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## **WORSHIP LEADERS**

**PREACHER/PRESIDER:** Pastor Jon Jacobs

**LITURGICAL ASSISTANT:** David Walker

**READER:** Betty Brown

**DIRECTOR OF MUSIC:** Jeff Bray

**COMMUNION ASSISTANTS:** Ericka Jones and Brittany Wilson

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**USHERS/GREETER:** Dorothy Zeidler, Lisa Miller, Jacob Habeck and John Pederson

## **PRELUDE**

### **WELCOME AND INVOCATION**

*Pastor Jon Jacobs*

We worship in the name of the Father, † the Son, and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

### **OPENING PRAYER**

*David Walker*

Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith in you and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

**OPENING SONG** "O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing" *Red Book 386 vs 1, 5, 8*

### **FIRST READING**

Acts 2: 14a, 22 - 32

*Betty Brown*

<sup>14</sup>But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Fellow Jews and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say.

<sup>22</sup>"Fellow Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know— <sup>23</sup>**this man, handed over to you**

**according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God**, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. <sup>24</sup>But God raised him up, having released him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. <sup>25</sup>For David says concerning him,

I saw the Lord always before me,

**for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken;**

<sup>26</sup>therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;

**moreover, my flesh will live in hope.**

<sup>27</sup>For you will not abandon my soul to Hades

**or let your Holy One experience corruption.**

<sup>28</sup>You have made known to me the ways of life;

**you will make me full of gladness with your presence.'**

<sup>29</sup>"Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. <sup>30</sup>Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. <sup>31</sup>Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying,

'He was not abandoned to Hades,

**nor did his flesh experience corruption.'**

<sup>32</sup>"This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 16** "Keep Me Safe, Oh God"  
(next page)

*John Foley*

Refrain



Keep me safe, O God: you are my hope; you are my hope, O God.

Verses

1. I say to God, "you are my only God, I have no good except in you."
2. I find in God always my cup of joy; and God will keep my life secure.
3. I bless my God: God who has counseled me. At night my heart gives counsel too.
4. I keep my God always before my eyes; with God beside me I'm secure.

**SECOND READING** 1 Peter 1: 3 – 9

*Betty Brown*

<sup>3</sup>Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead <sup>4</sup>and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, <sup>5</sup>who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. <sup>6</sup>In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, <sup>7</sup>so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. <sup>8</sup>**Although you have not seen him, you love him, and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, <sup>9</sup>for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.**

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*Ken Canedo*

♩ REFRAIN

(G) (C/D) (C/D) (G) (Bm7) (C) (Cm)  
 Bb Eb/F Eb/F<sub>All</sub> Bb Dm7 Eb Ebm

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -

(G) (Bm7) (C) (Cm) 1 (G/D) (Em7)  
 Bb Dm7 Eb Ebm Bb/F Gm7

lu - ia! Give the glo - ry and the

(A7) (D) (A7) (D) (D7) (C/D)  
 C7 F C7 F F7 Eb/F

hon - or to the Lord! Al - le -

2 (G/D) (Em7) (A7) (C/D) (G) (C/G) (G) (G7)  
 Bb/F Gm7 C7 Eb/F Bb Eb/Bb Bb Bb7 to Verse(s)

glo - ry and the hon - or to the Lord!

Final (G/D) (Em7) (A7) (C/D) (G) (C/G) (G) Fine  
 Bb/F Gm7 C7 Eb/F Bb Eb/Bb Bb

glo - ry and the hon - or to the Lord!

**GOSPEL READING**

John 20: 19 – 31

*Pastor Jon Jacobs*

The Good News of Jesus Christ as written in the Book of John, Chapter 20, verses 19 – 31:

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>19</sup> When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors were locked where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood

among them and said, "Peace be with you." <sup>20</sup> After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup> Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." <sup>22</sup> When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, **"Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup> If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."**

<sup>24</sup> But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup> So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

<sup>26</sup> A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." <sup>27</sup> Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." <sup>28</sup> Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" <sup>29</sup> Jesus said to him, **"Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."**

<sup>30</sup> Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. <sup>31</sup> But these are written so that you may continue to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to You, O Christ.**

**SERMON**

"Ok, ... really?"

