



**Redeemer Lutheran Church**

**The Baptism of Our Lord**

**Family of Believers** Thursday, January 7, 2021 – 6:00 pm  
HEBREWS 12:1-3 **Eyes ON Jesus** Sunday, January 10, 2021 – 10:45 am

**Grow In Christ ♦ SHARE HIS LOVE ♦ Encourage**

**Our Mission Statement:** *“As Christians based on the solid foundation of God’s Word, empowered by the Holy Spirit we strive to live out, lift up, and share our faith in Jesus Christ – welcoming all into our Family of Believers.”*

**Values:**  
 Truth, Prayer, Family of Believers, Teaching, Community Engagement, Healing/Caring, Joy

**THEME:** 2020 challenged many of our identities. Some lost jobs. Some lost gatherings that were a big part of who you were. This year there will be much that competes to define who you are. Who are you? We start this year at the font! We start this year grounded in identity! With Jesus at the Center, we have identity! I am no longer a slave to fear - I am a child of God!

**CONNECT CARDS:** During this COVID time, we ask that EVERYONE who worships to please fill out the Connect Card and drop it into the Little House located in the Narthex as you leave. Thank you.

**MASKS:** Please remember that masks are to be worn over your nose and mouth at all times while you are in the building. Thank you!

**+ We Come Into God’s Presence +**

(\*) *Those who are able are asked to stand during these parts of the Service.*

## **OPENING PRAYER**

(\*) **CALL TO WORSHIP** *(Please stand.)*

P: We begin our service today at the font where God claimed us as His children

C: **And united us together as brothers and sisters in Christ, a Family of Believers**

P: As a Family of Believers we start each service with the triune name of God spoken over us in our baptism.

C: **As a family we make our beginning in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

(\*) **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

P: In our baptism God has claimed us and given us the identity of Child of God.

C: **And yet often we define ourselves by what we have or don't have. By our failures or our successes. By what others say or think and forget our identity as your Child. We make these things more important than who we are in you!**

P: Today we confess our sin and our searching for purpose, meaning and identity apart from you!

*(Silent Confession)*

P: "For our sake He made Him to be sin who Knew no sin, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God" (2 Cor 5:21). We are not defined by our worst moment or our best moment. We are defined by the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus! You are a forgiven and loved child of God!

C: **Amen!** *(Please be seated.)*

## **MUSICAL REFLECTION**

*(LSB 594, st. 1)*

*God's own child, I gladly say it: I am baptized into Christ!*

*He, because I could not pay it, Gave my full redemption price.*

*Do I need earth's treasures many? I have one worth more than any*

*That brought me salvation free Lasting to eternity!*

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**+ God Speaks to Us +**

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

L: The Epistle is from Romans, chapter six.

<sup>1</sup> What shall we say, then? Shall we go on sinning so that grace may increase? <sup>2</sup> By no means! We are those who have died to sin; how can we live in it any longer? <sup>3</sup> Or don't you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? <sup>4</sup> We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.

<sup>5</sup> For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly also be united with him in a resurrection like his. <sup>6</sup> For we know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body ruled by sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin — <sup>7</sup> because anyone who has died has been set free from sin.

<sup>8</sup> Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. <sup>9</sup> For we know that since Christ was raised from the dead, he cannot die again; death no longer has mastery over him. <sup>10</sup> The death he died, he died to sin once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God.

<sup>11</sup> In the same way, count yourselves dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus.  
*Romans 6:1-11 NIV*

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.** (*Please stand.*)

## (\*) HOLY GOSPEL

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.

C: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>4</sup> And so John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. <sup>5</sup> The whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem went out to him. Confessing their sins, they were baptized by him in the Jordan River. <sup>6</sup> John wore clothing made of camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. <sup>7</sup> And this was his message: "After me comes the one more powerful than I, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. <sup>8</sup> I baptize you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

<sup>9</sup> At that time Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. <sup>10</sup> Just as Jesus was coming up out of the water, he saw

heaven being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. <sup>11</sup> And a voice came from heaven: "You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased."

*Mark 1:4-11 NIV*

**P:** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C:** **Praise to You, O Christ.** *(Please be seated.)*

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

#### MUSICAL REFLECTION

*Baptized into Your name most holy,  
O Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,  
I claim a place, though weak and lowly,  
Among Your saints, Your chosen host.  
Buried with Christ and dead to sin,  
Your Spirit now shall live within.*

(LSB 590, sts. 1 & 4)

*All that I am and love most dearly—  
Receive it all, O Lord, from me.  
Let me confess my faith sincerely;  
Help me Your faithful child to be!  
Let nothing that I am or own  
Serve any will but Yours alone.*

**PASTOR'S MESSAGE** "New Year – Same Identity" – Mark 1:4-11

**+ We Respond To God's Word +**

**(\*) OFFERTORY - THANK THE LORD** *(spoken)*

**All:** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done.

**Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.**

**He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy  
with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.**

**(\*) PRAYERS**

**P:** For... let us pray to the Lord.

**C:** **Lord, have mercy.**

**(\*) LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father, Lord on heav'n's high throne, most holy be Your name. Your kingdom come, Your will be done on earth, in heaven, the same. Give us this day the food we need; forgiven may we be; into temptation do not lead; from evil set us free. Yours is the kingdom, unto You in grateful love we bow; and Yours the pow'r; Lord, let us view Your mighty presence now. The glory Yours; Your praise be sung by angel hosts and men in ev'ry land, by ev'ry tongue forevermore. Amen.

**(\*) PREFACE**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

**(\*) THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

*(Following the Words of Institution, we will take communion together as a Family of Believers at the same time when the Pastor speaks "Take and Eat...Take and Drink.")*

**(\*) POST-COMMUNION DISMISSAL**

*(Trash bags are available in the pew racks for you to dispose of the Communion packaging. Following worship, please discard your trash bag when you leave the Sanctuary).*

**BAPTISMAL REMEMBRANCE**

*Ruth Elaine Brady  
Annabeth Diane Ferschweiler  
Finley Marie Ferschweiler  
Hazel Ann Fleith  
Eleanor Jaymes Heine  
Collin Victor Hendrickson*

*Paisley Dean Henricks  
Roman Michael Kitzman  
Sarah Grace Koglin  
Etta Arvolene Meaike  
Renley Jo Meaike  
Mary Charis Orton*

*Hannah Faith Potter  
Aubrey Diana Stewart  
Ella Mae Stewart  
Bentley Tommy Strahl*

P: Through your baptism you became a member of God's Family with the title of beloved child. As His holy family we have an inheritance that will never spoil or fade. The question could be asked, how can water do such great things? To which we can answer from the Catechism:

**C: Certainly, it is not just water, but the word of God in and with the water that does these things, along with the faith which trusts this Word of God in the Water.**

P: We have a concrete reminder of our place in God's family because we see, wash with, and drink water each day. As God's children, we have a statement of faith we speak together:

#### **(\*) THE 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence 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 everlasting. Amen. (Please be seated.)**

#### **(\*) BENEDICTION**

P: The Love of our Heavenly Father will continue to bind us together as His sons and daughters, His family of Believers!

**C: And send us out into our community so others can find their identity in Him!**

P: We have seen His glory the glory of the one and only Son of the Father full of grace and truth. All who received Him, who believed in His name, he gave the right to become children of God! In him was life and that life was the light of mankind. The light shines in the darkness and the darkness cannot put it out!  
*(Paraphrase from John 1). (Please be seated.)*

**CLOSING SONG** “No Longer Slaves”

*(The congregation is invited to softly sing the **bold** sections.)*

*You unravel me with a melody  
You surround me with a song  
Of deliverance from my enemies  
Till all my fears are gone*

**Chorus: I'm no longer a slave to fear  
I am a child of God  
I'm no longer a slave to fear  
I am a child of God**

*From my Mother's womb  
You have chosen me  
Love has called my name  
I've been born again into Your family  
Your blood flows through my veins*

**Chorus: I'm no longer a slave to fear  
I am a child of God  
I'm no longer a slave to fear  
I am a child of God (repeat)**

*You split the sea so I could walk right through it  
My fears were drowned in perfect love  
You rescued me so I could stand and sing  
I am a child of God (Repeat)*

*I am a child of God.  
I am a child of God.*

**Chorus: I'm no longer a slave to fear  
I am a child of God  
I'm no longer a slave to fear  
I am a child of God**

P: Today, I encourage you to come, dip your finger in the waters of the font, make the same sign of the cross upon your forehead and your heart that was placed on you in your baptism to remind you that you are an important, cared for, and saved member of God's Family.

**THE BAPTISMAL FONT** will be in the narthex. You are encouraged to dip your finger in the water and make a sign of the cross as you leave reminding you of your identity as you go!

*(The Ushers will dismiss you. We encourage you to socialize outside following social distance guidelines.)*

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## Weekly Announcements and Highlights

### Special Prayer Opportunities:

#### Health Concerns:

✠ Helen Collopy, Mark Fister, Paula Erickson, Elle Binder, Larry Jobe, Betty Mueller, Jan Walters, Bob Trebble, Olivia Reddick, Kathy Voight, Al Schacht, Sue Wondrasch, Marcia Christensen, Jennifer Pralle, Irene Swenson

#### Receiving Hospice Care:

✠ Eldora Krueger

#### Grieving:

- ✠ The family & friends of Allan Strelow who passed away on December 31, 2020.
- ✠ The family & friends of LaVon Pavek who passed away on January 1, 2021.
- ✠ The family & friends of Doris Mae "Goldie" Golberg who passed away on January 1, 2021.

### Praying for our Family of Believers:

- ✠ Charles and LeeAnna Tomasek, Spencer and Rachel
- ✠ Tom and Gloria Moore
- ✠ Sharon Hoeft
- ✠ Tim and Kristi Rossman, Brandon and Olivia

**PRAYER CHAINS** – If you have a prayer request, call Gail Sim (289-2087), the church office (289-5147), or send an email to Lori Hameister at [littlebitmoo@gmail.com](mailto:littlebitmoo@gmail.com).

### FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

- ♥ In honor Ted Bennett's 87th birthday on January 9.
- ♥ In honor of Arlene Krueger's 90th birthday on January 9.

### NEW MEMBER VIRTUAL CLASS

Join us on **Thursday, January 14, at 7 pm, via Zoom** for our "Welcome to our Family" New Member class. For more information contact Pastor Adam Koglin [akoglin@redeemer-rochester.com](mailto:akoglin@redeemer-rochester.com), call the church office at 289-5147, or visit our website and click "How do I Join" tab in the middle of the page!

### MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR LAVON PAVEK

will be held on Saturday, January 16, at 10 am at Grandview Memorial Gardens in Rochester. All are welcome!

### JOIN US FOR WORSHIP!

Live Stream Worship Sundays at 8 am on:

**Facebook page:** Redeemer Lutheran Church - Rochester, MN

**YouTube:** RLC - Family of Believers

Indoor Worship with Communion: (Sanctuary)

**Thursdays at 6 pm and Sundays at 10:45 am**

### DIGGING DEEPER

- ✠ Join a Life Group or use materials located on the website under the Life Group heading.
- ✠ Adult Education—watch live (or later) on Sundays at 9:30 am via our Facebook and YouTube channels.



### NEW SERMON SERIES

**Title: New Year: Jesus at the Center**

**Description:** Many of us have had a year that we couldn't wait to have it be over. 2020 was a unique year where many of us shared this same desire! There are a lot of classic memes for it too! As the calendar rolls into a new year, how do we stay grounded? How do we start? Let us start the New Year with Jesus at the center!

- Join us in Worship as we start this new year together
- **Join a Life Group!** Check out our Life Group Tab on the website and consider starting the New Year with a group to encourage you!
- **Print the studies!** Each sermon has a specific study that goes along with it. Print them out and do them after church with our Life Group or on your own in your home. Studies can be found under the Life Group tab on website.
- **Dive Even Deeper!** Watch our Adult Education Study led by the pastor they dive even deeper into the weekends theme. 9:30am on Facebook or YouTube.

# This Week At Redeemer

## SATURDAY, JANUARY 9

New Beginnings CC—Zoom—10:00 am

## SUNDAY, JANUARY 10

WORSHIP —Livestream-8 am  
 SS Virtual (Kindergarten—Section 2) - 9:15 am  
 SS Virtual (3 and 4 yrs. - 9:30 am)  
 SS Virtual (Kindergarten/Grades 1 & 2) - 10 am  
 SS Virtual (Grades 3-6) - 11:30 am  
 SS Virtual (Grades 7-12) - 11:30 am  
 WORSHIP—Indoor - 10:45 am  
 Alleluia Singers—1:45 pm  
 Agape CC—Zoom—6:00 pm

## MONDAY, JANUARY 11

Quilters—NFH—8:00 am  
 Emmanuel CC—Upper Rm—6:30 pm  
 Cancer Connection—Zoom—7 pm

## TUESDAY, JANUARY 12

Men's Bible Study via Conference call - 9:00 am  
 Faithfully Fit Forever—SFH—9:30 am  
 Staff Meeting—9:30 am  
 Funeral: Doris "Goldie" Golberg—11 am  
 Youth Board—Zoom—6 pm  
 Trustees—6:30 pm  
 Council—Zoom—7:00 pm

## WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13

Cherub Choir—Zoom—6 pm  
 1st Year Confirmation—Choir Rm—6:15 pm  
 2nd Year Confirmation—SFH—6:15 pm  
 3rd Year Confirmation—NFH—6:15 pm  
 Angelic Chimes—Zoom—6:30 pm  
 Sounds of Praise—Zoom—7 pm  
 Distance Confirmation—ZOOM—7:30 pm  
 Sunday School Ministry Team—Zoom—8 pm

## THURSDAY, JANUARY 14

Faithfully Fit Forever—SFH—9:30 am  
 WORSHIP—Indoor—6:00 pm  
 VBS Team Meeting—Zoom—7 pm  
 New Member Class—Zoom—7 pm

## FRIDAY, JANUARY 15

Library Committee—Library—9:30 am

## SATURDAY, JANUARY 16

LaVon Pavek Graveside Mem.—Grandview—10 am

## SUNDAY, JANUARY 17

WORSHIP —Livestream-8 am  
 SS Virtual (Kindergarten—Section 2) - 9:15 am  
 SS Virtual (3 and 4 yrs. - 9:30 am)  
 SS Virtual (Kindergarten/Grades 1 & 2) - 10 am  
 SS Virtual (Grades 3-6) - 11:30 am  
 SS Virtual (Grades 7-12) - 11:30 am  
 WORSHIP—Indoor - 10:45 am  
 Alleluia Singers—1:45 pm  
 Partners in Christ—Zoom—6:30 pm

### Cancer Connection Meeting Monday, January 11 Zoom at 7 pm

Please join us this next Monday, January 11, for Redeemer's Cancer Connection Meeting, from 7-8:30 pm, via Zoom. This month we will be following up with discussion of the December meeting and exploring new topics for 2021, including, "Building Resilience in Welcoming the New Year"! Please contact Kathy Zarling, Parish Nurse (507-398-7036), or the Church Office (289-5147), if you would like to join the Cancer Connection Group.

## Blessed to Serve

**Preaching** ..... Pastor Adam Koglin  
**Organist** ..... April Beckman, DPM  
**Children's Message**..... Michael Harvey, DFF  
**Elder:** 6:00 pm ..... Scott Feeder  
 8:00 am ..... Tony Fick  
 10:45 am ..... Chad Finley  
**Lector:** ..... Micah Heins  
**Technology:**  
 6:00 pm ..... Tom Werle  
 8:00 am ..... Heidi Diercks  
 10:45 am ..... Tim Rossman  
**Ushers:**  
 6:00 pm ..... Paul Lewis  
 10:45 am ..... Carole Sorenson

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