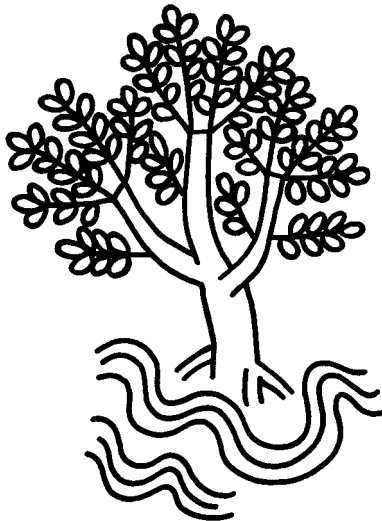


REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

743 East Magnolia Road, Salina, KS 67401

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Worship Times: Sunday 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.



Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 2, 2022

Welcome!

May our hearts be open to our Creator and to one another as we share in worship together.

Worship at Redeemer

- *We welcome you to Redeemer Lutheran Church in the hope that you truly experience God's gracious presence through the joy and celebration of our worship and fellowship together. We are glad that you have decided to worship with us and invite you to join us for refreshments following our service.*
- *Redeemer is a family friendly congregation, encouraging children and youth of all ages to join us in worship. We are delighted to offer a fully equipped Cry Room located on the north wall of the sanctuary to the far left of the altar.*
- *Restrooms are located at the west end of our Gathering Space and are wheelchair accessible. If you need a wheelchair during worship, an usher may assist you. We also have hearing devices.*
- *If you would like to receive more information about Redeemer or if you desire to be contacted by our pastor, please indicate so as you write your name and provide your contact information on the attendance card inserted in the center of this bulletin. **Members and Visitors please fill out an attendance card.***
- *Please silence your mobile devices. Thank you.*

Liturgy is ACS 12

Altar Guild: Tom Mertz & Nancy Harding

Today's organ music is listed at tiny.cc/redeemermusic

Last week's attendance: 58 in person attendance

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† GATHERING †

Seasons of Creation

Creator of All,

From your communion of love your Word went forth to create a symphony of life that sings your praise.

By your Holy Wisdom you made the Earth to bring forth a diversity of creatures who praise you in their being. Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they reveal knowledge.

You called human beings to till and keep your garden. You placed us into right relationships with each creature so that we could listen to their voices, and learn how to safeguard the conditions for life. But we turn in on ourselves and away from our co-creatures.

We close our ears to the counsel of our fellow creatures. We fail to listen to the cries of the poor and the needs of the most vulnerable. We silence the voices of those who hold the traditions that teach us to care for the Earth. We close our ears to your creative, reconciling and sustaining Word that calls to us through the Scriptures.

We lament the loss of our fellow species and their habitats that will never speak again. We grieve the loss of human cultures, along with the lives and livelihoods that have been displaced or perished. Creation cries out as forests crackle, and animals alike flee the fires of injustice that we have lit by our unwillingness to listen.

In this Season of Creation, we pray that you would call to us, as from the burning bush, with the sustaining fire of your Spirit. Breathe upon us. Open our ears and move our hearts. Turn us from our inward gaze. Teach us to contemplate your creation, and listen for the voice of each creature declaring your glory. For “faith comes from hearing.”

Give us hearts to listen for the good news of your promise to renew the face of the Earth. Enlighten us with the grace to follow the Way of Christ as we learn to walk lightly upon this holy ground. Fill us with the hope to quench the fires of injustice with the light of your healing love that sustains our common home.

In the name of the One who came to proclaim good news to all creation, Jesus Christ.
Amen.

All Creatures, Worship God Most High!



- 1 All crea-tures, wor - ship God most high! Sound ev - 'ry voice in earth and
- 2 Sing, broth - er wind; with clouds and rain you grow the gifts of fruit and
- 3 Sing, broth - er fire, so mirth - ful, strong; drive far the shad - ows, join the
- 4 All who for love of God for - give, all who in pain or sor - row



sky: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Sing, broth - er sun, in splen-dor
grain: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Dear sis - ter wa - ter, use - ful,
throng: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Dear moth - er earth, so rich in
grieve: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Christ bears your bur-dens and your



bright; sing, sis - ter moon and stars of night:
clear, make mu - sic for your Lord to hear: Al-le - lu - ia, al-le -
care, praise God in col - ors bright and rare:
tears; still make your song a - mid the tears:



lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia!

