



SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

## **Blessed or Cursed?**

Thursday & Sunday, February 10 & 13, 2022

### **As We Gather**

During the middle weeks of the winter season, many homes receive catalogs in the mail from seed and nursery companies that are filled with pictures of beautiful plants and trees. It is easy to project what we see in those catalogs into our own yards and gardens. But before we do any ordering, we must consider whether we can provide settings in which those plants and trees can flourish. In both the Old Testament Reading and the Psalm of the Day, we are given images not only of plants and trees that flourish, but of people who flourish—people with faith in the Lord Jesus, who bring blessings in every season.

**10:45 AM Pre-Service Song** “Glorious Day (Living He Loved Me)

**6:30 PM & 8:15 AM Opening Song** “Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer”

**10:45 AM Opening Song** “10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord)

**10:45 Baptism of Jah’Den & Giovanni Searls**

### **Invocation**

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

### **Opening Sentences**

P: Hear, O LORD, and be merciful to me!

**C: O LORD, be my helper.**

P: Send out Your light and Your truth; let them lead me;

**C: let them bring me to Your holy hill and to Your dwelling!**

P: The path of the righteous is like the light of dawn,

**C: which shines brighter and brighter until full day. Come, let us walk in the light of the LORD.**

### **Confession and Absolution**

P: Let us now make confession of our sins. Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You and worthily magnify Your holy name, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. **C: Amen.**

P: Assured of God’s great mercy, let us confess together that we, by our darkened, sinful nature, are estranged from God, and by our thoughts, words, and deeds have sinned and deserve His condemnation now and eternally.

**C: Almighty God, we repent of our sins in thought and in word and in deed. Although we deserve Your just punishment, we ask for Your unmerited blessing. Be merciful to us and for the sake of Jesus grant us Your forgiveness so that, as Your redeemed people, we may be made bright by Your presence in our lives, joyfully serving You in time and through eternity.**

P: In the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

**Installation of Julie Barto** – Assistant Volunteer Coordinator

## Introit

**P: I will praise You with an upright heart, when I learn Your just and righteous decrees.**

*Women: Blessed are those whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the LORD!*

*Men: Blessed are those who keep His testimonies, who seek Him with their whole heart.*

*Women: You have commanded Your precepts to be kept diligently.*

*Men: Oh that my ways may be steadfast in keeping Your statutes!*

**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. I will praise You with an upright heart, when I learn Your just and righteous decrees.**

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

**10:45 AM Song of Praise** “I Can Only Imagine”

## Salutation

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

## Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray. O Lord, You bless the poor, the hungry, the weeping, and the persecuted. Mercifully hear the prayers of Your people when they call upon You, and give us faith to believe Your kingdom belongs to the humble of heart; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who with You and the Holy Spirit are one God, world without end. **C: Amen.**

## Old Testament Reading *Jeremiah 17:5–8*

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

## Epistle *1 Corinthians 15:12–20*

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

**Special Music** “Take It to the Lord in Prayer” *arr. by John Helgen.*  
Nate Klaumann- Soloist. Conducted by Emily Klaumann.

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

## Holy Gospel *Luke 6:17–26*

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.**

## Children's Message and Celebrate Song

**6:30 PM & 8:15 AM Hymn of the Day** "Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus" LSB 685

**10:45 AM Sermon Song** "The Wonderful Cross"

**Sermon 'What Does it Mean to Be Rich'** *Luke 6:17-26*

**Apostles' Creed**

**Prayer of the Church**

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

**C: hear our prayer and grant our supplication.**

**ALL Services: Offertory** "Gracious God, You Send Great Blessings" LS 782

**Lord's Prayer** *Matthew 6:9–13*

**C: Our Father...forever and ever. Amen.**

P: Let us pray....who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C: Amen.**

**Closing Sequence**

P: When we think of a place that is brighter and better than the world in which we live, our thoughts turn to the promise of heaven that Jesus made during His earthly ministry. On a summer day in 1531, Martin Luther encouraged his sermon listeners with these words: "We should learn to bring our eyes, our hearts, and souls to bear upon yonder life in heaven and in a lively hope await it with joy. . . . Our ultimate quest should be something better and higher: the blessed inheritance in heaven that does not pass away" (*WLS* § 1891). That brighter time to come is reflected in the Easter hymn "Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won."

**Benedicamus and Benediction**

P: 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.**

**6:30 PM & 8:15 AM Closing Hymn** "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name" LSB 940; vrs. 1-4

**10:45 AM Closing Song** "Blessed Be Your Name"

## *Today we welcome Redeemer's newest members:*

✠ By Baptism, **Jiovanni Christopher Searls and Jah'Den Michael Searls**. Parents are Brian & Amber Searls. Sponsors are Chris & Shelly Fergen and Michael & Danielle Searls.

## **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.

**Please take home**, or discard into a waste basket, your church bulletins as you leave the sanctuary. Thank You

**Prayer requests** may be shared with the Prayer Leader in the Choir Loft after service. We also welcome prayer requests through our church e-mail: [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.

**Altar Flowers** are given by Gary & Eileen Bumsted in honor of their 61<sup>st</sup> anniversary.

**Sunday, Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 AM:** Assembling of Valentine gift bags for LWML Special Friends. Assembly will be in the gym.

**February 25<sup>th</sup>** – High School Youth Group Half Lock – in / Lock out from 6pm – Midnight. We will be heading to Omaha for Raising Canes and Escape room that evening.

**Supper Club** will be held at the *Golden Coral*, Saturday, Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 PM. If you would like to attend, please pre-register on the Attendance/Involvement card or contact Pam Naylor 712-203-111 or Shirley Barth 712-898-9888.

**Thrivent Members with Choice Dollars to Direct: If you have 2021 choice dollars that have not been directed, you must direct them**

**before March 31, 2022 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 Home Office at 1-800-847-4836 or you can direct them online at [www.thrivent.com](http://www.thrivent.com).

**There are a few jars of canned items** still available in the church office: 15 plumcot jams (cross between plum and apricot), 9 peach jams, 3 Aronia berry jellies, 3 mild pickled pepper jars, and 9 pickled jalapeno jars - \$6 a piece or 5 for \$25 – proceeds for LWML mites.

**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 also accepted. ~~Thank You!

**HyVee Receipts & Ink have a new home.** They got moved into the office. There are baskets on top of the filing cabinet where you can place your items. If for some reason the door is locked please place your item behind the open/closed sign on the door. Thanks for your help! If you have any questions please ask Angie, Office Manager.

**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.

**February 13 airing** This is the Life – “Girls Best Friend” – Focusing on the here and now creates problems for a mother and her daughter and prompts spiritual questions for all. Worship Service – Rev. Merle Mahnken of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Schleswig, IA, delivers the message “Blessed!” based on Jeremiah 17:5-8.

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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 2022 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!

**God bless you and be safe!** Redeemer Lutheran Church Leadership Council, Elders, & Staff.

**Building Healthy Families:** Here's Your Valentine's Day Challenge: Tomorrow, go through the entire day WITHOUT saying, "I love you!" Wait, what? Don't say, "I love you," instead, look for other ways to say it. How about, "My life is better because you are in it," or "I am so proud that you are my daughter," or, "I am so thankful that God brought you into my life." Be creative with your words. And remember – on Valentine's Day and every day - how much you are loved by your Father! (John 15:9-17)  
**Lutheran Family Service** - [www.LutheranFamilyService.org](http://www.LutheranFamilyService.org).

**SERVING THIS WEEK- (February 10 & 13, 2022):** **USHERS:** **Thurs. 6:30 PM-** *Harlan Feddersen. 8:15 AM- Team 3 (Gary Flammang, Mitchel Bauman, Gary Bumsted, Alex Erickson, Paul Fleckenstein, Bob Naylor); 10:45 AM- Team 6 (Al & Melissa Joens, Nate Klaumann, Karyl Knecht).*  
**ACOLYTES- Sunday 8:15 AM-** *open. 10:45 AM- Jayde Dolphin & Alyssa Urban. Technologist: Thurs. 6:30 PM- Curt Green; Sun. 8:15 AM- TBD; 10:45 AM- Curt Green.* **COUNTING TEAM: #1 (Buckley & Lessmann).**  
**COFFEE & ROLL SERVERS:** *Bruce & Roberta Timmons*

**SERVING NEXT WEEK- (February 17 & 20, 2022):** **USHERS:** *Same as last week.* **ACOLYTES- Sunday 8:15 AM-** *open. 10:45 AM- Adyn Koenck & Xavier Young. Technologist: Thurs. 6:30 PM- TBD; Sun. 8:15 AM- TBD; 10:45 AM- TBD.* **COUNTING TEAM: #2 (Hermelbracht's & Mack).**  
**COFFEE & ROLL SERVERS:** *Don & Barb Jorgensen*

**Record of Our Discipleship: Week Ending February 6, 2022**

Worship Attendance: Sunday, 30+140+125=295 (20%)

Adult Bible Study: 19; ROCK Sun: 28; ROCK Wed: N/A

<u>Date</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Budgeted Income</u>	<u>%</u>
Feb. 6, 2022	\$14,242	\$14,046	101%
Year-to-date	\$107,982	\$84,279	128%

**Building Fund Income:**

<u>Year-to-date</u>	<u>Weekly Income</u>	<u>Total</u>
\$6,130	\$20	\$6,150

**THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER**

**Sunday, February 13, 2022**

8:00 AM Youth Assemble Subs

8:15 & 10:45 AM Worship Services

9:30 AM Assemble Valentine Gift Bags for LWML Special Friends (gym)

9:30 AM Adult Bible Study

9:30 AM Adult Confirmation  
9:30 AM ROCK Sunday  
1:00- 3 PM Sudanese Worship  
4:00- 6 PM Pickleball  
6:00- 9 PM Dave Ramsey Class

*\*Youth Superbowl & Valentine's Day Fundraiser- Pick Up!*

**Monday, February 14, 2022**

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

**Tuesday, February 15, 2022**

11:00 AM Retired Educators Meal/MWM  
1:30 PM Staff Bible Study/Mtg  
5:30 PM Adult Fitness  
7:00 PM LifeLight Bible Study at Whispering Creek

**Wednesday, February 16, 2022**

1:00- 3 PM Pickleball  
2:00 PM LifeLight Bible Study (Matthew)- Conference Rm  
5-5:40 PM Midweek Meal (Mac & Cheese and Hotdogs)  
5:00- 7 PM Midweek  
5:00- 7 PM ROCK Wednesday  
6:00 PM Handbells Practice  
7:15 PM Adult Choir Practice

**Thursday, February 17, 2022**

10:00 AM Thrivent Choice Mtg  
1:00 PM Esther/Lydia Circle  
5:30 PM Adult Fitness  
6:30 PM Worship w/Holy Communion

**Friday, February 18, 2022**

9:00 AM - Noon Food Shelf

**Saturday, February 19, 2022**

6:00- 9 PM Glow Tubing at Cone Park

**Sunday, February 20, 2022**

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- 3 PM Sudanese Worship  
4:00- 6 PM Pickleball  
6:00- 9 PM Dave Ramsey Class