



Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer

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8th Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, July 14, 2024, 9:30 a.m.

Prelude

Five Enduring Gospel Hymns (arr. Southbridge)

Welcome

Inspired by the abundant hospitality of Jesus Christ, Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer welcomes all of God's children into the life of the church as 'we make God known through words and deeds'.

Call to Worship (based on Psalm 37)

Trust in the Lord and do good things in the Kingdom of God. Take delight in God and hold nothing back.

God will provide what our hearts desire.

Commit your way to the Lord.

We can trust in God because God acts on our behalf.

Be still before God, and prayerfully consider what God is saying.

We don't need to worry about those who seem to prosper through deceitful actions.

Control your anger. Take a deep breath. Sit at the feet of Jesus and worship him.

We worship this God who is Three in One, in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Confession and Forgiveness

In our hectic, busy lives, we gather in this place to listen for what God is saying to us, to take a deep breath and sit at the feet of Jesus and worship him. This is not something that comes easily or naturally to us. To many of us, our identity is wrapped up in what we do. As we enter this time of prayer, let's let go of our "to do" list, not think about what we might have to make for lunch, shut off the cell phone, and set aside the schedule in order to take on the posture of Mary and simply breathe deeply and worship Jesus. Let's pray together.

You breathed life into us, and you continue to sustain us each day. We confess that, without you, we are dead in our sin. Forgive us. By the power of the Holy Spirit, breathe new life into us.

We are the people of God who celebrate the new reality that our sin is forgiven in Jesus Christ through his life, suffering, death, and resurrection. He is the breath of resurrection life that is ours through faith.

We are God's people whose identity is rooted in our baptism and sent forth in service in God's world. Amen!

Opening Hymn

"Lead On, O King Eternal"

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Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. **God, help us to understand and appreciate our identity that is found in Christ as a gift of grace. Help us to comprehend how much you love us and how free you have made us. Awaken our inner Martha and give us willing hands to serve your world. Awaken our inner Mary and give us a quiet spirit that is content to sit at your feet and worship you. Amen.**

First Reading

Amos 7:7-15

⁷This is what [the Lord GOD] showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. ⁸And the LORD said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said, "See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; ⁹the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword." ¹⁰Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. ¹¹For thus Amos has said, 'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.'" ¹²And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; ¹³but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom." ¹⁴Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, ¹⁵and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'" Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

Psalm 37:30-40

³⁰The mouths of the righteous utter wisdom, and their tongues speak justice.

³¹**The law of their God is in their hearts; their steps do not slip.**

³²The wicked watch for the righteous, and seek to kill them.

³³**The Lord will not abandon them to their power, or let them be condemned when they are brought to trial.**

³⁴Wait for the Lord, and keep to his way, and he will exalt you to inherit the land; you will look on the destruction of the wicked.

³⁵**I have seen the wicked oppressing, and towering like a cedar of Lebanon.**

³⁶Again I passed by, and they were no more; though I sought them, they could not be found.

³⁷**Mark the blameless, and behold the upright, for there is posterity for the peaceable.**

³⁸But transgressors shall be altogether destroyed; the posterity of the wicked shall be cut off.

³⁹**The salvation of the righteous is from the Lord; he is their refuge in the time of trouble.**

⁴⁰The Lord helps them and rescues them; he rescues them from the wicked, and saves them, because they take refuge in him.

Second Reading

Ephesians 1:3-14

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, ⁴just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. ⁵He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, ⁶to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. ⁷In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses,

according to the riches of his grace⁸ that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight⁹ he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ,¹⁰ as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.¹¹ In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will,¹² so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory.¹³ In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit;¹⁴ this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

“Alleluia”

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The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 10th Chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel Reading

Luke 10:38-42

³⁸Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. ³⁹She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. ⁴⁰But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." ⁴¹But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; ⁴²there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

“Visiting Mary & Martha”

Pastor Overbo

Hymn of the Day

“O God of Mercy, God of Light”

#714 vs. 1-4

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Henry Ronald Richard Herr

Son of Robert & Megan Herr

Sponsors: Derek & Alicia Hartke; Richard & Kara Herr

Prayers of the Church

Offering

Text to Give: 605-250-6765 or Scan the QR code located in the pew

Noisy Can Offering (for all ages) Mission of the Month:

Church on the Street & Pueblo de Dios



Offering Prayer

Let us pray. **God of every blessing, we offer these gifts in grateful response for all that you have given and all that we enjoy every day. May these resources touch the lives of people who are in any kind of need. Make us more thankful every day. Make us more generous with our time, talent, and treasure for the sake of your Kingdom. Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

Announcements

Blessing

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, ☩ be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

Sending Hymn

"Faith of Our Fathers"

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Call to Service

We go from this place as children of God who are a new creation in Christ.

We are free. Go in peace and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please share the peace, as well as your name when you leave today.

Postlude

Prelude in F Major (Bach)

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Serving

Preaching: Pastor Overbo; **Organist:** AJ Sherrill; **Greeters:** Bill & Sharon Malcom;

Sound & Projection: Pete Juba & Kent Anderson;

Holy Baptism



Henry Ronald Richard Herr

July 14, 2024

P In Holy Baptism our gracious heavenly Father frees us from sin and death by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are born children of a fallen humanity; by the water and the Holy Spirit we are reborn children of God and made members of the church, the body of Christ. Living with Christ and in the communion of saints, we grow in faith, love, and obedience to the will of God.

P Who presents Henry Ronald Richard to receive the Sacrament of Holy Baptism?

Parents/Sponsors We present Henry Ronald Richard to receive the Sacrament of Holy Baptism.

P As you bring Henry Ronald Richard to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities: to live with him among God's faithful people, bring him to the word of God and the holy supper, teach him the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments, place in his hands the holy scriptures, and nurture him in faith and prayer, so that he may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace. Do you promise to help Henry Ronald Richard grow in Christian faith and life?

Parents We do.

P Sponsors, do you promise to nurture Henry Ronald Richard in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help him live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

Sponsors We do.

P Do you as a congregation promise to be faithful to this child and this family in all their needs, support them in their baptismal promises, and help them grow in the graciousness of our Lord Jesus Christ?

Congregation We do.

(Congregation please stand.)

Profession of Faith

P I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the Church, the faith in which we baptize. Do you renounce all the forces of evil, the devil, and all his empty promises?

C I do.

P Do you believe in God the Father?

C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

P Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

C I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

P Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

C I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

(Congregation may be seated.)

P Henry Ronald Richard, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

P Child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

P *Let us pray:* We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life. Sustain Henry Ronald Richard with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

C Amen.

Welcome

(Presentation of the candle)

Sponsors Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

P Let us welcome the newly baptized.

C We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world. Amen.

(The family and sponsors may return to their seats)

Biblical Readings About Baptism

Matthew 28:18-20

And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'

Mark 1:4-11

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, 'The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.' In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'

Mark 16:16

The one who believes and is baptized will be saved; but the one who does not believe will be condemned.

1 Peter 3:21

And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Luke 18:15-17

People were bringing even infants to him that he might touch them; and when the disciples saw it, they sternly ordered them not to do it. But Jesus called for them and said, 'Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.'

John 3:3, 5

Jesus answered him, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above. 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit.

Romans 6:3-5

Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.

JULY 14, 2024 EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

God's goodness is worthy of praise and thanksgiving.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

Sunday	Mark 6:14-29	The death of John the Baptist
Monday	Amos 7:7-15	Vision of setting a plumb line
Tuesday	Ephesians 1:3-14	Thanksgiving for blessings
Wednesday	Psalms 150	Praise for God's greatness
Thursday	1 Chronicles 16:23-27	David's psalm of thanksgiving
Friday	Romans 2:1-11	God's judgment is fair
Saturday	Psalms 85:8-13	God speaks peace to the people
Sunday	Mark 6:30-34, 53-56	Jesus teaches and heals

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places.

Ephesians 1:3 (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

God of glory, we praise you for your mercy that embraces us with hope through the work of Christ and for our adoption as your children through the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Dear God, for this food that reminds us of your abundant goodness and your eternal care for us, we give you thanks through Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May the love and faithfulness of God embrace you with peace. (Psalm 85:10)



JULY 14, 2024

HYMN OF THE WEEK

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

WEEKLY MILESTONES

Take a moment to tell or think about a recent mountain high and/or valley low in your life.

CARING CONVERSATIONS



Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- What is something that inspires you and fills you with joy?
- How does God's love for you in Christ fill you with peace and joy?

DEVOTIONS



Read: Ephesians 1:3-14.

Ephesians 1 is filled with praise and thanksgiving for Jesus Christ's saving work within the mystery of the will of God. God's wisdom goes far beyond our human ability to grasp. Therefore, what we can do is simply acknowledge that we are the recipients of a great inheritance for a reality that goes beyond human history. As an act of God's glory and grace, our God takes us back, despite our broken lives and forgives us—receives us back—through Christ. We who believe this message have received and trusted this good news as those who have been chosen and adopted. We are destined, marked, and sealed by the Holy Spirit. This text overflows with praise for the glory of God's ways meant for us and for all that God has created. The words fill us with awe and joy for who God is and who Christ is for us. Sometimes it is good to simply fill our thoughts with the glory and praise due to our God in Christ.

Discuss: What words describe your feelings when you imagine God's goodness to you and to all that God has created?

Pray: **God of power and glory, we thank you for this opportunity to contemplate your goodness that reaches out to us with mercy and grace through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

SERVICE



Jesus calls us to serve our neighbor in love. Based on the Daily Bible Readings and theme for this week, how can you show praise to God through Christ as an act of kindness?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS



Shalom is a Hebrew word that means peace and was used as a greeting or a blessing. Psalm 85:8 speaks of peace, *"Let me hear what God the Lord will speak, for he will speak peace to his people, to his faithful, to those who turn to him in their hearts."* Draw a heart and write the word peace inside. Think or talk about what God may be saying to you in this verse.

Pray: **Lord God, you promise peace to those who are faithful. Help us to turn our hearts to you. Amen.**

In addition to *Taking Faith Home*, celebrate milestones in your daily life as an effective faith formation tool. Go to:

www.milestonesministry.org

THE WEEKLY WORD - ANNOUNCEMENTS



1ST - 4TH GRADE JUNCTION

Join us from 6-7:30 p.m. for games, crafts, snacks and fellowship.

Friends are always welcome!



SUMMER DATES: JULY 15, AUGUST 5

SALVATION ARMY DONATIONS

Cereal

As you go grocery shopping, please consider picking up a couple extras to donate. Drop these items off at LCOOR and we will deliver them to the Salvation Army. Thanks in advance for your generosity!



JULY MISSIONS OF THE MONTH

Church on the Street & Pueblo de Dios

Mission of the Month dollars are above and beyond your regular giving. Please clearly mark your offering with Mission of the Month. Thank you!



COOKIES NEEDED

Sandwich Ministry is in need of cookies. We have cookie kits available for pick up at the Welcome Center or church office.

You can also bake your own cookies & drop them off at the church. Thank you!



We Are Hiring!

PRAISE & REJOICE CHOIR DIRECTOR

APPLICATION DEADLINE:

JULY 31, 2024



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APPLY NOW!

LCOOR Book Club



In July the LCOOR Book Club will be meeting Thursday, July 25 at 10:00 a.m. in the Youth Room. The book for July is *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee.



LET'S GET SOCIAL

DO YOU FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK?

Join our active Facebook community to receive frequent updates on church happenings and good news!

Follow us at facebook.com/lcoor

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF

We are collecting school kits in July & August.

Instructions & school bags can be found at the Welcome Center.



5TH & 6TH GRADE ROUTE 56

Join us from 6-7:30 p.m. for games, crafts, snacks and fellowship. Friends are always welcome.

SUMMER DATES: JULY 22, AUGUST 12



July 14-21

Print too small? Large print bulletins
are available at *all* worship services.

Sunday July 14

9:00 a.m. Worship at Memorial Park
9:30 a.m. Traditional Worship
9:30 a.m. Presentation of Timmerman
Scholarship Recipients

Monday July 15

8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry
11:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels Delivery
6:00 p.m. Junction Youth Group (1-4 grade)
6:45 p.m. Al-Anon

Tuesday July 16

10:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Group
11:00 a.m. Text Study
11:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels Delivery
1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting

Wednesday July 17

8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry
11:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels Delivery
6:00 p.m. Fishing League

Thursday July 18

9:00 a.m. Quilting
11:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels Delivery
5:15 p.m. Al-Anon

Friday July 19

Church Office Closes at Noon
8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry
9:00 a.m. Quilting
11:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels Delivery

Saturday July 20

5:30 p.m. Traditional Worship with Holy
Communion

Sunday July 21

9:00 a.m. Worship at Memorial Park with
Holy Communion
9:30 a.m. Traditional Worship with Holy
Communion

Attendance & Offering

June 30 Live Stream- N/A
Saturday, July 6- 63
Sunday, July 7 (9:00)- 189
Sunday, July 7 (9:30) - 57

Offering (7/7):

General Fund: \$10,284;
Debt Reduction: \$445;
Mission of the Month: \$50.69;
Other: \$229;

Simply Giving Offering (7/1-7/5):

General Fund: \$10,534.52;
Debt Reduction: \$158;
Other: \$222;
Mission of the Month: \$80;

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