

# Christ Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

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HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

*...a woman who fears the LORD, she shall be praised.*

*Proverbs 31:30*

## *Opening Prayer*

Heavenly Father,

On this day, set aside to honor mothers, we thank you especially for the gift of Christian mothers. Bless them always. Give them grace to set a good example for their families. Make them constantly mindful that their children are a sacred trust from heaven. Hold your protecting hand over them, and give them strength for every task, courage for each trial, and trust in you that daily will grow stronger. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

## *Call to Worship*

P: In the name of Jesus our Lord and by the power of the Holy Spirit, we call on you, heavenly Father!

**C: Hear us for your name's sake.**

P: We approach you confidently, for we rely on Jesus, our Redeemer, for the full forgiveness of sins.

**C: Receive our thankful worship for his sake.**

P: By the Holy Spirit increase our knowledge of you and your will for our lives and families. Fill our hearts with joy and peace into eternity.

**C: In you O Lord, we take refuge; never let us be ashamed.**

P: O Lord, our Rock and Fortress, assure us that because you live, we also shall live.

**C: In you we hope. Our praise is for you. Amen.**

*Opening Hymn – “Oh, Blest The House, What’er Befall”*

**CW 506 vv 1-3**

*Confession of Sins*

**All: Forgive us Lord, for allowing our selfishness to divide us from you and from members of our family. Pardon us for doing those things that result in strife – between parent and child, between husband and wife, between you and us. Forgive our anger, jealousy, greed and hatred. We ask you to restore us into a loving relationship with you and with each other, through Jesus Christ. Amen.**

*Hear the Good News*

“If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has passed away, the new has come.” In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Amen. In the peace of forgiveness let us praise the Lord.

**Blest such a house; it prospers well. In peace and joy the parents dwell,  
And in their children’s lives is shown How richly God can bless his own.**

**Then here will I and mine today A solemn promise make and say:  
Though all the world forsake his Word, I and my house will serve the Lord!**

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*Prayer of the Day*

P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we commend to your care all the homes where your people live. Fill them with faith, virtue, knowledge, moderation, patience and godliness. Bind together in enduring affection those who have become one in marriage. Let children and parents have full respect and affection for one another; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

# God's Word to Moms and Families

## *Proverbs 31:10-12, 25-31 - A Loving Wife and Mom*

<sup>10</sup> A wife of noble character who can find? She is worth far more than rubies. <sup>11</sup>Her husband has full confidence in her and lacks nothing of value. <sup>12</sup>She brings him good, not harm, all the days of her life. <sup>25</sup>She is clothed with strength and dignity; she can laugh at the days to come. <sup>26</sup>She speaks with wisdom, and faithful instruction is on her tongue. <sup>27</sup>She watches over the affairs of her household and does not eat the bread of idleness. <sup>28</sup>Her children arise and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her: <sup>29</sup>"Many women do noble things, but you surpass them all." <sup>30</sup>Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting; but a woman who fears the LORD is to be praised. <sup>31</sup>Give her the reward she has earned, and let her works bring her praise at the city gate.

## *Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23 - God's Family in Heaven*

<sup>10</sup>And he carried me away in the Spirit to a mountain great and high, and showed me the Holy City, Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God. <sup>11</sup>It shone with the glory of God, and its brilliance was like that of a very precious jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. <sup>12</sup>It had a great, high wall with twelve gates, and with twelve angels at the gates. On the gates were written the names of the twelve tribes of Israel. <sup>13</sup>There were three gates on the east, three on the north, three on the south and three on the west. <sup>14</sup>The wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

<sup>22</sup>I did not see a temple in the city, because the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple. <sup>23</sup>The city does not need the sun or the moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and the Lamb is its lamp.

## *Verse of the Day*

P: Alleluia. Be imitators of God as dearly loved children and live a life of love. Alleluia.

Ephesians 5:1-2a



**"Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! These words are writ-ten that**



**we may be-lieve that Je-sus is the Christ, the Son of God.**



**Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!**

*Confession of Faith – Apostle’s Creed*

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

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there 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.

*Sermon Hymn – “Love Is the Gracious Gift”*

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*Sermon*  
*Building a Christian Home*

<sup>15</sup>"If you love me, you will obey what I command.

<sup>16</sup>And I will ask the Father,  
and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever--

<sup>17</sup>the Spirit of truth.

The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him.

But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you.

<sup>18</sup>I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you.

<sup>19</sup>Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me.

Because I live, you also will live.

<sup>20</sup>On that day you will realize that I am in my Father,  
and you are in me, and I am in you.

<sup>21</sup>Whoever has my commands and obeys them, he is the one who loves me.

He who loves me will be loved by my Father,  
and I too will love him and show myself to him."

# Hymn for Mother's Day - "Oh, Give Us Homes"

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Oh, give us homes built firm - ly on the Sav-ior, Where Christ is  
Oh, give us homes where Christ is Lord and mas-ter, The Bi - ble  
O Lord, our God, our homes are yours for - ev - er! We trust to

head and coun - sel - or and guide, Where ev - 'ry child is  
read, the pre - cious hymns still sung, Where prayer comes first in  
you their prob - lems, toil, and care; Their bonds of love no

taught his love and fa - vor And gives his heart to Christ, the cru - ci - fied.  
peace or in dis - as - ter And praise is nat - u - ral speech to ev - 'ry tongue.  
en - e - my can sev - er If you are al - ways Lord and mas - ter there.

How sweet to know that, though our foot - steps wa - ver, A faith - ful  
Where moun - tains move be - fore a faith that's vast - er And Christ suf -  
Lord, be the cen - ter of our least en - deav - or; Lord, be our

Lord is walk - ing by our side!  
- fi - cient is for old and young.  
guest, our hearts and homes to share.

*Offering and Signing of Friendship Register*

## Children's Lesson

### A Prayer for Mothers

Gracious God, on Mother's Day I thank you that you sent your Son to be born of a human mother in order to save us. Thank you for mothers who carried their children into this world. Give mothers everywhere the wisdom and love to put the needs and Christian training of the family first. Bless them, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

### Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

### Benediction

### Closing Hymn - "For the Beauty of the Earth"

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For the beau - ty of the earth, For the glo - ry of the skies,  
For the joy of hu - man love, Broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,  
For Thy - self, best gift di - vine, To our race so free - ly giv'n;

For the love which from our birth O - ver and a - round us lies;  
Friends on earth and friends a - bove; For all gen - tle thoughts and mild;  
For that great, great love of Thine, Peace on earth and joy in heav'n;

Lord of all, to Thee we raise This our hymn of grate - ful praise.

### *COR Calendar – May 8, 2016*

Sunday, May 8	8 & 10:30a Worship 9:15a Bible Study & Sunday School 9:15a Finance Board Meeting
Tuesday, May 10	10:30a Sr. Bible Class 7p Church Leaders
Wednesday, May 11	7p Choir
Thursday, May 12	8a Breakfast Bible Study 7p Worship with Communion 7:45p Bible Study
Saturday, May 14	9a to Noon – COR Work Day
Sunday, May 15	8 & 10:30a Worship with Communion 9:15a Bible Study & Sunday School

### *COR Announcements – May 8, 2016*

**COR Work Day:** Please set aside some time to serve your Savior this Saturday, May 14, between 9a and noon. We have a number of items that had to be skipped when we got snowed out.

**Housing:** A WELS single man from Michigan will be in the Denver area to intern and is looking for a room to rent. His name is Adam and he will be here from June 6 – August 12. Let Pastor know if you would like further details.

**COR School Musical:** The students have been working really hard on the junior production of *“The Pirates of Penzance.”* Come and join us Friday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30p to see their great efforts!

**Bible Study:** Our seniors will get together this Tuesday, at 10:30a for a Bible Study in our fellowship hall, and then on to a local eatery for lunch.

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- A warm welcome to our visitors. May the Lord bless your worship with us today. We ask that you please sign the friendship register located at the end of the pew.
- Children – Activity bags are available in the coat room, off the narthex. During our 10:30a service a staffed nursery is located straight ahead and to your left as you exit the sanctuary. While we encourage young children to be in the service, families may like to use the nursery and are invited to do so.
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