



# Redeemer

PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH

# Welcome to Redeemer!

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## A NOTE TO VISITORS

We want to welcome you to the church! Please stop by the welcome table in the north entrance so we can introduce ourselves to you! We have some information available there if you'd like to know more about Redeemer.

Please take a moment to fill out a visitor card, which can be found by scanning the code to the right, or in the seatback in front of you.

Bibles are available in each seating area for your use during the service.

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Password: WorshipGodServeTemple

## A NOTE TO PARENTS

We believe, because of the promises of God, that our children are as much a part of the church as everyone else. Therefore, we desire that they would participate in worship along with their families as much as they are able.

We completely understand that kids can get noisy and squirmy during corporate worship. Parents have all experienced the blessed struggle of training our children to participate in worship. We understand the challenges of getting children accustomed to being in the service the whole time and want to assist you in helping your children learn to participate in a meaningful way. Children of all ages are always welcome in the worship service.

**Nurseries** | Available during the worship service for infants and toddlers ages 2 months to 3 years. Nurseries are located in the northeast corner of the building.

**Children's Worship** | Available every Sunday during the sermon. Children age 4 through the end of kindergarten may attend *Training in the Pews* children's worship.

**Nursing Mom's Room** | Located near the west entrance.

Point your phone camera here to view the visitor card.



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Redeemer Presbyterian Church  
is a missional *community*  
moved by the *grace*  
of the *Redeemer*, Jesus Christ,  
to *worship* and *know* God  
and to *love* and *serve* our *neighbors*  
in *Temple* and *beyond*.  
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As you find your seat, please move toward the center of your section, leaving the aisle seats for those coming in after you.

Thank you.



Redeemer Presbyterian Church is affiliated with the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA).

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

*The Day of Pentecost*

May 28, 2023 | 10:00 am

In consideration  
of other  
worshippers,  
please program  
all mobile  
phones and  
electronic  
devices to silent  
or vibrate mode  
for the duration  
of the service.

## PRELUDE

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Dr. Paul Hicks*

## MEDITATION AND PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

“For some of us, especially those of us who are Protestant evangelicals, “liturgy” is going to sound like a bad word. It’s loaded with connotations that make us suspicious: it sounds like “vain repetition,” the dread “religion” that is an expression of human effort. In short, we might react to “liturgy” as if the very notion is bound up with salvation by works, salvation by ritual observance.

What’s interesting is that the Protestant Reformers had exactly those kinds of reservations . . . . But their response, rather than being antiliturgical, was to be properly liturgical. The problem wasn’t liturgy per se, but disordered liturgies. In particular, the Reformers were critical of worship practices that had been effectively “naturalized”—forms of worship that construed liturgical practices as operations of merely human effort. . . . Christian worship is nothing less than an invitation to participate in the life of the Triune God.”

—James K. A. Smith, *You Are What You Love* (pp. 69-70)

## SCRIPTURE FOR MEMORIZATION

*Romans 8:1 (ESV)*

<sup>1</sup> There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

## ADVENT CALENDAR

CHRISTMAS The word ‘Pentecost’ comes from the Greek meaning simply ‘fiftieth’. Pentecost Sunday ends the season of Easter and symbolizes a new beginning. It celebrates the unleashing of the Holy Spirit on the world and the empowering of the church to reach the world with the gospel. In remembering Pentecost and living in light of this powerful turning point the church expresses gratitude to Christ for sending “another counselor” (John 14:16), celebrates the work of the Spirit in the renewal of all creation, and professes its confidence and security in knowing the Spirit’s power is available for its mission.

EPIPHANY

LENT

EASTER

PENTECOST

# God's Supremacy

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Dr. Paul Hicks

Please stand.

