

F I F T H S U N D A Y I N L E N T
March 25, 2007

We extend a warm welcome to all who have chosen to worship at Redeemer today. Following the service, please join us for coffee in the Atrium. May this time of worship encourage, inspire, and strengthen you for the days ahead. Additional information about worship at Redeemer is included on the back of the service folder.

Words to be spoken or sung by the congregation are indicated in bold type or marked with a **C**; text marked with **P** or **A** is spoken or sung by a pastor or an assisting minister. Please stand or kneel as you are able for the indicated portions of the service. Please lower your kneelers quietly during prayer.

The Order of Worship at 8:15 and 11:00 AM

PRELUDE *Andante sostenuto* from *Symphony Gothique* C.M.Widor
(1844-1937)

G A T H E R I N G

*The Holy Spirit gathers us in unity on the first day of the week,
the day of Christ's resurrection.*

INVITATION TO WORSHIP AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Standing

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- P** In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen**
- P** Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen**
- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Kneeling or seated

- P** Most merciful God,
- C** **we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we 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 us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C O M E S H A R E L I F E

C Amen

SHARING THE PEACE

Standing

HYMN 104

In the Cross of Christ I Glory

RATHBUN

GREETING

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

KYRIE

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.

P For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

P For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

P Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.

SALUTATION

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray. Creator God, you prepare a new way in the wilderness, and your grace waters our desert. Open our hearts to be transformed by the new thing you are doing, that our lives may proclaim the extravagance of your love given to all through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen

The Pastor will collect your prayer request cards as the children are invited to come forward for the children's sermon.

Please let us know you worshiped with us today by signing the attendance register pad as it is passed down your row. As you return it, take a moment to read the names of those seated around you so you can greet them after the service.

W O R D

God speaks to us in scriptures read, sung and preached.

Seated

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Pastor Foss Mike Foss

READING

Malachi 3:8-12 (Page 838)

After the reading

The word of the Lord.

C O M E S H A R E L I F E

☑ Thanks be to God.

Standing

GOSPEL VERSE

GOSPEL

John 12:1–8 (Page 100)

☑ The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twelfth chapter.

After the reading

The gospel of the Lord.

Seated

SERMON

Giving

Pastor Mike Foss

Standing

HYMN 408

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

RUSTINGTON

11:00 - HYMN 474

Children of the Heavenly Father

TRYGGARE KAN INGEN VARA

(Stanza 1)

11:00 - HOLY BAPTISM

Please join us in the liturgy of Holy Baptism, found on page 121 of the hymnal.

Standing

8:15 - APOSTLES' CREED

**☑ I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again 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**

11:00 - NEW MEMBERS RECEIVED

Today we welcome 34 new members into our congregation.

T H A N K S G I V I N G

God's grace and mercy summon us to give thanks.

Seated

GATHERING OF GIFTS

C O M E S H A R E L I F E

ANTHEM*Psalm 126: A Song of Ascents*

Abbie Betinis

The Redeemer Choir

When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, | Then were we like those who dream. |
 Then was our mouth filled with shouts of joy. | Then was our mouth filled with laughter
 and our tongue with shouts of joy. | The Lord has done marvelous things for us, and we
 are glad indeed. | Restore our fortunes, Lord. | Those who sowed with tears will reap with
 songs of joy. | Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, will come again with joy,
 shouldering their sheaves.

*Standing***OFFERTORY****SPECIAL PRAYERS****PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

☞ Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus,
 and for all people according to their needs.

*Kneeling or seated**Each portion of the prayers concludes:*

☞ Lord, in your mercy,

☛ **hear our prayer.***The prayers conclude:*

☞ Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray,
 trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

☛ **Amen****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**

S E N D I N G*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.***BLESSING**

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

HYMN*As Saints of Old*

FOREST GREEN

C O M E S H A R E L I F E

SENDING

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Fugue in G Minor, Op. 7

Marcel Dupré
(1886-1971)

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

All who seek to meet the Risen Christ in the bread and wine are invited to receive Holy Communion at spoken services in the upstairs chapel following today's worship service. Please indicate in the attendance register pad your intention to receive communion.