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PRELUDE

MEDITATION CHANT

"Come and Fill Our Hearts"

Red Book 528

WELCOME AND INVOCATION

Pastor Heidi Borkenhagen

(stand)

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. To you, O God, **all hearts are open, to you all desires known. We come to you, confessing our sins. Forgive us in your mercy, and remember us in your love. Show us your ways; teach us your paths; and lead us in justice and truth, for the sake of your goodness in Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

By water and the Holy Spirit God gives you a new birth, and through the death and resurrection of +Jesus Christ, God forgives you all your sins. The God of mercy and might strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

OPENING SONG

"You Are Holy"

Red Book 525

OPENING PRAYER

David Walker

God of all peoples, your arms reach out to embrace all those who call upon you. Teach us as disciples of your Son to love the world with compassion and constancy, that your name may be known throughout the earth, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

(sit)

FIRST READING

Isaiah 56: 1, 6 – 8

Mike Festge

Thus says the LORD:

**Maintain justice, and do what is right,
for soon my salvation will come
and my deliverance be revealed.**

⁶And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD,
to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD,
and to be his servants,

all who keep the Sabbath and do not profane it
and hold fast my covenant—

⁷these I will bring to my holy mountain
and make them joyful in my house of prayer;
their burnt offerings and their sacrifices
will be accepted on my altar,

**for my house shall be called a house of prayer
for all peoples.**

⁸Thus says the Lord GOD,
who gathers the outcasts of Israel:

I will gather others to them
besides those already gathered.

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

PSALM 67

"O God, Let All the Nations "

Timothy R. Smith

Refrain



Verses

1. Favor and bless us, O Lord.
Let your face shine on us,
revealing your way to all people,
salvation the world over.
2. And the world will shout for joy,
for you rule the planet with justice.
In fairness you govern the nations
and guide the people of the earth.
3. Let the nations sing your praise,
every nation on earth.
O God, continue your blessing,
may the whole world worship your name.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION "Halle, Halle, Hallelujah"
(stand) (next page)

Mark Sedio

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal -

- le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le -

lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 15: 21 – 28

Pastor Heidi Borkenhagen

The Good News of Jesus Christ as written in the Gospel of Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

²¹ Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. ²² Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, **“Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.”** ²³ But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, “Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.” ²⁴ He answered, “I

was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.”²⁵ But she came and knelt before him, saying, **“Lord, help me.”**²⁶ He answered, “It is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.”²⁷ She said, **“Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.”**²⁸ Then Jesus answered her, “Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.” And her daughter was healed from that moment.

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

SERMON

Pastor Heidi Borkenhagen

SERMON SONG

“In Christ There Is No East or West”
(prayer squares collected)

Red Book 650

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

“Hear Our Prayer”

Paul Andress

The musical score is written on three staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are printed below the notes.

Hear our prayer, hear our prayer, Lord, make us whole:
peace to all peo - ple, hope for each soul.
God of grace, in this place, hear now our prayer.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

OFFERING SONG

"The Lord Will Make a Way"

The Porter's Gate

May our love have power over hate,
May our love have power over hate.
May His gentle way cause our heart to break,
May our love have power over hate.

May His Truth have power over lies,
May His Truth have power over lies.
Let the Word of GOD open up our eyes,
May His Truth have power over lies.

The LORD will have His Way,
The LORD will have His Way.
Though the nations rage, they will plot in vain,
But the LORD will have His Way.

May His peace have power over war,
May His peace have power over war.
May the voice of GOD calm the violent storm,
May His peace have power over war.

May our hope have power over fear,
May our hope have power over fear.
With a warm embrace GOD will hold us near,
May our hope have power over fear.

OFFERING PRAYER

David Walker

Loving God,
we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts.
Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love,
so that all creation can taste your abundance.
We ask this in the name of Jesus,
through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever. **Amen.**

PREPARATION FOR COMMUNION

Pastor Heidi Borkenhagen

"Here Is Bread"

Red Book 483 vs 1 and refrain

Presider's Prayer

Reprise "Here Is Bread"
(stand)

vs 3 and refrain

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us. God,
you are our Holy Parent, our Mother and . . .

**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

(sit)

COMMUNION SONG

"Taste and See"

Red Book 493

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

David Walker

Compassionate God,
through the gifts of bread and wine
our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love.
Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal,
may share your love freely, as you have shared with us.
We ask this in the name of Jesus,
through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever. **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION AND BLESSING

(stand)

Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer,
✠ one God,
bless, heal, and hold you
today and always. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG

"Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"

Red Book 843

DISMISSAL Go now in peace. Be persistent as you declare your faith!
Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

BIBLE STUDY – MONDAY

- We will be meeting in the Gathering Space going forward. To prepare, we will be looking at **Matthew 16: 13 – 20**

LUNCH AT OLGA'S

- **We are in need of servers throughout Summer** for the Olga Sunday Meal hosted at Redeemer. We need at least 12 people. If you can volunteer individually, as a family or as a small group, please sign up at olganws.com/volunteer.

SIGN UP GENIUS FOR WORSHIP LEADERS

- Please use the link or QR barcode to sign up to be a worship leader. You can sign up to be the liturgical assistant, reader and communion assistant. September and October dates out there now.
- [https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F44AAA82CA2FCC34-64339932-worship#/
worship#/](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F44AAA82CA2FCC34-64339932-worship#/)



OUTREACH FOR HOPE – RIDE, RUN, WALK 2026

- This year's Ride, Run, Walk is being held on Saturday, September 26, starting at 8:30 AM. There are four sites you can participate at:
 - Grafton: Meets at Grace Lutheran Church
 - Kenosha: Meets at Petrifying Springs Park
 - Milwaukee: Meets at Washing Park (no bike rides at this site)
 - Waukesha: Meets at Fox River Sanctuary
- For more information, go to OFHRRW.org or contact Brittany Wilson who is our ambassador this year. There is also information in the narthex.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER OF REDEEMER?

- We welcome all people who are involved in the worship and life of Redeemer to consider becoming an official member of this faith community.
- Becoming a member doesn't mean you have to make a pledge or be housed. Being a member here simply means you want Redeemer to be your spiritual home, that you worship here and support the ministry in whatever way you can—whether that is your time, your prayers, or financial contributions. Here, all are welcome and encouraged to be a part of this ministry.
- Pastor Heidi will be holding a gathering downstairs in the Mission Partner Space on **Sunday, September 13th** following worship. She will give a little background on this congregation and what it means that we are a "Lutheran" church. It will also be a time to ask questions and get to know other prospective members.
- On **Sunday, September 20th** we will have a brief part of the service to welcome the New Members.
- *If you can't make these days but are still interested, please reach out to Pastor Heidi.*