- 5 And you, most gentle sister death,
waiting to hush our final breath:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Since Christ our light has pierced your gloom,
fair is the night that leads us home.
Alleluia.

- 6 O sisters, brothers, take your part,
and worship God with humble heart:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
All creatures, bless the Father, Son,
and Holy Spirit, Three in One:
Alleluia.

Text: Francis of Assisi, 1182–1226; tr. composite
Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN, *Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, Köln, 1623
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P. Bless the Lord, all you creatures of the Living God.

C. Bless the Lord, in heaven and on earth.

P. Let us pray. O God, you have made us and these pets and all living things. You are even more wonderful than the things you have made. We thank you for giving us these pets who give us joy. As you take care of us, so also we ask that you help us to take care of our pets who trust us to take care of them. By doing this, we know that we share in your own love for all creation. We ask this in Jesus' name.

C. Amen

First Lesson: Genesis 1:23-28,31a

And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth." So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good.

The word of the Lord.

C. Thanks be to God.

Second Lesson: Psalm 104:24, 27-31

O LORD, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures. These all look to you to give them their food in due season; when you give to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are filled with good things. When you hide your face, they are dismayed; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust. When you send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the ground. May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD rejoice in his works.

The word of the Lord.

Earth Is Full of Wit and Wisdom



1 Earth is full of wit and wis - dom, sound - ing God's de - light - ed laugh,
2 Earth is full of wit and wis - dom, wo - ven in - to har - mo - ny.
3 Earth is full of wit and wis - dom: pen - guin, pla - ty - pus, and snail,



from the ti - ny ro - ly - po - ly to the tree - top - tall gi - raffe.
Ev - 'ry crea - ture has a pur - pose, ev - 'ry flow'r and bum - ble - bee.
cac - tus, sea slug, oak, and al - gae, from the mi - crobe to the whale.



All cre - a - tion sings in won - der; e - ven rocks and trees re - joice
Spi - der, hu - man, red - wood, geck - o, mon - key, chick - en, mouse, and snake
In this great and strange cre - a - tion, with a breath God gives us birth;



as they join the ring - ing cho - rus: ech - oes of our Mak - er's voice.
live with - in a sin - gle fab - ric: cloth that on - ly God could make.
born of soil to live as stew - ards, called to love and serve the earth.

Text: Adam M. L. Tice, b. 1979

Music: HOLY MANNA, W. Moore, *Columbian Harmony*, 1825; arr. hymnal version

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C. Thanks be to God.

P. For all your creatures that breathe and move and have life,

C. We thank you, O Lord.

P. That we may love and honor the works of your hand,

C. We thank you, O Lord.

P. That each pet here may be treasured with care,

C. We thank you, O Lord.

P. Most high, almighty Lord, creator God, yours are the praise, the glory, the honor and all blessings! To you alone do all things belong. Be praised, O Father, for giving us the animals, birds, and fish which fill your world. May we think of you and thank you when we play with them and care for them. Be praised, O Father, for making us so happy to have our pets and to have them to play with. We ask you that we may be good to our pets always, so that they may be happy also. Help us always to take care of our pets so that they will be healthy. Father, your world is wonderful. May we all come into your even greater world of the kingdom of heaven where we shall see even greater things and where we shall all live and love forever. We ask this thought Christ our Lord.

C. Amen

P. As God has blessed you with these pets, so may they be blessed by your love and care. And the blessing of Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit be with you now and forever.

C. Amen

Gospel: Luke 12:22-30

²² He said to his disciples, "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat, or about your body, what you will wear. ²³ For life is more than food and the body more than clothing. ²⁴ Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! ²⁵ And which of you by worrying can add a single hour to your span of life?^[d] ²⁶ If then you are not able to do so small a thing as that, why do you worry about the rest? ²⁷ Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin,^[e] yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. ²⁸ But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you, you of little faith! ²⁹ And do not keep seeking what you are to eat and what you are to drink, and do not keep worrying. ³⁰ For it is the nations^[f] of the world that seek all these things, and your Father knows that you need them.