## CALL TO WORSHIP

*Psalm 103:1-5, 22*

*The call to worship establishes the lines of communication in worship. God always comes to us before we come to God. Biblical worship is a response to God's gracious revelation of himself to his people.*

*Bold text is read together by the congregation.*

*Plain text is read by the leader.*

*Responsive readings remind us that during corporate worship God speaks to his people and we respond together as a community.*

Leader: Bless the LORD, O my soul,  
and all that is within me,  
bless his holy name!

**All: Bless the LORD, O my soul,  
and forget not all his benefits,**

Leader: who forgives all your iniquity,  
who heals all your diseases,  
who redeems your life from the pit,  
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,  
who satisfies you with good  
so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's. . . .

**All: Bless the LORD, all his works,  
in all places of his dominion.  
Bless the LORD, O my soul!**

# God's Supremacy

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## SONG OF ADORATION

### *How Great is Our God*

The splendor of the King  
clothed in majesty  
Let all the Earth rejoice  
All the Earth rejoice  
He wraps himself in light  
And darkness tries to hide  
And trembles at His voice  
And trembles at His voice

### *Chorus:*

How great is our God  
Sing with me  
How great is our God  
And all will see how great  
How great is our God

And age to age He stands  
And time is in His hands  
Beginning and the End  
Beginning and the End  
The Godhead three in one  
Father Spirit Son  
The Lion and the Lamb  
The Lion and the Lamb

### *Chorus*

Name above all names  
Worthy of our praise  
My heart will sing  
How great is our God  
You're the name above all names  
You are worthy of our praise  
And my heart will sing  
How great is our God

### *Chorus x2*

# God's Supremacy

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## PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*Dr. Paul Hicks*

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*Dr. Paul Hicks*

### *The New City Catechism Q/A #5*

Leader: What else did God create?

**All:** *God created all things by his powerful Word,  
and all his creation was very good;  
everything flourished under his loving rule.*

*\*Children's  
answers are in  
italics.*

# *God's Supremacy*

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## DOXOLOGY

*All Creatures of Our God and King (v. 1)*

*Lasst Uns Erfreuen*

All creatures of our God and King,  
Lift up your voice and with us sing,  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Thou burning sun with golden beam,  
Thou silver moon with softer gleam,  
O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Alleluia!

# God's Renewal

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Please be seated.

## THE LAW OF GOD

*Mr. Heath Robinson*

### *Deuteronomy 5:6, 12-15*

*The Law of God invites us to confession of sin within the context of our covenant relationship with God, a relationship in which honesty about our sin is welcome and safe. We confess together, in community, before a gracious God who has given us himself. Confession both acknowledges our need for mercy and celebrates its abundance in Christ.*

Leader: ““I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. . . .

““Observe the Sabbath day, to keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you or your son or your daughter or your male servant or your female servant, or your ox or your donkey or any of your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates, that your male servant and your female servant may rest as well as you. You shall remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm. Therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the Sabbath day.”



# God's Renewal

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*This is a time  
of community  
prayer and  
holy silence.  
Please use this  
time to slow  
down, pray, and  
reflect on your  
relationship  
with God and  
your neighbor.  
Worshippers  
may choose to  
kneel or remain  
seated during  
this time.*

## CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

**All: Great God of rest,  
We do not know how to rest in you.  
We seek our own pleasure,  
and do not fast from our wickedness and sin.  
We are enslaved to our work  
because we doubt your provision.  
Help us to find in Jesus' work  
all the honor and security we need.  
Let his once-for-all-time achievements on the cross  
allow us to rest, especially on the day you have set apart.  
Let the Sabbath be to us not a burden,  
but our greatest delight.  
LORD, we ask that you guide us continually  
and satisfy our desire in scorched places.  
Make our souls like a watered garden,  
like a spring of water, whose waters do not fail,  
because our hearts are constantly saturated  
with the life-giving, soul-refreshing  
grace of Jesus, our true rest.  
Amen.**

## SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND COMFORT

*Rev. Way Rutherford*

*Colossians 1:13-14*

Minister: *For all who have confessed their sins and have fled to Christ for mercy, hear this word of assurance:*

“He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.”

