Misericordias Domini

The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord. Alleluia;
By the Word of the Lord the heavens were made. Alleluia.
Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous!
For beautiful is praise from the upright.
The Preparation

In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Beloved in the Lord. Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

Our help is in the Name of the Lord.

Who made heaven and earth.

I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.
And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

O Almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being.

Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my Office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

The Introit of the Day

Psalm 33:5b, 6a; 33:1, 18–20

|The earth| is full of the goodness of the LORD. Alle- / luia!
By the word of the LORD were the heavens made. Alleluia! / Alleluia!
Rejoice in the LORD, O ye / righteous:
for praise is comely / for the upright.

Behold, the eye of the LORD is upon them that / fear him,
upon them that hope / in his mercy;
To deliver their / soul from death, 
and to keep them a- / live in famine.

Our soul waiteth / for the LORD: 
he is our / help and our shield.

Glory be to the Father and / to the Son 
and to the / Holy Spirit.

As it was in the be- / ginning, 
is now and will be for- / ever. Amen.

| The earth | is full of the goodness of the LORD. Alle- / luia! 
By the word of the LORD were the heavens made. Alleluia! / Alleluia!

THE THREE-FOLD KYRIE

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us.

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO

Glory be to God on high: And on earth peace, good will toward men.

We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee, we glo - ri - fy Thee,

we give thanks to Thee for Thy great glo - ry, O Lord God, heav’n - ly King,

God the Fa - ther Al - might - y. O Lord, the on - ly be - got - ten

Son, Je - sus Christ, O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther,
The Collect
The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

Let us pray. O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
**The Old Testament Reading**

For thus says the Lord God: “Indeed I Myself will search for My sheep and seek them out. As a shepherd seeks out his flock on the day he is among his scattered sheep, so will I seek out My sheep and deliver them from all the places where they were scattered on a cloudy and dark day. And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them to their own land; I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, in the valleys and in all the inhabited places of the country. I will feed them in good pasture, and their fold shall be on the high mountains of Israel. There they shall lie down in a good fold and feed in rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I will feed My flock, and I will make them lie down,” says the Lord God. “I will seek what was lost and bring back what was driven away, bind up the broken and strengthen what was sick; but I will destroy the fat and the strong, and feed them in judgment.”

This is the Word of the Lord.

**The Alleluia**

Alleluia!

The Lord was known of them in breaking of bread. Alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine. Alleluia!

**The Epistle**

Beloved: For to this you were called, because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps: “WHO COMMITTED NO SIN, NOR WAS DECEIT FOUND IN HIS MOUTH”; who, when He was reviled, did not revile in return; when He suffered, He did not threaten, but committed Himself to Him who judges righteously; who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness—by whose stripes you were healed. For you were like sheep going astray, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

This is the Word of the Lord.
Stand  **The Sequence Hymn**  Christians, to the Paschal Victim  Choir: LSB 460

**The Gospel**
The Lord be with you.

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And with thy spir - it.

The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to St. John:

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Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord!

\* At that time Jesus said to the Pharisees, “I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd gives His life for the sheep. But a hireling, he who is not the shepherd, one who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees; and the wolf catches the sheep and scatters them. The hireling flees because he is a hireling and does not care about the sheep. I am the good shepherd; and I know My sheep, and am known by My own. As the Father knows Me, even so I know the Father; and I lay down My life for the sheep. And other sheep I have which are not of this fold; them also I must bring, and they will hear My voice; and there will be one flock and one shepherd. “Therefore My Father loves Me, because I lay down My life that I may take it again. No one takes it from Me, but I lay it down of Myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This command I have received from My Father.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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Praise be to Thee, O Christ!

**The Nicene Creed**  LSB 191

Sit  **The Hymn of the Day**  O Little Flock, Fear Not the Foe  LSB 666

**The Sermon**

**The Offering**

**Voluntary Motet**  A Faithful Shepherd is My Lord  Sigmund Hemmel (c. 1570)

A faithful Shepherd is my Lord, who doth great plenty me accord,
Who leadeth me to pastures green, gives me to drink from waters unseen.
A faithful Shepherd is my Lord, a faithful Shepherd is my Lord.
With loving hands He giveth bread, His gentle Spirit calms my dread;
With health my body He endows, with blessings all my labor crowns.
A faithful Shepherd is my Lord, a faithful Shepherd is my Lord.

On pathways narrow with Him I go; I shun not hardships, fear no foe.
He is my Rod, He is my Staff, true joy affords, my soul doth laugh.
A faithful Shepherd is my Lord, a faithful Shepherd is my Lord.

**The 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.

**The Announcements and the Prayer of the Church**

*After each bid:* Let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

*At the conclusion:* O Lord, heavenly Father, we here remember the sufferings and death of Your dear Son, Jesus Christ, for our salvation. Praising His victorious resurrection from the dead, we draw strength from His ascension before You, where He ever stands for us as our own high priest. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the Marriage Feast of the Lamb in His Kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers, deliver and preserve us, for to You alone we give all glory, honor, and worship, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**
The Service of the Sacrament of the Altar

The Preface

The Lord be with you.

Lift up your hearts.

Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, but chiefly are we bound to praise You for the glorious resurrection of Your Son Jesus Christ, our Lord; for He is the very paschal Lamb which was offered for us and has taken away the sins of the world; by His death He has destroyed death and by His rising to life again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying:

The Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth; heaven and earth are full of Thy glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!
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.

The Words of Christ’s Testament
Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: TAKE, EAT; THIS IS MY BODY, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, DRINK OF IT, ALL OF YOU; THIS CUP IS THE NEW TESTAMENT IN MY BLOOD, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.

The Pax Domini
The peace of the Lord be with you always. Amen.

The Agnus Dei
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God that taketh away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God that taketh away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that taketh away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.
Visitors who have not before received communion from Pastors Petersen or Frese are kindly asked to speak with either of them, or one of the ushers, before approaching the altar for the first time.

The Blood of Christ is offered on the pulpit side from either the chalice or individual cups, but on the lectern side, only the chalice is offered. If you prefer to receive the Blood from an individual cup and you did not sit on the pulpit side, you may cross the aisle.

Communicants are encouraged to take the bottom of the Chalice with a hand to help guide it to their mouths. Children and adults who are not eligible for the Holy Communion may cross their arms, placing both hands on their shoulders, to indicate they would like a blessing at the rail.

THE COMMUNION HYMNS

*The King of Love, My Shepherd Is*  
*Like the Golden Sun Ascending*  
*The Lord’s My Shepherd, I’ll Not Want*  

THE NUNC DIMITTIS

|Lord, now| lettest Thou Thy servant depart / in peace,
|for mine| eyes have seen Thy / Salvation:
|a—| Light to lighten / the Gentiles,
|Glory| be to the Father and to / the Son
|as it| was in the / beginning,
|Glory be to the Father and to the Holy— Spirit;
is now, and will be for- / ever—. Amen.

THE POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good:

And His mercy endureth for-ev-er.

Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift; and we beseech You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
The Salutation, Benedicamus, and Benediction
The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.
Bless we the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Silent Prayer
Soli Deo Gloria

Pastor - The Reverend David H. Petersen
Associate Pastor - The Reverend Michael N. Frese
Kantor - The Reverend Dr. Daniel Reuning
Vicar - Aaron Schultz
Seminarian Field Worker - Nicholas Belcher, Peter Preus
Deaconess Field Worker - Meghan Holst
Altar Care - Janet & Nadia Frese
Elders - Jonathan Busarow, Patrick Casey, Keith Frank, Rev. Benjamin Pollock, Mike Ritzman, Alex Schultz
Dean of Acolytes - Oscar Matter
Instrumentalists - Hildie Felton, flute; Oscar Matter, recorders, saxophones; Rev. Dr. Benjamin Mayes, trombone
The Lord's My Shepherd, Leading Me

1 The Lord's my Shepherd, leading me To pastures newly
   green; Deep flow the waters of His care, His
   mercies unforeseen. He loves me so, He
   leads me to His pastures gently green.

2 My hungry soul He fills again With manna from a-
   love; He sets my footsteps right again In
   pathways of His love. For His name's sake He
   nurtures me With manna from above.

3 Even within the vale of death I feel no threatening
   chill, His rod and staff protecting me, His
   generosity. Aointing me His
   gently strong His hold! He loves me so, He
   protections me, I fear no threat of ill.

4 How He confounds my enemies By richly blessing
   me; His cup of promise overflows With
   chosen one, He richly blesses me.

5 I take my stand forevermore With in my Shepherd's
   fold, Secure in His forgiving love. How
   leads me to His blessings rich and bold.
Like the Golden Sun Ascending

1. Like the golden sun ascending, Breaking thro' the gloom of night,
   On the earth His glory spending So that Lord of Life!
   Death hath now no power o'er us, Thou hast helplessness,
   Though I be by friends forsaken And must Thee were laid;
   Thou hast won for me salvation, On the darkness takes to flight,
   Thus my Jesus from the grave conquered in the strife.

2. Thanks to Thee, O Christ victorious! Thanks to Thee, O con¬quered in the strife. Thanks because Thou didst arise
   And hast opened Paradise! None can fully sing the suf¬fer sore distress, Though I be despised, contemned,
   And by all the world condemned, Though the dark grave yawn be And shall meet Thee in the skies. Death itself is trans¬si¬
   morn¬ing At the early purple dawning.

