March 22, 2026 ~ 8:30am

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

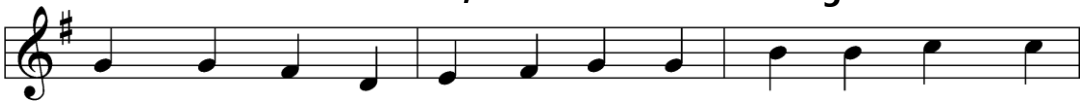
We are honored to recognize our niche in God's Kingdom work. Here we will faithfully worship and teach in alignment with God's Word and we're a small enough fellowship where you can know and be known by most of the people around you if that's your desire. Here you will be missed if you're gone and prayed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

UPCOMING EVENTS: www.RedeemerbytheSea.org

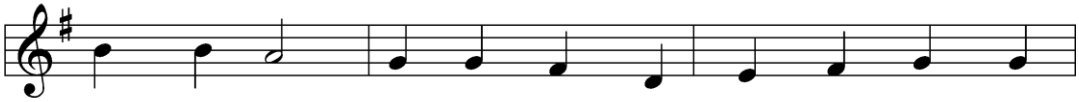
Mar. 25th	**6:00pm**	**Lent Devotional Gathering w/ dinner at 5:30pm**
Apr. 3rd	**6:00pm**	**Journey to the Cross Worship Service**
Apr. 4th	**9:00am**	**Men's Fellowship Breakfast**
Apr. 5th	**8:30am**	**Easter Worship**
	10:15am	**Easter Worship**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN "Christ, the Life of All the Living" LSB 420



1 Christ, the life of all the liv - ing, Christ, the death of
4 Heart - less scof - fers did sur-round Thee, Treat - ing Thee with
6 Thou hast suf - fered great af - flic - tion And hast borne it



death, our foe, Who, Thy - self for me once giv - ing
shame-ful scorn And with pierc - ing thorns they crowned Thee.
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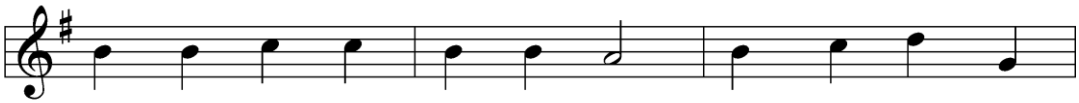
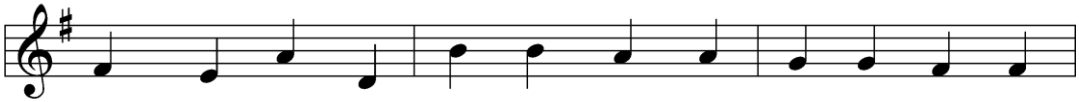
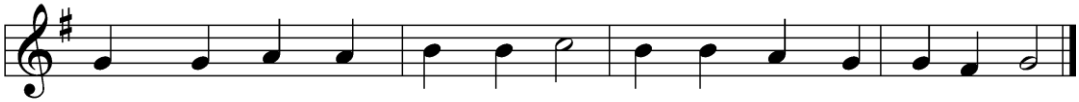


To the dark - est depths of woe: Through Thy suf - f'rings,
All dis - grace Thou, Lord, hast borne, That as Thine Thou
Ful - ly to a - tone for me; Thou didst choose to



death, and mer - it I e - ter - nal life in - her - it.
might - est own me And with heav'n - ly glo - ry crown me.
be tor - ment - ed That my doom should be pre - vent - ed.



Thou-sand, thou - sand thanks shall be, Dear - est Je - sus, un - to Thee.
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Text: Ernst Christoph Homburg, 1605–81; (st. 1): tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.; (sts. 4, 6): tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, St. Louis
Tune: Das grosse Cantional, 1687, Darmstadt Text and tune: Public domain

INVOCATION

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

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

People: **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

(silence for further personal reflection and specific confession)

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

People: **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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**

Pastor: For you who believe and trust that Jesus is God and Savior, through Him and for His sake God has heard our prayer. The Father sent His Son into our world, to die for us and to rise again that we may have new life. As a called and ordained servant of the word, and at the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I announce the grace of God unto all of you, your sins are forgiven, in the name of the Father and of the Son ✠ and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

KYRIE

Pastor: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

People: **Amen.**

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may believe that Jesus is the Christ, who rules over and preserves us to life everlasting; 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

THE FIRST READING **Ezekiel 37:1–14 (NIV)**

The hand of the Lord was on me, and he brought me out by the Spirit of
the Lord and set me in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. 2 He led me back
and forth among them, and I saw a great many bones on the floor of the valley,
bones that were very dry. 3 He asked me, "Son of man, can these bones live?"
I said, "Sovereign Lord, you alone know."
4 Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones and say to them, 'Dry bones, hear
the word of the Lord! 5 This is what the Sovereign Lord says to these bones: I will
make breath enter you, and you will come to life. 6 I will attach tendons to you and
make flesh come upon you and cover you with skin; I will put breath in you, and
you will come to life. Then you will know that I am the Lord.'"
7 So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I was prophesying, there was a
noise, a rattling sound, and the bones came together, bone to bone. 8 I looked, and
tendons and flesh appeared on them and skin covered them, but there was no
breath in them.
9 Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath; prophesy, son of man, and say to it,
'This is what the Sovereign Lord says: Come, breath, from the four winds and
breathe into these slain, that they may live.'" 10 So I prophesied as he
commanded me, and breath entered them; they came to life and stood up on their
feet—a vast army.
11 Then he said to me: "Son of man, these bones are the people of Israel. They say,
'Our bones are dried up and our hope is gone; we are cut off.' 12 Therefore
prophesy and say to them: 'This is what the Sovereign Lord says: My people, I am
going to open your graves and bring you up from them; I will bring you back to
the land of Israel. 13 Then you, my people, will know that I am the Lord, when I open

your graves and bring you up from them. [14] I will put my Spirit in you and you will live, and I will settle you in your own land. Then you will know that I the Lord have spoken, and I have done it, declares the Lord.'"

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.

THE SECOND READING **Romans 8:1–11 (NIV)**

Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, [2] because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death. [3] For what the law was powerless to do because it was weakened by the flesh, God did by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh to be a sin offering. And so he condemned sin in the flesh, [4] in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fully met in us, who do not live according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

[5] Those who live according to the flesh have their minds set on what the flesh desires; but those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires. [6] The mind governed by the flesh is death, but the mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace. [7] The mind governed by the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law, nor can it do so. [8] Those who are in the realm of the flesh cannot please God.

[9] You, however, are not in the realm of the flesh but are in the realm of the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God lives in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, they do not belong to Christ. [10] But if Christ is in you, then even though your body is subject to death because of sin, the Spirit gives life because of righteousness. [11] And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies because of his Spirit who lives in you.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING (please rise) **John 11:17–27, 38–53 (NIV)**

Pastor: The Gospel reading today comes from John chapter 11.

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

On his arrival, Jesus found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. [18] Now Bethany was less than two miles from Jerusalem, [19] and many Jews had come to Martha and Mary to comfort them in the loss of their brother. [20] When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went out to meet him, but Mary stayed at home.

[21] "Lord," Martha said to Jesus, "if you had been here, my brother would not have died. [22] But I know that even now God will give you whatever you ask."

[23] Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again."

[24] Martha answered, "I know he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day."

[25] Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; [26] and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?"

[27] "Yes, Lord," she replied, "I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, who is to come into the world." …

[38] Jesus, once more deeply moved, came to the tomb. It was a cave with a stone laid across the entrance. [39] "Take away the stone," he said.

"But, Lord," said Martha, the sister of the dead man, "by this time there is a bad odor, for he has been there four days."

[40] Then Jesus said, "Did I not tell you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?"

[41] So they took away the stone. Then Jesus looked up and said, "Father, I thank you that you have heard me. [42] I knew that you always hear me, but I said this for the benefit of the people standing here, that they may believe that you sent me."

[43] When he had said this, Jesus called in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" [44] The dead man came out, his hands and feet wrapped with strips of linen, and a cloth around his face.

Jesus said to them, "Take off the grave clothes and let him go."

[45] Therefore many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary, and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him. [46] But some of them went to the Pharisees and told them what Jesus had done. [47] Then the chief priests and the Pharisees called a meeting of the Sanhedrin.

"What are we accomplishing?" they asked. "Here is this man performing many signs. [48] If we let him go on like this, everyone will believe in him, and then the Romans will come and take away both our temple and our nation."
[49] Then one of them, named Caiaphas, who was high priest that year, spoke up, "You know nothing at all! [50] You do not realize that it is better for you that one man die for the people than that the whole nation perish."
[51] He did not say this on his own, but as high priest that year he prophesied that Jesus would die for the Jewish nation, [52] and not only for that nation but also for the scattered children of God, to bring them together and make them one. [53] So from that day on they plotted to take his life.

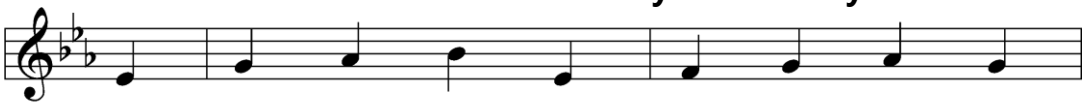
Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to you, O Christ.

APOSTLES' CREED

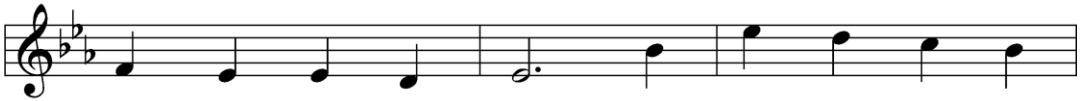
I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the 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.

GREET ONE ANOTHER AND SHARE GOD'S PEACE

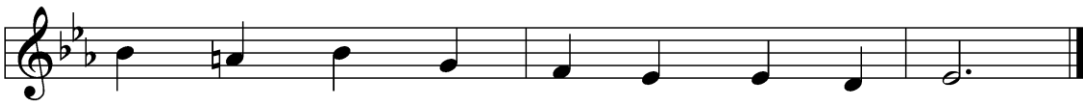
MESSAGE HYMN **"God Moves in a Mysterious Way"** **LSB 765**



1 God moves in a mys - te - rious way His
2 Judge not the Lord by fee - ble sense, But
3 His pur - pos - es will rip - en fast, Un -
5 You fear - ful saints, fresh cour - age take; The



won - ders to per - form; He plants His foot - steps
trust Him for His grace; Be - hind a frown - ing
fold - ing ev - 'ry hour; The bud may have a
clouds you so much dread Are big with mer - cy



in the sea And rides up - on the storm.
prov - i - dence Faith sees a smil - ing face.
bit - ter taste, But sweet will be the flow'r.
and will break In bless - ings on your head.

Text: William Cowper, 1731–1800, alt.Tune: The CL Psalmes of David, 1615, Edinburgh Text and tune: Public domain

MESSAGE **"DESTINY: Believing God is Weaving Everything Together"**

Genesis 50:15-20

Pastor Eli Thomas

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

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

People: hear our prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

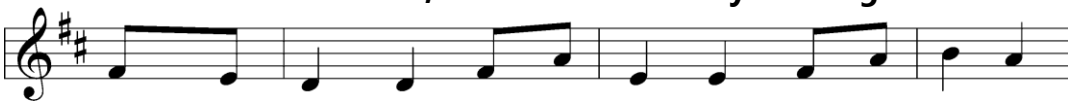
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

BENEDICTION

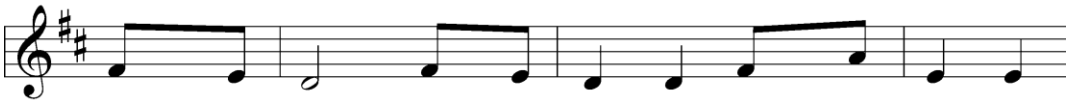
Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

People: Amen

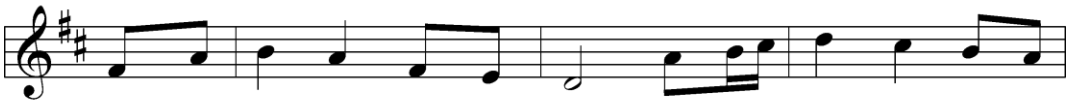
CLOSING HYMN "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" LSB 686



