

Sunday Worship

September 7, 2025 - 9:30am

Redeemer Lutheran Church and School 333 Commerce Street ~ Pensacola, FL 32507

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The Order of Worship

The Prelude

Opening Hymn – No. 427

In the Cross of Christ I Glory

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Scripture Readings

Sermon Hymn - No. 688

"Come, Follow Me," the Savior Spake

Sermon - "Describe Yourself"

The Prayer of the Church

The Offerings

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Distribution Hymns:

- No. 636 Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness
- No. 783 Take My Life and Let It Be
- No. 857 Lord, Help Us Walk Your Servant Way

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Closing Hymn – No. 837

Lift High the Cross

Silent Prayer

<u>Our Congregation's Communion Practice</u>: Visitors who have not received Holy Communion from Pastor before are kindly asked to speak with him before approaching the altar for the first time. We are dedicated to the spiritual welfare of all who partake in the Lord's Supper. Guests desiring to commune, **please speak to the pastor before the service**. Our altar is open to those who share our beliefs, are members of our congregation or sister congregations of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod, and are not under discipline from another congregation.

Those not receiving the Sacrament can cross their arms on their shoulders to indicate they wish to receive absolution at the rail. Lastly, we ask that all members/visitors please fill out an attendance card – noting the communion announcement on the back. Please give the names of those communing.

Introit Psalm 119:28-32; antiphon: v.27

Make me understand the way of your | precepts,* and I will meditate on your | wondrous works. My soul melts away for | sorrow;* strengthen me according | to your word! Put false ways | far from me* and graciously teach | me your law! I have chosen the way of | faithfulness;* I set your just decrees be- | fore me. I cling to your testimonies, | O LORD;* let me not be | put to shame! I will run in the way of your com- | mandments* when you en- | large my heart! 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 forever. | Amen. Make me understand the way of your | precepts,* and I will meditate on your | wondrous works.

Collect of the Day

O merciful Lord, You did not spare Your only Son but delivered Him up for us all. Grant us courage and strength to take up the cross and follow Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament Reading: Deuteronomy 30:15-20

¹⁵"See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil. ¹⁶If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you today, by loving the LORD your God, by walking in his ways, and by keeping his commandments and his statutes and his rules, then you shall live and multiply, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to take possession of it. ¹⁷But if your heart turns away, and you will not hear, but are drawn away to worship other gods and serve them, ¹⁸I declare to you today, that you shall surely perish. You shall not live long in the land that you are going over the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse. Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live, ²⁰loving the LORD your God, obeying his voice and holding fast to him, for he is your life and length of days, that you may dwell in the land that the LORD swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them."

Gradual Psalm 34:9, 19, alt..

Fear the LORD, | you his saints,*
for those who fear him lack | nothing!
Many are the afflictions of the | righteous,*
but the LORD delivers him out | of them all.

Epistle: Philemon 1-21

¹Paul, a prisoner for Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To Philemon our beloved fellow worker ²and Apphia our sister and Archippus our fellow soldier, and the church in your house:

³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴I thank my God always when I remember you in my prayers, ⁵because I hear of your love and of the faith that you have toward the Lord Jesus and all the saints, ⁶and I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective for the full knowledge of every good thing that is in us for the sake of Christ. ⁷For I have derived much joy and comfort from your love, my brother, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you.

⁸Accordingly, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do what is required, ⁹yet for love's sake I prefer to appeal to you—I, Paul, an old man and now a prisoner also for Christ Jesus— ¹⁰I appeal to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I became in my imprisonment. ¹¹(Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful to you and to me.) ¹²I am sending him back to you, sending my very heart. ¹³I would have been glad to keep him with me, in order that he might serve me on your behalf during my imprisonment for the gospel, ¹⁴but I preferred to do nothing without your consent in order that your goodness might not be by compulsion but of your own free will. ¹⁵For this perhaps is why he was parted from you for a while, that you might have him back forever, ¹⁶no longer as a slave but more than a slave, as a beloved brother—especially to me, but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

¹⁷So if you consider me your partner, receive him as you would receive me. ¹⁸If he has wronged you at all, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. ¹⁹I, Paul, write this with my own hand: I will repay it—to say nothing of your owing me even your own self. ²⁰Yes, brother, I want some benefit from you in the Lord. Refresh my heart in Christ.

²¹Confident of your obedience, I write to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

Holy Gospel: Luke 14:25-35

²⁵Now great crowds accompanied [Jesus], and he turned and said to them, ²⁶"If anyone comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. ²⁷Whoever does

not bear his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost, whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, ³⁰saying, 'This man began to build and was not able to finish.' ³¹Or what king, going out to encounter another king in war, will not sit down first and deliberate whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³²And if not, while the other is yet a great way off, he sends a delegation and asks for terms of peace. ³³So therefore, any one of you who does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple.

³⁴"Salt is good, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? ³⁵It is of no use either for the soil or for the manure pile. It is thrown away. He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

Redeemer Lutheran Church Announcements

Today is WEAC Sunday! Please help us support our local Warrington Emergency Aid Center by donating to our monthly door offering. Envelopes and basket are in the back of the church. Your help is greatly appreciated.

<u>Redeemer Monthly Messenger</u> (September Newsletter) available online at: rlcs.cc/newsletter A few paper copies available in the back of church for those who cannot access it electronically.

<u>Camp Dixie Chicken Fry</u> is next Sun, 9/14 from 11am-2pm. Redeemer is responsible for providing at least 5 desserts for the dinners. Please contact Karla Heinicke if you'd be able to provide a dessert – in support of our Lutheran camp. Come on out and join us!

Save the Date: You're invited to Rally Day on Sun, 10/5 from 11am-2pm.

<u>Operation Christmas Child</u> info to come. You can buy school supplies while they are on sale and save until October.

<u>Is anyone interested in joining the outreach committee?</u> We would love to have you join us in sharing God's love with others, please call Cindy Bailey at 850-380-4979.

<u>Birthdays for This Week</u>: September 7:Brett Wilmot 8:Carolyn Johnson, Glen Davis 9:Alexis Linck 10:Gail Russo 11:Jerome Hartley 12:Samantha Constantino

Note: If you do not see your birthday listed above and would like it to be in future bulletins, please write the church office email (found on the back of this bulletin).

Remember In Your Prayers:

This Week: Linda's family, Nolan (screening for diseases)

<u>Family & Friends</u>: Pat Swan who joined the Church Triumphant on 8/25/25, and Bit's mom who joined the Church Triumphant on 8/31/25.

<u>Homebound</u>: Frances Bower, Kathy Cornwell, Diane Drew, Judy Ledford, Tommie & Marjorie Morris, and Sheila Mueller.

<u>We continue praying for</u>: Chris Beck, Ronnie Busbee, Rita Chapman, Bonnie Ehlers, Brenda & Dallas King, Elsie Moody, Teri Patterson, Patsy Pennington, Melodie Rupp, Sherri Stewart, & Sheryl Watson.

Note: Names listed for 3 weeks & then removed unless we receive word to continue praying. Have a prayer request? Email/call the church office with the details by 10am the Wednesday before. Requests received after will not make that Sunday's bulletin. Let us know how those on this list are doing!

This Week at Redeemer:

Sun		Adult Bible Studies in AH & FH / Children's Sun. School in Elem. Bldg Sunday Worship	
Mon	8:30am-11an 11am-12pm 2:45pm-3:15 6pm	n NWEA Testing in AH Geometry in AH pm Little Lambs Church Council in AH	
Wed	8:30am-11an 11am-12pm 12pm-4pm	n NWEA Testing in AH Geometry in AH Setup for Patriot Day in AH	
Thurs	7am 9:30am 10am-11:30a	Men's breakfast Bible study @ The Gathering Patriot's Day Chapel m Donuts and Veterans in AH	
Fri	8:30am-11an 11am-12pm	n NWEA Testing in AH Geometry in AH	
Sat	10am 11am	Men's Study Group of the Lutheran Confessions @ Immanuel Ensemble Practice	
Sun	9:30am	Adult Bible Studies in AH & FH / Children's Sun. School in Elem. Bldg Sunday Worship w/ Little Lambs singing Camp Dixie Chicken Dinner	

Want to see further out? Need more info on events? See...

- the bulletin board in the back of church. Copies available.
- Redeemer's online calendar at: rlcs.cc/calendar

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If you would like to **buy a ground flag or flags** to honor our military and first responders, please fill a form found in the back of church. Cost is \$2 each. Please give completed form and payment to Nora Holler or Cheryl Smothers after church or drop it by the school office no later than this Tues, 9/9.

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Information

Adult Sunday School and Bible Classes @ 8:15am in AH & FH; Divine Worship @ 9:30am

Nursery (with a video feed of the service) is available for use. It is located halfway down the elementary hallway.

Altar Guild Coordinator:	Carolyn Johnson, 850-418-9730
Banner Circle:	Karla Heinicke, 850-456-5687
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LLL Chair:	Tom Little, 207-841-0570
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Men's Bible Breakfast:	Bob Heinicke, 850-748-2983
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Prayer Requests:	Vacant; Call the church office 850-455-0330 x 1
Stewardship:	Roger Casey, 850-902-0681
Youth:	Kristen Wilson, 321-412-4764
WEAC Representative(s):	Karen Callahan, 850-797-0791 & Gail Gardner, 850-341-3729