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**LSB Divine Service Setting I  
Second Sunday after Christmas  
January 2, 2022**

## The Pre-Service Music

**Lighting of the Candles** *Jesus says: "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life."*  
*John 6:12*

## Hymn of Invocation "To Your Temple, Lord, I Come" No. 981



1 To Your tem - ple, Lord, I come, For it  
2 I through Him am rec - on - ciled, I through  
3 While Your glo - rious praise is sung, Touch my  
4 While the prayers of saints as - cend, God of



is my wor - ship home. This earth has no  
Him be - come Your child. Ab - ba, Fa - ther,  
lips, un - loose my tongue That my joy - ful  
love, to mine at - tend. Hear me, for Your



bet - ter place, Here I see my Sav - ior's face.  
give me grace In Your courts Your love to trace.  
soul may bless Christ the Lord, my righ - teous - ness.  
Spir - it pleads; Hear, for Je - sus in - ter - cedes.

- 5 While I listen to Your Law,  
Fill my soul with humble awe  
Till Your Gospel bring to me  
Life and immortality.
- 6 While Your ministers proclaim  
Peace and pardon in Your name,  
Through their voice, by faith, may I  
Hear You speaking from the sky.
- 7 From Your house when I return,  
May my heart within me burn,  
And at evening let me say,  
"I have walked with God today."

*(stand)*

## Confession and Absolution

P: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

*Matthew 28:19 and 18:20*

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

*I John 1:12 and Philippians 1:6*

**Introit**

*Psalm 147:1, 5, 11–12; antiphon: John 1:14*

P: The Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory,

**C: glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.**

P: Praise the LORD! For it is good to sing praises to our God;

**C: for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.**

P: Great is our Lord, and abundant in power;

**C: his understanding is beyond measure.**

P: But the LORD takes pleasure in those who fear him,

**C: in those who hope in his steadfast love.**

P: Praise the LORD, O Jerusalem!

**C: Praise your God, O Zion!**

**All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

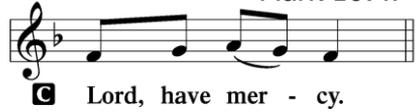
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## Lord Have Mercy (Kyrie)

Mark 10:47

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord



P: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.



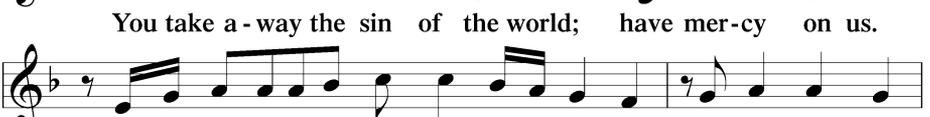
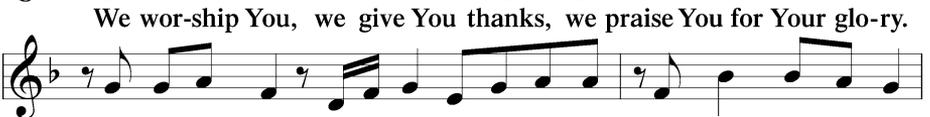
P: Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.

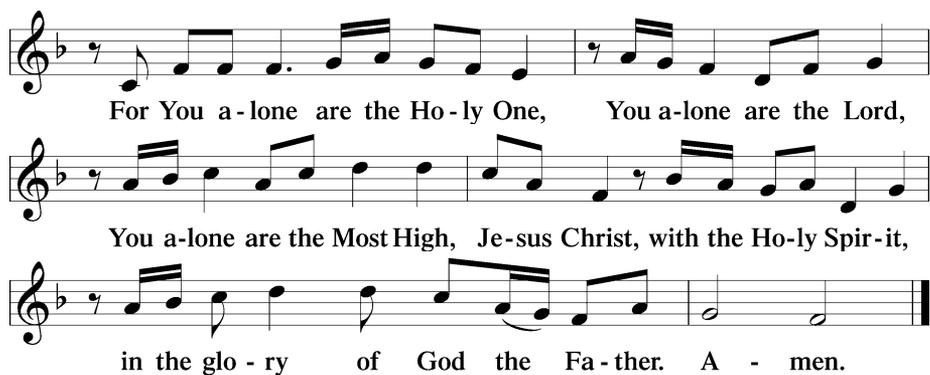


## Glory to God in the Highest (Gloria in Excelsis)

Romans 8:34

P: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.





For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,  
 You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,  
 in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men.

## Salutation and Collect

P: The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.

P: Let us pray... one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

*(sit)*

## Old Testament Reading

*1 Kings 3:4–15*

<sup>4</sup> The king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the great high place. Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt offerings on that altar. <sup>5</sup>At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night, and God said, "Ask what I shall give you." <sup>6</sup>And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant David my father, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you. And you have kept for him this great and steadfast love and have given him a son to sit on his throne this day. <sup>7</sup>And now, O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of David my father, although I am but a little child. I do not know how to go out or come in. <sup>8</sup>And your servant is in the midst of your people whom you have chosen, a great people, too many to be numbered or counted for multitude. <sup>9</sup>Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, that I may discern between good and evil, for who is able to govern this your great people?"

<sup>10</sup>It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. <sup>11</sup>And God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches or the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, <sup>12</sup>behold, I now do according to your word. Behold, I give you a wise and discerning mind,

so that none like you has been before you and none like you shall arise after you. <sup>13</sup>I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and honor, so that no other king shall compare with you, all your days.

<sup>14</sup>And if you will walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and my commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your days."

<sup>15</sup>And Solomon awoke, and behold, it was a dream. Then he came to Jerusalem and stood before the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and offered up burnt offerings and peace offerings, and made a feast for all his servants.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### **Memory Verse**

*Luke 4:18a*

**"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor."**

### **Epistle**

*Ephesians 1:3–14*

<sup>3</sup>Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, <sup>4</sup>even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love <sup>5</sup>he predestined us for adoption as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, <sup>6</sup>to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. <sup>7</sup>In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, <sup>8</sup>which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight <sup>9</sup>making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ <sup>10</sup>as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

<sup>11</sup>In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will, <sup>12</sup>so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory. <sup>13</sup>In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, <sup>14</sup>who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

*(stand)*

## Alleluia and Verse

*John 6:68*



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## Holy Gospel

*Luke 2:40-52*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the second chapter.



Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>40</sup>The child [Jesus] grew and became strong, filled with wisdom. And the favor of God was upon him.

<sup>41</sup>Now his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the Feast of the Passover. <sup>42</sup>And when he was twelve years old, they went up according to custom. <sup>43</sup>And when the feast was ended, as they were returning, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. His parents did not know it, <sup>44</sup>but supposing him to be in the group they went a day's journey, but then they began to search for him among their relatives and acquaintances, <sup>45</sup>and when they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem, searching for him. <sup>46</sup>After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. <sup>47</sup>And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. <sup>48</sup>And when his parents saw him, they were astonished. And his mother said to him, "Son, why have you treated us so? Behold, your father and I have been searching for you in great distress." <sup>49</sup>And he said to them, "Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" <sup>50</sup>And they did not understand the saying that he spoke to them. <sup>51</sup>And he went down with them and came to Nazareth and was submissive to them. And his mother treasured up all these things in her heart.

<sup>52</sup>And Jesus increased in wisdom and in stature and in favor with God and man.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Praise to You, O Christ.

*(Sit)*

(stand)

**The Apostles’ Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**Prayer of the Church**

*After each petition*

**P:** Lord, in your mercy,

**C:** hear our prayer.

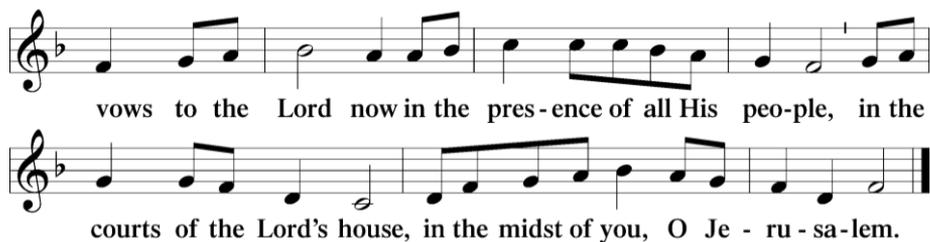
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**Offering**

