

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

743 East Magnolia Road, Salina, KS 67401

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Worship Time: Sunday 8:00 & 10:30




Baptism of Our Lord

January 12, 2025

Welcome!

May our hearts be open to our Creator and to one another as we share in worship together.

Worship at Redeemer	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>We welcome you to Redeemer Lutheran Church in the hope that you truly experience God's gracious presence through the joy and celebration of our worship and fellowship together. We are glad that you have decided to worship with us and invite you to join us for refreshments following our service.</i> 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Redeemer is a family friendly congregation, encouraging children and youth of all ages to join us in worship. We are delighted to offer a fully equipped Cry Room located on the north wall of the sanctuary to the far left of the altar.</i> 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Restrooms are located at the west end of our Gathering Space and are wheelchair accessible. If you need a wheelchair during worship, an usher may assist you. We also have hearing devices.</i> 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>If you would like to receive more information about Redeemer or if you desire to be contacted by our pastor, please indicate so as you write your name and contact information in the visitor's book located in the gathering space.</i> <i>Please silence your mobile devices. Thank you.</i> 	
Liturgy is Setting 8	
Altar Guild: Cheryl Itschner & Kris Johanson	
Last week's attendance: in person attendance: On-line only -558	
<p>Pastor: Rev. David Strommen (785)827-8195 (785) 275-2247 mobile phone dstrommen@redeemer-elca.org Administrative Assistant: Volunteers Tuesdays 9am-12pm Office: 785-827-8195 Email: redeemer@redeemer-elca.org Website: redeemer-elca.org</p> <p> Like us on Facebook</p>	<p><u>Music Staff</u> Organist: Ruth Mirtz (rmirtz@redeemer-elca.org) Choir & Bell Choir Director: Ann Metcalfe</p>

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I'VE GOT PEACE LIKE A RIVER

TFF 258

1 I've got peace like a riv - er, I've got peace like a riv - er,
2 I've got joy like a foun-tain, I've got joy like a foun-tain,
3 I've got love like an o - cean, I've got love like an o - cean,

I've got peace like a riv - er in my soul;
I've got joy like a foun-tain in my soul;
I've got love like an o - cean in my soul;

I've got peace like a riv - er, I've got peace like a riv - er,
I've got joy like a foun-tain, I've got joy like a foun-tain,
I've got love like an o - cean, I've got love like an o - cean,


I've got peace like a riv - er in my soul.
I've got joy like a foun-tain in my soul.
I've got love like an o - cean in my soul.

Text: traditional
Music: PEACE LIKE A RIVER, African American spiritual


I'VE JUST COME FROM THE FOUNTAIN

WOV 696


Refrain




I've just come from the foun-tain, I've just come from the foun-tain, Lord, I've



just come from the foun-tain, his name's so sweet. O Lord, I've sweet.



1 O broth - er, do you love Je - sus? Yes, yes, I do love my Je - sus.
2 O sis - ter, do you love Je - sus? Yes, yes, I do love my Je - sus.
3 O sin - ner, do you love Je - sus? Yes, yes, I do love my Je - sus.



Broth - er, do you love Je - sus? His name's so sweet. O Lord, I've
Sis - ter, do you love Je - sus? His name's so sweet. O Lord, I've
Sin - ner, do you love Je - sus? His name's so sweet. O Lord, I've

Text: African American spiritual
Music: HIS NAME SO SWEET, African American spiritual

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

The assembly stands. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

In the name of the Father,
and of the ✝ Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The presiding minister addresses the assembly.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,
we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness.
Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister gives thanks.

We give you thanks, O God,
for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters
and by your Word you created the world,
calling forth life in which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah
and his family.

Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery
into freedom.

At the river your Son was baptized by John and
anointed with the Holy Spirit.

By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and
sons,
making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life,

and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ.

Shower us with your Spirit,
and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise
through Jesus Christ our Lord
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

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.

KYRIE

Refrain

Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.

Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.

Keep all who are born of water and the Spirit faithful in your service, that we may rejoice to be called children of God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

First Reading: Isaiah 43:1-7

¹ But now thus says the LORD,
he who created you, O Jacob,
he who formed you, O Israel:

Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;
I have called you by name, you are mine.

² When you pass through the waters, I will be with
you;
and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm

you;
when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,
and the flame shall not consume you.

³ For I am the LORD your God,
the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.
I give Egypt as your ransom,
Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you.

