



THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

January 11, 2026 ~ 8:30am

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. 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

Jan. 13th	9:30am	LWM Business Meeting
	10:15am	"Serving our Preschool"
Jan. 16th	5:30pm	Women's Friday Fellowship
Jan. 28th	11:30am	Birthday Club
Feb. 7th	9:30am	Men's Breakfast Fellowship
Feb. 15th	2:00pm	Pastor Eli Thomas - Installation Service

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN

"Thy Strong Word"

LSB 578



1 Thy strong word did cleave the dark - ness; At Thy
 2 Lo, on those who dwelt in dark - ness, Dark as
 3 Thy strong Word be - speaks us righ - teous; Bright with
 4 From the cross Thy wis - dom shin - ing Break - eth



speak - ing it was done. For cre - at - ed
 night and deep as death, Broke the light of
 Thine own ho - li - ness, Glo - rious now, we
 forth in con - qu'ring might; From the cross for -



light we thank Thee, While Thine or - dered sea - sons run.
 Thy sal - va - tion, Breathed Thine own life - breath - ing breath.
 press toward glo - ry, And our lives our hopes con - fess.
 ev - er beam - eth All Thy bright re - deem - ing light.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to



Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,
 Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,
 Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,
 Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
 al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
 al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
 al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!

5 Give us lips to sing Thy glory, Tongues Thy mercy to proclaim,
Throats that shout the hope that fills us, Mouths to speak Thy holy name.
Alleluia, alleluia! May the light which Thou dost send
Fill our songs with alleluias, Alleluias without end!

Δ6 God the Father, light-creator, To Thee laud and honor be.
To Thee, Light of Light begotten, Praise be sung eternally.
Holy Spirit, light-revealer, Glory, glory be to Thee.
Mortals, angels, now and ever Praise the holy Trinity!

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INVOCATION

Pastor: In the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: who made heaven and earth.

Pastor: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

People: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

(a few moments of silence for specific confession and personal reflection)

Pastor: Almighty God, our maker and redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

People: Amen.

RESPONSIVE PSALM

Psalm 29

Pastor: Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

People: Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness.

Pastor: The voice of the Lord is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the Lord, over many waters.

People: The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.

Pastor: The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars; the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon.

People: He makes Lebanon to skip like a calf, and Sirion like a young wild ox.

Pastor: The voice of the Lord flashes forth flames of fire.

People: The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

Pastor: The voice of the Lord makes the deer give birth and strips the forests bare, and in his temple all cry, "Glory!"

People: The Lord sits enthroned over the flood; the Lord sits enthroned as king forever.

Pastor: May the Lord give strength to his people! May the Lord bless his people with peace!

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.

GLORIA PATRI**LSB 186**

C Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

KYRIE**LSB 186**

C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Father in heaven, at the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River You proclaimed Him Your beloved Son and anointed Him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized in His name faithful in their calling as Your children and inheritors with Him of everlasting life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen

GREET ONE ANOTHER AND SHARE THE PEACE OF GOD

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 42:1-9 (ESV)

Behold my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my Spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. ² He will not cry aloud or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; ³ a bruised reed he will not break, and a faintly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. ⁴ He will not grow faint or be discouraged till he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his law. ⁵ Thus says God, the LORD, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people on it and spirit to those who walk in it: ⁶ “I am the LORD; I have called you ⁱⁿ righteousness; I will take you by the hand and keep you; I will give you as a covenant for the people, a light for the nations, ⁷ to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. ⁸ I am the LORD; that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to carved idols. ⁹ Behold, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth I tell you of them.”

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

THE EPISTLE READING

Romans 6:1-11 (ESV)

What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? ² By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? ³ Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴ We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

⁵ For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶ We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷ For one who has died has been set free from sin. ⁸ Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹ We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰ For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. ¹¹ So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA

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THE GOSPEL READING

Matthew 3:13-17(ESV)

Pastor: The Gospel reading today comes from Matthew chapter 3.

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptized by him.¹⁴ John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?"¹⁵ But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented.¹⁶ And when Jesus was baptized, immediately he went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on him;¹⁷ and behold, a voice from heaven said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church,

the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE

"To Jordan Came the Christ, Our Lord"

LSB 406



1 To Jor - dan came the Christ, our Lord, To do His
 2 O hear and mark the mes - sage well, For God Him -
 3 These truths on Jor - dan's banks were shown By might - y
 4 There stood the Son of God in love, His grace to
 7 All that the mor - tal eye be - holds Is wa - ter



Fa - ther's plea - sure; Bap - tized by John, the Fa - ther's Word
 self has spo - ken. Let faith, not doubt, a - mong us dwell
 word and won - der. The Fa - ther's voice from heav'n came down,
 us ex - tend - ing; The Ho - ly Spir - it like a dove
 as we pour it. Be - fore the eye of faith un - folds



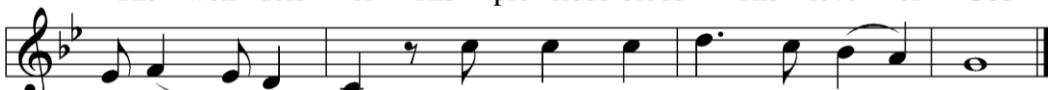
Was giv - en us to trea - sure. This heav'n - ly wash - ing
 And so re - ceive this to - ken. Our Lord here with His
 Which we do well to pon - der: "This man is My be -
 Up - on the scene de - scend - ing; The tri - une God as -
 The pow'r of Je - sus' mer - it. For here it sees the



now shall be A cleans - ing from trans - gres - sion
 Word en - dows Pure wa - ter, free - ly flow - ing.
 lov - ed Son, In whom My heart has plea - sure.
 sur - ing us, With prom - is - es com - pel - ling,
 crim - son flood To all our ills bring heal - ing;



And by His blood and ag - o - ny Re - lease from death's
 God's Ho - ly Spir - it here a - vows Our kin - ship while
 Him you must hear, and Him a - lone, And trust in full -
 That in our Bap - tism He will thus A - mong us find
 The won - ders of His pre - cious blood The love of God



op - pres - sion. A new life now a - waits us.
 be - stow - ing The Bap - tism of His bless - ing.
 est mea - sure The word that He has spo - ken."
 a dwell - ing To com - fort and sus - tain us.
 re - veal - ing, As - sur - ing His own par - don.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Lord, in Your mercy (*concluding each petition*):

People: **hear our prayer.**

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.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✝ give you peace.

All: **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN**"Lift High the Cross"****LSB 837***Refrain*

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro-claim Till



all the world a - dore His sa - cred name.



1 Come, Christians, follow where our Captain trod,
2 Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
3 All new-born soldiers of the Crucified
4 O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,



Our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
The hosts of God in con - qu'ring ranks com - bine.
Bear on their brows the seal of Him who died.
As Thou hast prom - ised, draw us all to Thee.

Refrain

5 Let ev'ry race and ev'ry language tell
Of Him who saves our lives from death and hell. Refrain

6 So shall our song of triumph ever be:
Praise to the Crucified for victory! Refrain

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SENDING

Pastor: Go in peace and serve the Lord with joy.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE**"The Rejoicing"****by Charles Callahan****Acknowledgments**

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TAKE YOUR POINSETTIAS – If you purchased a poinsettia to decorate the church -thank you! You are welcome to take it home after worship.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR THOUGHTFULNESS! The staff would like to "thank our God through Jesus Christ for all of You!" (Romans 1:8). Thank you for the generous Christmas gifts that we received. It's a joy and privilege to serve you and our Lord through the ministry of Redeemer.

PORTRAITS OF PRAYER: for Jan – Mar 2026 are available in the lobby. Take a copy home today!

2026 OFFERING ENVELOPES are available in the lobby. Pick yours up today. If you would like a box, please contact the office – office@redeemerbythesea.org. If you no longer use the envelopes, also let us know so we can take you off the list.

LWM – PROJECT DAY: LWM will begin 2026 with service to our Preschool and Kindergarten. Several options are available: story time, preparing teaching materials and providing the staff with lunch. Please join us on **Tues. Jan. 13th** for our business meeting **at 9:30am** and service project will begin about **10:15am** in the Fellowship Hall. "I know what I have planned for you," says the Lord... "I have plans to give you a future filled with hope..." Jeremiah 29:1 (NET)

WOMEN'S FRIDAY FELLOWSHIP: **Fri. Jan. 16th at 5:30pm** for Happy Hour and Bible Study with friends from RBTS. Our hostess will be Rhonda Sutherlin. Hors d'oeuvres will be provided, but please bring your own beverage. RSVP online to obtain the address and directions.

REDEEMER BIRTHDAY CLUB: We will meet **Wed. Jan. 28th at 11:30am** at Norte Mexican Restaurant in Carlsbad. All are welcome! We will be celebrating October, November and December birthdays. Please RSVP online so we can make a reservation.

INSTALLATION OF PASTOR ELI THOMAS: Please mark your calendars: The installation service for Reverend Eli Thomas, our incoming Pastor, is scheduled for **Sun, Feb. 15th at 2:00 PM**. We invite you to join us as we begin a new chapter in the life of Redeemer by the Sea.

WELCOME SEMINARIAN DAYTON DANGEL: I was born and raised in Valley Center, CA. My dad is a deacon, and my mother is the Director of Discipleship at my home church, Community Lutheran Church in Escondido. Church was a second home for me when growing up, somewhere that nurtured me spiritually, physically, and intellectually. I graduated high school in spring of 2017 and attended Concordia University Portland. Due to the closure of Portland's College of Arts and Sciences, I transferred to Concordia University Irvine, where I graduated in 2021 with my Bachelor of Arts in Theology, summa cum laude and a minor in pre-seminary studies. From there, I attended Concordia Seminary St. Louis, where I am on the verge of completing my Master of Divinity and seeking ordination in the LCMS. After my second year at CSL, I did study abroad at the University of Cambridge, where I received my Diploma in Theology for Ministry. Following study abroad, I served my vicarage at Messiah Lutheran Church in Clio, Michigan. It was an honor to be their 44th vicar. The opportunities and experiences I had there were truly invaluable for my pastoral formation. I enjoy either being active, being in the kitchen, or petting a dog. I love cooking and baking, even owning my own bread business at one point. (Check out @d.b.b.co on Instagram) I am a self-proclaimed foodie and so trying new foods and restaurants is one of my favorite things to do!

Today's altar flowers were donated in celebration of
Matt and Heidi Busch's 27th wedding anniversary.