(stand)

**Offertory**

What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to  
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will  
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-  
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my



vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the  
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

## The Lord's Prayer

*Matthew 6:9-13*

**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.**

## Concluding Collect

### The Benediction

*Numbers 6:24-26*

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you And be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

**C: Amen.**

*(Sit)*

## Closing Hymn

### "Oh, Blest the House"

**No. 862**



† **THE ALTAR POINSETTIAS** are given to the glory of God by Raymond & Jody Rahn, The Squires, Jim & Joyce Holloway, Jim & Teresa Holloway, Martin & Judy Ray, Bill & Linda Headrick, Rose & Larry Anstine, Jane Osburn, Nancy Pond, Valerie Rush, Sue Krueger, Bob & Joyce Feasel, and the Altar Fund.

† **IN OUR PRAYERS** we remember all who are ill or under medical care, Gladys Brack, Hunter Bushnell, Fern Knocke, Sue Krueger, Diana Trent, Craig Turner, Buni Snyder, Barb Sweet, Eddie (Pattie Oestmann's brother), Pattie Oestmann, Lisa Cook (Joyce Scott's ex-daughter-in-law), Baker Coon (grandson of a friend of the Ponds), Mark Eckstein (Nancy Pond's brother), Victor Trillo (Nancy Pond's brother-in-law), Andy Paton, Marilynn Marrs, Brayli Stewart (Diana Trent's niece), Stephanie Anderson (cousin of Val Rush), Helen Hill (Charlie Theas' sister), JC Duncan-Eaton & Anthony Wiley (Sheryl Harper's friends), Marcia Cales.



If you signed up for a **poinsettia** you are welcome to take it home after the service. If you do not want your poinsettia to take home please contact Cathy in the office or Jody.

**Being Lutheran:** This class that provides an overview of what Lutherans believe, teach, and confess, is tentatively scheduled to begin on January 17 at 6:00 pm and run for ten consecutive Mondays. It is ideal for people considering membership in this congregation as well as for anyone who would like to review the most important aspects of the Christians faith. Please let Pastor Herald know if you would like to attend. If a majority of those attending agree to a different day or time, we will adjust the schedule as needed.



Dear members of Redeemer! My family and I tremendously appreciate your surpassing generosity to us this Christmas season! Thank you for the kind words, cards, gifts, and especially your prayers. You have been very kind. - Pr. Herald and family



I have great joy in my heart as I think about all the blessings the Lord has bestowed upon me. Many of those blessings are people that He brings into my life through the privilege of my job. Thank you so much for the generous monetary gift you have given me, but even more than that I thank you for being one of my many blessings. Sincerely, Cathy



As another page in the calendar turns, I continue to be thankful for the people of the congregation at Redeemer. Your support and encouragement are such a blessing to me. Our lives continue to be altered and disrupted by the climate of today's world. The peace from within that comes from good friends and our faith will continue to carry us through. Thank you for your generosity and kind words, they are deeply appreciated.

## THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER

**TODAY:** 9:00 am Sunday School  
10:15 am Divine Service without Holy Communion

**TUESDAY:** **7:00 pm Elders' Meeting**

**WEDNESDAY:** **6:00 pm Catechism Class**

**NEXT SUNDAY:** 9:00 am Sunday School  
10:15 am Divine Service with Holy Communion  
8:00 am Lutheran Hour on 1280 AM  
10:30 am Lutheran Hour on 95.9 FM

## THOSE SERVING AT REDEEMER

**Officiating Elder:** Eric Snider  
**Altar Committee:** Rose Anstine, Lacy Colquhoun, Becky Wiest

## STEWARDSHIP

**December 22, 2021** – Worship – 27  
Fairmount Ministries - \$102.00

**December 24, 2021** – Worship – 63  
Seminaries - \$467.00

**December 25, 2021** – Worship - 37  
LCMS World Relief - \$450.00

**December 26, 2021** – Worship - 29  
**Budget Needs Weekly - \$3,009.54**  
**Home Budget Offering - \$5822.25**  
Seminaries - \$50.00  
LCMS World Relief - \$50.00  
Missionary Heiney - \$ 50.00