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The Butterfly Song



If I were a but-ter-fly I'd thank you, Lord, for giv'in' me wings. And



if I were a rob-in in a tree, I'd thank you, Lord, that I could sing. And



if I were a fish in the sea, I'd wig-gle my tail and I'd



gig-gle with glee, but I just thank you, Fath-er, for mak-in' me me!



'cause you gave me a heart and you gave me a smile, you gave me Je-sus and you



made me your child, but I just thank you, Fath-er, for mak-in' me me!

2. If I were an elephant, I'd thank you, Lord, by raisin' my trunk,
And if I were a kangaroo, I'd just hop right up to you,
And if I were an octopus, I'd thank you, Lord, for my good looks,
But I just thank you, Father, for makin' me, me. (Chorus)

3. If I were a wiggly worm, I'd thank you, Lord, that I could squirm,
And if I were a crocodile, I'd thank you, Lord, for my big smile,
And if I were a fuzzy wuzzy bear, I'd thank you, Lord, for my fuzzy wuzzy hair,
But I just thank you, Father, for makin' me, me. (Chorus)

† MEAL †

OFFERING

SPECIAL MUSIC

For the Beauty of the Earth
10:30 service

Choir

OFFERING PRAYER

Gracious God, you bless us with gifts of guidance, new life, growth in grace, and fruitful labor. Accept the first fruits of time and toil, field and orchard we offer here. Bless and multiply these gifts to our nurture and the care of your creation; for the sake of your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

As scattered grains of wheat are gathered together into one bread, so let us gather our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of God's good creation.

We pray for your holy church in every place and for those who serve following the example of Christ (*rostered and lay leaders may be named*). Help them to live by faith and walk by the light of your gospel. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

For parts of the world ravaged by natural disaster (*especially*): relieve those affected by floods, wildfires, droughts, earthquakes, tornadoes, and hurricanes. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

For every nation and for those entrusted with authority: grant our leaders self-discipline in all things, and inspire them with love for your people. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

For victims of violence, abuse, and neglect: heal those who have been harmed and protect those who are vulnerable. For all who are sick (*especially*). God of grace,

hear our prayer.

For this and every congregation: rekindle your gifts within your people, and inspire councils, committees, and individuals to plan and work together that all may know your love. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

In thanksgiving that you have abolished death, and for the saints who have died (*especially*). Bring us all to eternal life with you. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Gathered together in the sweet communion of the Holy Spirit, gracious God, we offer these and all our prayers to you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

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.**

† SENDING †

BLESSING

The peace of God,
which surpasses all understanding,
keep your hearts and your minds
in ☩ Christ Jesus. **Amen.**

For the Wholeness of the Earth



1 We lift this prayer for the whole-ness of the earth. We lift this
2 We turn our lives to the whole-ness of the earth. We turn our
3 Give thanks to God for the whole-ness of the earth. Give thanks to



prayer for the whole-ness of the earth. We lift this prayer for the
lives to the whole-ness of the earth. We turn our lives to the
God for the whole-ness of the earth. Give thanks to God for the



whole-ness of the earth. Can you feel it ris - ing in you?
whole-ness of the earth. Can you feel it spin - ning in you?
whole-ness of the earth. Can you feel it ris - ing in you?

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Music: WHOLENESS OF THE EARTH, Bret Hesla

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POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Note from the President & Treasurer:

Going into 2022 we knew we would have almost a shortfall of \$40,000 of income. As of this time our operating fund is reaching a low balance in a critical zone. Any additional gifts would be highly appreciated to keep us in good standing and to ensure that all bills are paid in a prompt and timely manner through the end of the year.

Please join the Generosity committee on Sunday, October 16 for a potluck brunch following service at 9:30. Despite moving to two services this fall, the committee has requested one service for this week only in order to bring all members together for fellowship and thoughtful reflection on the gifts we have received and the gifts we can share. We will be collecting pledge cards and time and talent information at this event.

