

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEEDS VOLUNTEERS: Redeemer Sunday School is **growing** and because of this we need some volunteers. We are looking for a **teacher** to help teach a growing **Middle School and/or High School** class. Please give these requests some prayerful consideration. For additional information please contact Christin Wacker @ 239-340-3953.

STEPHEN MINISTRY: A Stephen Minister is a child of God who walks beside a hurting person, a caring Christian friend who really listens and a lay person who has received 50 hours of training in how to provide distinctively Christian care. **Classes begin in January and finish in March.** We learn and along the way have fun. Please contact **Carol Carlos 941-255-3354** for more information concerning this ministry.

ANGEL SCHOLARSHIP FUND: Please donate to this new fund to assist some of the parents to help keep their children in the Pre School, instead of taking them to a private babysitter to save a few dollars. This may bring back a few of our “lost sheep” or at least allow qualified parents some assistance in these difficult times. Place donations in offering plates or mail to the church and mark them *Angel Scholarship Fund*.

ENGLEWOOD HELPING HAND is still in need of the following items *Canned Meats, Spaghetti Sauce, Condiments and Paper Products.* If you have any questions please call Helen Sturzenbecker at 941-475-3060.



HOLIDAY SCHEDULE -2008

NEW YEAR'S EVE

Wed. December 31, 2008 – 7:00PM

NEW YEAR'S DAY

NO SERVICE



ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS DECEMBER 28, 2008

**DIVINE SERVICE
SETTING THREE LSB**

Redeemer Lutheran Church & Child Care

6465 MAYPORT RD.

East Englewood, Florida 34224 PH: 475-2410

Child Care Phone: 475-2631

WORSHIP SERVICES: 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM

SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:15 AM

ADULT BIBLE CLASS: 9:15 AM

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Prelude

Call to Worship Bells

Greeting and Announcements

Opening Hymn: From East to West

LSB 385

Confession and Absolution

Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the **T** Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C **who made heaven and earth.**
P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

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

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the **T** Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

WEDNESDAY: **7:00PM New Years Eve Service**

SUNDAY: **Installation of Officers, Board Chairpersons and Elders**
8:00 AM & 10:30 AM Worship Service with Communion
9:15 AM Sunday School and Adult Bible Study

ANNOUNCEMENTS

9:15 AM BIBLE CLASS TODAY guest speakers will be Jack and Cathy Carlos Missionaries to Africa.

JOIN US FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL AT 9:15 - On this First Sunday after Christmas, the Sunday School lesson focuses on "The Presentation of Jesus." In the Divine Service, we join with Simeon and Anna, the angels and archangels, and the great cloud of witnesses in heaven and on earth hailing Christ as the fulfiller of the Law. *Parents might ask, "Where do we sing our praises to God? How has Christ fulfilled the Law for us?"*

NEEDED: A family of four **needs one twin mattress and one full (double) mattress.** Contact the church office if you are able to help.

PLEASE NOTE: Due to Pastor Schmidt's travels, there will be **no** Tuesday morning Bible class until Jan 20.

ATTENTION! THE CHRISTIAN SUPPORT GROUP will meet on **MONDAY** of this week at **10:00AM** in the Fellowship Hall due to the New Year Eve Holiday.

HELP THE CHILD CARE BY DONATING THE FOLLOWING ITEMS: Trash Bags (30gal and 13gal sizes) Non-scented Baby Wipes (we need lots) Pump Foam Hand Soap (dispensers & refills at Target or Wal-Mart) paper towels, kleenex, Construction Paper, Holiday craft supplies and animal, goldfish, or graham crackers. **The box is located on the back bench next to the Men's Room** in the Narthex. All questions concerning these items can be answered by Wendy Horvath.

THE GIVING PLUS PROGRAM: Thrivent Financial benefit members are eligible to participate in the *Giving Plus* program. This program adds \$1 for every \$2 contributed by a member to an eligible Lutheran organization (not including congregations) up to a maximum of \$300 per organization, per year. **For example, one could donate \$600 to Redeemer Lutheran Child Care and Thrivent will donate an additional \$300!** In order to receive these matching funds the *Giving Plus* program form must be submitted. The form is located on the Information desk in the narthex or may be obtained by calling or e-mailing the church office.

PRAY FOR

SHUT-INS: Ilse Berner, Herb Bohm, Gloria Carlson, Evelyn Etheridge, Marie Gill, Earl Gossett, Clara & Walter Mitchell, Ruth Jansch, and Ruth Sutley.

HEALING: Members: Ginny Doenges, Cecil Grahl, Bob & Joan Johnson, Charles Keller, Tom Lang, Cliff Larsen, Leona Morrison, Morris Rieck, Sharron Schultz, Edda Specht, and Alan Webster.

Friends & Relatives: Phil Alcantara, Elaine Baron, Ella Boegeman, Georgia Bush, Kay Cypher, Dorothy Doenges, Debbie Harrison, Hal, Rachel Kagay, Howard Kagay, Rev. Howie Krienke, John Lichty, Estella Lewis, Marie Liebl, Ann McCullough, Kaye Ann Nagel, Judy Nagel, Sherrie Rhoades, Audrey Slusher, Michael Stio, Marion Talley, Katie Taseff, Polly Tice, Phyllis Tucker, Kathy Walsh, Helen Weishaar, Virgil Weldy, and Michael Zaffino .

Military Personnel: Daniel Anderson, Adam Buchner, Eric Byrne, Kevin Copeman, Christopher Dutch, Stephen Geib, Brian Hollis, Nathan Hudson, Brian Jackson, Joshua Jones, Chase Tremble, Jeremy Twombly, Matthew Walenta, and Charles Weishaar.

SERVING IN THE LORD’S HOUSE TODAY:

8:00 Elder on Duty: Ray Janssen

Reader: Ray Janssen
Greeters: Lee Vandercook and Olga Nagel

10:30 Elder on Duty: John Wacker

Reader: John Wacker
Greeters: Shirley Peterson and Virginia Glotzhober
Coffee Hour: Earl and Avis Stuck
Organist: Doris Dykhuizen

CHURCH SCHEDULE FOR DEC. 29TH THRU JAN. 4TH

MONDAY: 10:00 AM Christian Support Group
3:30 PM Child Care Chapel
5:30 PM Weight Watchers

TUESDAY: 7:00 PM AA Meeting

Introit - Sung in Unison

Ps. 98:1-4; antiphon: Is. 52:10



The Lord has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the | nations,*
and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation | of our God.
Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done | marvelous things!*

His right hand and his holy arm have worked salva- | tion for him.
The LORD has made known his sal- | vation;*

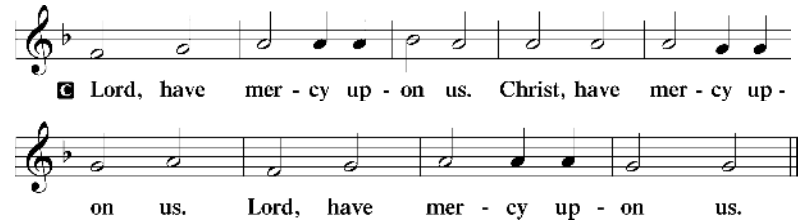
he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the | nations.
He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of | Israel.*
All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation | of our God.
Make a joyful noise to the LORD, | all the earth;*

break forth into joyous song and sing | praises!

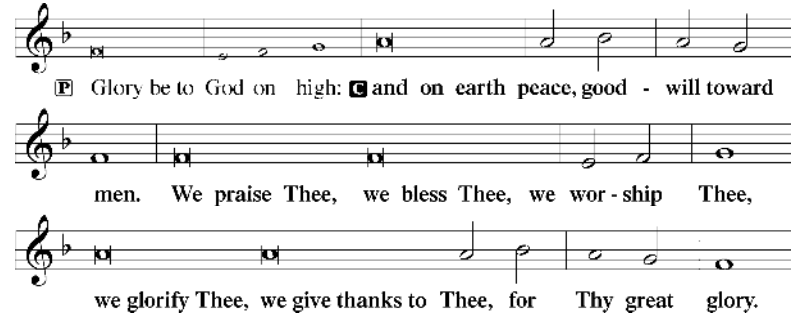
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

The Lord has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the | nations,*
and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation | of our God.

Kyrie



Gloria in Excelsis



O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.
 O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;
 O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
 that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on us.
 Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer.
 Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up -
 on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.
 Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,
 art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.
C And with thy spir - it.

P Let us pray together.

C O God, our Maker and Redeemer, You wonderfully created us and in the incarnation of Your Son yet more wondrously restored our human nature. Grant that we may ever be alive in Him who

C And with thy spir - it.
A Bless we the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make
 His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you.
 The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.
C A - men, a - men, a - men.

Closing Hymn: Now Sing We, Now Rejoice

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WELCOME! It is our pleasure to worship with you this morning here in God's house. It is our sincere desire that the Holy Spirit will deepen the faith of each one of us through God's holy Word. **We ask *All members and visitors* to please PRINT their name; local address and phone number in our *Record of Fellowship* book in the pew, please be sure to introduce yourself to our Pastor as you leave the Sanctuary.**

A QUIET REMINDER – Worshipers are reminded that the “quiet times”...during the pre-service Prelude and the Offering ...are intended for personal meditation and prayer. **Please keep conversation to a minimum.** You are encouraged to make use of our beautiful Narthex for visiting. Thank you.



way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho-ly Spir-it
 from me. Re-store un-to me the joy of Thy sal-va-
 tion, and up-hold me with Thy free spir-it. A-men.

Sit

Gathering of our Tithes and Offerings : Solo: Infant Holy, Infant Lowly by Pat Wilcoxen

Stand

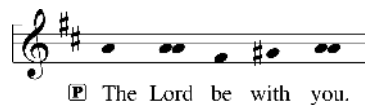
Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C **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.

Salutation and Benedicamus



The Lord be with you.

made Himself to be like us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

Feeding of the Lambs - "Do You See What I See" Luke 2:22-40

Old Testament Reading *Isaiah 61:10—62:3 (The First Sunday after Christmas)*

I will greatly rejoice in the LORD;
 my soul shall exult in my God,
 for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation;
 he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,
 as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful headdress,
 and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

For as the earth brings forth its sprouts,
 and as a garden causes what is sown in it to sprout up,
 so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise
 to sprout up before all the nations.

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,
 and for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet,
 until her righteousness goes forth as brightness,
 and her salvation as a burning torch.

The nations shall see your righteousness,
 and all the kings your glory,
 and you shall be called by a new name
 that the mouth of the LORD will give.

You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD,
 and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading *Galatians 4:4-7 (The First Sunday after Christmas)*

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse



Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel *Luke 2:22-40 (The First Sunday after Christmas)*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 22nd chapter.



Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

And when the time came for their purification according to the Law of Moses, [Mary and Joseph] brought [Jesus] up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the Law of the Lord, “Every male who first opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord”) and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the Law of the Lord, “a pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons.” Now there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon, and this man was righteous and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord’s Christ. And he came in the Spirit into the temple, and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him according to the custom of the Law, he took him up in his arms and blessed God and said,

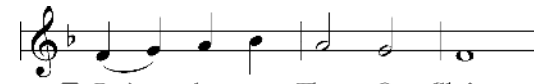
“Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in peace,
according to your word;
for my eyes have seen your salvation
that you have prepared in the presence of all peoples,
a light for revelation to the Gentiles,
and for glory to your people Israel.”

And his father and his mother marveled at what was said about him. And Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, “Behold, this child is appointed for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign that is opposed (and a sword will pierce through your own soul also), so that thoughts from many hearts may be revealed.”

And there was a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was advanced in years, having lived with her husband seven years from when she was a virgin, and then as a widow until she was eighty-four. She did not depart from the temple, worshiping with fasting and prayer night and day. And coming up at that very hour she began to give thanks to God and to speak of him to all who were waiting for the redemption of Jerusalem.

And when they had performed everything according to the Law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. And the child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom. And the favor of God was upon him.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

C 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.

Sit

Sermon Hymn: Lord, Bid Your Servant Go in Peace

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Sermon - "In The Fullness Of Time" Luke 2:22-40

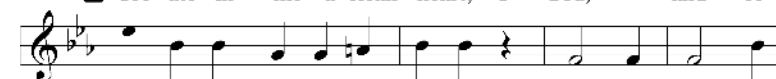
P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

C Amen.

Stand



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -



new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -