



LAST SUNDAY OF THE CHURCH YEAR

The End-Time Life, Part 2: The Orthodox Life

Sunday, November 26, 2023

As We Gather

Preparing for Christ's return means loving the people around us. Today's Readings reveal that also means living the orthodox life today. *Orthodox* means "right glory," and today we glorify God for sending His Son, David's descendant, to fulfill the promise in Ezekiel and to care so deeply for us that He died for us. In essence His cross was His throne, loving us to death. We dare not wait to share that news, for Christ has already risen, Paul reminds in the Epistle. Right now the end time in which we live has multiple opportunities to share God's love. In the Gospel, Jesus explains that means caring for the "least of these My brothers" (Matthew 25:40) in their hunger, poverty, and even separation from society. Why? Because the Kingdom has already been graciously prepared for us. Today's Readings encourage us to give God "right glory" by sharing His love.

10:45 AM Pre-Service Song “Fierce”

8:15 AM Opening Hymn “Come, Thou Almighty King” LSB 905

10:45 AM Opening Song “Today Is The Day”

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 unworthiness and ask His grace and mercy. Through Ezekiel, God said that He would “search for My sheep and will seek them out.”

C: We confess that we have wandered away as erring sheep, preferring the pleasures of this world rather than the rich pastures You have provided. Forgive us, O Lord.

P: Paul wrote that “God has put all things in subjection under [Christ’s] feet.”

C: We confess that we have not always been loyal subjects of our Lord, but have made decisions based on our own thoughts and desires. Forgive us, O Lord.

P: Jesus foretold that He will judge people about how they treated others—the hungry, strangers, and prisoners.

C: We confess that we have not always sought to share Your love and meet the needs of the people around us. We cannot change without Your grace, mercy, and strength. Forgive us, O Lord.

P: Rejoice! The One who comes to judge is the same Jesus who is the one who gave His body and shed His blood for you on the cross. He is the first to rise from death, and by His grace we shall follow Him to His eternal kingdom. 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. Thanks be to God.**

Introit

P: Lord, our Maker and Shepherd, **C: have mercy on us.**

P: Lord, our King and Savior, **C: have mercy on us.**

P: Lord, our Judge and Redeemer, **C: grant us Your peace. Amen.**

8:15 AM Hymn of Praise “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” LSB 790

10:45 AM Song of Praise “10,000 Reasons”

Salutation

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

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray. Gracious God, move us to reflect Your love for us in all that we say and do,

C: so that Your light shines through us each day until Your Son returns to usher us into Your eternal kingdom;

P: through the same Jesus Christ...one God, now and forever. **C: Amen.**

Old Testament Reading *Ezekiel 34:11–16, 20–24*

(after the reading)...

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

Epistle *1 Corinthians 15:20–28*

(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.

Holy Gospel *Matthew 25:31–46*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fifth 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

8:15 AM Hymn of the Day "The Day Is Surely Drawing Near" *LSB* 508; [Sts. 1, 5–7]

10:45 AM Sermon Song "Above All"

Sermon

Offering & Attendance / Involvement Cards

(The Offering of Peace is exchanged during Offering)

10:45 AM Reception of New Member

Apostles' Creed

Prayer of the Church

P: Let us pray for people here and around the world who are destitute, fearful of God's wrath, shunned by society, unjustly accused, or dealing with issues of health. As You have promised, Lord our God, seek out, we pray, those who, devoid of basic necessities, face today without homes, with few possessions, and an uncertain future.

C: For the sake of our Good Shepherd, lead them to the food, shelter, and security they desperately need.

P: With the Gospel in the hearts and on the lips of Christ's Church, heavenly Father, enable our brothers and sisters to answer the spiritual thirst of people here and around the world.

C: Grant them faith that they may join us in singing praise to You, the rock of our salvation.

P: Many of the people we see each day are lonely strangers, gracious Lord; but their hopes and fears are known to You.

C: Increase our faith, Lord Jesus, that we may reach out to them with the news of Your resurrection and the Kingdom You so graciously offer to all. Guide the Church wherever people gather around Your Word for nourishment and strength.

P: Shower Your blessings, O Holy Spirit, on all whose vocations work for the common good—those who till the soil and tend flocks; those who prepare and distribute food, clothing, and shelter; those who maintain peace at home and abroad; those who are first to respond in emergencies; and those who treat illnesses of all sorts.

C: Guide them, Lord of all, to use the gifts You have given them, so that praise may resound to You, the Lord, our Maker.

P: Where people are forgotten, unjustly imprisoned, or oppressed in any way, O God, surround them with caring people intent on meeting their physical and spiritual needs.

C: Use us to serve You and love them according to Your gracious plans for us all.

Additional bids may be added.

P: Into Your hands we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting Your mercy for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **C: Amen.**

8:15 AM Hymn "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven" [St. 1: *LSB* 793]

Lord's Prayer

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.**

Dismissal

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

8:15 AM Closing Hymn "Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise" *LSB* 680

10:45 AM Closing Song "My God Is Still The Same"

Today We Welcome Redeemer's Newest Member:

✠ By Adult Confirmation, **Keaton Ellis**.