*To close out our Season of Creation celebration, we will have a **Blessing of the Animals** service on October 2. Weather permitting, we will worship outdoors, so you may **BRING YOUR PETS!** (10:30 service only - no elephants, please) (If you prefer, you may bring stuffed animals, photos of your pets, or pictures of wild animals)*

Please join us for the “Service in Song” Church Choir Festival 2022! It will be held on Sunday, October 23 at 7:00pm at Assaria Lutheran Church on 124 West First St. in Assaria. There will be a free-will offering taken to benefit the Salina Food Bank and a program of soul-soothing music. You do not have to be a member of the choir to join in with the singing-if interested, contact Ann Metcalfe at annmmetcalfe@gmail.com or (785) 342-9516. Whether you plan to sing or enjoy it from the pews, we hope to see you there!

Wanted: anyone who loves to make a joyful noise unto the Lord! We will be hosting a joint service for Reformation this year with other area churches and are joining our voices together into a choir. You do not already have to be a member of a church choir to join in for this event! If you are interested in singing with us, please contact Ann Metcalfe at annmmetcalfe@gmail.com or (785-342-9516).

This Week at Redeemer		
Sunday	8:00	Worship In Person & Online
	10:30	Worship In Person & Online
	11:30	Fellowship
Wednesday	10:00	Bible Study
	5:15	Education Meeting
Thursday	6:00	Church Council
Saturday	11:00	Rejoicing Spirits
Sunday	8:00	Worship In Person & Online
	10:30	Worship In Person & Online
	11:30	Fellowship

Partners in Ministry

Altar Guild: Tom Mertz & Nancy Harding

<p>Next Sunday, October 2nd 8:00 Greeters: Ted & Barbara Wire Lector: Ted Wire Communion: Charlotte Herrman Sound/Camera: Perry Jurgensen</p> <p>10:30 Greeters: Janet Whitaker & Kahlan Metcalfe Ushers: Joe & Kathy Heinrich Communion: Dan Metcalfe Lector: Joe Heinrich Sound: Kris Neff Fellowship: Johanson</p>	<p>Next Sunday, October 9th 8:00 Greeters: Gary & Sue Mettlen Lector: Denise Dusin Communion: Gary Mettlen Sound/Camera: Perry Jurgensen</p> <p>10:30 Greeters: KC & Lyla Potter Ushers: Joe Plumer & Mike Ramage Communion: Marty Holmquist Lector: Tom Mertz Sound: Mary Mertz Fellowship: Neff</p>
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~ PRAYER REQUESTS ~

For those suffering from illness or in need of healing

MEMBERS: Esther Jording, CeCelia Anderson, Earl Hansen, Family of Wally Koers, Diane Conover, and Paul Willden

REDEEMER FRIENDS:

Zach Swanson (Grandson of Sandi and Tom Drown)

Hayden Ballou (Great-great Nephew of Kathy Lowman)

Georgia Kincaid (Grandmother of Ann Metcalfe)

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Carissa Carlson (Niece of Tim and Anna Prockish)

Brenda Busch (Aunt of Jon Stohs)

Rich Novotne (Brother of Anita Hartley)

Dannie Tillberg, Christal Lantz (Friends of Mary Shaffer)

Keith Smith (Husband of Debbie Smith)

Bryan & Therese Sisler (Brother & Sister-in-law of Kathy Lowman & Diane Conover)

Echternkamp Family (Friends of Viv & Jim Cook)

Judy Bloyd (Former member & friend of Denise Dusin)

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Calvin Martin (Grandfather of Alli Martin)
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Wilma Beckman (Mother to Susan Ramage)
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Doug Karst (Cousin to Charlotte Herrman)
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Doris Grogan (Friend to CeCelia Anderson)
Darrell Betzner (Friend of Scott and Cheryl Itschner)
Raeann Chavez (Friend to Cheryl Itschner)
Quentin Breese (Friend to Cheryl & Dan Metcalfe)
Barb Martin (Friend to Scott Itschner)
Family of a dear friend (Arlene Keil)
Zac Sporleder (Son of Callahan’s coworker)

MILITARY & AMERICORPS

Katy Anderson, US Army, Washington DC (Granddaughter of Rod and CeCelia Anderson)
Spencer Keil, US Navy, Maryland (Grandson of Arlene Keil)
Gavynn West, US Air Force, Kuwait (Nephew of Shellee Callahan)
Tanner Gibson (Great-nephew to CeCelia Anderson)



St. Francis blesses all the animals of the world