



## Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Thursday, August 12, 2021 – 6:00 pm

Sunday, August 15, 2021 – 8:00 and 9:30 am

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GROW IN CHRIST • SHARE HIS LOVE • ENCOURAGE

OTHERS

**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

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**THURSDAY OUTDOOR WORSHIP:** Listen on your radio at 92.1 FM.

**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.

**MASKS:** Masks inside Redeemer are optional, yet they are recommended, especially during singing. (\*) *Those who are able are asked to stand during these parts of the Service.*

**OUR THEME FOR TODAY:** Wisdom and Folly. The beginning of Wisdom. The goal of Wisdom. The journey of Wisdom. The Person of Wisdom. Do you know someone who is wise? Ever wonder how we can grow in wisdom? Let's journey through this together.

**+ We Come Into God's Presence +**

**GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**(\*) OPENING PRAYER**

**OPENING HYMN** "O Word Of God Incarnate" ..... LSB 523

**1** O Word of God incarnate,  
O Wisdom from on high,  
O Truth unchanged, unchanging,  
O Light of our dark sky:  
We praise You for the radiance  
That from the hallowed page,  
A lantern to our footsteps,  
Shines on from age to age.

**2** The Church from You, dear Master,  
Received the gift divine;  
And still that light is lifted  
O'er all the earth to shine.

It is the chart and compass  
That, all life's voyage through,  
Mid mists and rocks and quicksands  
Still guides, O Christ, to You.

**3** O make Your Church, dear Savior,  
A lamp of burnished gold  
To bear before the nations  
Your true light as of old!  
O teach Your wand'ring pilgrims  
By this their path to trace  
Till, clouds and darkness ended,  
They see You face to face!

**(\*) INVOCATION, CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION** *(Please stand.)*

**P:** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** **Amen.**

**P:** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C:** But if I confess my sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive my sins and cleanse me from all unrighteousness.

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**P:** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C:** **Most merciful God, I confess that I am by nature sinful and unclean. I have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what I have done and by what I have left undone. I have not loved You with my whole heart; I have not loved my neighbors as myself. I justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on me. Forgive me, renew me, and lead me, so that I may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

**P:** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

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

## + God Speaks to Us +

### SCRIPTURE READINGS

**L:** The Old Testament Reading for the Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost is from the ninth chapter of Proverbs.

<sup>1</sup> Wisdom has built her house; she has set up its seven pillars. <sup>2</sup> She has prepared her meat and mixed her wine; she has also set her table. <sup>3</sup> She has sent out her servants, and she calls from the highest point of the city, <sup>4</sup> "Let all who are simple come to my house!" To those who have no sense she says, <sup>5</sup> "Come, eat my food and drink the wine I have mixed. <sup>6</sup> Leave your simple ways and you will live; walk in the way of insight."

<sup>7</sup> Whoever corrects a mocker invites insults; whoever rebukes the wicked incurs abuse. <sup>8</sup> Do not rebuke mockers or they will hate you; rebuke the wise and they will love you. <sup>9</sup> Instruct the wise and they will be wiser still; teach the righteous and they will add to their learning. <sup>10</sup> The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.

*Proverbs 9:1-10 NIV*

**L:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

L: The Epistle Reading is from the fifth chapter of Ephesians.

<sup>6</sup> Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of such things God's wrath comes on those who are disobedient. <sup>7</sup> Therefore do not be partners with them.

<sup>8</sup> For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light <sup>9</sup> (for the fruit of the light consists in all goodness, righteousness and truth) <sup>10</sup> and find out what pleases the Lord. <sup>11</sup> Have nothing to do with the fruitless deeds of darkness, but rather expose them. <sup>12</sup> It is shameful even to mention what the disobedient do in secret. <sup>13</sup> But everything exposed by the light becomes visible—and everything that is illuminated becomes a light. <sup>14</sup> This is why it is said: "Wake up, sleeper, rise from the dead, and Christ will

shine on you."