⁴ Because you are precious in my sight,

and honored, and I love you,
I give people in return for you,
nations in exchange for your life.
⁵ Do not fear, for I am with you;
I will bring your offspring from the east,
and from the west I will gather you;
⁶ I will say to the north, “Give them up,”
and to the south, “Do not withhold;
bring my sons from far away
and my daughters from the end of the earth—
⁷ everyone who is called by my name,
whom I created for my glory,
whom I formed and made.”

Psalm: Psalm 29

The voice of the LORD is upon the waters. (Ps. 29:3)

¹ Ascribe to the | LORD, you gods,
ascribe to the LORD glo- | ry and strength.
² **Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due God’s name;
worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness.**
³ The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God
of | glory thunders;
the LORD is upon the | mighty waters.
⁴ **The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice;**

the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor. R

⁵ The voice of the LORD breaks the | cedar trees;
the LORD breaks the ce- | dars of Lebanon;

⁶ **the LORD makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,
and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.**

⁷ The voice | of the LORD
bursts forth in | lightning flashes.

⁸ **The voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;
the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh. R**

⁹ The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe
and strips the | forests bare.

And in the temple of the LORD all are | crying,
“Glory!”

¹⁰ **The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;
the LORD sits enthroned as king for- | evermore.**

¹¹ O LORD, give strength | to your people;
give them, O LORD, the bless- | ings of peace. R

Second Reading: Acts 8:14-17

¹⁴ Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. ¹⁵ The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit ¹⁶ (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord

Jesus). ¹⁷ Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al-le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

The reading opens with questions about the identity of the Messiah. John the Baptist insists that he is not the Messiah; instead he points ahead to one who is coming. And whether the voice of God was heard by all or only by Jesus, God settles the matter: Jesus is God's beloved Son.

¹⁵ As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, ¹⁶ John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one

who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.¹⁷ His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

²¹ Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened,²² and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, “You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.”

SERMON

PASTOR DAVID

BAPTIZED AND SET FREE

ELW 453



1 We are peo - ple cre - at - ed, cho - sen by God.
2 We are fed and we're nour - ished, filled and re - freshed.
3 We are nour - ished by wa - ter, all liv - ing things,
4 Now with praise and thanks - giv - ing, we join the song.



Then we're washed, ev - er gent - ly, in mer - cy and love.
Then our hun - ger re - turns and a - gain we are blessed.
and by life that the Spir - it a - bun - dant - ly brings.
All are wel - come! We gath - er to sing loud and strong.



Sin has pow - er no more. Je - sus o - pened the door
For what - ev - er the need, God is great - er in - deed:
As we jour - ney toward home, may your pres - ence be known:
Not en - slaved, but set free! From now on, all will be



to a foun - tain bring - ing heal - ing, and whole - ness and more.
end - less o - cean, al - ways deep - er than all of our need.
pre - cious riv - er, ev - er - flow - ing, now car - ry us home.
one in Je - sus, one in wa - ter, bap - tized and set free!

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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.

Prayers of Intercession

The prayers are prepared locally for each occasion. The following examples may be adapted or used as appropriate.

With the Spirit of Christ shining upon us, let us boldly pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

You call us by name and form us. We give thanks for the gift of baptism. Nurture the baptized and equip people sent to proclaim the good news, especially Young Adults in Global Mission and international congregations. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Your voice sounds over the waters. Speak words of healing over the rivers and lakes, seas and oceans (*local bodies of water may be named*). Heeding your voice, lead us to care for water, and the land and creatures it nourishes. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

You give strength to your people. Uphold all who serve the common good. Guide federal and state legislators, city and county officials, judges and juries. Strengthen our resolve to serve all in need. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

You are with us in challenging times. Draw near to all who are ill, undergoing treatment, or recovering from surgery (*especially*). Accompany individuals and families affected by addiction or mental health challenges. Uphold each person as your beloved. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

You draw us into community. Embolden ministries of racial reconciliation, nurture work on behalf of immigrants and refugees, and equip each to use their gifts for the sake of neighbors near and far. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

You grant us peace. Comfort all who grieve. Dwell with us in this life and, at the last, join us with the saints whom you have created, formed, and named. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

We entrust our prayers to you, O God, in the sure and certain hope that your promise is revealed among the people.

Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

† MEAL †

OFFERING

OFFERING PRAYER

God of grace, your love reaches to the heavens, and your abundance to the depths of the seas. Bless what we offer to your service: our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts.

Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity, now and always.

Amen.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

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,
 that we should at all times and in all places
 give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful
 God,
 ...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:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
 heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -
 san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -
 est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

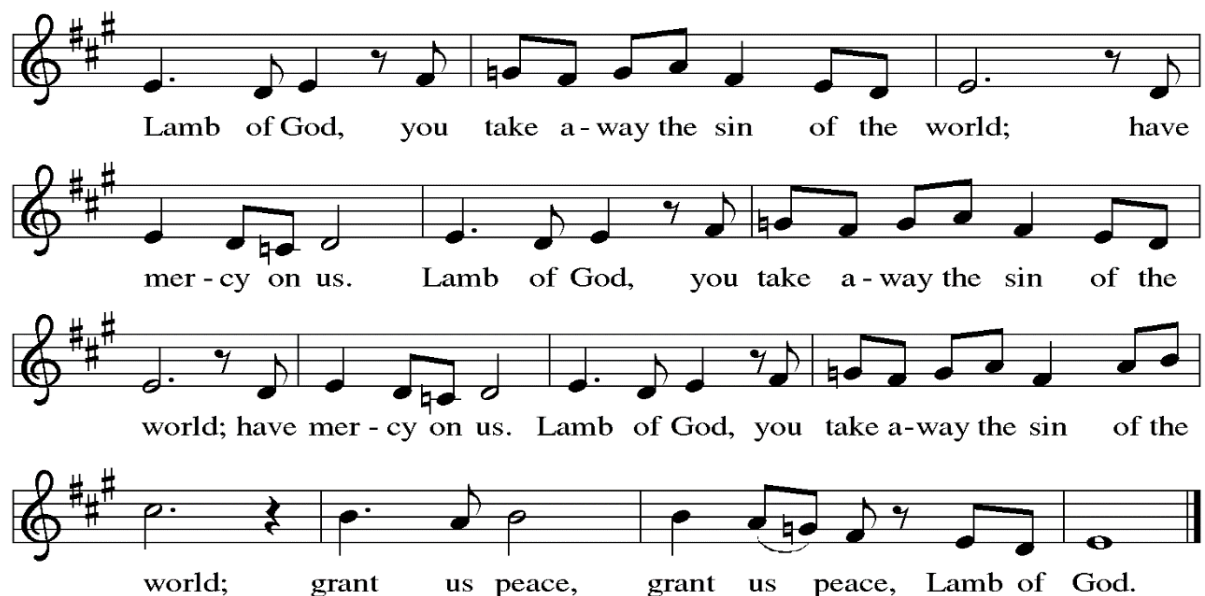
WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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

COMMUNION SONG



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Nourishing God, at this table you have refreshed us with holy gifts of food and drink.

Strengthen us for service, and send us out to embody your good news of liberation and healing for the sake of the world. In the name of Christ we pray,

Amen.

† SENDING †

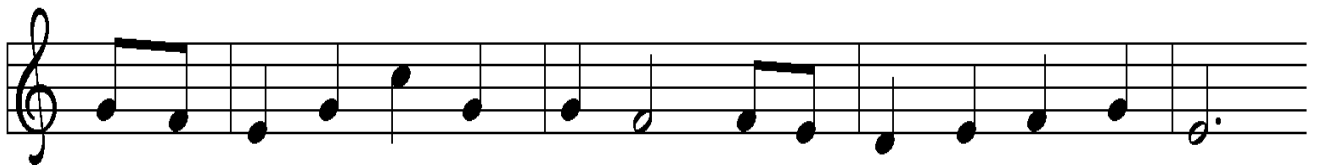
BLESSING

The Spirit of the triune God ✠ bless you with joy, anoint you with compassion, and send you in love.

Amen.

WE ARE BAPTIZED IN CHRIST JESUS

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- 1 We are bap-tized in Christ Je - sus, we are bap - tized in his death;
- 2 In the wa - ter and the wit-ness, in the break-ing of the bread,
- 3 Glo-ry be to God the Fa - ther, glo - ry be to Christ the Son,



that as Christ is raised vic - to - rious, we might live a brand new life.
in the wait - ing arms of Je - sus who is ris - en from the dead,
glo - ry to the Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er three and ev - er one;



And if we have been u - nit - ed in a dread - ful death like his,
God has made a new be - gin - ning from the ash - es of our past;
as it was in the be - gin - ning, glo - ry now re - sounds a - gain



we will all be re - u - nit - ed, for he lives.
in the los - ing and the win - ning we hold fast.
in a song that has no end - ing. . . . A - men.

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Live in hope.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Please join us in the fellowship for refreshments and
fellowship.

Announcements

Flowers are given today by Grant & Kris Johanson in honor of their daughter Katie's birthday which was January 6th.

Poinsettias may be taken home. They are on the tables in the Magnolia room (by the old kitchen.)

Today is Second Sunday Sunday School at 9:30. We will do our Epiphany ring so bring an item to help decorate the spiral – a special rock, stuffed animal or toy. This is open to all youth of the church. We will also be lifting up the blessing box during both services.

Our annual meeting will be next Sunday, January 19th. We will have only **one service at 9:30** with a potluck bunch (Council will bring main dish everyone else bring sides) and then the meeting to past the budget.

We are in need of a couple willing volunteers to help with some open positions in the church. First, we need 1-2 people to serve as financial secretary. Joe Plumer is retiring after decades of serving in this position. Mike Ramage is continuing so will offer training. This job involves collecting the offering on Sundays, recording it and depositing the money.

Second, we need a volunteer to do the monthly newsletter. Mary Mertz has done this the past two years with the help of Kris Johanson. Mary is willing to train. This position requires 10-12 hours/month, mostly at the end of the month to do.

Souper Bowl of Hope will be coming soon. Collection of cash/food donations will be at all 3 Dillons locations on Saturday and Sunday Jan 25 – Saturday Feb 8. See the January newsletter for complete details.

Guys meets this Tuesday January 14 at 5:30 at Ya-Ya’s. This is open to all men (young and old) of the church and their friends.

Souper Sisters will meet January 21 at Longhorn Steak House.

This Week at Redeemer		
Sunday (12 th)	8:00 10:30 10:30	Worship in person and on-line Worship in person and on-line Fellowship
Tuesday (14 th)	9:00 – 2:00 5:30	Office open Guys at Ya-Ya’s
Wednesday (15 th)	5:30	Godly Play/Connect
Thursday (16 th)	9:30	Silver Needles Sew-in
Sunday(19 th)	9:30 10:30	Worship in person and on-line Annual Meeting/Pot-luck

Douglas Strohmer (Brother-in-law of Wally Koers)
Sandra Anderson (Daughter-in-law of Cecelia Anderson)
Eva Decker (Friend of Mary Mertz)
Dina Tannous Vega and family and friends of Hope Lutheran
Church in Ramallah (Friend of Mary Bridges)
Susan Burklund (Kathy Heinrich's sister)
Mike Holmes (Nancy McDonald's Brother-in-law)
Marty Becker (Friend of Scott and Cheryl Itschner)
Tanner Conrad (Friend of Kyle & Eugene Hale-Hanson)
Donnie Butrea (Friend of Kyle & Eugene Hale-Hanson)
Jerome Herrman (Nephew of Charlotte & Dave Herrman)
Janie Morris (friend of Mary Mertz)
Patricia Beaver (friend of Carol Keeler and Mary Mertz)
Kristy McGrath (Co-worker of Steve and Shellee Callahan)
Zach Swanson (Grandson of Sandi and Tom Drown)
Carissa Carlson (Niece of Tim and Anna Prockish)
Brenda Busch (Aunt of Jon Stohs)
Rich Novotne (Brother of Anita Hartley)
Dannie Tillberg, (Friend of Mary Shaffer)
Christal Lantz (Friend of Mary Shaffer)
Keith Smith (Husband of Debbie Smith)
Bryan & Therese Sisler (Brother & Sister-in-law of Kathy
Lowman & Diane Conover)
Echternkamp Family (Friends of Viv & Jim Cook)
Judy Bloyd (Former member & friend of Denise Dusin)
Randall Cunningham (Cousin of Anna Prockish)
Crystal Kubar (Diane Conover's stepdaughter)

Joann Singer (Mother of Carol Kuhlman)
Carrie Ryan Wilson (Friend of Mary Shaffer)
Phil Rankin (Father of David Rankin)
Tisha Berns (Friend of Mary Shaffer)
Dean Yantes (Brother to Jean Sedo)
Wilma Beckman (Mother to Susan Ramage)
Frank Ewing (Family friend to Nancy McDonald)
Melinda Melhus (Family friends to Nancy McDonald, Aunt of
Spencer Melhus)
Jeni Blair (Friend of CeCelia Anderson)
Beverly Alstatt (Craig Alstatt's mother)

MILITARY & AMERICORPS

Gavynn West, US Air Force, Omaha, NE (Nephew of Shellee
Callahan)
Tanner Gibson (Great-nephew to Cecelia Anderson)
Eric Blomberg, USS Laboon, (Nephew of Mary Shaffer)