3. Though I be by sin o'er taken, Though I lie in
   All my sins on glory Of the resurrection story.
   Fore me; Yet the light of hope shines o'er me.
   Tor¬y; I shall lift my head in glo¬ry.

4. Thou hast died for my transgression, All my sins on
   So that Lord of Life!
   Death hath now no power o'er us, Thou hast helplessness,
   Though I be by friends forsaken And must Thee were laid;
   Thou hast won for me salvation, On the darkness takes to flight,
   Thus my Jesus from the grave conquered in the strife.

5. Grant me grace, O blessed Savior,
   And Thy Holy Spirit send
   That my walk and my behavior
   May be pleasing to the end;
   That I may not fall again
   Into Death's grim pit and pain,
   Whence by grace Thou hast retrieved me
   And from which Thou hast relieved me.

6. For the joy Thine advent gave me,
   For Thy holy, precious Word;
   For Thy Baptism, which doth save me,
   For Thy blest Communion board;
   For Thy death, the bitter scorn,
   For Thy resurrection morn,
   Lord, I thank Thee and extol Thee,
   And in heaven I shall behold Thee.
**Congregational Notices**

We welcome you all to Redeemer Church. Members and visitors are invited to meet at the coffee hour, which follows each service.

**Team B**, captain Krissy Lagemann, will be cleaning this week.

**The spring voters meeting** is today at noon in the undercroft. This is the annual budget meeting.

**Women’s Night Out** is tonight at 6:00 p.m. Ladies of college age or older are welcome. Bring a snack to share and your favorite beverage. In addition, we are going to try out having a swap of sorts. Bring books or other items that you are wanting to get rid of and if someone else wants them they can take them! At the end of the night you can take the items nobody claimed home with you or you can load them in Jane’s car and she will donate them.

Next Sunday, April 25, there will be a **potluck** after the 10:30 service, in the undercroft.

On May 20th there will be a **Homeschool Recitation** in the undercroft at 10:30am. Children and Adults are invited to recite poems, bible verses, literature, or songs. Everyone is invited to bring lunch and socialize after the recitation. Please contact Rachel Lent at rachellent11@gmail.com if you are interested.

Last year our **missionary offering** went to support the five Nigerian students studying at CTSFW. Our church will continue financial assistance by supporting the seminary in Nigeria with our missionary offering.

**Project wish list:** There are several projects that the trustees have pending. Each of these needs funding outside of the budget. This list is also posted on the bulletin board. If you are able to help with one of these projects, contact Effie Sheron. (260)414-5652. Thank you to those who have donated funds for the stairwell & landing project & some paint.

Items still to fund: Downstairs bathrooms--paint--$500, plus paint (approx. $150 each.) Bach Room--patch holes in walls and ceiling, paint (multiple coats)--$1512 plus paint (approx $700.) Bach Room Carpet--24X24 Mohawk carpet tile, five transitions, trim edging--$8,840.

**Mark Your Calendars:**

- May 9        Books & Beer
- May 13       Ascension
- May 16       Womens Night Out
- May 20       Homeschool Recitation
Special Prayer Requests: Pastor Petersen; Ed Bohrer; William Wolf; Karen Koons; Nicole Schulert; Terry Stephens; Madeleine & David Herman; Maureen DeLassus; Marilyn Conrad; Bob Heider; Gail Ludvigson; Norma Jean Uffleman; Angie Crouch; Amanda Willets; Juanita Hahn; Ed Snyder; Mark Crouch; Dale Steinke; John & Ele Sullivan; Jim Steinke; Moreah Stuckwisch; Kelly Oliver, Bethany Kranz; Amanda Shemwell; Claire Burgdorf; Britney Petersen; Alice Lagemann; Rachel Lent; Jenna Wietfeldt

Contact the pastors or church office
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This week at Redeemer

Sunday, 18 April          Misericordias Domini
  8:00 a.m.               Divine Service
  9:15 a.m.               Sunday School & Bible Class
  10:30 a.m.              Divine Service
  12:00 p.m.              Voters Meeting
  7:00 p.m.               Women’s Night Out

There are Matins services at 8:30 a.m. Monday through Friday.

Thursday, 22 April
  6:15 p.m.               Individual Confession and Absolution
  7:00 p.m.               Divine Service

Saturday, 24 April
  9:30 a.m.               Questioning
  10:30 a.m.              Matins

Sunday, 25 April          Jubilate
  8:00 a.m.               Divine Service
  9:15 a.m.               Sunday School & Bible Class
  10:30 a.m.              Divine Service
  12:00 p.m.              Potluck

Individual Absolution is offered Thursday evening at 6:15 p.m.
or any time by appointment.

Office Secretary hours: Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 9-12