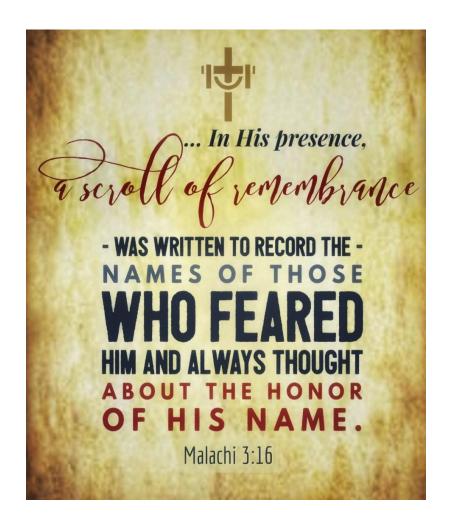
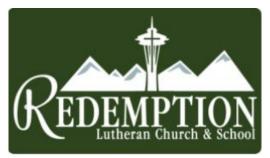
REDEMPTION LUTHERAN CHURCH

Last Sunday in the Church Year





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Pre-Service Meditation:

Malachi 3:16: ¹⁶ Then those who feared the LORD spoke with one another. The LORD paid attention and heard them, and a book of remembrance was written before him of those who feared the LORD and esteemed his name.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, we thank and praise You that You have never once forgotten Your people. Instead, You have always acted justly towards us. Help us, when our natural selves lash out against You when we see the wicked prosper and the righteous suffer. Calm us when we are distraught with the comforting reminder that we are not home...yet. This life isn't our final stop, but when You bring us home to heaven, there will be justice and peace for the righteous because of our Savior Jesus. It is for His sake we suffer and for His sake we will be glorified. Through His name, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Opening:

WS 777 Amazing Grace

P: We gather to worship in the name of God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit

Matt. 28:19

C: Amen.

P: One thing I ask from the LORD. This is what I seek:

PS 27:4

C: that I live in the house of the LORD all the days of my life,

P: to gaze on the beauty of the LORD,

C: and to seek Him in His temple.

P: I rejoiced with those who said to me,

Ps 122:1

C: "Let us go to the house of the LORD."

P: Yes, one day in Your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

C: I would rather wait at the doorway of the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.

Ps. 84:10

P: For the LORD is a sun and shield.

Ps 84:11a

C: God gives grace and glory.

P: How blessed are those who live in Your house.

Ps 84:4

C: They are always praising You.

P: From the rising of the sun to its setting,

Ps 113:3

C: the name of the LORD is to be praised.

P: We come to this holy God with the confession of our sins and ready to receive His forgiveness in Christ Jesus.

C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Ps. 51:5 Matt 22:37-39 Ps 119:32

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to

1 John 2:1-2 John 1:12 Phil 1:6 become children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Hymn of Response: TLH 341 Crown Him With Many Crowns

1 Crown Him with many crowns, The Lamb upon His throne; Hark how the heav'nly anthem drowns All music but its own. Awake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee And hail Him as thy matchless King Thro' all eternity.

2 Crown Him the Lord of Love, Behold His hands and side, Rich wounds, yet visible above, In beauty glorified. No angel in the sky Can fully bear that sight, But downward bends his wond'ring eye At mysteries so bright.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- Let us pray... O God, let Your Holy Spirit direct and govern our lives so that we may remain aware of the final purpose of all things and also of Your day of judgment. Inspire us to live holy lives and help us to fix our eyes on our eternal home with You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and rules with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever.
- Amen.

Gospel Lesson

Luke 23:27-43

²⁷And there followed [Jesus] a great multitude of the people and of women who were mourning and lamenting for Him. ²⁸But turning to them Jesus said, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. ²⁹For behold, the days are coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the barren and the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed!' ³⁰Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us,' and to the hills, 'Cover us.' ³¹For if they do these things when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?"

³²Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with Him. ³³And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified Him, and the criminals, one on His right and one on His left. ³⁴And Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." And they cast lots to divide His garments. ³⁵And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at Him, saying, "He saved others; let Him save Himself, if He is the Christ of God, His Chosen One!" ³⁶The soldiers also mocked Him, coming up and offering Him sour wine ³⁷and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" ³⁸There was also an inscription over Him, "This is the King of the Jews."

³⁹One of the criminals who were hanged railed at Him, saying, "Are You not the Christ? Save Yourself and us!" ⁴⁰But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? ⁴¹And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this Man has done nothing wrong." ⁴²And he said, "Jesus, remember me when You come into Your kingdom." ⁴³And He said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with Me in Paradise."

Responsive Reading

Psalm 46 Selected Verses

- P There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.
- God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved;
- P The nations rage, the kingdoms totter; He utters his voice, the earth melts.
- The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.
- P Be still and know that I am God.
- I will be exalted among the nations,
 I will be exalted in the earth!
- P God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.
- The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Epistle Lesson:

¹³He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son, ¹⁴in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

¹⁵He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. ¹⁶For by Him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through Him and for Him. ¹⁷And He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. ¹⁸And He is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything He might be preeminent. ¹⁹For in Him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of His cross.

Confession of Faith:

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 Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was
buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from
the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right
hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to
judge the living and the dead.