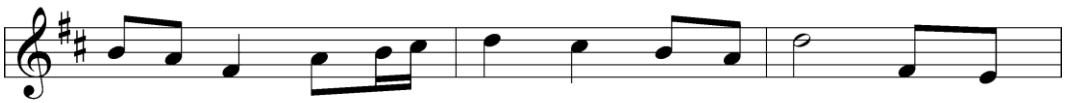
1 Come, Thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Tune my heart to
3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or Dai - ly I'm con -
4 Oh, that day when freed from sin - ning, I shall see Thy



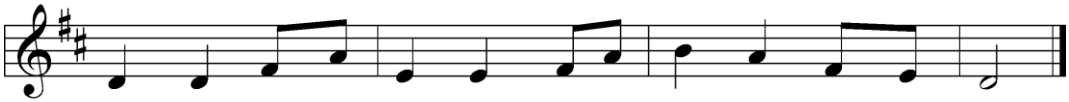
sing Thy grace; Streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing,
strained to be; Let that grace now like a fet - ter
love - ly face; Clothed then in the blood - washed lin - en,



Call for songs of loud - est praise. While the hope of end - less
Bind my wan-d'ring heart to Thee: Prone to wan - der, Lord, I
How I'll sing Thy won - drous grace! Come, my Lord, no long - er



glo - ry Fills my heart with joy and love, Teach me
feel it; Prone to leave the God I love. Here's my
tar - ry; Take my ran - som'd soul a - way; Send Thine



ev - er to a - dore Thee; May I still Thy good - ness prove.
heart, O take and seal it, Seal it for Thy courts a - bove.
an - gels soon to car - ry Me to realms of end - less day.

Text: Robert Robinson, 1735–90, alt. Tune: Repository of Sacred Music, Part Second, 1813, Harrisburg Text and tune: Public domain

SENDING

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

People: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE **"Voluntary on 'Herzliebster Jesus'"** by David Lasky

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The last week of Jesus' life brings us face to face with his crucifixion and his resurrection. We get to experience both death and life, sorrow and joy.

You are invited to engage in two very special times of worship.

Good Friday takes us from the Upper Room and the Last Supper to the pain and sorrow of the cross. On Easter Sunday we experience the joy of the resurrection. The tomb is empty and Jesus is alive!

Friday, April 3rd at 6pm for the Journey to the Cross
Sunday, April 5th at 8:30 or 10:15am for the Celebration of the Resurrection!

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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 at right, or text "GIVE' to 442-222-2448. All of these options are on our website: **www.redeemerbythesea.org/donate/**

LENTEN DEVOTIONAL GATHERING: Join us for a 5-week study called "Transformation" by Ed Young. This offers practical steps from Romans 12 to help renew your mind, offer true worship and walk in the will of God for your life. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall - Wednesdays starting **Feb. 25th through March 25th at 6pm.** You are also welcome to join us before for a dinner at 5:30pm. LWM is hosting Pizza for dinner this week.

EASTER LILIES: Sponsor an Easter lily to help decorate our sanctuary for Easter Sunday. The cost is $14. Sign-up online on the Donate page on our website. Thanks ahead of time.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST: Sat. April 4th at 9:00am in the Fellowship Hall. RSVP ONLINE and choose your optional breakfast from Panera then join us for a time of fellowship and a men's study.

CANCER SUPPORT FELLOWSHIP: To provide a safe space to discuss how the illness, related treatments and the feelings that come with them, are impacting those diagnosed and those who care for them. We hope to empower and inspire by sharing hope, encouraging resilience and prayer for all who attend.
First Meeting: Mon. **March 23, from 6:30-8:00pm**
Location: 340 Rancheros Dr. Ste. 160 San Marcos, CA
For more information: **www.cancersupportfellowship.org**
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DESTINY: Believing that God is Weaving it All Together

Series: Joseph- Dreams & Destiny, part 6

Scripture References

- Genesis 50:15-20
- Romans 8:28
- 1 Corinthians 15:3-8

Christian _____ is not a _____

2 Corinthians 3:12- Therefore, since we have such a _____ (hope), we are very bold.

Hebrews 6:19- We have this _____ (hope) as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure.

Romans 15:4- For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through the endurance taught in the Scriptures and the encouragement they provide we might have _____ (hope).

You are destined to _____

2 Corinthians 12:9- Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my _____, so that _____ may rest on me.

1 Timothy 2:3-4- This is good, and pleases God our Savior, who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth.

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