

**Worship**

PRELUDE..... Kristal Sneed

**+GATHERING+**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS..... Karen Temple

GATHERING HYMN: *“PRAISE THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY”* .....#858

APOSTOLIC GREETING *by Andy Gerken*

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

**C: And also with you.**

MORNING PRAYER *lead by Andy Gerken*

L: Please join with me in the prayer of the day:

**C: O God, mighty and immortal, you know that as fragile creatures surrounded by great dangers, we cannot by ourselves stand upright. Give us strength of mind and body, so that even when we suffer because of human sin, we may rise victorious through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**+WORD+**

FIRST READING ISAIAH 58:9b-14 *Read by Karen Liston*

<sup>9b</sup>If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, <sup>10</sup>if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. <sup>11</sup>The Lord will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. <sup>12</sup>Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in. <sup>13</sup>If you refrain from trampling the sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call the sabbath a delight and the holy day of the Lord honorable; if you honor it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs; <sup>14</sup>then you shall take delight in the Lord, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

L: Word of God Word of Life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 103:1-8

*Lead by Karen Liston*

<sup>1</sup>Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God’s holy name.

<sup>2</sup>**Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all God’s benefits—**

<sup>3</sup>who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases;

<sup>4</sup>**who redeems your life from the grave  
and crowns you with steadfast love and mercy;**

<sup>5</sup>who satisfies your desires with good things  
so that your youth is renewed like an eagle's.

<sup>6</sup>**O Lord, you provide vindication and justice for all who are oppressed.**

<sup>7</sup>You made known your ways to Moses  
and your works to the children of Israel.

<sup>8</sup>**Lord, you are full of compassion and mercy,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

SECOND READING: HEBREWS 12:18-29 *Read by Karen Liston*

<sup>18</sup>You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, <sup>19</sup>and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. <sup>20</sup>(For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.") <sup>21</sup>Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") <sup>22</sup>But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, <sup>23</sup>and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, <sup>24</sup>and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. <sup>25</sup>See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! <sup>26</sup>At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." <sup>27</sup>This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. <sup>28</sup>Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; <sup>29</sup>for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

L: Word of God Word of Life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION "*CHANGE MY HEART, O GOD*" .....#801

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO LUKE 13:10-17

L: The holy Gospel according to Luke the 13th chapter, *read by Karen Temple*

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>10</sup>Now [Jesus] was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. <sup>11</sup>And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. <sup>12</sup>When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." <sup>13</sup>When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. <sup>14</sup>But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." <sup>15</sup>But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? <sup>16</sup>And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" <sup>17</sup>When he said

this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

L: The gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON *By Ro Fesser, delivered by Karen Temple*

HYMN OF THE DAY “*GOD IS HERE*” .....#526

STATEMENT OF FAITH

**C: We believe God, a divine presence, gentle and loving, the ground of our being. We believe Jesus, who embodied the love of God, and who urged his followers to express that same love in their daily lives. We believe the Holy Spirit, as God’s continuing presence in our world, surrounding us with compassion. We believe the church is the Body of Christ where people gather to praise and learn about Christ, to share our concern for one another, and to bring justice and healing to all of God’s Creation. Amen.**

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE OF GOD *Lead by Andy Gerken*

L: Trusting in God’s extraordinary love, let us come near to the Holy One in prayer. *A brief silence.* You crown your church with steadfast love and mercy. Guide us continually in our baptismal covenant to strive for justice and peace in all the earth. Use our diverse gifts in service to the whole people of God. Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

L: You satisfy the needs of all creatures. Protect the habitats of fish and birds. Repair ecosystems damaged by misuse, neglect, or natural disaster, that all creation may thrive. Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

L: You make your ways known to all people. Inspire the rulers and leaders of nations with your compassion and mercy. Raise up activists and community organizers to restore places affected by violence, poverty, and inequality. Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

L: You provide justice for all who are oppressed and relief to all who are afflicted. Heal those who are bent over by addiction, depression, and anxiety. Set free all who cry out under the weight of mental, emotional, or physical distress. Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

L: You call us to delight in the sabbath. Renew our bodies, minds, and spirits in this worshiping assembly. Give rest to all who lead our congregation in worship, study, and service. Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

L: Generations bless your holy name. We give you thanks for the communion of saints who have gathered in prayer and praise in this place. Support us in your love until we rest forever in you. Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

L: Receive the prayers of your children, merciful God, and hold us forever in your steadfast love; through Jesus Christ, our holy Wisdom.

