

**Redeemer Lutheran Church
San Antonio, Texas**

**August 23, 2020 - Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost
Corporate Confession and Absolution: Pg. 290-291**

NOTE: Offerings will not be received by passing the plate. For now, please place your attendance cards and offering in the plates located at each exit.

Face masks are used to protect those around you.

Please respect social distancing of six (6) feet and no handshaking. Family groups are welcome to sit together. Please sit in designated pews only for bible class and worship.

Please feel free to use the restrooms, one person at a time, and before you leave please use the sanitizing product to wipe down areas used.

Please hum, sing silently, or sing quietly with face lowered as the organist plays the hymns. This protects those in front of you.

Prelude

The Opening Hymn:

“Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service” - LSB # 848

Invocation Litany: Pg 290

The Readings:

The Old Testament Reading is from Isaiah 51:1-6

¹ “Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness and who seek the Lord: Look to the rock from which you were cut and to the quarry from which you were hewn; ² look to Abraham, your father, and to Sarah, who gave you birth. When I called him he was only one man, and I blessed him and made him many. ³ The Lord will surely comfort Zion and will look with compassion on all her ruins; he will make her deserts like Eden, her wastelands like the garden of the

Lord. Joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the sound of singing. ⁴ “Listen to me, my people; hear me, my nation: Instruction will go out from me; my justice will become a light to the nations. ⁵ My righteousness draws near speedily, my salvation is on the way, and my arm will bring justice to the nations. The islands will look to me and wait in hope for my arm. ⁶ Lift up your eyes to the heavens, look at the earth beneath; the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment and its inhabitants die like flies. But my salvation will last forever, my righteousness will never fail.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: *Thanks be to God!*

The Epistle Reading is from Romans 11:33 – 12:8

³³ Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable his judgments, and his paths beyond tracing out! ³⁴ “Who has known the mind of the Lord? Or who has been his counselor?” ³⁵ “Who has ever given to God, that God should repay them?” ³⁶ For from him and through him and for him are all things. To him be the glory forever! Amen.

¹ Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. ² Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will. ³ For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the faith God has distributed to each of you. ⁴ For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these

members do not all have the same function, ⁵ so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. ⁶ We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith; ⁷ if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; ⁸ if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: *Thanks be to God!*

The Gospel Reading is from Matthew 16:13-20

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 16th chapter.

Congregation: *Glory to You, O Lord!*

¹³ When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say the Son of Man is?" ¹⁴ They replied, "Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets." ¹⁵ "But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?" ¹⁶ Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." ¹⁷ Jesus replied, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by my Father in heaven. ¹⁸ And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it. ¹⁹ I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." ²⁰ Then he ordered his disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Congregation: *Praise to You, O Christ.*

Message Hymn:

"Lord of All Good" - LSB # 786

The Message:

"A Pentecost Journey: Through the Service of God"

Congregational Prayers

The 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

The Confessional Address with Words of Institution, followed by Confession and Absolution: Pg. 290-291

Communion Duet:

Carolyn Gisler and Kathryn Gerhardt

Holy Communion:

During the communion duet, the usher will line you up in single file socially distanced in the center aisle. When you come forward to the table set up on the floor level there is a cup with the wafer alongside. Pastor will prompt you for each element. After consuming please return down the side aisle.

The Blessing: Pg 291

The Closing Hymn:

"Onward, Christian Soldiers" - LSB # 662

*** Please take the bulletin home or discard in trash before you leave. ***