

What a joy to worship together!

Psalm 100:2

OUR REDEEMER

September 27-28, 2025

# Welcome! You Belong

Welcome to worship at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod.
YOU BELONG. YOU WERE MADE TO KNOW GOD. YOU ARE CALLED TO SHARE HIS LOVE.
Members and guests are invited to complete a Get Connected card, located on the table at the entrance to the gym.

Made to Know Him

#### WE BELIEVE...

...The only absolute truth is written in God's Word, the Bible.
... In the Triune God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; One God, three Persons.
... That God the Father created all things, Jesus Christ is the only Savior of the world, and no one can believe or be saved without the work of the Holy Spirit in our hearts and minds.

...Faith is a gift given through Baptism and strengthened through the forgiveness of sins, especially in the Lord's Supper.

#### HOLY COMMUNION

We believe Christ was clear when He gave the Lord's Supper to His church saying, "Take eat, this is My Body; take drink, this is My Blood poured out for the forgiveness of sins." (Matthew 26:26-29; Mark 14:22-25; Luke 22:14-23; 1 Corinthians 11:17-34) Those who trust Christ at His Word, have examined themselves, desire forgiveness through the Lord's Supper, are committed to the Christian faith and participate in its fellowship are welcome to receive the Lord's Supper. We ask that our beliefs about the Lord's Supper be respected and request that those with questions about the meal talk with a pastor or elder before receiving communion.

When receiving the sacraments, gluten-free wafers are available. Additionally, non-alcoholic wine is located at the center of each communion tray.

Called to Share His Love

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## Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

Wauwatosa, Wisconsin September 27-28, 2025 The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

## Welcome to Worship!

## **Living Hope**

#### Verse 1

How great the chasm that lay between us
How high the mountain I could not climb
In desperation I turned to heaven
And spoke Your name into the night
Then through the darkness Your loving-kindness
Tore through the shadows of my soul
The work is finished the end is written
Jesus Christ my living hope

#### Verse 2

Who could imagine so great a mercy
What heart could fathom such boundless grace
The God of ages stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame
The cross has spoken I am forgiven
The King of kings calls me His own
Beautiful Savior I'm Yours forever
Jesus Christ my living hope

#### Chorus

Hallelujah praise the One who set me free Hallelujah death has lost its grip on me You have broken every chain There's salvation in Your name Jesus Christ my living hope

#### Verse 3

Then came the morning that sealed the promise Your buried body began to breathe

Out of the silence the Roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me
(REPEAT)
Jesus Yours is the victory whoa

## **Ending**

Jesus Christ my living hope Oh God You are my living hope

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#### Invocation

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

#### Confession and Absolution

- The First Commandment is first because "we should fear, love, and trust in God above all things." Let us in true repentance and good faith direct the fear, love, and trust of our hearts and minds "to the King of ages, immortal, invisible, the only God."
- Merciful God, the good fight of faith is fierce, the warfare between our love for You and the temptations of the world around us is long, even never-ending. We confess we have not loved You above all things, we are afraid at many times, and there is nothing and no one on earth worthy of our trust. In You, O Lord, we put our trust. In Your grace and forgiveness, let us never be ashamed. Deliver us in Your righteousness for the sake of our Savior and Lord, Jesus Christ, Your Son.
- Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion, which cannot be moved, but abides forever." By your Baptism into Christ, God has pledged the forgiveness of all your sins and promised the eternal life to which you were called. Therefore, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ⅓ Son and of the Holy Spirit. God be merciful to you and strengthen your faith.
- C Amen.

## **Old Testament Reading**

Amos 6:1-7

Woe to those who are at ease in Zion, and to those who feel secure on the mountain of Samaria, the notable men of the first of the nations, to whom the house of Israel comes!

<sup>2</sup> Pass over to Calneh, and see, and from there go to Hamath the great; then go down to Gath of the Philistines.

Are you better than these kingdoms?

Or is their territory greater than your territory,

- <sup>3</sup> O you who put far away the day of disaster and bring near the seat of violence?
- 4 "Woe to those who lie on beds of ivory and stretch themselves out on their couches, and eat lambs from the flock and calves from the midst of the stall.
- <sup>5</sup> who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp and like David invent for themselves instruments of music,
- <sup>6</sup> who drink wine in bowls and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!
- <sup>7</sup>Therefore they shall now be the first of those who go into exile, and the revelry of those who stretch themselves out shall pass away."
  - **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
  - C Thanks be to God

## **Epistle Reading**

1 Timothy 6:6-19

<sup>6</sup> But godliness with contentment is great gain, <sup>7</sup> for we brought nothing into the world, and<sup>[a]</sup> we cannot take anything out of the world. <sup>8</sup> But if we have food and clothing, with these we will be content. <sup>9</sup> But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation, into a snare, into many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. <sup>10</sup> For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evils. It is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pangs.