<sup>15</sup> Be very careful, then, how you live —not as unwise but as wise, <sup>16</sup> making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil.

<sup>17</sup> Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord's will is.

<sup>18</sup> Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit, <sup>19</sup> speaking to one another with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit. Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord, <sup>20</sup> always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>21</sup> Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ. *Ephesians 5:6-21 NIV*

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

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

**(\*) RESPONSE**

*(LSB 578, st. 4)*

**From the cross Thy wisdom shining  
Breaketh forth in conqu'ring might;  
From the cross forever beameth  
All Thy bright redeeming light.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send!  
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!**

**(\*) GOSPEL READING**

L: The Holy Gospel according to John, the sixth chapter.

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

<sup>51</sup> I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world."

<sup>52</sup> Then the Jews began to argue sharply among themselves, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?"

<sup>53</sup> Jesus said to them, "Very truly I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. <sup>54</sup> Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise them up at the last day. <sup>55</sup> For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. <sup>56</sup> Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me, and I in them. <sup>57</sup> Just as the living Father sent me and I live because of the Father, so the one who feeds on me will live because of me. <sup>58</sup> This is the bread that came down from heaven. Your ancestors ate manna and died, but whoever feeds on this bread will live forever." <sup>59</sup> He said this while teaching in the synagogue in Capernaum.

<sup>60</sup> On hearing it, many of his disciples

said, "This is a hard teaching. Who can accept it?"

<sup>61</sup> Aware that his disciples were grumbling about this, Jesus said to them, "Does this offend you? <sup>62</sup> Then what if you see the Son of Man ascend to where he was before! <sup>63</sup> The Spirit gives life; the flesh counts for nothing. The words I have spoken to you—they are full of the Spirit and life. <sup>64</sup> Yet there are some of you who do not believe." For Jesus had known from the beginning which of them did not believe and who would betray him. <sup>65</sup> He went on to say, "This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless the Father has enabled them."

<sup>66</sup> From this time many of his disciples turned back and no longer followed him.

<sup>67</sup> "You do not want to leave too, do you?" Jesus asked the Twelve.

<sup>68</sup> Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. <sup>69</sup> We have come to believe and to know that you are the Holy One of God."

*John 6:51-69 NIV*

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

**HYMN** "Marvelous Light"

*Chorus:*

**Into marvelous light I'm running,  
Out of darkness, out of shame.  
Through the cross You are the truth,  
You are the life, You are the way.**

**I once was fatherless,  
A stranger with no hope.  
Your kindness wakened me,  
Wakened me from my sleep.**

Your love, it beckons deeply,  
A call to come and die.  
By grace now I will come  
And take this life, take Your life.

Sin has lost its power,  
Death has lost its sting.  
From the grave You've risen  
Victoriously. *Chorus*

*Chorus*

My dead heart now is beating,  
My deepest stains now clean.  
Your breath fills up my lungs;  
Now I'm free, now I'm free.  
My dead heart now is beating,  
My deepest stains now clean.  
Your breath fills up my lungs;

Now I'm free, now I'm free,

Sin has lost its power,  
Death has lost its sting.  
From the grave You've risen  
Victoriously. *Chorus*  
*Chorus*

Lift my hands and spin around,  
See the light that I have found.  
Oh, the marvelous light, marvelous light.  
It's Christ in you. *(repeat)*

*Chorus*

*Chorus*

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**SERMON** "Living With Wisdom" – Proverbs 9:1-10

## + We Respond To God's Word +

**MUSICAL OFFERING** "I Want To Walk As A Child Of The Light" - Jay Kurtz Clarinet

1 *I want to walk as a child of the light.  
I want to follow Jesus.  
God set the stars to give light to the  
world.  
The star of my life is Jesus.*

*Refrain:*

*In Him there is no darkness at all.  
The night and the day are both alike.  
The Lamb is the light of the city of God.  
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.*

2 *I want to see the brightness of God.*

*I want to look at Jesus.  
Clear Sun of Righteousness, shine on my path,*

*And show me the way to the Father.  
Refrain*

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**(\*) OFFERTORY**

*(W&P 13)*

**Our God is an awesome God, He reigns from heaven above  
With wisdom, Pow'r, and love – Our God is an awesome God!  
Our God is an awesome God, He reigns from heaven above  
With wisdom, Pow'r, and love – Our God is an awesome God!  
Our God is an awesome God! Our God is an awesome God!**

**(\*) 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.**

**(\*) PRAYERS** *(Please stand.)*

**P:** Lord in your mercy,

**C:** Hear our prayer.

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

**All: 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.**

**+ God Serves Us His Holy Meal +**

**(\*) 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. Please discard your trash bag when leaving the Sanctuary after worship).*

**+ God Sends Us Forth to Serve and Proclaim +**

**(\*) BENEDICTION**

**P:** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon with favor and give you peace.

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

**CLOSING HYMN** "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" ..... LSB 802

**1** Immortal, invisible,  
God only wise,  
In light inaccessible  
hid from our eyes,  
Most blessèd, most glorious,  
the Ancient of Days,  
Almighty, victorious,  
Thy great name we praise.

**2** Unresting, unhasting,  
and silent as light,  
Nor wanting, nor wasting,  
Thou rulest in might;

Thy justice like mountains  
high soaring above  
Thy clouds which are fountains  
of goodness and love.

**3** To all life Thou givest—  
to both great and small—  
In all life Thou livest,  
the true Life of all;  
We blossom and flourish  
as leaves on the tree  
And wither and perish—  
but naught changes Thee.

**4 Great Father of glory,  
pure Father of light,  
Thine angels adore Thee,  
all veiling their sight;**

**All laud we would render:  
O help us to see  
'Tis only the splendor  
of light that hides Thee.**

# Redeemer Lutheran Church

## JOIN US FOR WORSHIP AND BIBLE STUDY!

### JOIN US FOR WORSHIP!

**Live Stream Worship Sundays at 8 am on:**

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

**YouTube:** RLC - Family of Believers

**Summer Outdoor Worship : Thursdays** at 6:00 pm

**Summer Indoor Worship: Sundays** at 8:00 & 9:30 am

### DIGGING DEEPER

✠ Join a Life Group or use materials located on the website under the Life Group heading. Please contact the church office (507-289-5147) if you have any questions or would like to join a Life Group!

## Weekly Announcements and Highlights

### Special Prayer Opportunities:

#### Health Concerns:

✠ Bernie and Ellie Nesler, Kermit Bormann, Gary Hasley, Orrin Kuhn, Craig Nelson, Dot Sprenger, John Sprenger, Glenn Dicke, David Schulz, Larry Meverden, Mary Frances Burton, Mike Sonnabend, Todd Zmina, Darlene Rolf, Luanne Kraus, Tammy Konicek, David Hein, Gloria Nihart, Joann Karges, Gloria Poch, Erin Harvey, Deanna Hartson, Marilyn Clemonson

#### Receiving Hospice Care:

✠ Eldora Krueger

#### Courage:

✠ for fellow Christians living in persecution in many parts of the world.

#### Grieving:

✠ Dave Galanits and his family upon the recent death of his mother.  
✠ Glenn and Jan Dicke upon the recent death of their Godson, Gerald Dicke.

### Praying for our Family of Believers:

✠ Mike and Becca Tveten, Alyvia, Myia and Ava  
✠ Terri Swihart  
✠ Bonnie Szurgot  
✠ Stan and Jan Czaplowski

**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 :

[rlcprays4u@gmail.com](mailto:rlcprays4u@gmail.com)

### FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL

- ♥ Are in honor of Harold “Dutch” DeVries 93rd birthday on August 13.
- ♥ Are in honor of Robert Fitch’s birthday on August 18.
- ♥ Are in honor of Bill Mueller’s 87th Birthday on August 18.



### SUMMER REFRESHMENTS

Light refreshments will be served between services this Sunday, at 9:00 am. **Thank you** to J.O.Y Christ Care group for organizing and serving this Sunday. Proceeds benefit the Redeemer Lutheran Church Work Scholarship Fund.



### CHIME PLAYERS NEEDED!

We are short a few chime players! Please consider joining our group. We will be meeting on the Thursday before we play, which is during both services on the fourth Sunday of the month. So, your time commitment would be one Thursday and one Sunday a month. Questions, please contact Herb Mueller 507-282-7952.



# This Week At Redeemer

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 14

## SUNDAY, AUGUST 15

WORSHIP—Livestream—8am  
 WORSHIP/COMMUNION—Sanctuary—8 am  
 Blood Pressure Screening—PN Office—9 to 9:30 am  
 WORSHIP/COMMUNION—Sanctuary—9:30 am  
 Instruments of Praise

## MONDAY, AUGUST 16

Quilters—NFH—8:00 am

## TUESDAY, AUGUST 17

Men's Bible Study—9:00 am  
 Faithfully Fit Exercise—9:30 am  
 Staff Meeting—10:30 am  
 Accordion Band—SFH—1:30 pm  
 Koinonia CC—6:30 pm

## WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18

Shalom CC—Rm 102—1:00 pm  
 Redeemer Picnic at Slatterly Park—5:00 pm

## THURSDAY, AUGUST 19

Faithfully Fit Exercise—SFH—9:30 am  
 PRIVATE INDOOR COMMUNION—10:00 am  
 Faithful Followers CC—Rm 102—1:00 pm  
 OUTDOOR WORSHIP—6:00 pm

## FRIDAY, AUGUST 20

Library Committee—Library—9:30 am

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 21

## SUNDAY, AUGUST 22

WORSHIP—Livestream—8am  
 WORSHIP—Sanctuary—8 am  
 Blood Pressure Screening—PN Office—9 to 9:30 am  
 WORSHIP—Sanctuary—9:30 am  
 Youth Ministry Team Picnic Mtg.— 6:00 pm

## INTERESTED IN JOINING?

If you are interested in joining our Family of Believers, please speak with one of the pastors or contact the church office by Friday, September 2.



# Blessed to Serve

**Preaching** ..... Pastor Ben Loos  
**Organist**.....April Beckman, DPM  
**Children's Message**..... Mike Harvey, DFF  
**Elder:**  
 6:00 pm ..... Aaron Peter  
 8:00 am.....John Grudem, Brian Fisk  
 9:30 am..... Bryce Beckman  
**Greeters:**  
 8:00 am.....Donna Walters  
 9:30 am.....Lois Norby  
**Lay Readers:**  
 6:00 pm ..... Bob Vehrenkamp  
 8:00 am..... Molly Gommels  
 9:30 am..... Janith Corkill  
**Technology:**  
 6:00 pm ..... Tom Werle  
 8:00 am..... Heidi Diercks  
 9:30 am..... Chris Senne  
**Ushers:**  
 6:00 pm ..... Mark and Joyce Massaro  
 8:00 am ..... Jerry Haack / Mitchell Haack  
 9:30 am..... Mark Fister / Micah Heins

## BLOOD PRESSURES THIS SUNDAY

The Health Cabinet has resumed and nurses are available between services 9-9:30 am each Sunday morning and on one Thursday a month after services.



## HOSPITAL REMINDERS

Family of Believers, please help us to help you during your time of need. If you should find yourself hospitalized, please be sure to:

- 1.) Mention your church/religion affiliation when you are being admitted. Due to privacy laws, we are not able to locate you if you do not share this information.
- 2.) Please have yourself or a family member contact the church office (289-5147.)

Thank you for your help!

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