

19th Sunday after Pentecost Sunday October 19th, 2025 Redemption Lutheran Church 8001 Bustleton Ave. Philadelphia PA 19152 www.redemptionphiladelphia.org

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING

(The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God)

The assembly stands.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

C: Amen.

P: Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

P: God, our provider,

C: help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share.

We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

P: Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, + the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

C: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN – Rise up, O Saints of God! ELW - 669

GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, And the communion of the Holy spirit be with you all. C: And also with you.

KYRIE



HYMN OF PRAISE



- 1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
- 2 Glo-ry be to Christ for ev er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
- 3 Ho-ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth: Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove; Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise. on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand. Je-sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa-ther's splen-dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise. Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand. For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let Us Pray.

O Lord God, tireless guardian of your people, you are always ready to hear our cries. Teach us to rely day and night on your care. Inspire us to seek your enduring justice for all this suffering world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

C: Amen.

The assembly is seated.

WORD

(God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.)

FIRST READING: Genesis 32:22-31

²²The same night [Jacob] got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. ²⁴ Jacob was left alone, and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. ²⁵When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." ²⁷So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." ²⁸Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans and have prevailed." ²⁹Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. ³⁰So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, yet my life is preserved." ³¹The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

A: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 121

The Psalm is read responsively.

My help comes from the LORD, the maker of heaven and earth. (Ps. 121:2)

I lift up my eyes I to the hills;
from where is my I help to come?

² My help comes | from the LORD, the maker of heav- | en and earth.

- ³ The LORD will not let your ¹ foot be moved nor will the one who watches over you ¹ fall asleep.
- ⁴Behold, the keep- | er of Israel will neither slum- | ber nor sleep; R
- 5 the LORD watches | over you; the LORD is your shade at | your right hand;
- 6 the sun will not strike | you by day, nor the | moon by night.
- ⁷The LORD will preserve you ¹ from all evil and will ¹ keep your life.
- ⁸ The LORD will watch over your going out and your I coming in, from this time forth for- I evermore. R

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *The Assembly stands to welcome the gospel*.



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav-ing word.



Let it burn like fire with-in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

GOSPEL: Luke 18:1-8

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. ²He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. ³In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my accuser.' ⁴For a while he refused, but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, ⁵yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.' " ⁶ And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷ And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? ⁸ I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?" **P**: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated.

SERMON

The assembly remains seated.

Rev. Kari Hart

HYMN OF THE DAY - If You But Trust in God to Guide You ELW - 769

The assembly stands.

CREED

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

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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each prayer ends with the words, "God, of Grace" and the congregation responds, "Receive our prayer"

PEACE

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, Peace be with you," or similar words.

MEAL

(God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.)

The assembly stands.

OFFERING PRAYER

P: Let us pray.

P: Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world.

C: Amen.

DIALOGUE

The presiding minister greets the assembly and invites all present to give thanks.

P: The Lord be with you

C: And also with you

P: Lift up your hearts

C: We lift them up to the Lord

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

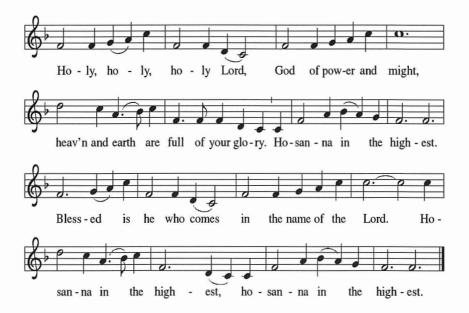
C: It is right to give our thanks and praise

PREFACE

The presiding minister continues:

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should be at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven an earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me. Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

P: Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. **C: Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

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

C: 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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

The assembly may be seated. The bread is broken for communion.

COMMUNION

You may come to the rail to receive communion. The bread is gluten free, and you may dip it in the wine or grape juice. If you can't come to the rail communion will be brought to you.

LAMB OF GOD



The assembly stands.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Let us pray.

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.

C: Amen.

SENDING

(God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.)

BLESSING

P: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, +be upon you now and forever.

C: Amen

SENDING HYMN – Day by Day ELW - 790

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Be the Body of Christ

C: Thanks be to God.

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Our Prayer List

Our Community: Bob Conn, Mabel Turner, Ethel Metz.

Our Friends: Terry Garf, Lea and Paul Ressler, Ruth Mann, Melissa Kuchler, Linda Moore, Robert Donnelly and Family, Patricia Weiser, Eileen Krygier, Kathy Schultz, Shannon Puitro, Josh, Sue & Dave Goldstein, Jack Horvath, friend of Diane & John Graham, Joe Wolf, Mason Family, Nate Van Sant, Nina Liptak, Barbara Laudenbacker, Jim Kellmer.

Announcements

Remember to wear red on October 26th for Reformation Sunday!

During this time of pastoral transition, we want to share our financial status with the congregation by reporting the amount budgeted for monthly offering income, versus actual monthly offering income. Budgeted monthly offering income for October is \$4,200, and to date we have received \$2,600.

Feast of Justice Collection – Personal Care items are needed. Full-sized bottles of shampoo, conditioner and body wash. Soap, toothpaste, deodorant and especially feminine products would be greatly appreciated. You can place them in the box in the Narthex.

Audio Training – We are looking for volunteers to manage the Streaming of worship. If you are interested, please reach out to Cheryl Lafferty at: cae184@yahoo.com or 215-990-2111.

Save the Date

Sunday, November 2nd – All Saints Worship Service. This year there will be a special display of our loved one's photos and a Bagpiper performance. Starting October 5th, there will be an insert in the bulletin for the names and photos of passed family and friends to be prayed for.

Sunday, November 23rd – Thanksgiving Worship & Lunch. The Service will start at 11:00a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Leftovers will be packaged for the non-profit organization Caring for Friends. A sign-up sheet for food & beverage donations will be available in November.

Saturday, December 6th – Annual Christmas Tea at 2:00p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Free entry. Invite your family and friends.