

Season of LENT



March 30, 2025 ~ 10:15am

REDEEMER BY THE SEA ~ "A PLACE TO KNOW AND BE KNOWN"

We are honored to recognize our niche in God's Kingdom work. Here we will faithfully worship and teach in alignment with God's Word and we're a small enough fellowship where you can know and be known by most of the people around you if that's your desire. Here you will be missed if you're gone and prayed for when you have needs. You are welcome to contact the office (kay@redeemerbythesea.org) with any questions or to get connected.

UPCOMING EVENTS: www.RedeemerbytheSea.org

April 2nd	5:30pm	Lent Dinner and Devotions
April 5th	9:00am	Men's Fellowship Breakfast
April 8th	9:30am	LWM Business Meeting
	10:15am	Book Exchange
April 12th		Holy Hackers
April 17th	5:30pm	Maundy Thursday Worship
April 18th	5:30pm	Good Friday Worship
April 20th	8:30am 10:15am	Easter Worship

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING SONG

"We Believe"

INTRODUCTION AND PSALM

Psalm 71:1-8

Pastor: In you, O Lord, do I take refuge;

People: let me never be put to shame!

Pastor: In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me;

People: incline your ear to me, and save me!

Pastor: Be to me a rock of refuge, to which I may continually come;

People: you have given the command to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress.

Pastor: Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked,

People: from the grasp of the unjust and cruel man.

Pastor: For you, O Lord, are my hope,

People: my trust, O Lord, from my youth.

Pastor: Upon you I have leaned from before my birth; you are he who took me from my mother's womb.

People: My praise is continually of you.

Pastor: I have been as a portent to many,

People: but you are my strong refuge.

Pastor: My mouth is filled with your praise,

People: and with your glory all the day.

All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning is now and will be forever. Amen.

INTRODUCTION AND READING

Exodus 40:1-5;34-38

The Lord spoke to Moses, saying, ²“On the first day of the first month you shall erect the tabernacle of the tent of meeting. ³ And you shall put in it the ark of the testimony, and you shall screen the ark with the veil. ⁴ And you shall bring in the table and arrange it, and you shall bring in the lampstand and set up its lamps. ⁵ And you shall put the golden altar for incense before the ark of the testimony, and set up the screen for the door of the tabernacle.... ³⁴ Then the cloud covered the tent of meeting, and the glory of the Lord filled the tabernacle. ³⁵ And Moses was not able to enter the tent of meeting because the cloud settled on it, and the glory of the Lord filled the tabernacle. ³⁶ Throughout all their journeys, whenever the cloud was taken up from over the tabernacle, the people of Israel would set out. ³⁷ But if the cloud was not taken up, then they did not set out till the day that it was taken up. ³⁸ For the cloud of the Lord was on the tabernacle by day, and fire was in it by night, in the sight of all the house of Israel throughout all their journeys.

SONG

“How Deep the Father’s Love for Us”

INTRODUCTION AND READING

Isaiah 45:23-25

By myself I have sworn; from my mouth has gone out in righteousness a word that shall not return: ‘To me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear allegiance.’ ²⁴ “Only in the Lord, it shall be said of me, are righteousness and strength; to him shall come and be ashamed all who were incensed against him. ²⁵ In the Lord all the offspring of Israel shall be justified and shall glory.”

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE /SUNDAY SCHOOL DISMISSAL

GREET ONE ANOTHER AND SHARE GOD'S PEACE

INTRODUCTION AND GOSPEL READING

Matthew 15:21-28 (NIV)

²¹ Leaving that place, Jesus withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. ²² A Canaanite woman from that vicinity came to him, crying out, "Lord, Son of David, have mercy on me! My daughter is demon-possessed and suffering terribly."

²³ Jesus did not answer a word. So his disciples came to him and urged him, "Send her away, for she keeps crying out after us."

²⁴ He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of Israel."

²⁵ The woman came and knelt before him. "Lord, help me!" she said.

²⁶ He replied, "It is not right to take the children's bread and toss it to the dogs."

²⁷ "Yes it is, Lord," she said. "Even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their master's table."

²⁸ Then Jesus said to her, "Woman, you have great faith! Your request is granted." And her daughter was healed at that moment.

INTRODUCTION AND GOSPEL TEXT

Luke 15:11-32 (NIV)

¹¹ Jesus continued: "There was a man who had two sons. ¹² The younger one said to his father, 'Father, give me my share of the estate.' So he divided his property between them.

¹³ "Not long after that, the younger son got together all he had, set off for a distant country and there squandered his wealth in wild living. ¹⁴ After he had spent everything, there was a severe famine in that whole country, and he began to be in need. ¹⁵ So he went and hired himself out to a citizen of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed pigs. ¹⁶ He longed to fill his stomach with the pods that the pigs were eating, but no one gave him anything.

¹⁷ "When he came to his senses, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have food to spare, and here I am starving to death! ¹⁸ I will set out and go back to my father and say to him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. ¹⁹ I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired servants.' ²⁰ So he got up and went to his father.

"But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him.

²¹ "The son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.'

²² "But the father said to his servants, 'Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. ²³ Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let's have a feast and celebrate. ²⁴ For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.' So they began to celebrate.

²⁵ "Meanwhile, the older son was in the field. When he came near the house, he heard music and dancing. ²⁶ So he called one of the servants and asked him what was going on. ²⁷ 'Your brother has come,' he replied, 'and your father has killed the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.'

²⁸ "The older brother became angry and refused to go in. So his father went out and pleaded with him. ²⁹ But he answered his father, 'Look! All these years I've been slaving for you and never disobeyed your orders. Yet you never gave me even a young goat so I could celebrate with my friends. ³⁰ But when this son of yours who has squandered your property with prostitutes comes home, you kill the fattened calf for him!'

³¹ "'My son,' the father said, 'you are always with me, and everything I have is yours. ³² But we had to celebrate and be glad, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.'"

MESSAGE

"Can You See the Father?"

Pastor John Fiene

PRAYERS

INTRODUCTION AND READING

2 Corinthians 4:7-15

⁷ But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us. ⁸ We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; ⁹ persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; ¹⁰ always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies. ¹¹ For we who live are always being given over to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh. ¹² So death is at work in us, but life in you.

¹³ Since we have the same spirit of faith according to what has been written, "I believed, and so I spoke," we also believe, and so we also speak, ¹⁴ knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his presence. ¹⁵ For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG

"Build Your Kingdom Here"

WORSHIP | GROW | SERVE

OFFERINGS: Visitors: please consider yourselves our guests and do not feel obligated to participate in the offering. In faithful obedience and joyful response to God's grace in our lives, we humbly and gratefully bring our tithes (a regular first portion percentage of our income) and offerings (gifts over and above our tithes for other kingdom work). You may deposit your envelope, check, or cash in the box next to the exit; give online with your phone using the QR code, or text "GIVE" to 442-222-2448. All of these options are also available on our **website: www.redeemerbythesea.org/donate/**



LENT DINNER AND DEVOTIONS Wed., March 26th at 5:30pm. Join us for a Chili dinner sponsored by Lutheran Women in Mission. Afterwards, we will view a segment of a video series from RightNow Media titled "The Easter Experience", followed by an Elder led discussion.

Wed. April 2nd: Sandwiches and Chips sponsored by Fellowship

Wed. April 9th: Sloppy Joe's – sponsored by Women's Friday Fellowship

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST: SAT. APRIL 5TH from **9:00am -10:45am.** Join us for a time of fellowship and men's study. Register online to RSVP and select your (optional) breakfast sandwich from Panera.

LWM BOOK EXCHANGE: On Tues. April 8th following the business meeting at **9:30am**, LWM is hosting a book exchange. Bring one or more books (in good condition) to exchange. Join us in the Fellowship Hall to get your next read.

HOLY HACKERS: The next golf outing will be on **Sat. April 12th**. We play best ball, so all levels of golfers are welcome to join. Email **MissRhonda@redeemerbythesea.org** to play and she will secure tee times.

EASTER INVITATION CARDS are available in the lobby to invite neighbors and friends to Easter at Redeemer. Pick one up, hand it out....invite someone to Easter at Redeemer by the Sea!

EASTER LILIES have been ordered to decorate our Sanctuary. If you would like to help defray the cost for \$13 each, please order online or use this QR code. Thank you ahead of time.



SUNDAY COFFEE FELLOWSHIP: We would love to keep this important fellowship opportunity available every Sunday after both services. However, we need assistance especially following the Contemporary Service. We currently have 3 people who faithfully serve but we need 6. This requires arriving at 10am to plug in the coffee maker and double check refreshments. Then 45 minutes after worship to clean-up. Training/shadowing is available. Please email Mary Meyer: jmeyer10010@yahoo.com to learn more.

REDEEMER BY THE SEA KINDERGARTEN AND PRESCHOOL is now registering students for the 2025/2026 school year. Go to <https://www.redeemerkp.com/> to learn more.

BIBLE STUDY FOR YOUR WEEK: Pastor Fiene has prepared a take home bible study based on the scriptures from today's service. Please take one as you exit today and stay in God's word this week.

WELCOME REV. DR. JOHN FIENE THIS SUNDAY: Rev. Dr. John Fiene has been a Church Planter of Grace Lutheran Church in Sandy City, Utah, and later, Advent Lutheran Church, Zionsville, Indiana. Both congregations, subsequent to their own founding, initiated successful new mission congregations. He recently served as pastor at University Lutheran Chapel on the University of Colorado campus in Boulder, Pastor Fiene has served as Vice-President of the Indiana District of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod and as a member of the Board of Directors of the Rocky Mountain District. He has taught on the subject of mission planting as an adjunct professor at Concordia Theological Seminary in Ft. Wayne, Indiana as well as various pastors' conferences.

Pastor Fiene and his beloved wife Solvieg Fiene (nie. Preus) currently live in Carlsbad and they have four children (three in California) and eight grand children.

***Today's altar flowers have been donated by Mike Hong
in memory of father Hyung Kyun Hong.***

SERMON NOTES

Date ____/____/____

Series/Title: _____

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MAIN POINTS:

ACTION/REFLECTION/PRAYER: