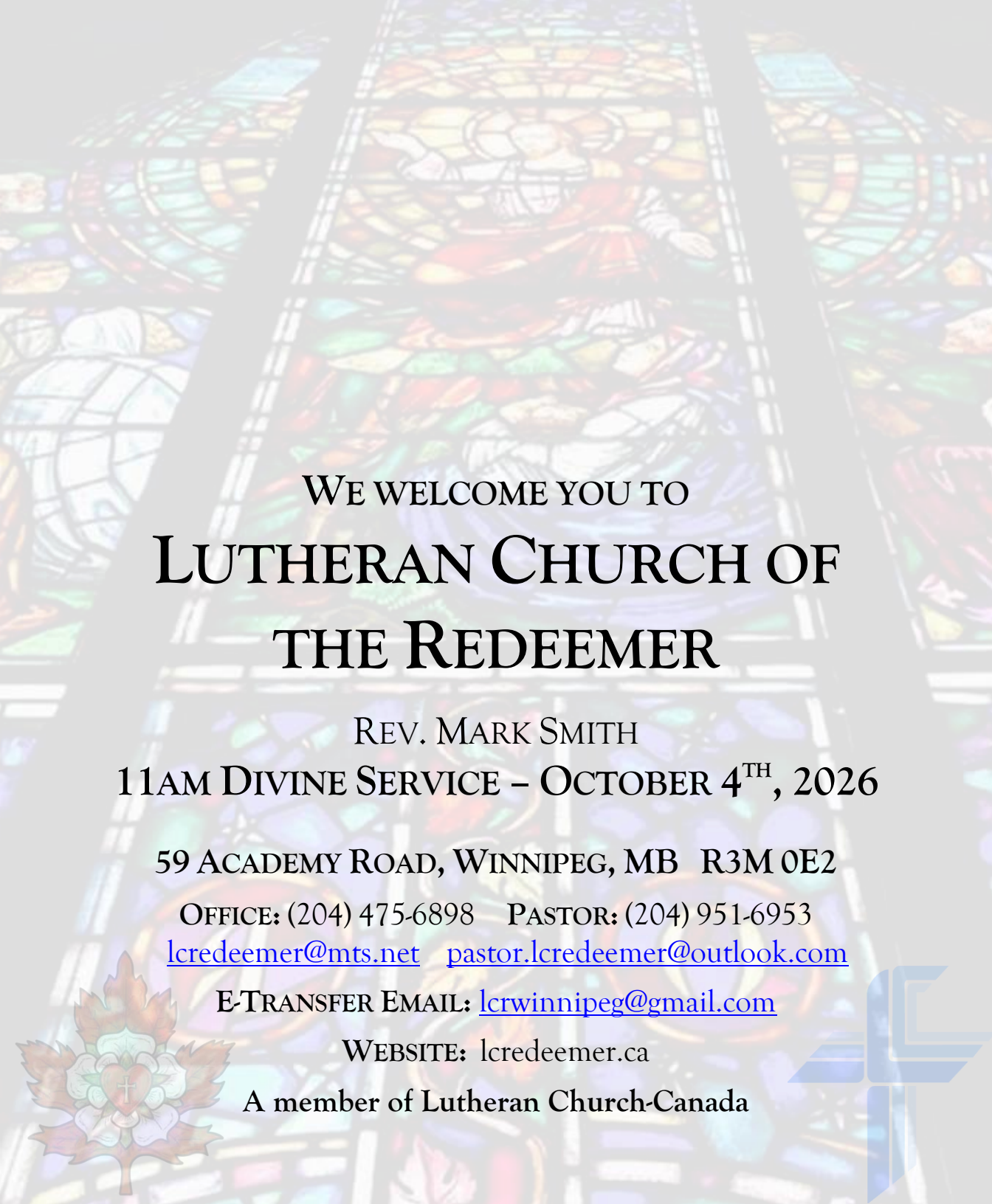




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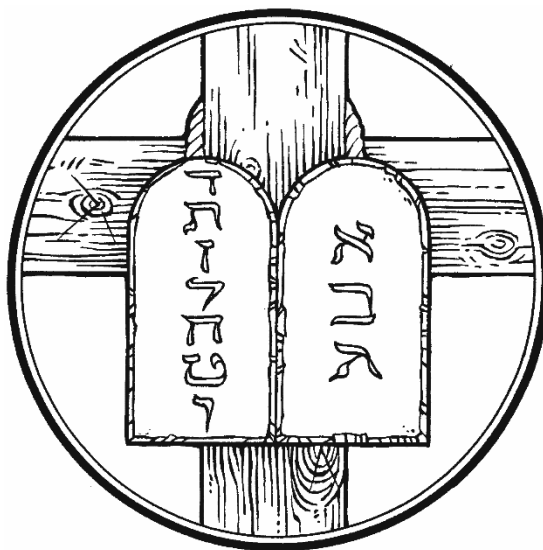
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EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



In Life and Death, Christ Fulfills the Law of God

The Pharisees ask a Law question. Jesus asks a Gospel question. The Pharisees seek to test Jesus in His own words. Jesus seeks to “test” them in the saving reality of who He is as the Messiah (Matt. 22:34-46). The Law requires you to “fear the LORD your God, to walk in all his ways, to love him, to serve the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul” and to “love the sojourner” (Deut. 10:12-21). Failure to keep the Law perfectly brings judgment. On the other hand, the Gospel brings the grace of God given by Jesus Christ, that you may be blameless in the day of His return (1 Cor. 1:1-9). Jesus is David’s Son yet David’s Lord, true God and true man. He is Love incarnate who fulfilled all the demands of God’s Law on our behalf, that we might be saved from the Law’s condemnation and sanctified in the Gospel’s forgiveness. Thereby we see that “God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord” (1 Cor. 1:9).

DIVINE SERVICE, Setting Three – (LSB pp 184ff)

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

OPENING HYMN –

#844 – Lord of All Nations, Grant Me Grace

INVOCATION – page 184

INTROIT – Ps. 122:1, 6, 8-9; *antiphon: Liturgical Text*

Give peace, O Lord, to those who | wait for you,*
and let your prophets be proven | faithful.

Hear the prayer of your | servants,*
according to the blessing of Aaron upon your | people.

I was glad when they | said to me,*
“Let us go to the house | of the LORD!”

Pray for the peace of Je- | rusalem!*

May they be secure who | love you!

For my brothers and com- | panions’ sake*

I will say, “Peace be with- | in you!”

For the sake of the house of the | LORD our God,*

I will | seek your good.

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.

Give peace, O Lord, to those who | wait for you,*
and let your prophets be proven | faithful.

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according to the blessing of Aaron upon your | people.

KYRIE – page 186

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS – page 187

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY – page 189

OLD TESTAMENT READING – *Deuteronomy 10:12–21*

¹²“And now, Israel, what does the LORD your God require of you, but to fear the LORD your God, to walk in all his ways, to love him, to serve the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul, ¹³and to keep the commandments and statutes of the LORD, which I am commanding you today for your good? ¹⁴Behold, to the LORD your God belong heaven and the heaven of heavens, the earth with all that is in it. ¹⁵Yet the LORD set his heart in love on your fathers and chose their offspring after them, you above all peoples, as you are this day. ¹⁶Circumcise therefore the foreskin of your heart, and be no longer stubborn. ¹⁷For the LORD your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great, the mighty, and the awesome God, who is not partial and takes no bribe. ¹⁸He executes justice for the fatherless and the widow, and loves the sojourner, giving him food and clothing. ¹⁹Love the sojourner, therefore, for you were sojourners in the land of Egypt. ²⁰You shall fear the LORD your God. You shall serve him and hold fast to him, and by his name you shall swear. ²¹He is your praise. He is your God, who has done for you these great and terrifying things that your eyes have seen.”

GRADUAL

I was glad when they | said to me,*
“Let us go to the house | of the LORD!”
Peace be with- | in your walls*
and security within your | towers!

EPISTLE – 1 Corinthians 1:4–9

⁴I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge— ⁶even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you— ⁷so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁸who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALLELUIA – page 190

HOLY GOSPEL – Matthew 22:34–46

³⁴ When the Pharisees heard that [Jesus] had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together. ³⁵ And one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. ³⁶ “Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?” ³⁷ And he said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. ³⁸ This is the great and first commandment. ³⁹ And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. ⁴⁰ On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.” ⁴¹ Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them a question, ⁴² saying, “What do you think about the Christ? Whose son is he?” They said to him, “The son of David.” ⁴³ He said to them, “How is it then that David, in the Spirit, calls him Lord, saying,

⁴⁴ “The Lord said to my Lord,

Sit at my right hand,

until I put your enemies under your feet’?

⁴⁵ If then David calls him Lord, how is he his son?” ⁴⁶ And no one was able to answer him a word, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

NICENE CREED – page 191

HYMN OF THE DAY –

#694 – Thee Will I Love, My Strength, My Tower

SERMON

OFFERTORY – pages 192

OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P: Lord, in Your mercy, C: Hear our prayer.

We pray for our Shut-ins –

Elwood Kaminsky & Kathy Krahenbil

Also Eileen Wiens and others we know to be in need.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

If you are not a member of Lutheran Church Canada or a sister church, please feel welcome to come up during the Supper to receive a blessing. Indicate you would like a blessing by crossing your arms over your heart. If you would like to commune with us in the future, please speak to the Pastor after the service and express your holy desire.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN –

#620 – Jesus Comes Today with Healing

COMMUNION LITURGY – pages 194-198

NUNC DIMITTIS – page 199

THANKSGIVING – page 200

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT & BENEDICTION – page 201

CLOSING HYMN –
#794 – The Lord, My God, Be Praised

POSTLUDE

REDEEMER REPORTER

VOTERS' MEETING:

The date for the voters' meeting for Lutheran Church of the Redeemer members has been set for October 25th after service. The draft agenda for the meeting is below. A full package of meeting material will be provided via email approximately a week in advance and will be available at the meeting.

Should you have any questions/comments please reach out to Barrie Davidson or Pastor Manning.

1. Call to order
2. Determination of Quorum
3. Opening Prayer
4. New Voting Members (if any)
5. Approval of Agenda
6. Approval of Minutes a) November 9, 2025 b) February 1, 2026
7. Business Arising from Previous Meetings
8. Committee Reports (Pastor, Elders, Finance, Trustees, Building Committee, Mission Committee)
 9. New Business
 10. Closing Prayer
 11. Adjournment

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

We have been able to add to our revenue by renting space to outside users. This is a good opportunity for us, but requires someone to take on the task of looking after them while they are in the building. Not a difficult job but could be odd hours. We'd appreciate 1 or 2 volunteers to take on this task. If you are willing to volunteer or have any questions please speak to Diane Handford or Shelly Davidson.