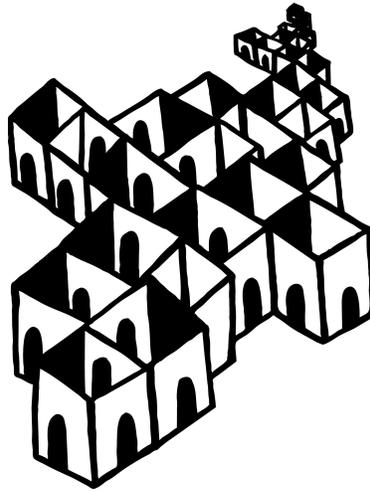


FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



MAY 3RD, 2026 | 9:30 A.M.

HOLY COMMUNION, SETTING THREE

INTRODUCTION

As we continue to celebrate the fifty days of Easter, today's gospel includes Jesus' promise that he goes to prepare a place for his followers in his Father's house. Our baptism commissions us to share Jesus' mission in the world. As 1 Peter reminds us, we are a holy people, called to proclaim the one who called us out of darkness into light. In words and deeds we bear witness to the risen Christ—our way, our truth, our life.

GATHERING

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (ELW p. 94)

The assembly stands as able.

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The presiding minister may lead one of the following or another prayer of preparation.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom 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 Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

The assembly stands as they are able. Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

The presiding minister announces God's forgiveness with these or similar words.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ☩ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

Amen

The assembly stands as able. The service continues with a gathering song

GATHERING SONG: *I Love to Tell the Story* (ELW 661)

1 I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,
2 I love to tell the sto - ry: how pleas - ant to re - peat
3 I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best

of Je - sus and his glo - ry, of Je - sus and his love.
what seems, each time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet!
seem hun - ger - ing and thirst - ing to hear it like the rest.

I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know it's true;
I love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard
And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,

it sat - is - fies my long - ings as noth - ing else would do.
the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly word.
I'll sing the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.

Refrain

I love to tell the sto - ry; 'twill be my theme in glo - ry

to tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love.

GREETING

During this time, the presiding minister and the assembly greet each other.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The assistant minister leads the prayer of the day. Let us pray.

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. Give us grace to love one another, to follow in the way of his commandments, and to share his risen life with all the world, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. *The assembly is seated.*

WORD

FIRST READING: 1 Peter 2:2-10

² Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation—³ if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

⁴ Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and ⁵ like living stones let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶ For it stands in scripture:

“See, I am laying in Zion a stone,
a cornerstone chosen and precious,
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.”

⁷ This honor, then, is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe,

“The stone that the builders rejected
has become the very head of the corner,”

⁸ and “A stone that makes them stumble and a rock that makes them fall.”
They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

⁹ But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the excellence of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

¹⁰ Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people;
once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

The reading may be concluded: The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

A: We join in reading our Psalm of the day in unison

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

¹ In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; let me never be ¹ put to shame;
deliver me ¹ in your righteousness.

² Incline your ¹ ear to me;
make haste to de- ¹ liver me.

³ Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, for you are my crag ¹ and my stronghold;
for the sake of your name, lead ¹ me and guide me.

⁴ Take me out of the net that they have secretly ¹ set for me,
for you are my tow- ¹ er of strength. R

⁵ Into your hands I com- ¹ mend my spirit,
for you have redeemed me, O LORD, ¹ God of truth.

¹⁵ My times are ¹ in your hand;
rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who ¹ persecute me.

¹⁶ Let your face shine up- ¹ on your servant;
save me in your ¹ steadfast love.” R

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Setting Three*

The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL: John 14:1-14

The presiding minister announces the gospel.

The holy gospel according to _____. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹ “Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. ² In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. ⁴ And you know the way to the place where I am going.” ⁵ Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” ⁶ Jesus said to him, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷ If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

⁸ Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” ⁹ Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, but if you do not, then believe because of the works themselves. ¹² Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.”

The gospel concludes: The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

The assembly is seated. Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

A: We stand as we are able, confessing the Christian faith with the words of the Apostle’s Creed.

APOSTLE'S CREED

The assembly stands as they are able. The assistant minister leads the Apostle's Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A: The response for our prayer today is: _____.

Trusting in the power of Christ's resurrection to heal and redeem our broken world, let us pray for the needs of all creation.

A brief silence.

God of glory, you have built your church on Christ the cornerstone. Inspire lay leaders, deacons, pastors, and bishops to proclaim forgiveness and your steadfast love to all whom they encounter. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

God of majesty, you bring forth plants and animals, skies and seas, mountains and valleys. Protect all you have made from the ravages of pollution and climate disaster. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

God of mercy, you intend governments and social service agencies to be instruments of peace and justice. Guide political leaders and organizations to be agents of compassion, and raise up advocates for those who seek refuge and assistance. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

God of well-being, you soothe those in distress, console all who grieve, provide for any in need, and comfort those who are sick (*especially Tim R, Jill S., Chris*). Instill caregivers with a sense of purpose to be your healing hands in this world. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

God of community, you call us together as your people for mutual support and to witness to your love in the world. Make your presence known among those unable to attend worship today. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

God of eternal life, you have prepared dwelling places for your people, so that we are never separated from you. We give you thanks for the faithful departed who witnessed to your mighty acts in word and deed. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION CONCLUSION

The presiding minister concludes the intercessory prayers.

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abundant mercy; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

MEAL

Great Thanksgiving

DIALOGUE (ELW p. 129)

The presiding minister greets the assembly and invites all present to give thanks.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE (ELW p. 130)

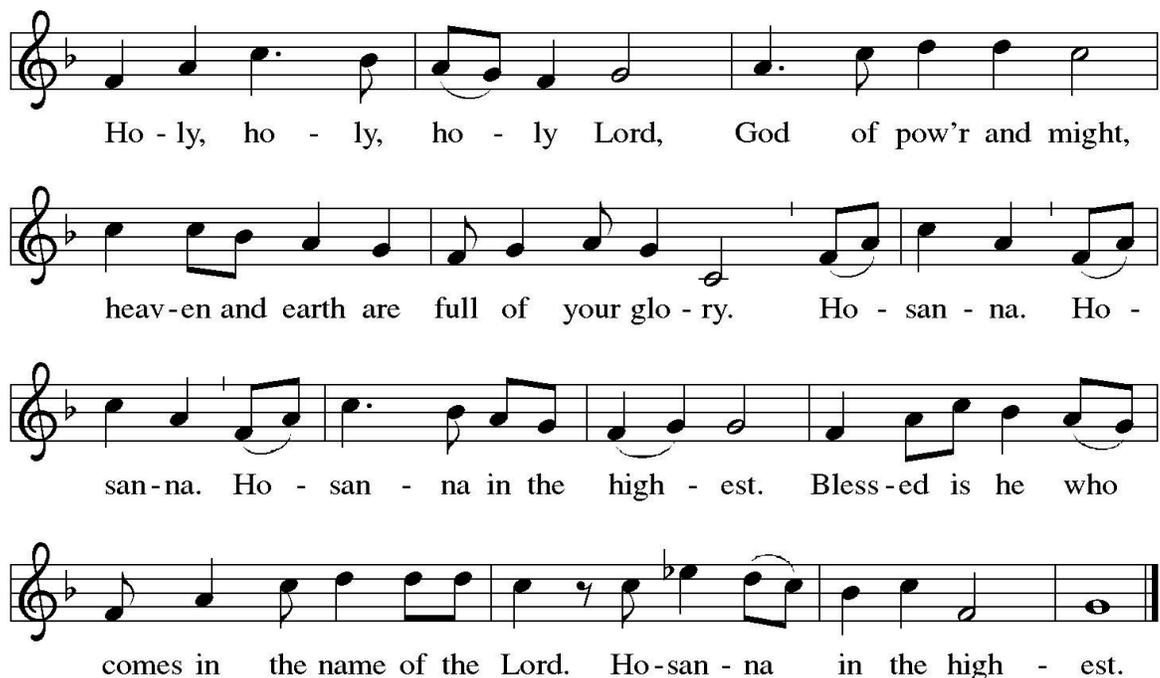
The thanksgiving continues with the preface for the day or season:

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ.

You call your people to cleanse their hearts
and prepare with joy for the paschal feast,
that, renewed in the gift of baptism,
we may come to the fullness of your grace.

And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS *"Holy, Holy, Holy" may be sung. (Setting 3)*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE (ELW p. 133)

The presiding minister continues, using one of the following or another appropriate form.

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God.
You are most holy,
and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only
Son,
so that everyone who believes in him may not
perish
but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world
to fulfill for us your holy will
and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness
of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink

from this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will
come again.**

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command,
his life-giving passion and death, his glorious
resurrection and ascension,
and the promise of his coming again,
we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty,
not as we ought but as we are able;
we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and
thanksgiving
and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us,
your servants,
and these your own gifts of bread and wine,
so that we and all who share in the body and
blood of Christ
may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace,
and, receiving the forgiveness of sin,
may be formed to live as your holy people
and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory in your holy church, now
and forever. **Amen**

LORD'S PRAYER

The presiding minister may introduce the Lord's Prayer.

**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 TO COMMUNION

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

The assembly may be seated. The bread may be broken for the communion.

COMMUNION

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Amen.

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

At this time, the assembly may commune receiving the communion sacrament(s).

AGNUS DEI "Lamb of God" (Setting Three)

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

COMMUNION SONG: *Let Us Break Bread Together (ELW 471)*

1 Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees;
2 Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees;
3 Let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees;

let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees.
let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees.
let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees.

Refrain

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing

sun, O Lord, have mer - cy on me.

After all have returned to their places, the minister may say these or similar words.
The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthens you and keep you in his grace.
Amen

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The assisting minister leads the following prayer after communion.

Holy One,

**through this meal you have made your home among us
and are making all things new.**

**Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts,
to love our enemies,
and to bring your healing to the nations.**

In the name of Jesus,

Amen

SENDING

BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, ✙ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen**

DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. Share the good news.. **Thanks be to God.**

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

MISSION NOTES

We are so glad that you are here with us for worship, and invite you to consider other ways to deepen faith and connect with the Redeemer community and the world around us - to which God calls us in loving service!

Brunch Church, May 17th

All are welcome to Redeemer's seasonal Brunch Church! Join us on Sunday, May 17th, at 9:30 a.m. to reclaim the early Christian practice of sharing Holy Communion within the context of a full meal. Brunch Church is a joyful way to connect with the Redeemer community through conversation, live music graciously offered by the Redeemer Jam Band, and, of course, soul-warming homemade food. Last Brunch Church was filled with fun as Liz and Cole took photos of everyone with stick props and all sorts of silly cardboard sunglasses and mustaches. We hope to see you all in the Community Room for Brunch Church!

Mother's Day: Blessings for All Who Nurture

Join us on Sunday, May 10th at Redeemer, New Paltz as we offer a special blessing in worship for all who nurture, parent, and care for others. We will also be handing out flowers to anyone who wishes to receive one. God's blessings are truly present with all those who support those around them!

TODAY'S EVENTS:

Office for Community Wellness, New Paltz: Wellness Pop-Up, Today, 1pm - 3pm | Free Health and Wellness Offerings, Acupuncture, Biofield Tuning, Reiki, Narcan Training, Meditations and more. Speaker Series @130pm - Susie Krebs "Shifting Your Perspective: How to Move from Being Stuck in the Energy of 'the problem' into the energy of 'achieving a desired outcome.'" @2pm - Kim Carver facilitates a Sound Meditation

The SUNY New Paltz Electronic Music Ensemble: An Evening of New Sounds w Bob Lukomski, Today, 5pm | In the Sanctuary, Admission \$10 (\$5 for students w ID)



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WELLNESS POP-UP

Sunday, May 3rd
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Redeemer Church
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FREE HEALTH & WELLNESS OFFERINGS
Acupuncture, Biofield Tuning, Reiki, Narcan Training, and More!

Special Informational Sessions with:



Susie Krebs: Certified NLP Practitioner, Reiki Master, & Author
1:30 PM - 2:00 PM: **Shifting Your Perspective: How to move from being stuck in the energy of "the problem" into the energy of "achieving a desired outcome"**

Are you tired of living your life from a place of survival? Dealing with one problem after another? Do you need a change in some area of your life but you're not sure how to go about it? Come out and join me in exploring how to shift your perspective in order to achieve more of what you do want!

BIO: Susie is a certified NLP Practitioner of over twenty years, a Reiki Master, and the author of *ES Thinking: Extraordinary Living Through Ego Spirit Thinking*. As cofounder of this practice, she has provided coaching and taught classes since 2019, blending spiritual and counseling modalities.



Kim Carver: Biofield Tuning Practitioner & Reiki Master
2:30 PM - 3:00 PM: **Healing Sound Meditation**

This session introduces the healing properties of crystal singing bowls and their calming vibrational frequencies. The sound meditation helps soothe the nervous system, relieve stress, and promote deep relaxation and balance.

BIO: With over forty-three years as a choral director, Kim has witnessed music's profound ability to bring peace and healing. Today, as a Reiki Master and holistic practitioner, she combines sound energy practices—using tuning forks and crystal singing bowls—to help others restore balance and well-being.



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SENDING SONG: *What a Fellowship (ELW 774)*

The assembly stands to proclaim the word of God in song.

1 What a fel - low-ship, what a joy di - vine, lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms;
 2 Oh, how sweet to walk in this pil-grim way, lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms;
 3 What have I to dread, what have I to fear, lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms?

what a bless-ed-ness, what a peace is mine, lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms.
 oh, how bright the path grows from day to day, lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms.
 I have bless-ed peace with my Lord so near, lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms.

Refrain

Lean - ing, lean - ing, safe and se - cure from all a - larms;
 Lean - ing on Je - sus, lean - ing on Je - sus,

lean - ing, lean - ing, lean-ing on the ev - er - last-ing arms.
 lean - ing on Je - sus, lean - ing on Je - sus,

ONGOING

Good Trouble Coffeehouse & Open Mic Night

MAY 1st SCC hosted in partnership with Redeemer, New Paltz every Friday 7-9pm

Council Meetings - All Welcome to Attend

Every 3rd Thursday, 7pm, on Zoom

Chair Yoga with Bonnie Crisci

Chair Yoga at Redeemer New Paltz -
Wednesdays at 1:30

Worship Incubators

First Sunday of each month - 11-1230pm
Mission statement: Developing Christ-centered, multi-sensory worship opportunities that give praise and glory to God.

Sunday School

**First & Third Sundays, 11-noon,
Throughout the School Year**

Fun-filled and engaging Sunday school with our Episcopal and Methodist ecumenical partners. Hosted here at Redeem in the SouthEast Classroom.

Free Fresh Food Giveaway

Volunteers are needed to help set up and/or stay a short time to help distribute food at our Free Fresh Food Giveaway every 2nd Sunday of the month. Contact Jackie Anderson 609 432 9622 or dogsinn136@gmail.com

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