**C: Amen.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE *Lead by Andy Gerken*

L: The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

L: Let's share Christ's peace with one another.

OFFERING *We are now invited to praise God with our offering!*

*Please stand to receive the Holy Gifts of God for the people of God!*

OFFERING SONG "GIVE THANKS"

**C: Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the holy one, give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, his son. And now let the weak say, I am strong, let the poor say, I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks. Give thanks.**

OFFERTORY Prayer

**C: God of abundance: you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus. Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**C: 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 *Lead by Andy Gerken*

L: The God of peace, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always.

**C: Amen.**

SENDING HYMN "HAVE NO FEAR, LITTLE FLOCK" .....#764

Dismissal *Lead by Andy Gerken*

L: Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

SONG OF PEACE (*You may join hands.*)

**C: My peace I give unto you. It's a peace that the world cannot give. It's a peace that the world cannot understand. Peace to know, peace to live. My peace I give unto you.**

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***Thank You for worshipping with us today!***

*Please sign the guest book in the entryway if you are visiting. Coffee and snacks will be served in the fellowship hall following worship and we hope you can join us.*

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***A huge shout of thanks to those who  
helped out with today's service!***

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**In Our Prayers**

Prayers for Bruce Buehner, Norman & Sue Kenitzer, Randy & Tammy Kauffman, Luke Makings,  
Nichole Centa, Zach Griffith, and Harley & Janice Ernst.

### THIS WEEK'S MINISTERS

Lector: Karen Liston  
Acolyte: Stefanie Liston  
Usher/Greeter:  
Council Steward: Kay Carter  
Media Center: Bob Dorn  
Teller: Carri Brown  
Fellowship Host: Margie Dorn  
Organist: Kristal Sneed

### NEXT WEEK'S MINISTERS

Lector: Wanda Rosten  
Usher/Greeter: Shelly Bristol  
Altar Guild: Wanda Rosten  
Communion Assistant: *Let the office know if you can fill this position*  
Council Steward: Kay Carter  
Media Center: Bruce Buehner  
Teller: Shelly Bristol  
Fellowship Host: Shelly Bristol  
Organist: Diane Nicklas

### THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER

Today: 9:00 a.m. Worship  
Monday: Newsletter Deadline  
Saturday: 10:00am Discovery Bible Study  
Next Sunday: 9:00am Worship  
10:30am Lawn & Board Games  
3-6pm Council Retreat

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

*LCOR members and friends—join us Sunday, August 28th at 10:30am for lawn and board games. If you have a game to bring and share, please let Pastor Liliana or Terresa know. All offerings appreciated—we are specifically looking for a bocce set and volleyball.*

**God's Work Our Hands Sunday and Patriot Day are September 11, 2022. LCOR is hosting a first responder appreciation barbeque here at the church with a special 10 a.m. service of recognition.**

**Your help is needed!**

**Sign up on the clipboard in the narthex to bring a side dish.**

**We need many to help out that day with serving, set up, clean up, etc.**

**Please sign up where you'd like to pitch it or reach out to Pastor Liliana or Terresa to find out how you can contribute.**

*We are missing a communion banner.*

*If you have any idea where this may be, please let us know!*

**LCOR is hosting an Excellence in Leadership training.**

**Sign up on the [rmselca.org](http://rmselca.org) website and select COHORT 4 for the Fort Morgan location. This is the only in-person offering in Colorado!**