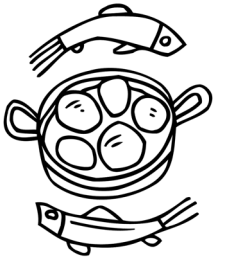
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August 2, 2026 + 9:30am

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In today's gospel Jesus feeds the hungry multitude and reveals the abundance of God. At the eucharistic table we remember all who are hungry or poor in our world today. As we share the bread of life, we are sent forth to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry.

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✢ one God,
whose compassion endures forever. **Amen.**

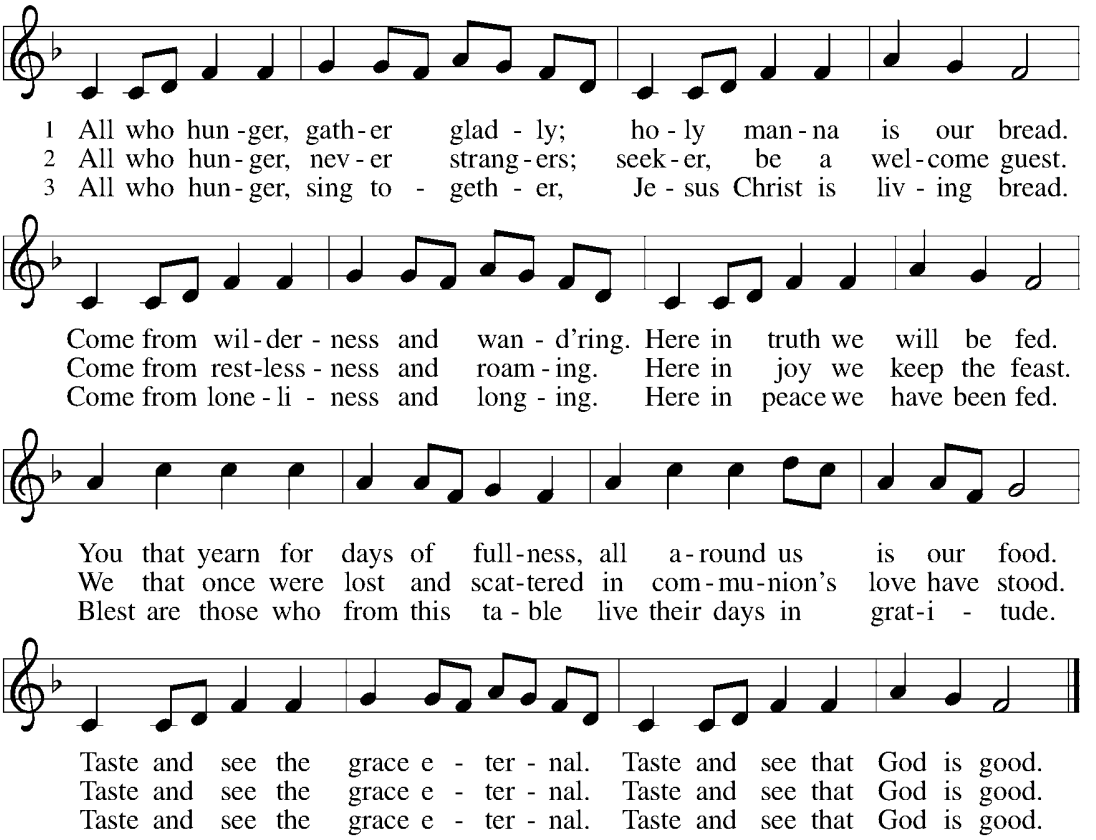
Let us confess our sin to God.
Silence is kept for reflection.

Compassionate God,

we confess to you all our sins.
Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves.
In your mercy, call us back to you.
Your yoke is easy and your burden is light.
Restore us to dwell in your peace.
In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

Jesus says,
"Come to me, all you who are weary
and are carrying heavy burdens,
and I will give you rest."
In the name of God, Father, ✢ Son, and Holy Spirit,
your sins are forgiven.
Rest in God's love. **Amen.**

Gathering Song ***"All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly"*** *ELW #461*



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Music: HOLY MANNA, W. Moore, *Columbian Harmony*, 1825
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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. Glorious God,

your generosity waters the world with goodness, and you cover creation with abundance. Awaken in us a hunger for the food that satisfies both body and spirit, and with this food fill all the starving world; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

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

First Reading — Genesis 32:22-31

Jacob wrestled all night with God, and when God wanted to get away as dawn was breaking, Jacob would not let God go until God had blessed him. Jacob's name is changed to Israel to mark his new relationship with God as he enters the land. Jacob is astonished that he remains alive after seeing God face-to-face.

22 ⌜At 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. 24Jacob 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 the man said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But
Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." 27So the man said to Jacob, "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 the man,
"Please tell me your name." But the man said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there the
man blessed Jacob. 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.

At the conclusion of the reading, the Assembly responds: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 17:1-7, 15

I shall see your face; when I awake, I shall be satisfied. (Ps. 17:15)

1 Hear a just cause, O LORD; give heed | to my cry;
listen to my prayer, which does not come from | lying lips.
2 **Let my vindication come forth | from your presence; let your eyes be | fixed on justice.**
3 Examine my heart, visit | me by night, melt me down; you will find no impuri- | ty in me.
4 **I have not regarded what | others do; at the word of your lips I have avoided the ways | of the violent.**
5 My footsteps hold fast to your | well-worn path; and my feet | do not slip.
6 **I call upon you, O God, for you will | answer me; incline your ear to me and | hear my words.**
7 Show me your marvelous | lovingkindness, O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand from those who | rise against them.
15 **But at my vindication I shall | see your face; when I awake, I shall be satisfied, behold- | ing your likeness.**

Second Reading — Romans 9:1-5

This begins a new section in Paul's letter in which he will deal with the place of Israel in God's saving plan. He opens by highlighting how Israel's heritage and legacy include being God's children, having God's covenants, being given God's law, participating in worship of God, and receiving divine promises.

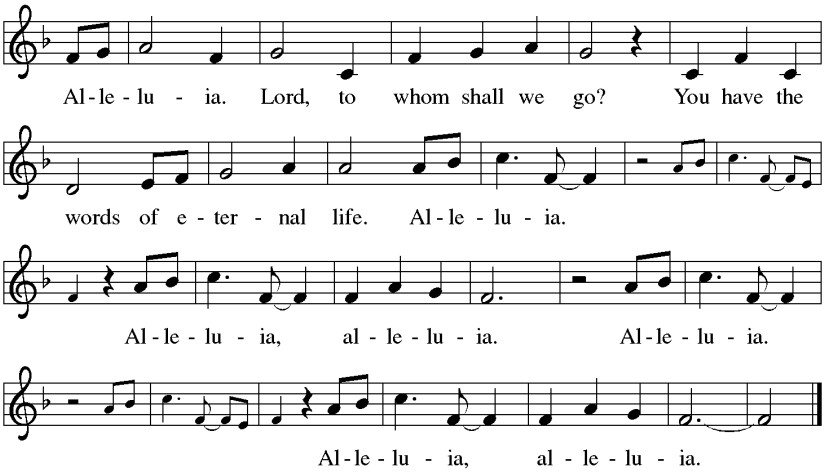
I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit—
2I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. 3 For I could wish that I myself were
accursed and cut from Christ for the sake of my own siblings, my own flesh and blood. 4They are
Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the

worship, and the promises; [5] to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Christ, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

At the conclusion of the reading, the Assembly responds: **Thanks be to God**

Gospel Acclamation

The Assembly may rise in body or spirit as the Gospel is proclaimed.



Gospel Announcement

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel — Matthew 14:13-21

After John the Baptist is murdered, Jesus desires a time of solitude. Still, his compassion for others will not allow him to dismiss those who need him, and he is moved to perform one of his greatest miracles.

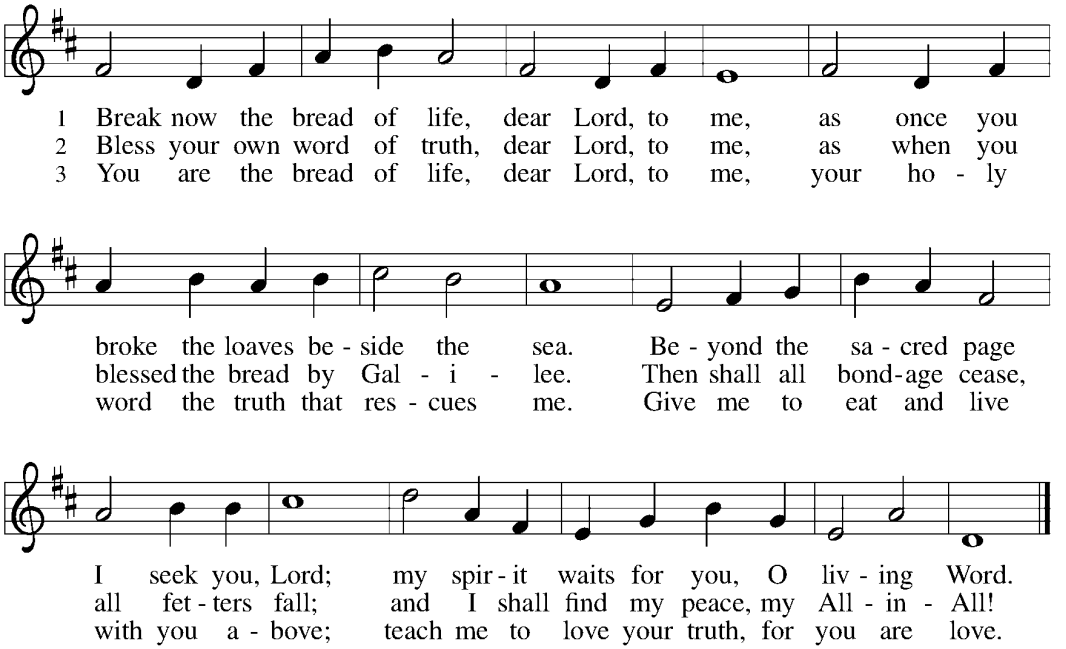
Now when Jesus heard ⌜about the beheading of John the Baptist,⌝ he withdrew from there in a
boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from
the towns. [14]When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion for them and
cured their sick. [15]When it was evening, the disciples came to Jesus and said, "This is a deserted
place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and
buy food for themselves." [16]Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something
to eat." [17]They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." [18]And he said, "Bring
them here to me." [19]Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves
and the two fish, Jesus looked up to heaven and blessed and broke the loaves and gave them to
the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. [20]And all ate and were filled, and they
took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. [21]And those who ate were
about five thousand men, besides women and children.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day ***"Break Now the Bread of Life"*** *ELW #515*



Text: Mary A. Lathbury, 1841–1913, alt.
Music: BREAD OF LIFE, William F. Sherwin, 1826–1888

Apostles Creed

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.

**Or, "he descended into hell," another translation of this text in widespread use.*

Prayers of Intercession

The Assisting Minister leads the prayers of the people for the church, the world, and all people in need. Each petition ends with:

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

We remember our homebound members and all who have asked for our prayers: Erna Joswig, Joyce Owens, Dorothy Popadic, Pat Quale, Nancy Nelson, William Schultz Jr., John Falk, Carmen Falk, Lynn Hooper, Randy Weit, Aimee and Mark Hooper, Mary Scruggs, Linda Losito, Anne Maley, Judi and Larry Krebs, and Eloise and Larry Laugen.

Sharing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offering

Your offering helps us carry on God's mission in our community! You may place your offering in the offering plate as it is passed, you may mail your offering to the church office, you can even text to give by texting the amount you wish to give to 262.592.5757, then follow the prompts. You may also scan the code to the right with your smartphone's camera to give on our website (www.racinelcredeemer.com). You can also sign up for automatic giving on our website as well! ***Thank you for your generosity!***

Offering Song



Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980
Music: Marty Haugen, b. 1950
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Offertory Prayer

Let us pray. Loving God,

we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts.
Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love,
so that all creation can taste your abundance.
We ask this in the name of Jesus,
through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

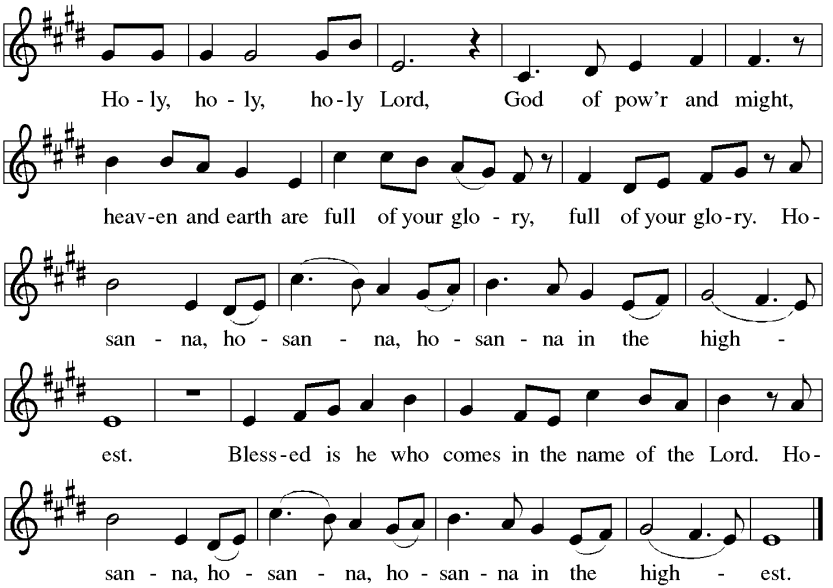
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed, right our duty and our joy….

