW Choice Dollars for the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2023 will be available after July 6, 2023. Please direct them as soon as possible by calling Home Office at 1-800-847-4836 or by directing them online at [www.thrivent.com](http://www.thrivent.com). Thank you for your 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) 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.

**August 27 airing** - This is the Life – “Stranger at the Door” – Having given up a baby for adoption 22 years before, a man shows up on her steps saying he is looking for his mother. Worship Service – Rev. Michael Buchhorn, of Grace Lutheran Church in Wayne, NE, delivers the message “Who Do You Say that He Is?” based on Matthew 16:15-16. Additional information is available on the web site: [www.mainstreetliving.com](http://www.mainstreetliving.com).

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**Redeemer's Missionaries** of the year for 2023 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:** When they return home from work or school, consider changing your routine question of your husband, wife, or child from, “How was your day?” to, “How can I pray for you today?” Choosing a Bible verse to pray over his/her day is a good choice if you’re unsure of how to start, asking God to bless them through this verse: “Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.” Joshua 1:9

**Lutheran Family Service** [www.LutheranFamilyService.org](http://www.LutheranFamilyService.org)

**SERVING THIS WEEK- (August 17 & 20, 2023):** **Thurs. 6:30 PM** – Harland Feddersen (Al & Melissa Joens). **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-** Scott & Brenda Ernst; **10:45 AM-** Scott & Beth Bowman. **ACOLYTES: 8:15 AM-** TBD; **10:45 AM-** Madi & Peyton Schutt. **TECHNOLOGIST: Thurs. 6:30 PM-** Shelly Fergen; **Sun. 8:15 AM-** Hannah Koehler; **10:45 AM-** Curt Green. **COUNTING TEAM: 4** (Fink & Buckley). **COFFEE & ROLL SERVERS:** Lorelee Fink and Karen Vock.

**SERVING NEXT WEEK- (August 24 & 27, 2023):** **USHERS: same as last week.** **GREETERS: 8:15 AM-** Lorelee Fink; **10:45 AM-** Marty & Marcia Delperdang. **ACOLYTES: 8:15 AM-** Kayden & Joe Gustman; **10:45 AM-** Madi & Peyton Schutt. **TECHNOLOGIST: Thurs. 6:30 PM-** TBD; **Sun. 8:15 AM-** Hannah Koehler; **10:45 AM-** Curt Green. **COUNTING TEAM: 1** (Lessmann & Buckley). **COFFEE & ROLL SERVERS:** TBD

**Record of Our Discipleship: Week Ending August 13, 2023**

Worship Attendance: Sunday, 46+122+118=286 (22%)

Adult Bible Study: 23; SUMMER Sun: 11; ROCK Wed: N/A

Sudanese: 0

<u>Date</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Budgeted Income</u>	<u>%</u>
Aug. 13, 2023	\$10,648	\$15,568	68%
Year-to-date	\$445,853	\$513,748	87%

**Building Fund Income:**

Year-to-date                      Weekly Income                      Total

\$3,427

\$55.00

\$3,482.00

**THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER**

**Sunday, August 20, 2023**

8:15 & 10:45 AM Worship w/Holy Communion

9:30 AM Adult Bible Study

9:30 AM Adult Confirmation Class

1:00- 3 PM Sudanese Worship

4:00 PM Pickleball

**Monday, August 21, 2023**

5:30 PM Adult Fitness

6:30 PM Pickleball

**Tuesday, August 22, 2023**

10:00 AM Staff Bible Study/Mtg

5:00 PM Aktion Meal/MWM

**Wednesday, August 23, 2023**

10:30 AM Women's Bible Study in *Conference Rm*

1:00 PM Pickleball

6:30 PM Women's Bible Study at *Oscar Carl Vineyard*

**Thursday, August 24, 2023**

5:30 PM Adult Fitness

6:30 PM Worship Service

7:00 PM Elders Mtg

**Friday, August 25, 2023**

9:00 AM – Noon Food Shelf

**Saturday, August 26, 2023**

6:30 PM Supper Club at *Red Lobster*

**Sunday, August 27, 2023**

**FOOD SUNDAY**

8:15 & 10:45 AM Worship Service

9:30 AM Adult Bible Study

9:30 AM Adult Confirmation Class

1:00- 3 PM Sudanese Worship

4:00 PM Pickleball



John and Jenn Wolf serve the Lord as missionaries through The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) in Kenya. As the Africa region's project manager, John provides oversight and support for projects and grants across the region, with a particular focus on mercy work. He also trains the local

people and the local church partners to develop, manage and sustain projects that support Christian growth and congregational needs across Africa. John was born in Farmington, Minn., and grew up in Baldwin, Wis. His home congregation is Hope Lutheran Church, Aurora, Colo. He received a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from Michigan Tech University, Houghton. He also received a master's degree in space studies from the University of North Dakota, Grand Forks. John served 20 years in the United States Air Force and retired as a Lieutenant Colonel in 2015. His professional background includes project management and working with international partners in Europe and Asia. His hobbies include gardening, historical re-enactments, hiking and camping. Jenn was born and raised in Anchorage, Alaska. Her home congregation is also Hope Lutheran Church, Aurora, Colo. She received a bachelor's degree in South/Southeast Asian studies from the University of California, Berkeley. She also took graduate level courses in teaching and deaf education prior to teaching in Montana and California schools. Since 2001, she has been a stay-at-home mom, homeschooling their children and doing volunteer work. Her hobbies include fiber arts, classical violin, international folk music and reading. John and Jenn have five beautiful children — Ian, Sean, Thad, Annalise and Angus — who join them on the mission field. Pray for the Wolfs as they serve in Kenya. Ask God to give them strength and wisdom in their mission work overseas. Pray for John as he supports the needs of the African people. Pray also for Jenn and the children as they build relationships with those in their community. Pray for the people in Africa that they are brought to a saving knowledge of Christ and are assisted in their vocations through the work of LCMS' African missionaries.

Visit the Wolf's blog ([hereiamsendmesendme.blogspot.com](http://hereiamsendmesendme.blogspot.com)) to learn about their ministry.