<sup>11</sup> But as for you, O man of God, flee these things. Pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, steadfastness, gentleness. 12 Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and about which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. <sup>13</sup>I charge you in the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before [b] Pontius Pilate made the good confession, <sup>14</sup> to keep the commandment unstained and free from reproach until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, 15 which he will display at the proper time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords, <sup>16</sup> who alone has immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see. To him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen. 17 As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy. <sup>18</sup> They are to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, <sup>19</sup> thus storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Holy Gospel Luke 16:19-31

<sup>19</sup> "There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. <sup>20</sup> And at his gate was laid a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, <sup>21</sup> who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man's table. Moreover, even the dogs came and licked his sores. <sup>22</sup> The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham's side. [a] The rich man also died and was buried, <sup>23</sup> and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. <sup>24</sup> And he called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in anguish in this flame.' 25 But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner bad things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. <sup>26</sup> And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.' 27 And he said, 'Then I beg you, father, to send him to

my father's house— <sup>28</sup> for I have five brothers—so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.' <sup>29</sup> But Abraham said, 'They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.' <sup>30</sup> And he said, 'No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' <sup>31</sup> He said to him, 'If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.'"

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God

## **Apostles' Creed**

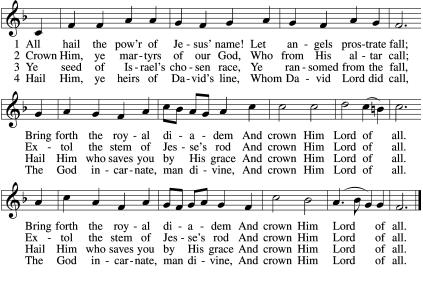
I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

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.

#### 549 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name



- 5 Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget The wormwood and the gall, Go, spread your trophies at His feet And crown Him Lord of all. Go, spread your trophies at His feet And crown Him Lord of all.
- Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe, 6 On this terrestrial ball To Him all majesty ascribe And crown Him Lord of all. To Him all majesty ascribe And crown Him Lord of all.
- Oh, that with yonder sacred throng We at His feet may fall! We'll join the everlasting song And crown Him Lord of all. We'll join the everlasting song And crown Him Lord of all.

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#### Sermon

Preacher: Pastor Steve Smith, Guest Preacher

**Text:** Luke 16:19-31 **Title:** *One Life to Live* 

Do you think about eternity very much? Do you wonder about heaven and hell and how people end up in one place or the other? How do things of the world—money and even relationships—impact salvation? Jesus gives a warning and also a comfort about the paths people walk in this life and what leads to eternal life.

How can we live in the comfort and assurance that eternal life is ours and how can we live that out daily?

- Sin separates us vertically and horizontally
- The results of sin are pain and death
- Jesus' forgiveness comes to us and can then flow to others

## Offering

## Song: Offering

#### Verse

The sun cannot compare to the glory of Your love
There is no shadow in Your presence
No mortal man would dare to stand before Your throne
Before the Holy One of heaven
It's only by Your blood
And it's only through Your mercy Lord I come

#### Chorus 1

I bring an offering of worship to my King
No one on earth deserves the praises that I sing
Jesus may You receive the honor that You're due
O Lord I bring an offering to You
Interlude
I bring an offering to You

#### Chorus 2

I bring an offering of worship to my King
No one on earth deserves the praises that I sing
Jesus may You receive the honor that You're due
O Lord I bring an offering to You
O Lord I bring an offering to You
O Lord I bring an offering to You

## **Ending**

I bring an offering to You

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## **Prayers of the Church**

- P Lord in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.

## 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.

## **Benediction (Aaronic)**

- 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.
- C Amen.

## 670 Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones



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A Look Ahead

#### WELCOME TO WORSHIP IN THE CAFETERIA!

Worship services are being held in the cafeteria during the final phase of our sanctuary renovation. We look forward to welcoming you back to a beautifully updated sanctuary in mid- to late October. Our newly renovated restrooms are located in the hallway at the back of the cafeteria. The skylight restrooms also remain open.

During the weeks of worship in the cafeteria, each of our services (4:30PM on Saturdays and 9/10:30AM on Sundays) will all follow a blended format. Now is the perfect time to explore an alternate worship time. Normally worship at 9AM? Give 4:30PM or 10:30AM a try to help better manage the number people worshipping at any given service. Our move to the cafeteria frees up the gym for Wauwatosa Lutheran School activities.

#### FALL FEST / SATURDAY / OCTOBER 18 / 11AM TO 3PM

Food & beverage vendors include Romero's, Benet's BBQ, Perspective Brewing, Style Pop Cafe, and Kona Ice.

Local artisans include Knot Complicated, Grace Bath & Beauty, LitMKE, Virginia Day Studio, Handmade Cards & Gifts, Hidden Gems, JMW Solid Burns, and Best Ones Barkery. Interested in hosting a car for Trunk-or-Treat? Contact Tammy Ziebell, twintamz@yahoo.com

#### THE PUMPKINS ARE COMING! / SATURDAY / OCTOBER 11 / 3:45PM

Join the fun of unloading the pumpkin truck and decorating our front lawn with lots of orange!

