

THE CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER



The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
August 31, 2025

the Rt. Rev. Amy Dafler Meaux, Bishop of West Missouri
the Rev. Miranda Cully, Rector
the Rev. Jonathan Callison, Associate Rector
Jacki Hunt, Director of Music

We turn toward
the altar when
we say/sing the
Gloria to show
reverence and
worship to God
in the highest.

Procession	<i>Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise</i>	H-423
Opening Acclamation		BCP 355

The Collect for Purity

Collect of the Day

First Reading **Jeremiah 2:4-13**

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The priests did not say, "Where is the LORD?" Those who handle the law did not know me; the rulers transgressed against me; the prophets prophesied by Baal, and went after things that do not profit. Therefore, once more I accuse you, says the LORD, and I accuse your children's children. Cross to the coasts of Cyprus and look, send to Kedar and examine with care; see if there has ever been such a thing. Has a nation changed its gods, even though they are no gods? But my people have changed their glory for something that does not profit.

Be appalled, O heavens, at this, be shocked, be utterly desolate, says the LORD, for my people have committed two evils: they have forsaken me, the fountain of living water, and dug out cisterns for themselves, cracked cisterns that can hold no water.

Psalm 81:1,10-16

- 1 Sing with joy to God our strength
and raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob.
- 10 I am the LORD your God,
who brought you out of the land of Egypt and said,
"Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it."
- 11 And yet my people did not hear my voice,
and Israel would not obey me.
- 12 So I gave them over to the stubbornness of their hearts,
to follow their own devices.
- 13 Oh, that my people would listen to me!
that Israel would walk in my ways!
- 14 I should soon subdue their enemies
and turn my hand against their foes.
- 15 Those who hate the LORD would cringe before him,
and their punishment would last for ever.
- 16 But Israel would I feed with the finest wheat
and satisfy him with honey from the rock

Second Reading

Hebrews 13:1-8,15-16

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." So we can say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?" Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Sequence Hymn

If Thou but Trust

H-635 (1/1)

Gospel

Luke 14:1,7-14

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the

presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

Have questions about the service or the liturgy you want answered? Write them in this column and leave with the clergy to be answered in weeks to come! Mark your calendars for the Instructed Eucharist on October 12.

Homily

the Rev. Miranda Cully

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

Redeemer
Prayer List: Joe
& Dianna,
Patrice, Holly,
Joe, Ellen,
Darrick, Jerea,
Sherrill,
Adolfo, Father
Doug, Thomas,
Mary. If you
want to add to
the prayer list,
please email
your clergy or
call the church
office.

On the fifth
Sunday of each
month, anyone is
welcome to join
the choir! Or
sing from your
seat ;)

The Prayers of the People

Intercessor: Lord in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Confession & Absolution

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The Peace

Birthday & Anniversary Blessings

Offertory Music *This Little Light of Mine* Standing Room Only Choir

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine...

Hide it under a bushel, no! I'm gonna let it shine...

All around Redeemer church, I'm gonna let it shine...

Let it shine 'til Jesus comes, I'm gonna let it shine...



Thank you for Giving

The Holy Communion

Eucharistic Prayer C	BCP 369
Sanctus	S-125
The Lord's Prayer	BCP 364

All baptized Christians are welcomed to the table in the Episcopal Church. If you want to come forward without taking Eucharist, you may receive a blessing by crossing your arms in front of your chest. Gluten free wafers are available upon request.

Communion Hymns	<i>Seek Ye First</i>	H-711
	<i>I Come with Joy</i>	H-304

Post Communion Prayer	BCP 365
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Dismissal Hymn	<i>Joyful, Joyful</i>	H-376
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We welcome all visitors and guests and invite you to join us for hospitality hour following the service where we will have coffee and light finger foods.

If the communion songs are feeling familiar to you, then our monthly repetition is working! Come back next week to see what we're singing through September...

Next Sunday is first Sunday SPEAC food pantry offering, so bring any shelf-stable items to leave at the baptismal font for the offering.

Announcements & Upcoming Events

Sunday Adult Formation will resume September 7 with Dr. Bill Stancil's four-week class on "The Creed for Today".

Children's Sunday School We are excited to present a Godly Play-inspired curriculum that is appropriate for children of all ages. We will explore themes from the Hebrew Bible and the New Testament through storytelling, group discussion, and corporate worship. Together we will wonder about the beautiful and loving nature of the divine and grow in faith in the hopes of bringing the kingdom of God to fruition.

Phishing and Scamming Attacks—We continue to see a bunch of scammers who are impersonating church staff and clergy. Always check the email address of an email you receive and be sure to report the email as a scam or phishing attack by clicking the fish hook at the bottom of your email page.

Facilities Update To provide better security for our building, staff, tenants, congregants, and guests, we are installing a Google lock on the red door downstairs that will require a code for access. This new approach is an effort by clergy and vestry and is in accordance with Safe Church guidelines and protection. We will also be changing locks on outside doors soon. The church building is open Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9 am-2 pm and Sunday from 8 am-1 pm. We are aware there are people who might need access outside those hours. Please stop by the office to sit down and visit about why your ministry needs additional access and we will provide a form for a code.

Usher Training with Dave Manthe & Miranda+ on September 21 after the 10:30 am service
Lay Eucharistic Minister & Lector Training with Anthony Garcia and Miranda+—
September 21 at 9 am OR September 28 at 10:30 am.
We ask that all ushers, LEMs, and lectors attend the training appropriate to your ministry. If you cannot make it on the options listed above, please contact Dave (ushers) or Anthony (LEMs/lectors).

On the Road to St. Luke's We will join St. Luke's for worship in their church at Excelsior Springs on Sunday, October 5 at 10:30 am. We will offer our 8 am service at Redeemer then head to St. Luke's. Carpooling available, more info to come.