

**Redeemer Lutheran Church  
San Antonio, Texas**

**September 19, 2021  
Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost  
Responsive Prayer 1: Pgs. 282-284**

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.

A mask is required to be worn when entering Redeemer. If you pass the temperature check, you are not required to wear a mask while inside the church. However, if you have not been fully vaccinated, or if you have a condition that would make you more susceptible to infection, we recommend that you continue to follow CDC guidelines and wear a mask.

Please sit in designated pews only for bible class and worship.

**Prelude**

**The Opening Hymn:**

“Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty” – LSB # 901

**Invocation: Pg. 282**

**The Lord’s Prayer: Pg. 282**

**The Apostle’s Creed: Pg. 282**

**The Readings:**

**The First Lesson: Jeremiah 11:18-20**

<sup>18</sup> Because the LORD revealed their plot to me, I knew it, for at that time he showed me what they were doing. <sup>19</sup> I had been like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter; I did not realize that

they had plotted against me, saying, "Let us destroy the tree and its fruit; let us cut him off from the land of the living, that his name be remembered no more." <sup>20</sup> But you, LORD Almighty, who judge righteously and test the heart and mind, let me see your vengeance on them, for to you I have committed my cause.

**Pastor:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**Congregation:** Thanks be to God.

### **The Second Lesson: James 4:1-17**

<sup>1</sup> What causes fights and quarrels among you? Don't they come from your desires that battle within you? <sup>2</sup> You desire but do not have, so you kill. You covet but you cannot get what you want, so you quarrel and fight. You do not have because you do not ask God. <sup>3</sup> When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures. <sup>4</sup> You adulterous people, don't you know that friendship with the world means enmity against God? Therefore, anyone who chooses to be a friend of the world becomes an enemy of God. <sup>5</sup> Or do you think Scripture says without reason that he jealously longs for the spirit he has caused to dwell in us? <sup>6</sup> But he gives us more grace. That is why Scripture says: "God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble." <sup>7</sup> Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. <sup>8</sup> Come near to God and he will come near to you. Wash your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. <sup>9</sup> Grieve, mourn and wail. Change your laughter to mourning and your joy to gloom. <sup>10</sup> Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up. <sup>11</sup> Brothers and sisters, do not slander one another. Anyone who speaks

against a brother or sister or judges them speaks against the law and judges it. When you judge the law, you are not keeping it, but sitting in judgment on it. <sup>12</sup> There is only one Lawgiver and Judge, the one who is able to save and destroy. But you — who are you to judge your neighbor? <sup>13</sup> Now listen, you who say, “Today or tomorrow we will go to this or that city, spend a year there, carry on business and make money.” <sup>14</sup> Why, you do not even know what will happen tomorrow. What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes. <sup>15</sup> Instead, you ought to say, “If it is the Lord’s will, we will live and do this or that.” <sup>16</sup> As it is, you boast in your arrogant schemes. All such boasting is evil. <sup>17</sup> If anyone, then, knows the good they ought to do and doesn’t do it, it is sin for them.

**Pastor:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**Congregation:** Thanks be to God.

### **The Gospel Lesson: Mark 9:30-37**

**Pastor:** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 9th chapter.

**Congregation:** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>30</sup> They left that place and passed through Galilee. Jesus did not want anyone to know where they were, <sup>31</sup> because he was teaching his disciples. He said to them, “The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men. They will kill him, and after three days he will rise.” <sup>32</sup> But they did not understand what he meant and were afraid to ask him about it. <sup>33</sup> They came to Capernaum. When he was in the house, he asked them, “What were you arguing about on the road?” <sup>34</sup> But they kept quiet because on the way they had argued about who was the greatest. <sup>35</sup> Sitting down, Jesus called the

Twelve and said, “Anyone who wants to be first must be the very last, and the servant of all.” <sup>36</sup> He took a little child whom he placed among them. Taking the child in his arms, he said to them, <sup>37</sup> “Whoever welcomes one of these little children in my name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me does not welcome me but the one who sent me.”

**Pastor:** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Congregation:** Praise to You, O Christ.

**The Message Hymn:**

“Father Welcomes” – LSB # 605

**The Message:**

**Responsive Morning Prayers: Pg. 283**

**Congregational Prayers**

**Collect of the Day**

**Luther’s Morning Prayer: Pg. 283**

**Benedicamus and Blessing: Pg. 284**

**The Closing Hymn:**

“What Is the World to Me” – LSB # 730

**Announcements**

**Postlude**

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