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: RedeemerLC or find us on YouTube: Redeemer Lutheran Church Sioux City.

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.

Pulpit Flowers are given by Jan Null & Family in memory of Dick Null.

Red M&Ms: We have our morning Bible study on Saturday, Dec. 2nd, at 7:30 a.m. Breakfast at 7:30 and Bible study at 8 a.m.

Our Annual Voter's meeting will be on Sunday, December 3rd, at 2:00 pm, in the fellowship hall. Please plan to attend and enjoy the pie and ice cream.

Youth Silent Auction: The youth Silent Auction Fundraiser this year will run from Sunday, Dec. 3rd, through Sunday, Dec. 10th. We will be accepting Gift Basket donations for the auction for the month of November. All proceeds from the Silent Auction will go towards the Kentucky Mission trip in June.

Reminder: Our 2023 Advent season begins Wednesday, December 6th, with our first midweek service. Mark your calendar and join us at 11:30 AM or 7 PM as we begin the joyous journey.

Family Christmas Party for all ages will take place on **Friday, December 8th from 6pm to 8pm**. Please join us for our Family Christmas party where we will have Carnival Games, play Bingo for prizes, and a Christmas Movie! We will have popcorn, hot chocolate, and coffee. **We are also planning a Cake Walk**. We will need cakes, cookies, pies and other treats for prizes. If you would like to donate these items, please sign up in the office. Please bring the goodies to the church on Thursday or Friday, December 7th and 8th. Please bring a nonperishable food item for the food

shelf to help our Sunday School students reach their goal for this year. Thank you for all of your continued support of the youth of Redeemer!

CONFIRMATION PARENTS: We are preparing for our Family Advent Service which is December 13th, at 7:00 pm. Please have your child here at Redeemer before 5:30 so that we can begin our practices on time.

Christmas Program Practice: The Christmas Program will be on December 17th, at 4:00 PM. *We practice on Sunday's from 1-2 PM.* If you are interested in being a part of the Christmas Program, please plan to join us for practice. If you have any questions, Contact Jonathon Bailey.

Sunday December 17th High School and Middle School Christmas Party. 5:30pm-7:00pm. We will have a ginger bread house decorating contest. We will play some games. Bring 1 dozen of your favorite cookies for the cookie exchange. Don't forget to wear your ugly Christmas sweater!

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

November proceeds of jams, jellies, pickles, etc. will go to the Luke Konkell Family. Luke is a 2nd year seminary student at Ft. Wayne and grandson of the late Clair & Shirley Jensen and nephew to Galen & Nancy Jensen. He and his wife are expecting their first baby.

Aronia 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

Elderberry Jelly

**** Elderberry Pancake Syrup***

Gooseberry Jam & Jelly

Grape Jelly

Jalapeno Mixed Fruit

Mixed Berry Jalapeno

Mixed Fruit Jelly

Peach Jam

Peach Jalapeno Jam

Pear Jam & Jelly

Red Currant Jelly

Red Raspberry Rhubarb Jam

Rhubarb Ginger Lime Jam

Rhubarb Jam

Strawberry Jalapeno Jam

Strawberry Rhubarb Jam

Strawberry Rhubarb Jalapeno Jam

Wild Grape Jelly

Wild Plum Jelly

Wild Raspberry Rhubarb Jam

**** German Dinner Pickled Beets \$6***

**** Dill Pickles \$ 8***

* **Hamburger Sweet Dill Pickles \$8**

* **Canned Items \$8: 6 for \$40**

* **Sweet Pickles \$6**

Thrivent Members Who Have Choice Dollars: NEW Choice Dollars for the 3rd Quarter of 2023 are now available. 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. Thanks for your continued support of the Choice Dollar program at Redeemer.

GriefShare for the Holidays: Calvary Lutheran Church, 4400 Central St., Sioux City, will be hosting *GriefShare* for the Holidays sessions. The first session has already begun. ***There will be both a day and an eve session on Monday, December 4, the first from 10:30-noon and the second from 6:30-8:00.*** All are welcome to join others who have lost loved ones. Holidays without loved ones who are gone are difficult. An EXCELLENT Surviving the Holidays Guide Book is available free as part of these one session events. Call 712-239-5646 or 712-389-5226 (Diane Harris - GriefShare Coordinator). The regular fall sessions will continue on Tuesdays (10:30-noon) and Thursdays (6:30-8:00 p.m. The winter GS cycle will begin Tuesday, January 9 at 10:30 a.m. and also on Thursday, January 11 at 6:30 p.m.

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.

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.

December 3 airing - This is the Life – “Stable Boy” – A manger scene comes to life and tells the story of the first Christmas. Worship Service – Rev. Michael Awe of Hope Lutheran Church in South Sioux City, NE, delivers the message “Oh! What a God!” based on Isaiah 64:1-4. Additional information is available on the web site: www.mainstreetliving.com.

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Follow us for great stories, pictures, and updates. Thank you!

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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 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!

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!

Building Healthy Families: Building Healthy Families: Lutheran Family Service supports the work and members of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod congregations in Iowa and beyond to care for those in need of grief, mental health or marriage counseling, unplanned pregnancy support, and adoption services. No government dollars means they maintain a Christ-centered focus in all they do! Your partnership gift before year's end will make it possible for someone to receive help at a difficult time regardless of their ability to cover the cost. November 28 is Giving Tuesday, and our Lutheran Family Service is included! Your gift – matched on this one day by Thrivent and an anonymous LFS partner - can be made securely online at www.tiny.cc/GiveLFS. On behalf of those your gift will help, thank you! **Lutheran Family Service** www.LutheranFamilyService.org

SERVING THIS WEEK- (November 26, 2023): USHERS: Sunday 8:15 AM – Team 1 (Alex Erickson, Marc Benson, Kelly Bucy, Larry Nelson, Jerry Van Peursem). **10:45 AM – Team 5** (Kevin Schlumbohm, Mark Boyd, Loren Field, Rick Lieber). **GREETERS: 8:15 AM-** Loralee Fink; **10:45 AM-** Marty & Marcy Delperdang. **ACOLYTES: 8:15 AM-** Mesa Zellmer; **10:45 AM-** Xavier Young & Sienna Karrer. **TECHNOLOGIST: Sun. 8:15 AM-** Hannah Koehler; **10:45 AM-** Curt Green. **COUNTING TEAM: 2** (Mack & Hermelbracht's). **COFFEE & ROLL SERVERS:** John & Anita Stansell

SERVING NEXT WEEK- (November 30 & Dec. 3, 2023): USHERS: Thurs. 6:30 PM – Harland Feddersen (Al & Melissa Joens, Shelly Fergan). **Sunday 8:15 AM – Team 2** (Scott Ernst, Brian Duff, Roy Olsen, Lamont Onken, Phil Schauer). **10:45 AM – Team 6** (Mark Shapiro, Jim Phillip's, Jeremy Schram, Aaron Schutt). **GREETERS: 8:15 AM-** Paul & Cindy Fleckenstein; **10:45 AM-** Jackie Krueger & Jayne Edwards. **ACOLYTES: 8:15 AM-** open; **10:45 AM-** Hayden Kunze & Xavier Young.

TECHNOLOGIST: Thurs. 6:30 PM- TBD; Sun. 8:15 AM- TBD; 10:45 AM- TBD. **COUNTING TEAM:** 3 (*Bobolz's & Schmith's*). **COFFEE & ROLL SERVERS:** *Youth*

Record of Our Discipleship: Week Ending November 19, 2023

Worship Attendance: Sunday, 47+161+122=330 (25%)

Adult Bible Study: 19; ROCK Sun. 29; ROCK Wed: N/A

Sudanese: 11

Date	Income	Budgeted Income	%
Nov. 19, 2023	\$25,640	\$15,568	165%
Year-to-date	\$658,464	\$731,702	90%

Building Fund Income:

Year-to-date	Weekly Income	Total
\$6,672	\$25	\$6,697

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER

Sunday, November 26, 2023

8:15 & 10:45 AM Worship Services

9:30 AM Adult Bible Study

9:30 AM Adult Confirmation

No ROCK Sunday

1:00- 3 PM Sudanese Worship

2:00 PM Decorations for Christmas

- Parish Hall, Angel Tree, etc.

No Senior High Youth Group

Monday, November 27, 2023

5:30 PM Adult Fitness

6:30 PM Pickleball

Tuesday, November 28, 2023

1:30 PM Staff Mtg

Wednesday, November 29, 2023

5-5:40 PM Midweek Meal – *Spaghetti & Garlic Toast*

5:00-7 PM Midweek Class

5:00-7 PM ROCK Wednesday

6:00 PM Handbell Practice

7:15 PM Adult Choir Practice

Thursday, November 30, 2023

5:30 PM Adult Fitness

6:00 PM BSF Bible Study- Lower Level

6:30 PM Worship w/Holy Communion

Friday, December 1, 2023

9:00 AM – Noon Food Shelf

Saturday, December 2, 2023

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

Sunday, December 3, 2023

8:15 & 10:45 AM Worship Service 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

1:00- 2 PM Christ Program Practice

2:00 PM Voter's Meeting

6-7:30 PM Senior High Youth Group

Redeemer Lutheran Church
Sermon Summary

Name _____ Grade **6** or **7** or **8**

Date _____

Sermon Text _____

Sermon Title _____

Preacher (circle one) Senstad Zirpel Other

Name one sin (Law) specifically spoken about in this sermon.

What is the Good News (Gospel) message in this sermon?

How can I apply this to my own life?
