



# VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



June 26, 2022  
9:00 a.m. / 10:30 a.m.

*Lutheran Church of the Redeemer*  
1800 W. Maple  
Birmingham, Michigan 48009

## **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**June 26, 2022 – 9:00 a.m./10:30 a.m.**

**Third Sunday after Pentecost**

**Theme: Faithfulness in Exile**

### **As We Gather**

“God is Great! God is Good! Let Us Thank God for Our Food! By God’s Hands We All Are Fed! Give Us, Lord, Our Daily Bread!” The Lord gives us all we need. We should not be greedy but instead be generous knowing that God will provide in times of need. We need to remember that God has a plan whether its trying to feed thousands of people with a loaf of bread and a couple fish or listening to the suggestion to cast our nets to the other side. He will take care of us.

### **Prayer Before Worship**

Dear God, thank You for Your amazing power and work in our lives. Thank You for Your goodness and for Your blessings over us. Thank You that You are able to bring hope through even the toughest of times, strengthening us for Your purposes. Thank You for Your great love and care. Thank You for Your mercy and grace. Thank You that You are always with us and will never leave us. Thank You for Your incredible sacrifice so that we might have freedom and life. Forgive us for when we don’t thank You enough, for who You are, for all that You do, for all that You’ve given. Help us to set our eyes and our hearts on You afresh. Renew our spirits, fill us with Your peace and joy. We love You and we need You, this day and every day. We give You praise and thanks, for You alone are worthy! In Jesus’ Name, Amen.

## **Mystery Prelude**

Rick Helderop, organist

(Sponsored by Lois Lindgren remembering  
many past and present friends at Redeemer)

## **Opening Hymn 36 (9:00)**

Now Thank we All Our God

1. Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,  
Who wondrous things hath done, in whom His world rejoices;  
Who from our mother's arms hath blessed us on our way  
With countless gifts of love and still is ours today.
2. Oh, may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,  
With ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us  
And keep us in His grace and guide us when perplexed  
And free us from all ills in this world and the next!
3. All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,  
The Son, and Him who reigns with them in highest heaven:  
The one eternal God, whom earth and heav'n adore!  
For thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

## **Song of Praise! (10:30)**

Holy, Holy, Holy

Heber/Dykes, arr. Wasson

Verse 1

Holy holy holy Lord God Almighty

Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee

Holy holy holy merciful and mighty

God in three persons

Blessed Trinity.

## Verse 2

Holy holy holy

All the saints adore Thee

Casting down their golden crowns

Around the glassy sea

Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee

Which wert and art

And evermore shalt be

## Verse 3

Holy holy holy though the darkness hide Thee

Though the eye of sinful man

Thy glory may not see

Only Thou art holy there

Is none beside Thee

Perfect in power in love in purity

## Verse 4

Holy holy holy Lord God Almighty

All Thy works shall praise Thy name

In earth and sky and sea

Holy holy holy merciful and mighty

God in three persons

Blessed Trinity

## **Order of Service**

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

**C:**Amen.

P: Make haste, O God, to deliver me.

**C: Make haste to help me, O Lord.**

P: The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit.

**C: A broken and contrite heart, O God, Thou wilt not despise.  
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world  
without end. Amen.**

## **Children's Message - 10:30**

### **Old Testament Reading** Daniel 1:11-16 (A better diet)

Daniel then said to the guard whom the chief official had appointed over Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah, "Please test your servants for ten days: Give us nothing but vegetables to eat and water to drink. Then compare our appearance with that of the young men who eat the royal food, and treat your servants in accordance with what you see." So he agreed to this and tested them for ten days. At the end of the ten days they looked healthier and better nourished than any of the young men who ate the royal food. So the guard took away their choice food and the wine they were to drink and gave them vegetables instead.

### **Epistle Reading** Philippians 4:4-8 (How to live)

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God,

which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable — if anything is excellent or praiseworthy — think about such things. Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me — put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.

**Response:** Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!

### **Anthem**

(9:00) Love Crucified, Arose – Card  
David Hardoin

(10:30) He's Always Been Faithful  
Groves, arr. Handley/Haschek  
Redeemer Praise

### **Gospel Announcement**

**Response:** Glory be to Thee, O Lord!

**Gospel Reading** John 17:14-19

(In the world, not of the world)

I have given them your word and the world has hated them, for they are not of the world any more than I am of the world. My prayer is not that you take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one. They are not of the world, even as I am not of it. Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth. As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world. For them I sanctify myself, that they too may be truly sanctified.

**Response:** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

**Confession of Faith**      The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

**Sermon Hymn**

Thy Strong Word

1. Thy strong Word did cleave the darkness; at Thy speaking it was done.

For created light we thank Thee, while Thine ordered seasons run.

Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send!

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!

2. Lo, on those who dwelt in darkness, dark as night and deep as death,

Broke the light of Thy salvation, breathed Thine own life-giving breath.

Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send!

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!

3. Thy strong Word bespeaks us righteous; bright with Thine own holiness,  
Glorious now, we press toward glory, and our lives our hopes confess.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send!  
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!

### **Sermon**

Text: Daniel 1:11-16  
"Faithfulness in Exile"  
Rev. Randall J. Schlak

### **Offertory**

Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
And renew a right spirit within me.  
Cast me not away from Thy presence,  
And take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.  
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation;  
And uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

### **Offering**

### **Doxology**

Tune: hymn 15

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below; Hallelujah, hallelujah,  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost!  
Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah,  
Hallelujah, hallelujah.



## Prayer of the Church

### Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

**Benediction and Response:** Amen! Amen! Amen!

### Closing Hymn 660

I'm But A Stranger Here

(Favorite hymn of Carol Romeo )

1. I'm but a stranger here, Heav'n is my home;  
Earth is a desert drear, Heav'n is my home.  
Danger and sorrow stand round me on ev'ry hand;  
Heav'n is my fatherland, Heav'n is my home.
2. What though the tempest rage, Heav'n is my home;  
Short is my pilgrimage, Heav'n is my home;  
And time's wild wintry blast soon shall be over-past;  
I shall reach home at last, Heav'n is my home.
3. There at my Savior's side Heav'n is my home;  
I shall be glorified, Heav'n is my home.  
There are the good and blest, those I love most and best;  
And there I, too, shall rest, Heav'n is my home.

## Silent Prayer

### Postlude

Rick Helderop, organist



Sanctuary altar flowers were placed by Dan & Karen Rose in celebration and thankfulness for 40 years of marriage.

Thank you to our Positive Parenting Group and Youth Group (Michele Margosian) for their careful use of resources when preparing the meals for Family of God. Due to their efforts and the generosity of so many families' sponsorships, the account balance is currently \$17,000. As a result, we are going to temporarily suspend FOG sponsorships until the existing funds have been used.

### Altar Guild

Kaki Mammel, Corinne Chesna, Sandy Springer, Jane Zehnder,  
Judy Weir, Kris Ortale, Jamie Burstein, Ann Marie Violante,  
Leanna Bushuiakovish

### Greeter

9:00 - Barbara Peterson

### Audio and Video Operators

9:00 - Jim Endress

10:30 - Greg Merryman and Dave Kiehle

## Ushers

9:00 - Mike Grattan, captain; Rick McDonald, Andrew Tafel,  
Bob Smith, Eric Rolf, Ron Lalone

10:30 - Karl Bushuiakovish, captain; Greg Bloom, John Mills,  
Walt Sweitzer, Scott Kamm, Brian May

