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*Refrain*

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



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



- 1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our Cap - tain trod,
- 2 Led on their way by this tri - um - phant sign,
- 3 All new - born sol - diers of the Cru - ci - fied
- 4 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,

*Refrain*

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.

**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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**Welcome**

Pastor Matt Knauss

**Invocation**

Pastor Matt Knauss

Pastor: Dear Church- We are gathered in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

**Prayer**

Pastor Matt Knauss

**Scripture Reading**

**Romans 8:26-30**

In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans.<sup>27</sup> And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for God's people in accordance with the will of God.

<sup>28</sup> And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.<sup>29</sup> For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters.<sup>30</sup> And those he predestined, he also called; those he called, he also justified; those he justified, he also glorified.

**Song**

**"This I Believe"**

Praise Team

**Our Father everlasting The all creating One God Almighty  
Through Your Holy Spirit Conceiving Christ the Son Jesus our Savior**

**I believe in God our Father I believe in Christ the Son  
I believe in the Holy Spirit Our God is three in One  
I believe in the resurrection That we will rise again  
For I believe in the Name of Jesus**

**Our judge and our defender Suffered and crucified Forgiveness is in You  
Descended into darkness You rose in glorious life Forever seated high**

**I believe in God our Father I believe in Christ the Son  
I believe in the Holy Spirit Our God is three in One  
I believe in the resurrection That we will rise again  
For I believe in the Name of Jesus**

**I believe in You I believe You rose again  
I believe that Jesus Christ is Lord**

**I believe in life eternal I believe in the virgin birth  
I believe in the saints' communion And in Your holy Church  
I believe in the resurrection When Jesus comes again  
For I believe in the Name of Jesus**

**Message**

**“Wordless Groans”**

Pastor Matt Knauss  
Community Lutheran -Escondido, CA

**Rite of Installation**

Pastor Matt Knauss

**Prayers & Lord’s Prayer**

Pastor Matt Knauss

**Hymn**

**“ All Hail the Power of Jesus Name”**

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1 All hail the pow’r of Je - sus’ name! Let an - gels pros-trate fall;  
3 Ye seed of Is - rael’s cho - sen race, Ye ran - somed from the fall,  
4 Hail Him, ye heirs of Da - vid’s line, Whom Da - vid Lord did call,  
6 Let ev - ’ry kin-dred, ev - ’ry tribe, On this ter - res-trial ball



Bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem And crown Him Lord of all.  
Hail Him who saves you by His grace And crown Him Lord of all.  
The God in - car - nate, man di - vine, And crown Him Lord of all.  
To Him all maj - es - ty as - cribe And crown Him Lord of all.



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**Prayers of the Church**

Pastor Eli Thomas

**Benediction**

**Closing Song**

**“The Blessing”**

Praise Team

Verse: **The Lord bless you And keep you**  
**Make His face shine upon you And be gracious to you**  
**The Lord turn His Face toward you**  
**And give you peace** (Repeat verse)

Chorus: **Amen Amen Amen Amen Amen Amen** (verse, chorus 2x)

Bridge 1: **May His favor Be upon you And a thousand generations  
And your family And your children  
And their children And their children (3x)**

Bridge 2: **May His presence Go before you And behind you And beside you  
All around you And within you He is with you He is with you**

Bridge 3 : **In the morning In the evening In your coming And your going  
In your weeping And rejoicing He is for you He is for you**

**He is for you He is for you  
He is for you He is for you  
He is for you He is for you  
He is for you (Chorus)**

Bridge 1, Bridge 2, Bridge 3

**He is for you He is for you  
He is for you He is for you  
He is for you He is for you  
He is for you**

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You are invited to a time of fellowship and encouragement for the Thomases immediately after the service in the Fellowship Hall.

### **Worship Servants**

Pastor Matt Knauss, Pastor Eli Thomas, Organist: Heeya Kim

Praise Team: Nicholas Clauder (leader), Patrick Clauder (bass), Jared Friedrichs (guitar), Jack Irwin (drums), Jeff Starkey (guitar), Lori Batherson (vocals)

Sound Tech: Granada, Mean Computer: Kay Boland



## **Pastor Eli Thomas**

Pastor Eli is thrilled to be joining the team at Redeemer by the Sea! Born and raised in Seattle WA, he earned his Bachelor of Arts in Biblical Literature from Northwest University in Kirkland WA and his Master of Divinity from Faith Evangelical Lutheran Seminary in Tacoma WA. He has served the LCMS as pastor since October of 2013.

He is passionate about helping people discover the amazing gift that Jesus has given them through his death and resurrection and encouraging them to share that gift with others. He loves preaching, teaching, and helping people grow in their faith.

As a native of Washington, Pastor Eli is about 50% coffee and is a passionate defender of Seattle soccer, especially the Seattle Sounders. He has been married to Jennifer since 2000 and they have two adult children, Gabriel (23) and Sophie (19) currently studying at Concordia University in Nebraska and California.

*"And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose." Romans 8:28*