PATCH HOURS: SUNDAYS 10:30AM TO 4PM / MONDAY – FRIDAY 3 TO 7PM / SATURDAYS 10AM TO 6PM

Proceeds from this year's Patch will benefit Journeys Lutheran School as they recover from extensive flood damage.

Two-hour time slots are open to staff the Patch's pumpkin sales. To reserve your time to help unload or to sell pumpkins, sign-up at orlctosa.org. For more information, contact Gail Woods, gwoods214@gmail.com or 414.378.0107

#### THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY / 9:30AM / CAFETERIA

Join Pastor Schroeder for the conclusion of the Gospel of John.
The study of 1 Samuel begins October 2.

#### THEOLOGY IN DEPTH: FAVORITE BIBLE PASSAGES THAT PUZZLE YOU

Led by Pastor Patt / Sundays / 9-10AM / Room 209

## WILL YOU HELP SET UP AND TAKE DOWN OUR CAFETERIA SANCTUARY? SATURDAYS 9-10AM / SUNDAYS 11:30-12:30PM

Volunteers are needed on Saturday mornings from September 12 through October 18 to set up the cafeteria for weekend worship. Volunteers are also needed Sundays, September 13 through October 19 to set up the cafeteria for WLS students during the week. Sign up for September dates outside the gym doors. Thank you for your support as we "worship in exile"!

#### JESUS LOVES THE LITTLE CHILDREN AND SO DO WE!

Families with young children are welcome! For use during worship, activity bags are available inside the gym doors. For those needing a quiet place to feed infants, our Mother's Room is available on the second floor, next to the mailboxes. Additionally, changing stations are available in our newly renovated restrooms on the second floor, under the skylights.

#### PRAISE TEAM IS GROWING!

Do you love singing or playing an instrument? There is a place for you in our Praise Team community. Contact liz.badstuebner@orlctosa.org

#### **CONNECT CARDS**

You are invited to complete a Connect Card. Please fill out one card per family. Cards are available at the cafeteria entrance.

#### **ONLINE & AUTOMATED GIVING OPTIONS**



For your convenience, you are welcome to use the QR code or visit orlctosa.org for your financial gifts to the ministry of Our Redeemer. We thank you for your generosity. "And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work." 2 Corinthians 9:8

#### WHEN RECEIVING COMMUNION...

Gluten-free wafers are available. Additionally, the center of each communion tray offers cups of non-alcoholic wine.

#### MONTHLY QUILTING MARATHON / FIRST SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH / 9AM TO NOON

Join fellow quilters in the Fellowship Hall to help create quilts to be blessed and sent to those in need. No experience necessary

#### **HOST A COFFEE HOUR**

Is your family, group, or organization interested in providing coffee and bakery between services on Sunday? For available dates and more information, contact kirsten.johnson@orlctosa.org.

#### SENIOR PASTOR CALL COMMITTEE

Tim Young Eagle – Chairman, Josh Tice, Mary Irish, Elise Timm, Laura Kohlmeier, Julie Wessel, Rick Raabe, Jim Wrangel

#### NOW IS THE TIME BUILDING CAMPAIGN LOAN OPPORTUNITY

Utilize your financial blessings to further Our Redeemer ministry while achieving financial growth for yourself. Your loan will help to cover remaining costs of our Phase One building project while you earn interest. Contact mark.willer@orlctosa.org or eric.fiele@orlctosa.org for more information.

#### MOMCO WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS & SEEKS CHILDCARE VOLUNTEERS

Childcare volunteers are needed to help care for pre-school aged children during MomCo meetings. MomCo meets twice a month on Tuesdays with the next meeting being September 23 from 8:30 to 10:30AM. If you are interested in supporting our young moms, please contact jnrberg67@gmail.com. And if you are a mom of little ones looking for encouragement and relationship with Jesus, join us at our next meeting on September 23 in the Fellowship Hall. Motherhood is complicated. Mom friends help.

## LWML CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR THE MILITARY THURSDAY / OCTOBER 23 / 10:45AM / ROOM 209

Unused Christmas cards are being collected now through October 11 at the marked bin across from the church mailboxes. All are welcome to join in writing cards on October 23. Lunch will be served. For planning purposes, please sign up at the bins or contact Judy Schumacher at jnjschum@msn.com. Packets will also be available to write from home.

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## **SUNDAY | September 28**

9AM Blended Worship 9AM Theology in Depth - Room 209 10:30AM Blended Worship

## **MONDAY | September 29**

6PM Women's Bible Study - Chapel 6:30PM Building Committee Meeting - Room 209

## **TUESDAY | September 30**

## WEDNESDAY | October 1

6:30PM Praise Team Practice - Cafeteria
7PM Dartball - Cafeteria

## **THURSDAY | October 2**

9:30AM Adult Bible Study - Cafeteria 6PM Women's Bible Study - Media Center 6:30PM Festival Choir Rehearsal - Fellowship Hall

## FRIDAY | October 3

8:30AM Women's Bible Study

## **SATURDAY I October 4**

9AM Quilting - Fellowship Hall 9:30AM GriefShare - Chapel 4:30PM Blended Worship

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