Please stand  
for the Song of  
Assurance.

# God's Grace

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## SONG OF ASSURANCE

### *Arise, My Soul, Arise*

1. Arise, my soul, arise,  
shake off your guilty fears;  
The bleeding sacrifice,  
on my behalf appears;  
Before the throne my Surety stands,  
Before the throne my Surety stands,  
My name is written on His hands.

#### *Chorus:*

Arise (arise), arise (arise), arise  
Arise, my soul, arise.  
Arise (arise), arise (arise), arise  
Arise, my soul, arise.  
Shake off your guilty fears and rise

2. He ever lives above,  
for me to intercede;  
His all redeeming love,  
His precious blood, to plead;  
His blood atoned for every race,  
His blood atoned for every race,  
And sprinkles now the throne of grace.

#### *Chorus*

3. Five bleeding wounds He bears;  
received on Calvary;  
They pour effectual prayers;  
they strongly plead for me:  
“Forgive him, O forgive,” they cry,  
“Forgive him, O forgive,” they cry,  
“Nor let that ransomed sinner die!”

#### *Chorus*

4. The Father hears Him pray,  
His dear anointed One;  
He cannot turn away  
the presence of His Son;  
The Spirit answers to the blood,  
The Spirit answers to the blood  
And tells me I am born of God.

#### *Chorus*

5. My God is reconciled;  
His pardoning voice I hear;  
He owns me for His child;  
I can no longer fear  
With confidence I now draw nigh,  
With confidence I now draw nigh,  
And “Father, Abba, Father,” cry.

#### *Chorus*

*Mr. Darrel Croswell*

## SCRIPTURE READING

*Zechariah 7:1-14*

Reader: The Word of the Lord!

**People: Thanks be to God!**

*"Lectio Sacra" means "sacred reading." It has been the practice of the church for thousands of years to have portions of the Bible read during worship services. The assumption behind this practice is that we are people who need to be shaped by all of God's Word.*

Please be seated.

## PASTORAL PRAYER

*Mr. Heath Robinson*

## SILENT PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND PETITION

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**All: 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever.  
Amen.**

*Each week, we pray for the people around us and in the world as a way to serve them according to God's will. You are welcome to sit or kneel as we pray. If you have children, please feel free to use this time to teach them to pray.*

# God's Grace

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*At the parents' discretion, children age 4 through the end of kindergarten may attend Training in the Pews Children's Worship. Children meet at the front entrance of the sanctuary during the Greeting of Peace to be escorted by volunteers to their classroom. The pastor will invite you to pick up your child in the narthex after the offertory prayer.*

## THE GREETING OF PEACE

**Leader:** Let the peace of Christ dwell in your hearts. To this peace we are called as members of a single body. The peace of Christ be with you!

**People:** **And also with you!**

Please stand.

## SCRIPTURE READING

*text on page 14*

Please be seated.

## PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

*The Spirit makes the reading and preaching of God's Word a powerful means of nourishing and comforting God's people, and awakening people to new faith.*

## THE SERMON

*Genesis 32:1-32*

*Strength and Weakness*

*Rev. Way Rutherford*

*The Word of God is the chief and final means through which God speaks to us; the principal and most direct way we hear from God in worship.*

## GENESIS 32:1-32

<sup>1</sup> Jacob went on his way, and the angels of God met him. <sup>2</sup> And when Jacob saw them he said, "This is God's camp!" So he called the name of that place Mahanaim.

<sup>3</sup> And Jacob sent messengers before him to Esau his brother in the land of Seir, the country of Edom, <sup>4</sup> instructing them, "Thus you shall say to my lord Esau: Thus says your servant Jacob, 'I have sojourned with Laban and stayed until now. <sup>5</sup> I have oxen, donkeys, flocks, male servants, and female servants. I have sent to tell my lord, in order that I may find favor in your sight.'"

