



Episcopal Church of
The Redeemer

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THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

HOLY EUCHARIST

MAY 3, 2026

8:00 AM

Welcome to The Redeemer. We're glad you're here!

Worship at The Redeemer

The order for worship is found within this leaflet. The Book of Common Prayer page numbers for the liturgy are indicated throughout. If you are a visitor, we invite you to sign the guest book in the entrance or fill out one of the cards in the pew and make yourself known to those around you—parishioners and staff will be happy to answer any questions you may have about our liturgy, programs or facilities. Information on parish activities can be found in the enclosed *News from The Redeemer* and on www.TheRedeemer.org.

**Sunday
8:00am-Rite I**

Holy Eucharist: without music

9:30am-Holy Eucharist

last Sunday of the month

Choral Matins with Communion

& via Livestream

5:00pm

1st & 3rd Sundays

Choral Evensong

8:00pm-Compline via Zoom

Tuesday & Thursday

9:00pm-Compline via Zoom

The congregation stands as the clergy enter.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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Presider Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

GLORIA, said by all

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward all.

We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee,

we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,

O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away

the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,

have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ,

with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Presider Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The congregation is seated.



READING from *The First Letter of Peter 2:2-10*

Following the reading:

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 31:1-5, 15-16

In te, Domine, speravi (In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge)

Said by all

**1 In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge;
let me never be put to shame; *
deliver me in your righteousness.**

**2 Incline your ear to me; *
make haste to deliver me.**

**3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe,
for you are my crag and my stronghold; *
for the sake of your Name, lead me and guide me.**

**4 Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me, *
for you are my tower of strength.**

**5 Into your hands I commend my spirit, *
for you have redeemed me,
O LORD, O God of truth.**

**15 My times are in your hand; *
rescue me from the hand of my enemies,
and from those who persecute me.**

**16 Make your face to shine upon your servant, *
and in your loving-kindness save me.**

The congregation stands for the reading of the Gospel.

GOSPEL from *The Gospel According to John 14: 7-14*

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to John.

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Following the reading:

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

SERMON

The Rev. Jo Ann B. Jones

NICENE CREED, said by all, standing

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**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, who,
with the Father and the Son, is worshiped and glorified,
who 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.

CONFESSION OF SIN, *all kneeling*

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Presider Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.
Presider **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.**
Presider Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The congregation stands.

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

The congregation is seated.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The congregation is invited to stand.

PRAYER OF REMEMBRANCE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer II
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Presider The Lord be with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**
Presider Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them up unto the Lord.**
Presider Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.
People **It is meet and right so to do.**
Presider It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. . .

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

SANCTUS, *said by all*

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.
Blessed is he who cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The people kneel.

The presider continues,

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER, *said by all*

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Presider And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
People and Presider

**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 for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

THE DISTRIBUTION

All are welcome to receive Communion. Please proceed by way of the center aisle and return to your seat via the side aisles. To receive the bread, simply extend your hands. If you do not wish to take wine or you wish to receive a blessing, cross your hands over your chest. Infants and children may also receive Communion or a blessing, according to their or their parents' wishes. If you need a gluten free wafer, please ask for it from the person administering Communion.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER, *said by all, kneeling*

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After Communion, the Presider says: Let us pray.

Presider and People

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

BLESSING

DISMISSAL

Priest Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

GRACE NOTES. . .

small things that herald greater ones.

All by Jeffrey Skaff: Thomas Aquinas and Karl Barth

Compiled by the Rector

Divine mercy necessarily precedes divine justice.

God's righteousness is God's doing "that which is worthy of God."

God's justice regards what befits Him; inasmuch as God renders to Himself what is due to Himself.

No higher law than God determines what God must do.

Thank you for worshiping with us in this service. Your contribution or pledge payment sustains our presence as the church to the community. If you're giving cash, check or offering envelopes, please drop them in the offering plates at the back of the church. You can give online at www.TheRedeemer.org/give, text TheRedeemer to 73256, Venmo (@TheRedeemer), or PayPal (Church of the Redeemer).

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Traditional - Rite I

O Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know thy Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leadeth to eternal life; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Contemporary - Rite II

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

READING from *The Acts of the Apostles* 7:55-60

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. "Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and

the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

PSALM 31:1-6, 17-18

1. In thee, O Lord, have I put my trust
let me never be put to confusion,
deliver me in thy righteousness.
2. Bow down thine ear to me
make haste to deliver me.
3. And be thou my strong rock, and house of defence
that thou mayest save me.
4. For thou art my strong rock, and my castle
be thou also my guide, and lead me for thy Name's sake.

In te, Domine, speravi (In thee, O Lord, have I put my trust)

5. Draw me out of the net that they have laid privily for me
for thou art my strength.
6. Into thy hands I commend my spirit
for thou hast redeemed me, O Lord, thou God of truth.
17. My time is in thy hand;
deliver me from the hand of mine enemies
and from them that persecute me.
18. Shew thy servant the light of thy countenance
and save me for thy mercy's sake.

READING from *The First Letter of Peter* 2:2-10

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture: "See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame." To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe,

"The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner", and "A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall." They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

GOSPEL from *The Gospel According to John 14: 7-14*

If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.” Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does

his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.”

ANTHEM TEXTS

The true glory Peter Aston

There must be a beginning of any great matter, but the continuing unto the end until it be thoroughly finished yields the true glory.

The greatest things are accomplished, and the greatest achievements are won by toil and by striving uninterrupted, toil as well of the body of the spirit.

There must be a beginning of any great matter, but the continuing unto the end until it be thoroughly finished yields the true glory.

Set Me As A Seal Rene Clausen

Set me as a seal upon your heart, as a seal upon your arm, for love is strong as death.

Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it.

DID YOU KNOW

Did you know the Redeemer Youth Group meets for Bible study each week on Thursday mornings before school? In September 2024, at the request of a couple of students, they began to meet for what they call “Bible breakfast”: bagels and discussion. What began as loose topics proposed randomly by students to be paired with scripture, turned into a more structured evaluation of Genesis and its relationship with the New Testament. As many as 12 kids will show up for the early morning discussion, including new kids to the parish who have come with friends. They spend the hour reading the text and trying to understand what it says about God and humanity. These kids are eager to understand the relevance of this text in relation to their own lives, today in 2026. Paul’s letter to the Romans, and the Gospel according to Matthew have given the kids a much deeper understanding of what it means to be a disciple, and the challenges that come with trying to understand the life, death, and resurrection of Christ.

... Now that’s Ministry and your Stewardship makes it happen!

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by: Carol Neilson in memory of John & Jane Newhall.

SERVING THE PARISH

8:00am

Lector: Darrell DeMoss

Eucharistic Minister: Ann Strong

Altar Guild Team: Ann Strong, Mary Hopkins

Clergy: Jo Ann Jones-Preacher, Peter Vanderveen – *Officiant / Celebrant*

Flower Guild: Jenny Kirkpatrick, Chris Chojnacki

Ushers: TBD

9:30am

Lector: June Winfield

Eucharistic Minister: (None listed)

Acolytes: Liam Ravenscroft, Johathan Richter, Lori Chljnacki, Wesley Scott, Caroline Pozos, Henry Winfield.

Altar Guild Team: Ann Strong, Mary Hopkins

Choir: Redeemer and Choristers

Children’s Chapel: Glen Beamer, Peter Vanderveen

Eucharistic Visitor: Barbara Billings

Clergy: Jo Ann Jones – *Preacher / Officiant*, Peter Vanverveen - *Celebrant*

Flower Guild: Jenny Kirkpatrick, Chris Chojnacki

Greeter: Kate Chojnacki

Director of Music & Organist: Andrew Senn

Organ Scholar: Daniel Colaner

Livestream Operator: Ken Schwenke

Ushers: TBD

Vergers: Bob Mikrut-*Head Verger*, Conor Beamer, Nicholas Zafiriou