# "Jesus, my Good Shepherd" Chaplain Erik Neider

### May 11, 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							
	May 11 <sup>th</sup>		Happy Mother's Day				
	May 13 <sup>th</sup>	9:30am	LWM – "Time with Children"				
	May 16 <sup>th</sup>	5:30pm	Women's Friday Fellowship				
	May 17 <sup>th</sup>	5:30pm	Date Night Men's Fellowship Breakfast				
	June 7th	9:00am					
	June 23-27	9:00 - 12:00	0pm Vacation Bible School				

#### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **OPENING SONG**

#### THE FIRST READING

"Who I Am" "Salvation Is Here"

#### Acts 20:17-35 (NIV)

<sup>17</sup> From Miletus, Paul sent to Ephesus for the elders of the church. <sup>18</sup> When they arrived, he said to them: "You know how I lived the whole time I was with you, from the first day I came into the province of Asia. <sup>19</sup> I served the Lord with great humility and with tears and in the midst of severe testing by the plots of my Jewish opponents. <sup>20</sup> You know that I have not hesitated to preach anything that would be helpful to you but have taught you publicly and from house to house. <sup>21</sup> I have declared to both Jews and Greeks that they must turn to God in repentance and have faith in our Lord Jesus.

<sup>22</sup> "And now, compelled by the Spirit, I am going to Jerusalem, not knowing what will happen to me there. <sup>23</sup> I only know that in every city the Holy Spirit warns me that prison and hardships are facing me. <sup>24</sup> However, I consider my life worth nothing to me; my only aim is to finish the race and complete the task the Lord Jesus has given me—the task of testifying to the good news of God's grace.

<sup>25</sup> "Now I know that none of you among whom I have gone about preaching the kingdom will ever see me again. <sup>26</sup> Therefore, I declare to you today that I am innocent of the blood of any of you. <sup>27</sup> For I have not hesitated to proclaim to you the whole will of God. <sup>28</sup> Keep watch over yourselves and all the flock of which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers. Be shepherds of the church of God, which he bought with his own blood. <sup>29</sup> I know that after I leave, savage wolves will come in among you and will not spare the flock. <sup>30</sup> Even from your own number men will arise and distort the truth in order to draw away disciples after them. <sup>31</sup> So be on your guard! Remember that for three years I never stopped warning each of you night and day with tears.

<sup>32</sup> "Now I commit you to God and to the word of his grace, which can build you up and give you an inheritance among all those who are sanctified. <sup>33</sup> I have not coveted anyone's silver or gold or clothing. <sup>34</sup> You yourselves know that these hands of mine have supplied my own needs and the needs of my companions. <sup>35</sup> In everything I did, I showed you that by this kind of hard work we must help the weak, remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.' "

#### EPISTLE READING

<sup>9</sup> After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. <sup>10</sup> And they cried out in a loud voice:

"Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb."

<sup>11</sup> All the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They fell down on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, <sup>12</sup> saying: "Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom and thanks and honor and power and strength be to our God for ever and ever. Amen!"

<sup>13</sup> Then one of the elders asked me, "These in white robes—who are they, and where did they come from?"

<sup>14</sup> I answered, "Sir, you know."

And he said, "These are they who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. <sup>15</sup> Therefore, "they are before the throne of God and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. <sup>16</sup> 'Never again will they hunger; never again will they thirst. The sun will not beat down on them,' nor any scorching heat. <sup>17</sup> For the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd; 'he will lead them to springs of living water.' 'And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'"

#### SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

#### People: And also with you.

Pastor: Almighty God, merciful Father, since You have wakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep, grant us Your Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know Him who calls us each by name and follow where He leads; through the same 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

#### GOSPEL READING

<sup>22</sup> Then came the Festival of Dedication at Jerusalem. It was winter, <sup>23</sup> and Jesus was in the temple courts walking in Solomon's Colonnade. <sup>24</sup> The Jews who were there gathered around him, saying, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly."

John 10:22-30 (NIV)

<sup>25</sup> Jesus answered, "I did tell you, but you do not believe. The works I do in my Father's name testify about me, <sup>26</sup> but you do not believe because you are not my sheep. <sup>27</sup> My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. <sup>28</sup> I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand. <sup>29</sup> My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all; no one can snatch them out of my Father's hand. <sup>30</sup> I and the Father are one."

MESSAGE"Jesus, my Good Shepherd"Chaplain Erik NeiderPRAYERSLORD'S PRAYERBENEDICTION"Confidence"

The flowers this week are donated in celebration of Mother's Day. We wish to honor the Mothers in attendance and also our Mother, Evelyn Meyer. With Love & gratitude from your children Dave & Julie, Tom & Karla, Sandy & Pete, James & all their families

## 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/

**MOTHER'S DAY AT REDEEMER:** Join us after worship for a special celebration! After each service, enjoy delicious snacks and capture precious moments with our photographer. Plus, get creative with our "Build Your Bouquet" activity.

LWM - TIME WITH CHLDREN: On Tues. May 13th following the business meeting at 9:30am, LWM will host the Kindergarten class from Redeemer's us for this popular event.

WOMEN'S FRIDAY FELLOWSHIP: Fri. May 16th at 5:30pm. Women start your weekend out right with Happy Hour and Bible Study with friends from RBTS. Hors'd provided, BYOB. Please RSVP online for details and Kris Urdahl's (the host) address will be emailed with your confirmation.

DATE NIGHT on SAT. May 17th FROM 5:30-8:30pm Registration is open online

- WE NEED YOUR HELP AT DATE NIGHT: There are a variety of opportunities available. Please consider giving your time to serve local families and sign up to help.
- **TO REGISTER YOUR CHILD:** The cost is \$20 and includes food, crafts, games, • activities and a Bible lesson. Date night is intended for children ages 1-10.

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

**VBS REGISTRATION IS OPEN ONLINE.** Looking for mountains of fun? You Otter be at VBS at Redeemer on **June 23-27, 2025 9am-noon**. At True North, kids discover that they can trust Jesus in a wild world! True North is filled with awesome Bible-learning experiences kids see, hear, and touch! Engage in hands-on science experiments, team-building games, unforgettable Bible songs, and tasty treats. Children ages 4-10 are welcome to register. The cost will be \$160 per child.

**VBS LEADER/ASSISTANTS/ITEMS NEEDED:** VBS can't happen without help! Please register here to be a leader or assistant this year. The dates are **June 23<sup>rd</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>**. If you've already agreed to help, please fill out the online form to secure your t-shirt size and receive the training details.

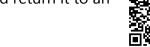
**ITEMS NEEDED:** The decorating team would like to borrow some Christmas trees, a kayak, and some camping lanterns. If you can help out – go to our announcements page – and use the Leader/Assistant form to let us know. Or contact the church office. Thank you ahead of time Redeemer by the Sea!

#### CALL COMMITTEE UPDATE: HELP SHAPE THE FUTURE OF OUR CHURCH

As we begin the search for our next pastor, we're inviting the congregation to share their thoughts through a short survey and/or upcoming listening sessions. Your input will help guide this important decision and ensure it reflects the heart and hopes of our church family.

#### SURVEY OPTIONS

 $\cdot$  Pick up a paper survey in the lobby this Sunday and return it to an usher once completed



- $\cdot$  Or scan this QR code to take the survey online
- $\cdot$  Surveys must be completed or returned by May 18th

**LISTENING SESSIONS** - Join us for a time of open conversation with the Call Committee on **Sun, May 18th:** 

- $\cdot$  After the first service in the Fellowship Hall
- $\cdot$  After the second service in the Sanctuary

The Call Committee will review all input following the listening sessions and then submit our request to the District for pastoral candidates.

Thank you for being part of this important journey.

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NOTES: MAIN POINTS: ACTION/REFLECTION/PRAYER: