



Jesus *ascends into* *heaven*

Where Is the Hope?

Thursday & Sunday May 26 & 29, 2022

As We Gather

Where is the hope? We live in a world where people are hungering for hope amid climate disasters, viruses, and failures of institutions and horrific acts of violence. There is a void in our world for hope, which many try to fill with the latest fad, a get-rich-quick scheme, or by trusting in human institutions run by fallen humanity. Ascension gives us real hope. It reminds us that God loves us so much He sent His one and only Son to redeem us through His crucifixion and resurrection. Following the resurrection, Jesus walked the earth for forty days before ascending to heaven while promising us that He is with us always—in His Word, His Sacraments, and among His people. That is our hope.

10:45 AM Pre-Service Song “Above All”

6:30 PM & 8:15 AM Opening Hymn “Alleluia! Sing to Jesus” LSB 821

10:45 AM Opening Song “Here I Am To Worship”

Invocation

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

Confession and Absolution

P: Let us confess our sins before God and one another.

C: Most merciful God, we are by nature sinful and unclean. We are guilty of placing our hopes and dreams in the people, places, and things of this world, which are here today and tomorrow are thrown in the fire. Forgive us for the sake of Jesus, who lived, died, rose, and ascended to Your right hand, and lead us to bear witness to the real hope we have in You. In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen.

P: As a called and ordained servant of our ascended Lord Jesus and by His power and authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

P: Go in peace and bear witness to the hope that is yours because of Jesus! **C: Thanks be to God!**

Introit

P: God has gone up with a shout, the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.

C: The LORD says to my Lord: “Sit at My right hand, until I make Your enemies Your footstool.”

P: The LORD has sworn and will not change His mind,

C: “You are a priest forever after the order of Melchizedek.”

P: The Lord is at Your right hand; He will shatter kings on the day of His wrath.

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: God has gone up with a shout, **C: the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.**

6:30 PM & 8:15 AM Hymn of Praise “A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing” LSB 493

10:45 AM Song of Praise “We Believe”

Salutation

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

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray...one God, world without end. **C: Amen.**

First Reading Acts 1:1–11

(after the reading)...

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

Psalm Psalm 47

P: Clap your hands, all peoples!

C: Shout to God with loud songs of joy!

P: For the LORD, the Most High, is to be feared, a great king over all the earth. *He subdued peoples under us, and nations under our feet. He chose our heritage for us, the pride of Jacob whom He loves.*

P: God has gone up with a shout,

C: the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.

P: Sing praises to God, sing praises!

C: Sing praises to our King, sing praises!

P: For God is the King of all the earth; sing praises with a psalm! *God reigns over the nations; God sits on His holy throne. The princes of the peoples gather as the people of the God of Abraham.*

C: For the shields of the earth belong to God; He is highly exalted!

Epistle Ephesians 1:15–23

(after the reading)...

L: 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.

Verse Romans 6:9; Matthew 28:20b

P: Alleluia. **C: We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over Him.**

P: Alleluia. **C: Behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.** P: Alleluia.

Holy Gospel Luke 24:44–53

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth 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 “My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less” LSB 575

10:45 AM Sermon Song “One Thing Remains (Your Love Never Fails)”

Sermon ‘Where Is The Hope’ Ephesians 1:15-23

Offering & Attendance/Involvement Cards

6:30 PM & 8:15 AM Offertory “When Peace, like a River” *LSB 763*

Apostles' Creed

Prayer of the Church

P: (*after each petition*)... Ascended Lord,
C: empower us to be witnesses of hope.

Lord's Prayer *Matthew 6:9–13*

Benediction

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 Hymn to Depart “God Bless Our Native Land” *LSB 965*

10:45 AM Closing Song “Your Grace Finds Me”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome! A cordial welcome to everyone worshiping with us today. We are happy to have you share the joy of this Lord's Day with us. A special welcome to those worshiping 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.

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. 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 Ruth Simon in memory of her husband, George and son, Randy. Today would have been Randy's 65th birthday.

Pulpit Flowers are given by Karen Grieme in memory of Ron.

Please stop by Care Corner to sign an anniversary card for Paul & Christi Johnson celebrating 25 years together.

Pastor Zirpel & Pam are attending the Timmons' wedding in Waterloo, IA, this weekend. Pastor Zirpel is officiating, and they will be back in town Sunday afternoon.

Church Mailboxes: Who needs them? Seriously, that is the question. We would like to put in new and attractive mailboxes along the choir hallway. But they will cost almost \$14,000. That has led us to rethink the whole situation. We are looking for congregational input. We can see the number of people who don't use their mailbox, but we'd like to get an idea how many of you use your mailbox regularly. Thank you.

Her Health Women's Center (located near Lowe's) are doing their "Baby Bottle" Campaign once again this year. Baby bottles are be available on the South Entrance table. You may bring back on Father's Day or before.

Today is a 5th Sunday of the month so we collect LWML mites for mission projects in Iowa, USA, and the around the world. Please give generously.

The office will be closed Monday, May 30th, in observance of Memorial Day.

Lamplighters will be meeting on Wednesday, June 1st, 9:30 AM, at Faith Lutheran.

Join us for the Browns Patriotic Music Show at the Browns Century Theater, 11 Central Ave. NW in Le Mars on July 10th at 2:00 p.m. Many patriotic songs will be featured during this show. Veterans will be recognized for their service to this country. Following the show, continue your time of fellowship by enjoying delicious ice cream at the Blue Bunny Ice Cream Parlor. The ConnecTeam has reserved the theater for Redeemer Lutheran Church members, family, and friends for \$23 per person. As this is reserved seating only, tickets can be purchased by calling or visiting the church office. **Please reserve your tickets by June 30th.** The theater can only accommodate 110 people, so please secure your tickets as soon as possible to make sure you don't miss this event! When you reserve your ticket, please let us know if you need a ride or can give someone a ride to this performance. Please also let us know if you are a Veteran or are reserving a ticket for a Veteran as we want to acknowledge and honor these heroes during the show. We look forward to seeing you for this very inspirational and patriotic tribute.

Next Sunday, we will begin our Summer Sunday school series on the *Tree of Life: God's Promise of Salvation* for ages 3 to 12th grade. The *Tree of Life: God's Promise of Salvation* is all about answering the question of how this world God created came to be in such a terrible, confused state and how God stepped forward with a plan and a promise to send His Son, Jesus Christ, to fix it all. Each week, we will explore Bible accounts that guide us through this epic story of salvation from creation, to the cross, to Christ's return on the Last Day.

Ordination/Installation service of Ezra Grabau will be held at Faith Lutheran, Hamilton Blvd., on Sunday, June 5, 2:00. Redeemer members are invited!

Women's Bible Study (Women of the Bible): Wednesday, June 8th and June 22nd, 10:30 AM in Redeemer's conference room or you can join us at 6:00 PM at Oscar Carl Winery, 1473 Buchanan Ave.

Early Bird Bible Study starts June 8 at 6:30 a.m. We'll be using a new series from Lutheran Hour Ministry called, *Nurturing Your Faith: Life Together*. It's a nice study from 1 Peter. Everyone is welcome! We'll meet in the conference room.

Grief Support Group: Help and encouragement after the death of a loved one. Your journey from mourning to joy. Grief Share is a special weekly seminar and support group designed to help you rebuild your life with God's

help. We know it hurts, and we want to help. The group will meet Thursdays, 6:30-8:00 p.m. from June 9, 2022 - September 2, 2022. Each seminar is self-contained so come for one or all 13 sessions at Calvary Lutheran Church, 4400 Central St., Sioux City, IA, 51108. Sessions meet in the church Conference Room and are confidential. Sign-up via email: calvarysecretary@aol.com or by phone 712-239-1575 #0 or in person about 10 minutes ahead of each session. *If you are interested in helping others from a Christian/Biblical world view or want more information, contact Diane Krause at dianekrause716@gmail.com or by calling (712) 389-5226. Calvary is sponsoring these summer sessions. Cost is \$20 per participant. We want to bless you!*

Vacation Bible School - July 31st – August 4th. We're getting ready for a great VBS this summer! This year, we are using GROUPS MONUMENTAL. VBS children will learn about God's great, vast, unending love and power! They'll look into the Bible, God's Holy Word, and explore Bible accounts about Joseph and his family. If you are interested in Volunteering for VBS, please contact DCE Madi at [redeemeer.madi@gmail.com](mailto:redemeer.madi@gmail.com)

Every Member Visits: We know that there are still a few visits that need to be done. Please attempt to finish the visits by the end of the month and return the visit sheets to the church office. Once we've collected the visit sheets, the elders would like to have a follow up meeting with those who helped make the visits.

Volunteers attempting to schedule home visits for the "Every Member Visit" initiative this past month discovered quite a bit of inaccurate demographic information for our members. As it is important to maintain an accurate database of our membership, we are going to begin contacting members to confirm demographic information. Julie Barto, Pastor Zirpel's Assistant, continues to reach out to members. We would also like to encourage you to update the attendance card when you attend worship in case you have any changes in your address, phone, or email. Thank you!

A T-bone steak fundraiser for St. Paul's Lutheran School is being held presently. Because of significant increase in purchasing the steaks, we have had to increase the price. T-bones are 2 for \$20, similar in size to last year (about 12 oz each). Available in our kitchen freezer. You can buy a whole case of 12 for \$120 or 6 for \$60 if you wish. Talk to either pastor, or during the week ask at the office. ~~Pastor Zirpel

To Receive reminders and important information please add all the following groups that apply to you. Remind Groups:

Redeemer Middle School (text "@redeemms" to 81010)

Redeemer High School (text "@redeemyg" to 81010)

Redeemer Young Adults (text "@rlcya" to 81010)

Rock Sunday (text "@redeemsun" to 81010)

Rock Wednesday (text “@redeemrock” to 81010)
Redeemer Family Events (text “@redeemfam” to 81010)
Redeemer Lutheran Church (text “@rlc3204” to 81010)

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!

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 29 airing - This is the Life – “A Dream of His Own” – A father and son are at odds when the construction company will evict an Indian family. Worship Service – Rev. Martin Hill of Trinity Lutheran Church in Martinsburg, NE, delivers the message “Still With Us” based on Acts 1:1-11. If you would like to watch **Main Street Living** at a different time other than Sunday morning, 10:30, you can log on to the website (www.mainstreetliving.com). Just hit “Sioux City.”

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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.

Youth Collecting Cans & Bottles! Please bring in all your RINSED IOWA 5¢ cans and bottles (**PLASTIC ONLY-NO GLASS**) and place in the containers outside the Youth Room Door! Thank You!

Building Healthy Families: Sometime in the coming week you will likely have an opportunity to choose how you will respond to at least one challenging situation. When you do, remember Whose you are - God's chosen one, holy and beloved - and that you have a choice in how you respond. Read Colossians 3:8-17 **Lutheran Family Service** - www.LutheranFamilyService.org.

SERVING THIS WEEK- (May 26 & 29, 2022): Sunday 8:15 AM Team 2 (Scott Ernst, Roy Olsen, Lamont Onken, Phil Schauer, Brian Duff). **10:45 AM-** Team 5- (Mark Shapiro, Mark Boyd, Loren Field, Rick Lieber).

GREETERS: Sunday 8:15 AM- Tawnya & Aaron Becker. **10:45 AM-** open. **ACOLYTES:** Sunday 8:15 AM- Keely Derochie. **10:45 AM-** Tyler Simpson & Kevin Simpson. **TECHNOLOGIST:** Thurs. 6:30 PM David Senstad; Sun. 8:15 AM- Hannah Koehler; **10:45 AM-** Curt Green.

COUNTING TEAM: #4 (Fink & Buckley). **COFFEE & ROLL SERVERS:** Dale & Nadine Henningsen

SERVING NEXT WEEK- (June 2 & 5, 2022): USHERS: Sunday 8:15 AM Team 3 (Gary Flammang, Mitchel Bauman, Gary Bumsted, Alex Erickson, Bob Fleckenstein, Bob Naylor). **10:45 AM-** Team 6- (Al & Melissa Joens, Nate Klaumann, Karyl Knecht). **GREETERS:** Sunday 8:15 AM- Lamont & Drenda Onken. **10:45 AM-** open. **ACOLYTES:** Sunday 8:15 AM- Jacob Runge Dill & Xavier Young. **10:45 AM-** Peyton Schutt & Abby Peters.

TECHNOLOGIST: Thurs. 6:30 PM TBD; Sun. 8:15 AM- TBD; **10:45 AM-** TBD. **COUNTING TEAM:** 1 (Buckley & Lessmann). **COFFEE & ROLL SERVERS:** Youth

Record of Our Discipleship: Week Ending May 22, 2022

Worship Attendance: Sunday, $33+114+113=260$ (20%)

Adult Bible Study: 23; ROCK Sun: 36; ROCK Wed: N/A

Sudanese: 12

Date	Income	Budgeted Income	%
May 22, 2022	\$7,414	\$14,046	53%
Year-to-date	\$339,697	\$294,975	115%

Building Fund Income:

Year-to-date	Weekly Income	Total
\$7,180	\$400	\$7,580

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER

Sunday, May 29, 2022

MITES SUNDAY

8:15 & 10:45 AM Worship Services

9:30 AM Adult Bible Study

9:30 AM ROCK Sunday

9:30 AM Adult Confirmation
1-3 PM Sudanese Worship
4-6 PM Pickleball

Monday, May 30, 2022

Memorial Day

Office is Closed
5:30 PM Adult Fitness
6:30 PM Pickleball

Tuesday, May 31, 2022

1:30 PM Staff Bible Study/Mtg

Wednesday, June 1, 2022

9:30 AM Lamplighters Mtg- *Faith Lutheran*
1:00 PM Pickleball

Thursday, June 2, 2022

5:30 PM Adult Fitness
6:30 PM Worship w/Holy Communion

Friday, June 3, 2022

9:00 AM - Noon Food Shelf

Sunday, June 5, 2022

8:15 & 10:45 AM Worship Services
9:30 AM Adult Bible Study
9:30 AM Adult Confirmation
1-3 PM Sudanese Worship
2 PM Ordination of Ezra Grabau at Faith Lutheran
4-6 PM Pickleball
Drop Off items for Youth Rummage Sale
- in Gym / Youth Rummage Set-Up

NAME: _____

**The Leadership Council would like to poll the congregation
to determine how many of the congregants
use/need their mailboxes.**

We are asking for your preference regarding your mailbox.

I/We prefer:

- To keep my mailbox**
OR
- I don't use/need my mailbox**

**Please return this form in the offering basket or to the
church office.**

**Thank you,
From the Leadership Committee**