…. we praise your name and join their unending hymn:.



The Presiding Minister continues giving thanks for God's salvation and blessing.

The prayer concludes: **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

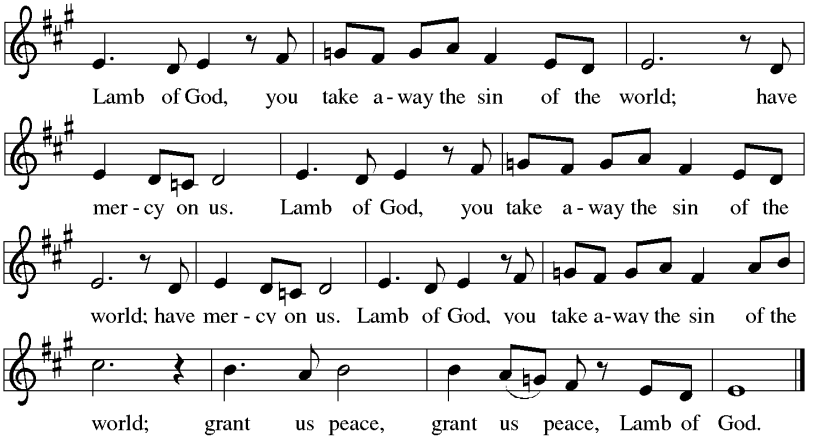
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the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

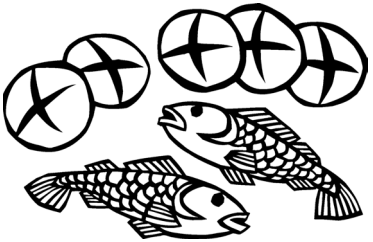
Invitation to Communion

Heaven has come near. Come, share in the feast!

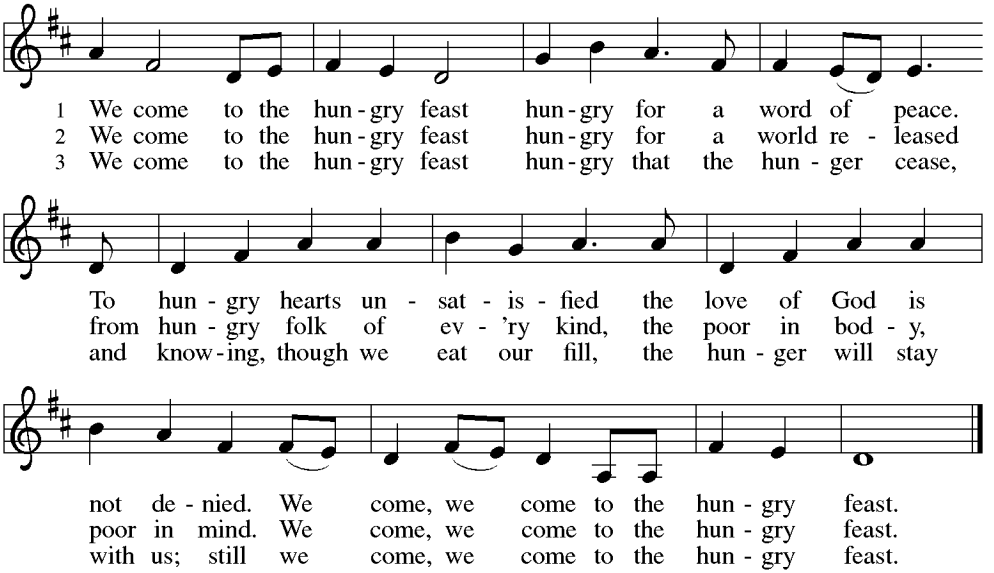
Distribution of Communion

If you are worshipping with us at home, you are invited to partake in Communion as well! All you need is bread of any kind and wine or juice of any kind. As you receive the bread: 'This is the Body of Christ given for you.' As you receive the wine or juice: 'This is the Blood of Christ shed for you.' If you are worshipping with more than one person, please serve one another as you able using the above words.





