



The Fourteen Sunday after Pentecost

(PROPER 18)

10 September 2017 - Homecoming Sunday

The Holy Eucharist

10:30 a.m.

WELCOME to The Episcopal Church of the Redeemer. We are so glad you are here to worship with us this morning. If you are visiting, we invite you to sign the guest register in the narthex or to fill out a visitor card, found in the pews. Place the visitor card in the offering plate or give it to an usher or member of the clergy. As the parish community gathers, we invite you to prepare for worship in prayerful silence. During the liturgy, we will use the *BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER* 1979 and *The Hymnal* 1982, found in the pew racks. 'S' refers to the service music section at the front of *The Hymnal* 1982. Large-print leaflets and hearing assistance devices are available. Please speak with an usher or member of the clergy before the liturgy.

THE ENTRANCE RITE

The liturgy begins on page 355 in the BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY: Fantasia in G, BWV 572 Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

As the church bell rings, all stand as the choir sings:

INTROIT: O come, ye servants of the Lord

O come, ye servants of the Lord, and praise his holy name; from early morn to setting sun his might on earth proclaim. His laws are just and glad the heart; he makes his mercies known. Ye princes come, ye people too, and bow before his throne.

Words: from Psalm 113
Music: Christopher Tye (c. 1505-1573)

HYMN AT THE PROCESSION: Christ is made the sure foundation *HYMNAL*, 518

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit
People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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

All join in singing

A SONG OF PRAISE

HYMNAL, S-236

THE SALUTATION & COLLECT OF THE DAY

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

As the children, youth and teachers leave for Church School, all join in singing

HYMN 576, verse 1 and refrain

God is love, and where true love is God him - self is there.

Here in Christ we gath - er, love of Christ our call - ing. Christ, our love, is with us,

glad - ness be his greet - ing. Let us fear and love him, ho - ly God e - ter - nal.

Lov - ing him, let each love Christ in one an - oth - er.

God is love, and where true love is God him - self is there.

Words: Latin, tr. James Quinn (b. 1919)
Music: *Mandatum*, Richard Proulx (b. 1937)
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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING Exodus 12:1-14

The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the LORD. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The choir sings

PSALM 149

1 Hallelujah!

Sing to the LORD a new song; *
sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful.

2 Let Israel rejoice in his Maker; *

let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.

3 Let them praise his Name in the dance; *

let them sing praise to him with timbrel and harp.

4 For the LORD takes pleasure in his people *
and adorns the poor with victory.

5 Let the faithful rejoice in triumph; *

let them be joyful on their beds.

6 Let the praises of God be in their throat *
and a two-edged sword in their hand;

- 7 To wreak vengeance on the nations *
and punishment on the peoples;
- 8 To bind their kings in chains *
and their nobles with links of iron;
- 9 To inflict on them the judgment decreed; *
this is glory for all his faithful people.
Hallelujah!

Chant: George Garrett (1834-1897)

THE SECOND READING Romans 13:8-14

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand and sing:

HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE: Eternal Ruler of the ceaseless round *HYMNAL, 617*

THE HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 18:15-20

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

Jesus said, "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

THE NICENE CREED

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.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He 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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (FORM V) BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, page 389

THE CONFESSION OF SIN & ABSOLUTION

Most merciful God, we confess that 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 are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen

The Celebrant offers the Absolution

THE PEACE & THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY *The Adult and Youth Choirs sing*

ANTHEM: Draw us in the Spirit's tether

Draw us in the Spirit's tether; for when humbly, in thy name, two or three are met together, thou art in the midst of them: Alleluia! Touch we now thy garment's hem. As the brethren used to gather in the name of Christ to sup, then with thanks to God the Father break the bread and bless the cup: Alleluia! So knit thou our friendship up. All our meals and all our living make as sacraments of thee, that by caring, helping, giving, we may true disciples be: Alleluia! We will serve thee faithfully.

Text: Percy Dearmer (1867-1936)

Music: Harold Friedell (1905-1958)

THE DOXOLOGY

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (PRAYER A) *BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, page 361*

SANCTUS from *Mass of the Redeemer* *See insert at back of Hymnal*

THE LORD'S PRAYER *BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, page 364*

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

FRACTION ANTHEM from *Mass of the Redeemer* *See insert at back of Hymnal*

All who seek a deeper relationship with God in Jesus Christ are welcome to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion during this liturgy. Gluten-free wafers are available. The second chalice bearers have grape juice. Please make your need known at the altar rail. If the reception of Holy Communion is not part of your tradition, you are invited to come forward to receive a blessing. Simply cross your arms over your chest to indicate to the priest your desire to receive a blessing.

THE COMMUNION

All join in singing

HYMN: Father, we thank thee

HYMNAL, 302

The Adult and Youth Choirs sing

ANTHEM: Locus iste

Locus iste a Deo factus est. *This place was made by God.*
Irreprehensibilis est. *It is without reproof.*

Text: Gradual for the dedication of a church
Music: Anton Bruckner (1824-1896)

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING *All respond: Amen.*

HYMN IN PROCESSION: Singing songs of expectation

HYMNAL, 527

THE DISMISSAL *All respond: Thanks be to God*

ORGAN VOLUNTARY: Toccata in B minor - Eugène Gigout (1844-1925)

*Please respect those who wish to listen to the organ postlude
by holding your conversations outside the sanctuary. Thank you.*

*Thank you for worshipping with us. At the conclusion of the liturgy, we invite you to join us
for refreshments and fellowship in the Parish Hall, located on the lower level of the building.*

*To learn more about the mission and ministry of The Church of the Redeemer,
visit the parish website: redeemerbethesda.org*

■ PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to Church of the Redeemer.

You're invited to join us in our mutual Christian journey.

All are welcome at the Lord's Table for communion.

***Please sign the guest book in the foyer or complete a visitor's card,
and please take a copy of Redeemer Spirit.***

We wish to welcome you fully into the Redeemer community!

Wearing your name tag prevents memory loss in other people.

Please wear your name tag.

Altar Flowers

Today's flowers are given by Judy James in honor of September birthdays.

P.R.A.Y.—Potomac River Area Youth—Opening Event

Come to our year-opening pool party TODAY from 2 -4 p.m. Bring friends and take on last Splash of summer! All 5th–12th graders are invited. Bring a swimsuit, towel, sun-screen, and a food item to share. Details are on the registration link. We'll talk about the calendar for this year, ask for input of places to go and things to do. Most of all, we'll have fun!

This event is hosted by the Evans family from St. Dunstan's, 6609 Pyle Road, Bethesda, MD 20817. To register, please go to <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSecc1GMKegabu5mPhB4RVt5MlrmtVfjKAIY4YEbIEgwzhloOw/viewform>

Other event dates: October 22, TBD; November 19, TBD; December 17, Caroling; January 15, 2018, MLK Day of Service; February 11, TBD; March 11, TBD; April 13-14, Overnight at the Cathedral and Day of Service; May 20, TBD.

Interfaith Unity Walk—Know Your Neighbor

This year, the Unity Walk (a project of the Interfaith Conference) is more critical than ever. When over a thousand people of all faiths walk together in friendship on September 10th, we will show that we support ALL our neighbors; whoever they are... no exceptions! The opening ceremony is at Washington Hebrew Congregation at 12:30 pm, the walk begins at 1:30 pm. Closing ceremony is at the Islamic Center of Washington. Register at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/unity-walk-2017-know-your-neighbor-tickets-36011570577>

"Give bread to those who hunger..."

Today, a basket of food items donated by parishioners will be carried to the altar and blessed at the 10:30 a.m. Eucharist. This food will then be taken to Manna Food Center in Gaithersburg where it will be distributed to Montgomery County families in need. Please keep Manna on your grocery list each week and place your contributions in these baskets located in the rear of the church.

Washington Cornetts and Sackbutts Kick-Off

2017-2018 Music at Redeemer Series

TODAY at 5.00 pm, Music at Redeemer is hosting a performance by the highly acclaimed Washington Cornett and Sackbutt Ensemble. Cornetts are a late Renaissance and early Baroque precursor of the modern trumpet, and sackbutts are a precursor of the modern trombone. This ensemble, comprising some of the finest musicians in the Washington, DC area, is considered one of the premiere ensembles of its kind in North America, and it is a real treat to have them performing here at Redeemer. The 60-minute program, a 'Grand Tour' of European Courts, will feature music by prominent composers of the late 16th and 17th centuries, including the great Giovanni Gabrieli, who wrote music for the exemplary basilica of S. Marco in Venice, and was one of the pioneers of the 'polychoral' style. Admission is free. Free-will offering. Reception following. Special thanks to the Friends of Music at Redeemer for making this event possible.

A Special Celebration of Redeemer's Pipe Organ, October 8th

October of this year marks the 10th anniversary of the installation of our DiGennaro-Hart pipe organ here at Redeemer. To commemorate the anniversary, we are holding a special Evensong, with internationally renowned organist and choral director, Bruce Neswick here to lead Redeemer choirs and present a brief mini-recital after the liturgy. The Evensong and Recital are at 5.00 pm on Sunday, October 8. Mark your calendars and be here to enjoy this wonderful musical celebration. Reception to follow.

Neighborhood Needlers - New Fiber Arts Group

A group of fiber-minded folks in Bannockburn asked to meet here at Redeemer. Of course, they can! The Redeemer Needlers are welcome to join in. They plan to meet monthly. Bring your crocheting, knitting, needlepoint, embroidery, crewel, beading - whatever project you wish. The first meeting is on Tuesday, September 19, at 3:00 p.m.

Redeemer Book Group

We will be reading *Monsoon: The Indian Ocean and the Future of American Power* by Robert Kaplan. It will be discussed on Sunday, September 24 at the home of Susan Grigsby. For further info contact Huda Kraske at hqkraske@aol.com

Wednesdays at Redeemer—Formation opportunities for all ages

Beginning September 13, Redeemer families of all types have another way to inform their faith. Beginning at 6 p.m. we'll share a light supper together and then break out into groups. For the first several weeks, the confirmation class and adult formation class will meet together to discuss "How Episcopalians Read the Bible". Other youth will have their own activity. We hope to provide childcare as well, but that is not been arranged as of now. A sign-up sheet will be posted next week.

New choir members always welcome - adults and youth

This morning we welcome back our choirs after their summer break!!

If you or someone you know would like to be in our choirs, contact Chris Betts music@redeemerbethesda.org. New members are always welcome. Right now we are particularly looking for youth choristers (any grade school age), tenors and basses, but we'll welcome sopranos and altos too!

■ Prayer Requests

For those in need of healing:

Rick Abramson, Barbara Alterowitz, Peter Carlson, Allison Chow, Joan Eisenstodt, Kiki Garo, Lucien Garo, Jr., Jack Hutchings, Susan Ingraham, Olivier Jeanne, Peter & Beate Kendall, Rosalie Kerr, Clarice Leslie, Catherine Moore, Hal Palmer, Evelyn Paparelli, John Penn, Mary Potter, Rich Randa, Charlotte Ripa, Tom Rogers, Toks Rose, Bill Ryon, Frances Sharon, Lynda Shepard, Anne Southard, Karen Stewart, Patricia Snowden, Ernie Spokes, Ann Taylor, Carter Taylor, Edward, Greg, Jerry, Jim, Katherine, Katie, Mollie, Quinn, Logan, Jay, Nico, and Evan.

For those celebrating birthdays: Judy James, Ian Lear-Nickum, Jim Winkler, John Harbeson, Charles Raisch, and for the birth of Haluki, son of Kente and Ting Usui.

For those celebrating anniversaries: Joe & Deborah Babcock-Daley, Marlene & Hal Palmer

In thanksgiving for the marriage of Hilary Robinson & Chris Moore

■ Liturgical Assistants

Today, Sunday, September 10

Lector 8:00 Rachel King; Chalice 8:00 Tami McMinn

Ushers: Jefferson, Bill MacBain, Ben Ivins

Crucifer: Thad Arrington

Acolyte: Helen Zitomer

Lectors 10:30: Cathy Arrington (Old Testament); Chris Austin (Epistle); Randolph Court (Intercessor)

Chalice 10:30: Michael Hart, Justin Hess, Jenny Nachbar

Counters: TBD, Cathy Arrington

Altar Guild: Patricia Snowden (flowers), Tami McMinn, Cathy Baker, Judy James

Coffee Hour: "Holy Crepes"

Next Week, Sunday, September 17

Lector 8:00 Susan Grigsby; Chalice 8:00 Marie France

Ushers: Jefferson Arrington, Bill MacBain, Michael Mershon

Crucifer: Sam Nickerson

Acolyte: Thad Arrington

Lectors 10:30: Judy Austin (Old Testament); Jo Barclay-Beard (Epistle); John Nelson (Intercessor)

Chalice 10:30: Nathan Price, Peggy Tucker, Chrissy de Fontenay

Counters: Deborah Babcock-Daley, Jane Dealy

Healing Ministers Jane Winer, Kiki Garo, Justin Hess, Elizabeth Askey

Altar Guild: Ann Hartman (flowers), Marie France, Helen Zitomer, Judy James

Coffee Hour: Theresa Raj (Indian food)

Sign-up sheets for Coffee Hour and Altar Flowers are on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall.

September and October could really use your love.

We're counting on you for these ministries of hospitality. Thank you!

■ **Next Week's Lectionary - www.lectionarypage.net**

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost, September 17

Exodus 14:19-31

Psalm 114

Romans 14:1-12

Matthew 18:21-35

■ **Parish Calendar**

Today, September 10

Holy Eucharist, 8:00 a.m.

Coffee and conversation 9:15 a.m.

Childcare begins 9:15 a.m..

Holy Eucharist, 10:30 a.m.

Coffee Hour 11:45 a.m.

P.R.A.Y. Event, 2:00 p.m.

Music at Redeemer concert, 5:00 p.m.

Monday, September 11, Office closed

AA Meeting, Noon

Tuesday, September 12

Education for Ministry, 6:30 p.m.

AA Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, September 13

Morning Prayer, 9:00 a.m.

Education for Ministry, 9:30 a.m.

Holy Eucharist, Noon

AA Meeting, Noon

Youth Choir Rehearsal, 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday Night Formation/Confirmation, 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, September 14

Balkan Dancers, 7:30 p.m.

Adult Choir Rehearsal, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, September 15

AA Meditation Meeting, Noon

AA Meeting, 8:30 p.m.

Spirituality Uncorked, Meiwah in Friendship Heights, 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 16

Yoga, 9:30 a.m.

Sunday, September 17, Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Eucharist, 8:00 a.m.

Adult Forum, 9:15 a.m.

More....

Childcare, 9:15 a.m.
Holy Eucharist, 10:30 a.m.
Coffee Hour, 11:45 a.m.

Looking ahead:

September 24, Redeemer Book Group
September 24, Bethesda Cares Dinner
September 28, Ladies Lunch at Redeemer
October 8, Organ Anniversary Evensong

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