*Pastor Jon Jacobs*

**SERMON SONG**

"We Walk By Faith"  
(prayer squares collected)

*Red Book 635*



**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.**

## **Invitation**

**COMMUNION SONG** "Draw Us In The Spirit's Tether"

*Red Book 470*

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

*David Walker*

Oh God, our leader and guide, through your body and blood, you bring us hope to live as your children. Strengthen our faith in your promises, that by your Spirit we may lift up your life to all the world through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

## **DEBT REDUCTION TEAM BLESSING**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **THE BLESSING**

**SENDING SONG** "Let All Things Now Living"

*Red Book 881*

## **DISMISSAL**

Go now in peace. Live the Gospel! **Thanks be to God!**

## **POSTLUDE**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**The church office is open, 9 – 1, Monday – Thursday. Call 414-933-7004, or email [admin@redeermilwaukee.org](mailto:admin@redeermilwaukee.org) to set up an appointment with a pastor.**

### UPCOMING ANNUAL MEETING

- Set aside the date: Sunday, April 19, following the 10 AM service. We will meet in the Mission Partner Space.

### WE NEED USHERS

- Please use the link below to sign up in the coming weeks to help with ushering.
- Greeters to arrive by 9:30 to help Dorothy greet people and pass out bulletins. Ushers to arrive by 9:45. Ushers will collect the offering and usher during communion.
- <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F44AAA82CA2FCC34-62349087-usher>

### DONATIONS

- If you do stock donations to Fidelity, please make sure you alert Lisa Walter at [finance@redeermilwaukee.org](mailto:finance@redeermilwaukee.org). She needs the date, the amount and the name of the stock.
- Please make sure any donations sent in are clearly marked for regular tithes or Forward in Faith.

### CHOIR REHEARSAL

- Choir is on hiatus until we have a firm interim. If you are interested in singing in the choir, contact Jeff at [music@redeermilwaukee.org](mailto:music@redeermilwaukee.org).

### JAMES E. GROPPI UNITY BRIDGE ART PROJECT

- La Familia de Arte invite all to the unveiling of the James E. Groppi Unity Bridge Art Project. Friday, April 24, 11:30 to 1:00 PM at ThriveOn King at 2153 N Dr. MLK Jr Dr.

### LUNCH AT OLGA'S

- Starting with May 16<sup>th</sup>, every third weekend of the month will be an Olga Sunday Meal hosted by Redeemer. Each month, we need 5 volunteers to come in on the third Saturday to prep for the next day, a commitment of about 3 hours. We will also need 2-3 people to come in to cook before church on Sundays. Sunday cooks will be able to go to church after. If you can volunteer individually, as a family or as a small group for one or more months, please sign up at [olganws.com/volunteer](http://olganws.com/volunteer).

### CALM & CONNECTED: DE-ESCALATION & CRISIS RESPONSE

- Join us on Saturday, April 25th from 10:00 AM–2:00 PM for an interactive training with Kendra Stea focused on de-escalation and crisis response. This session will equip participants with practical tools to recognize tension, respond calmly, and maintain safety while honoring the dignity of everyone in our shared community. **Please RSVP at [olganws.com/event](http://olganws.com/event).**

### WOMEN'S CONFERENCE AT CHRIST CHURCH – MEQUON

- Christ Church in Mequon invites the women of Redeemer to join them for their upcoming Women's Conference, "**Because She Belongs,**" on Saturday, April 25th at Christ Church in Mequon. If interested, here is the link to sign up. <https://sites.google.com/christchurchmequon.org/ccwomensconference/>

### UPCOMING TEEN GATHERING

- A special gathering of our Teens will take place on Sunday, April 26 at 2 PM at Scott McIntosh's home. They will be viewing the film, "The Starfish Throwers". Along with the film there will be pizza making party. Scott's address is 5717 W Wells St, Wauwatosa.
- Trailer of the movie: <https://share.google/JNNm05dkYotPrynfQ>