Communion Song ***"We Come to the Hungry Feast"*** *ELW #479*



Text: Ray Makeever, b. 1943
Music: HUNGRY FEAST, Ray Makeever
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Table Blessing

Prayer After Communion
Let us pray. Compassionate God,

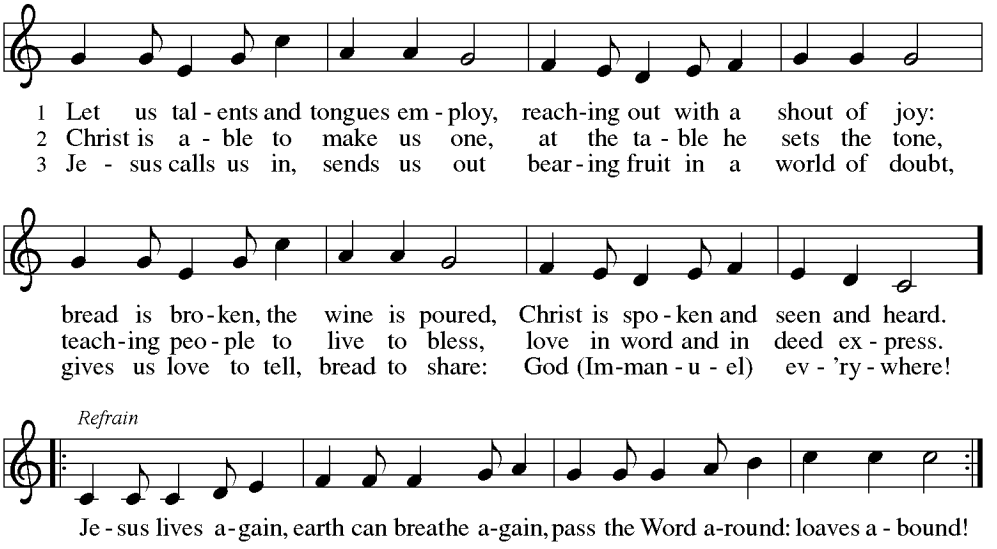
through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever. Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world

Blessing
Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, ☩ one God,
bless, heal, and hold you today and always. **Amen.**

Sending Hymn ***"Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"*** *ELW #674*



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Music: LINSTEAD, Jamaican folk tune; adapt. Doreen Potter, 1925–1980
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Announcements

Dismissal

Heaven has come near. Go in peace, share the good news!

Thanks be to God.

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We gather today on the ancestral lands of the Potawatomi, Ho-Chunk, Myaamia, Očhéthi Šakówi, Kickapoo, and Peoria peoples. We honor and acknowledge the traditional stewards of this land, recognizing their enduring connection to this region. As we come together in worship, let us commit ourselves to respecting their history and culture, and work toward healing and justice for Indigenous communities. May we be mindful of our role in creating a more equitable future for all.

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Serving Today

Altar Flowers:	The Cook Family *In Honor of Eleanor's First Birthday*
Assisting Minister:	Nancy Vandewinckel
Reader:	Jeanne Schierstedt
Usher:	Linda & Kevin Rattle
Altar Guild:	Jan Brandies & Jennifer Dustman
Musician:	Paul Berge
Pastor:	The Rev. Matt James

This Week @ Redeemer

Tuesday:	National Night Out – 5-8pm
Sunday:	Worship – 9:30am

Celebrations this Week

Birthdays: Paul Berge (8/1), Cindy Lieungh (8/3), Bryan George (8/5), Matt James (8/6), Susan Krikau Sorensen & Eleanor Cook (8/8)

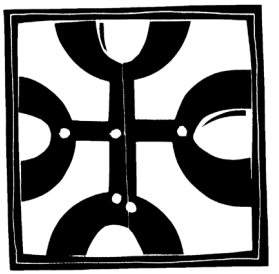
Upcoming Commemorations

Dominic, founder of the Order of Preachers (Dominicans), died 1221
Saturday, August 8, 2026

Dominic was a Spanish priest who saw the wealth of the clergy as a stumbling block for the church, so he formed a movement, the Order of Preachers (commonly called Dominicans) devoted to itinerant preaching and living in poverty.

Texts for Next Sunday, August 9th, 11th Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28; Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b; Romans 10:5-15; Matthew 14:22-33





National Night Out Volunteers Needed!

We are looking for volunteers to help make this year's National Night Out a success on **Tuesday, August 4**.

If you are available to assist with **food service** or **event setup**, please contact **Jessica**.

We are also accepting **raffle baskets** or basket donations to help make our raffle a success. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

Thank you for helping us create a fun and welcoming event for our community.