<sup>6</sup> And the messengers returned to Jacob, saying, "We came to your brother Esau, and he is coming to meet you, and there are four hundred men with him."

<sup>7</sup> Then Jacob was greatly afraid and distressed. He divided the people who were with him, and the flocks and herds and camels, into two camps, <sup>8</sup> thinking, "If Esau comes to the one camp and attacks it, then the camp that is left will escape."

<sup>9</sup> And Jacob said, "O God of my father Abraham and God of my father Isaac, O LORD who said to me, 'Return to your country and to your kindred, that I may do you good,' <sup>10</sup> I am not worthy of the least of all the deeds of steadfast love and all the faithfulness that you have shown to your servant, for with only my staff I crossed this Jordan, and now I have become two camps. <sup>11</sup> Please deliver me from the hand of my brother, from the hand of Esau, for I fear him, that he may come and attack me, the mothers with the children. <sup>12</sup> But you said, 'I will surely do you good, and make your offspring as the sand of the sea, which cannot be numbered for multitude.'"

<sup>13</sup> So he stayed there that night, and from what he had with him he took a present for his brother Esau, <sup>14</sup> two hundred female goats and twenty male goats, two hundred ewes and twenty rams, <sup>15</sup> thirty milking camels and their calves, forty cows and ten bulls, twenty female donkeys and ten male donkeys.

<sup>16</sup> These he handed over to his servants, every drove by itself, and said to his servants, "Pass on ahead of me and put a space between drove and drove."

<sup>17</sup> He instructed the first, "When Esau my brother meets you and asks you, 'To whom do you belong? Where are you going? And whose are these ahead of you?'

<sup>18</sup> then you shall say, 'They belong to your servant Jacob. They are a present

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sent to my lord Esau. And moreover, he is behind us.”<sup>19</sup> He likewise instructed the second and the third and all who followed the droves, “You shall say the same thing to Esau when you find him,<sup>20</sup> and you shall say, ‘Moreover, your servant Jacob is behind us.’” For he thought, “I may appease him with the present that goes ahead of me, and afterward I shall see his face. Perhaps he will accept me.”<sup>21</sup> So the present passed on ahead of him, and he himself stayed that night in the camp.

<sup>22</sup> The same night he arose and took his two wives, his two female servants, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok.<sup>23</sup> He took them and sent them across the stream, and everything else that he had.<sup>24</sup> And Jacob was left alone. And a man wrestled with him until the breaking of the day.<sup>25</sup> When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he touched his hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him.<sup>26</sup> Then he said, “Let me go, for the day has broken.” But Jacob said, “I will not let you go unless you bless me.”<sup>27</sup> And he said to him, “What is your name?” And he said, “Jacob.”<sup>28</sup> Then he said, “Your name shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with men, and have prevailed.”<sup>29</sup> Then Jacob asked him, “Please tell me your name.” But he said, “Why is it that you ask my name?” And there he blessed him.<sup>30</sup> So Jacob called the name of the place Peniel, saying, “For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life has been delivered.”<sup>31</sup> The sun rose upon him as he passed Peniel, limping because of his hip.<sup>32</sup> Therefore to this day the people of Israel do not eat the sinew of the thigh that is on the hip socket, because he touched the socket of Jacob's hip on the sinew of the thigh.

Minister: The Word of the Lord!

**People: Thanks be to God!**

*The Heidelberg Catechism originated in Germany in 1562 under the authority of Elector Frederick III, who ruled the most important German province, the Palatinate, from his castle in Heidelberg. He commissioned the preparation of a new catechism for guiding ministers and teachers in instructing people in the Christian faith.*

## PREPARING OUR HEARTS TO BE FED

*Rev. Way Rutherford*

### *The Heidelberg Catechism Q/A #76*

Minister: What does it mean to eat the crucified body of Christ and to drink his poured-out blood?

