

# **Redeemer Lutheran Church San Antonio, Texas**

**January 1, 2023  
First Sunday After Christmas  
Responsive Prayer 1: Pgs. 282-284**

NOTES: Offerings will not be collected by passing plates. Please place your attendance cards and offering in the plates located by the narthex.

Masks are not required, but you can wear one at your own discretion. There is no specified seating for bible class or worship.

## **Prelude**

### **The Opening Hymn:**

“Jesus! Name of Wondrous Love” – LSB # 900

**Invocation:** Pg. 282

**The Lord’s Prayer**

**The Apostle’s Creed**

## **Sermon Scriptures:**

**Pastor:** The words of the Lord for this New Year’s Day:

### **Luke 2:21-40**

<sup>21</sup> On the eighth day, when it was time to circumcise the child, he was named Jesus, the name the angel had given him before he was conceived. <sup>22</sup> When the time came for the purification rites required by the Law of Moses, Joseph and Mary took him to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord <sup>23</sup> (as it is written in the Law of the Lord, “Every firstborn male is to be consecrated to the Lord”), <sup>24</sup> and to offer a sacrifice in keeping with what is said in the Law of the Lord: “a pair of

doves or two young pigeons.” <sup>25</sup> Now there was a man in Jerusalem called Simeon, who was righteous and devout. He was waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was on him. <sup>26</sup> It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not die before he had seen the Lord’s Messiah. <sup>27</sup> Moved by the Spirit, he went into the temple courts. When the parents brought in the child Jesus to do for him what the custom of the Law required, <sup>28</sup> Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying:

<sup>29</sup> “Sovereign Lord, as you have promised,  
you may now dismiss your servant in peace.

<sup>30</sup> For my eyes have seen your salvation,

<sup>31</sup> which you have prepared in the sight of all nations:

<sup>32</sup> a light for revelation to the Gentiles,  
and the glory of your people Israel.”

<sup>33</sup> The child’s father and mother marveled at what was said about him. <sup>34</sup> Then Simeon blessed them and said to Mary, his mother: “This child is destined to cause the falling and rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be spoken against, <sup>35</sup> so that the thoughts of many hearts will be revealed. And a sword will pierce your own soul too.” <sup>36</sup> There was also a prophet, Anna, the daughter of Penuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was very old; she had lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, <sup>37</sup> and then was a widow until she was eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshiped night and day, fasting and praying. <sup>38</sup> Coming up to them at that very moment, she gave thanks to God and spoke about the child to all who were looking forward to the redemption of Jerusalem. <sup>39</sup> When Joseph and Mary had done everything required by the Law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee to their own town of Nazareth. <sup>40</sup> And the child grew and became strong; he was filled with wisdom, and the grace of God was on him.

### **John 3:16**

“For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.”

### **Romans 8:32**

“He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all – how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things?”

### **Romans 5:7-8**

“Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.”

### **Psalms 91:14**

“‘Because he loves me,’ says the Lord, ‘I will rescue him; I will protect him, for he acknowledges my name.’”

**Pastor:** These are the words of the Lord

**Congregation:** Thanks be to God

### **Sermon Comments on the Readings:**

### **Sermon Response Solo:**

### **Jesus Loves Me**

Jesus loves me! This I know,  
For the Bible tells me so.  
Little ones to Him belong;  
They are weak, oh, but He is strong.

**Refrain:**

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!  
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

**Oh, How He Loves You and Me**

Oh, how He loves you and me,  
Oh, how He loves you and me.  
He gave his life, what more could he give?  
Oh, how He loves you; oh, how he loves me; oh, how he loves  
you and me.

Jesus to Calvary did go,  
His love for sinners to show.  
What He did there brought hope from despair.  
Oh, how He loves you; oh, how he loves me; oh, how he loves  
you and me.

**Responsive Morning Prayers: Pg. 283**

**Congregational Prayers**

(**Pastor:** Lord, in your mercy,)

(**Congregation:** Hear our prayer.)

**Collect of the Day**

**Luther's Morning Prayer**

**Benedicamus and Blessing: Pg. 284**

**The Closing Hymn:**

“Let All Together Praise Our God” – LSB # 389

**Announcements:**

**Postlude**

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