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

Hymn:

TLH 463 For All The Saints vs 1-2, 6-8

Sermon

Malachi 3:13-18

¹³ "Your words have been hard against me, says the LORD. But you say, 'How have we spoken against you?' ¹⁴ You have said, 'It is vain to serve God. What is the profit of our keeping his charge or of walking as in mourning before the LORD of hosts? ¹⁵ And now we call

the arrogant blessed. Evildoers not only prosper but they put God to the test and they escape." ¹⁶ Then those who feared the LORD spoke with one another. The LORD paid attention and heard them, and a book of remembrance was written before him of those who feared the LORD and esteemed his name. ¹⁷ "They shall be mine, says the LORD of hosts, in the day when I make up my treasured possession, and I will spare them as a man spares his son who serves him. ¹⁸ Then once more you shall see the distinction between the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves God and one who does not serve him.

You Are Not Home...Yet

Offertory: TLH 341 Crown Him With Many Crowns

Crown Him the Lord of Life, Who triumphed o'er the grave And rose victorious in the strife For those He came to save. His glories now we sing Who died and rose on high, Who died eternal life to bring And lives that death may die.

Crown Him the Lord of Heaven, Enthroned in worlds above, Crown Him the King to whom is given The wondrous name of Love. Crown Him with many crowns As thrones before him fall; Crown Him, ye kings, with many crowns, For He is King of all.

Hymn:

TLH 660 Heaven is My Home

Offering of Thankful Hearts

Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13

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

C Amen.

Hymn: LSB 673 Jerusalem, My Happy Home

Silent Prayer

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Announcements

WELCOME To all of you who are visiting our service this morning, we extend a most cordial welcome in Jesus' name. It is our hope that you will feel at home in our midst and will be blessed by our message of Christ crucified and risen for the sins of the world.

If you are looking for a church home or would like to know more about our beliefs and practices, please see the pastor. He will be glad to visit with you at your convenience. Be sure to join us again.

Upcoming Events:

- Special Services Upcoming: Thanksgiving Day Service November 27th at 10am; Advent Candlelight Service Dec. 17th at 7pm; Christmas Eve Service Dec. 24th (time TBD).
- <u>Vacation Bible School:</u> Our Christmas VBS is scheduled for Saturday, December 13th from 9am-12:30pm. We are in need of volunteers. If you are interested in helping, please speak to Lori-Jo or myself. Registration is now available on the website.
- Advent: Next Sunday begins the Advent Season. The theme for each Sunday will follow the Songs of Advent. Zechariah's song declares an Amazing Gift. Mary's song declares Amazing Love. Simeon's song declares Amazing Peace. And the Angel's song declares Amazing Glory.

Call News:

- Pastor Johnathan Schnose of Bethel Lutheran in Morris, MN is considering the call to Living Hope Lutheran Church, Appleton, WI.
- Pastor Tom Schuetze of St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church, Lakewood, CO, has returned the call to Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church, Spokane, WA.
- Pastor Ben Libby of Redeemer Lutheran in Cheyenne, WY has received the call to Messiah Lutheran in Eau Claire, WI;
 Pastor Libby has also received the call to Holy Cross Lutheran in Phoenix, AZ
- Pastor Emeritus David Schierenbeck (current vacancy pastor at Our Redeemer's Lutheran in Red Wing, MN) has received the call to serve as Assistant to the Pastor at Berea Lutheran in Inver Grove Heights, MN
- Pastor Terrel Kesterson of Ascension Lutheran Church in Batavia, IL has received the call to be part-time pastor at Our Redeemer's in Red Wing, MN
- Pastor Emeritus Michael Eichstadt has received the vacancy call to Holy Cross Lutheran in Phoenix, AZ

Around the CLC:

- National Women's Retreat Coming in January!
 - What: Press Pause for the National Women's (Virtual)
 Retreat
 - When: Saturday, Jan. 31, 2026 // 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.
 (PT)
 - How: Join us virtually via Zoom
 - Register now: https://tinyurl.com/PressPause26
 - Cost: It's Free!

 The Branches Subscription Renewal: Renewal information for The Branches magazine are available on the table in the narthex. The deadline for renewals (or new subscriptions) is December 15th.

2026 CLC Mission Helper Trip: The CLC Mission Helper Program is making preparations for another Mission Trip to Africa for the summer of 2026. The main focus of this trip will be presenting the Gospel, through a series of child evangelism lessons, to member and non-member children in village congregations. Possible areas of evangelism include the CLC-Tanzania, CLC-Kenya, CLC-Zambia, and CLC-Uganda. CLC members are welcome and encouraged to apply. For more information and to apply, visit www.mht.lutheranmissions.org.

World Missions Prayer List:

 The QR code below will take you to Missionary Ohlmann's blog, which includes a link to the prayer list for our mission churches across the world. Printed copies are available in the narthex.

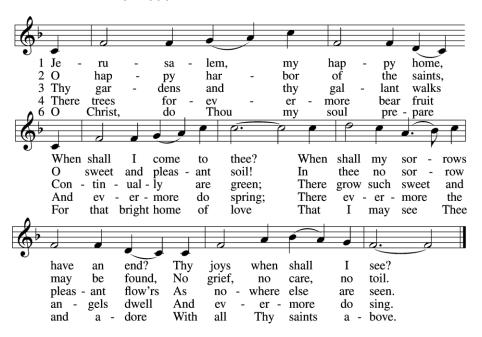


Upcoming Schedule:

Thursday, November 27th Thanksgiving Day Service at 10am Sunday, November 30th Redemption Sunday Service at 9 Sunday, December 7th Redemption Sunday Service at 9

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