**All: It means to accept with a believing heart the entire suffering and death of Christ and by believing to receive forgiveness of sins and eternal life.**

**But it means more.**

**Through the Holy Spirit, who lives both in Christ and in us, we are united more and more to Christ's blessed body.**

**And so, although he is in heaven and we are on earth, we are flesh of his flesh and bone of his bone.**

**And we forever live on and are governed by one Spirit, as members of our body are by one soul.**



## PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

## WORDS OF RESPONSE

Minister: Let us proclaim the mystery of the faith:

**People: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again!**

Minister: Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.

**People: Therefore, let us keep the feast.**

Minister: The gifts of God for the people of God. Come, take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on Him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

**All: Hallelujah!**

## THE OFFERING

Minister: What do you have that you did not receive?

Let us pray. All things, all gifts, come from you, O God and should be received with gratitude. In gratitude we now return to you what is yours. Receive these tithes and offerings, our tangible expressions of love and gratitude. Amen.

*"For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich."*

*2 Corinthians 8:9 (ESV)*

*All we have  
is given to  
us by God.  
Our offerings  
express  
this joyful  
dependence  
and our  
commitment to  
join God in his  
work of renewal.*



*In response to God's grace to us through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we bring gifts and offerings to the Lord with thanksgiving and joy. Worshippers may place their gifts in the offering box at the back as they return to their seats. You may also give by texting any dollar amount to 84321, through the Church Center app, or at <https://redeemerprestemple.churchcenter.com/giving>*

## CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

*This is a time for all of us to seek the Lord. For Christians, Communion (also called The Lord's Supper or The Eucharist, which means "thanksgiving" is a time to meet with their Savior by faith to be strengthened and renewed by Him as they eat bread and drink wine. The Lord's Supper is a joyful celebration in which the family of God together delights in the presence and salvation of their Redeemer King. All baptized Christians who trust in Christ alone as their Savior and Lord, belong to a church that embraces the Gospel, are at peace with their neighbor, and seek strength to live more faithfully to Christ, are invited to participate. If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer and to consider more deeply your relationship to Jesus Christ. We would love to pray with and for you during this time and there will be someone stationed at the front of the sanctuary at both side walls to do so. Please let us know if there is something specific you would like us to pray for.*

### A Word to Parents

*Children are invited to come forward, either to receive communion or a prayer of blessing. To receive communion, a child must have been baptized, publicly professed their faith in Christ, and been formally received as a communing member by the Session (elders) of this church or the governing body of the church to which you belong. If your children will not be receiving communion, please instruct them to come forward with their arms crossed to receive a prayer of blessing. We look forward to welcoming your children to the table and ask that you speak with the pastor when you believe your child is ready to begin the process.*

### Directions for Participating in Communion

*If you are participating, when you are ready, please join the line coming down the center aisle. You will make your way past the servers at the front to receive the elements. Then, please return to your seat by way of the side aisles and hallway. If you wish to bring an offering to the Lord, please place it in the box at the back of the room as you return to your seat. We use wine in communion. Individual cups are available in the trays, with **grape juice** in the middle ring in the **purple cups** which may be requested by those who desire it. A **gluten-free cracker** is available upon request for those unable to eat the bread due to allergies.*

## PRAYER FOR RECEIVING COMMUNION

*Lord Jesus, your perfect life, death, and resurrection are the source of all blessing in this life and the life to come. As I eat this bread and drink this cup, renew me in the joy and glory of knowing and serving you. I come to this table on the basis of your merit only and not my own. As you have completely and fully offered yourself for me, I now completely and fully offer myself to you as a living sacrifice. Amen.*

## PRAYERS FOR THOSE NOT COMMUNING

*Because Redeemer is a church that is not only for convinced Christians, but also for people at different stages in their spiritual journey, we gladly extend room for you to process, think, and dialogue. Use the prayers provided below as guides to reflect upon and respond to what God is doing in your life.*

### Prayer for Those Searching for Truth

*Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.*

### Prayer of Belief

*Lord Jesus Christ, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared to hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross, and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and Lord. Amen.*

### Prayer for Those Struggling with Sin

*Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my need, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely to me, and run with perseverance the race that you have set before me, looking only to you, the pioneer and perfecter of my faith. Amen.*

### Prayer of Commitment

*Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship in your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with your people, and live in the fullness of your Spirit. Amen.*

# God's Grace

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## COMMUNION SONG

### *Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting*

1. Jesus, I am resting, resting,  
in the joy of what Thou art;  
I am finding out the greatness  
of Thy loving heart.  
Thou hast bid me gaze upon Thee,  
as Thy beauty fills my soul,  
for by Thy transforming power,  
Thou hast made me whole.

#### *Chorus:*

Jesus, I am resting, resting,  
in the joy of what Thou art;  
I am finding out the greatness  
of Thy loving heart.

2. O, how great Thy loving kindness,  
vaster, broader than the sea!  
O, how marvelous Thy goodness,  
lavished all on me!  
Yes, I rest in Thee, Beloved,  
know what wealth of grace is Thine,  
know Thy certainty of promise,  
and have made it mine.

#### *Chorus*

3. Simply trusting Thee, Lord Jesus,  
I behold Thee as Thou art,  
and Thy love, so pure, so changeless,  
satisfies my heart;  
satisfies its deepest longings,  
meets, supplies its every need,  
compasseth me round with blessings:  
Thine is love indeed.

#### *Chorus*

4. Ever lift Thy face upon me  
as I work and wait for Thee;  
resting 'neath Thy smile, Lord Jesus,  
earth's dark shadows flee.  
Brightness of my Father's glory,  
sunshine of my Father's face,  
keep me ever trusting, resting,  
fill me with Thy grace.

#### *Chorus*

# God's Grace

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## COMMUNION SONG

*Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!*

*Hyfrydol*

1. Jesus! What a friend for sinners!  
Jesus! Lover of my soul;  
Friends may fail me, foes assail me,  
He, my Savior, makes me whole.

*Chorus:*

Hallelujah! What a Savior!  
Hallelujah! What a friend!  
Saving, helping, keeping, loving,  
He is with me to the end.

2. Jesus! What a strength in weakness!  
Let me hide myself in Him.  
Tempted, tried, and sometimes failing,  
He, my strength, my victory wins.

*Chorus*

3. Jesus! What a help in sorrow!  
While the billows o'er me roll,  
Even when my heart is breaking,  
He, my comfort, helps my soul.

*Chorus*

4. Jesus! What a guide and keeper!  
While the tempest still is high,  
Storms about me, night o'ertakes me,  
He, my pilot, hears my cry.

*Chorus*

5. Jesus! I do now receive Him,  
More than all in Him I find.  
He hath granted me forgiveness,  
I am His, and He is mine.

*Chorus*

# God's Blessing

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## SONG OF BLESSING AND SENDING

### *Blessed Be Your Name*

1. Blessed be Your name  
in the land that is plentiful,  
where Your streams of abundance flow,  
blessed be Your name.

2. Blessed be Your name  
when I'm found in the desert place,  
though I walk through the wilderness,  
blessed be Your name.

Ev'ry blessing You pour out  
I'll turn back to praise.  
When the darkness closes in,  
Lord, still I will say,

#### *Chorus:*

"Blessed be the name of the Lord,  
blessed be Your name.  
Blessed be the name of the Lord,  
blessed be Your glorious name."

3. Blessed be Your name  
when the sun's shining down on me,  
when the world's "all as it should be."  
blessed be Your name.

4. Blessed be Your name  
on the road marked with suffering,  
though there's pain in the offering,  
blessed be Your name.

Ev'ry blessing You pour out  
I'll turn back to praise.  
When the darkness closes in,  
Lord, still I will say,

#### *Chorus*

You give and take away,  
You give and take away.  
My heart will choose to say,  
"Lord, blessed be Your name."

#### *Chorus*

# God's Blessing

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Please stand.

## BENEDICTION

*Rev. Way Rutherford*

*Just as we  
begin with with  
God's gracious  
invitation, so  
we end with  
God's promise  
to always be  
with us.*

### *2 Thessalonians 3:16*

Minister: "Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times in every way. The Lord be with you all."

*It is appropriate  
to lift our heads  
as a symbol  
that through  
Christ God  
graciously lifts  
our head, and  
we hold out our  
hands palms  
up to symbolize  
our need and  
eagerness to  
receive God's  
blessing.*

## POSTLUDE

FOLLOWING THE SERVICE | *All are invited to join us for coffee, donuts, and conversation.*

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## WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE

*We are praying that God would do mighty, transforming works in our hearts, in our families, in our church, in our city, and in our world. Here are some categories which we use to pray during our corporate worship services. You are encouraged to use this list at home during your private and family worship times to help you join with Redeemer as we together petition our Father, asking that his Kingdom would come in ever greater measure.*

**GROWTH IN THE GOSPEL OF GRACE** | *for spiritual growth as individuals and as a church*

**LOCAL MISSION** | *for the work of the Gospel in Temple*

**GLOBAL MISSION** | *for God's work around the world*

**STATE/SOCIETY/WORLD** | *for civil authorities and Christians' witness in the world*

**SPECIAL CARE** | *for people who are sick or in other need*

**VISION** | *for God to build his Church*

## PRAYER AND PHYSICAL NEEDS

*If you would like someone to pray for or with you, please consider contacting one of our elders (info on next page). They would love to talk with you and pray for you. We also hope you will join a Community Group to build relationships with people who know you and pray for you on a regular basis. If you have physical or material needs, please contact our deacon team at [deaconteam@redeemerprestemple.org](mailto:deaconteam@redeemerprestemple.org)*

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Percussion: Mr. Caden Van Cleave

## FINANCIAL GIVING REPORT

*Thank you for your faithful and generous giving to Jesus' mission through Redeemer!*

	INCOME*	BUDGET	ACTUAL EXPENSES*	ACTUAL VARIANCE
2023 Jan-Apr	\$216,006.65	\$162,000.00	\$176,365.63	\$39,641.02
2023 April	\$54,320.36	\$40,500.00	\$34,148.32	\$20,172.04
2023 March	\$57,895.53	\$40,500.00	\$55,369.25	\$2,526.28
2023 February	\$45,331.59	\$40,500.00	\$40,450.49	\$4,881.10

*\*These include all funds and operating expenses except income and expenses in the designated building fund.*

# EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**BABY BOTTLE BOOMERANG** | Pick up an empty baby bottle to fill up with a monetary donation for Hope Pregnancy Center, and then return it on Father's Day, June 18. Questions? Kay Smith (541-870-0980)

**INTRO TO REDEEMER: JUNE 3, 9-11am** | Are you ready to learn more about who Redeemer is, why we exist, what we believe, and what it means to be part of the church? The Intro to Redeemer class consists of a series of videos to watch on your own and an in-person discussion together, and is required for membership. Sign up using the QR code or link below for more information. **We will meet for an in-person discussion over brunch on Saturday, June 3, 9-11am.**

**WOMEN'S SUMMER BOOK CLUBS** | Join us for book discussion and fellowship this summer! Come hang out and share what you've been reading lately at the kickoff **this Tuesday, May 30**, 7-8:30pm at Courtney Robinson's home (1106 N 9th St, Temple). Bring a drink or snack to share! We'll also meet Thursday, June 29 (*Persuasion* by Jane Austen) and Thursday, July 20 (*The Common Rule* by Justin Whitmel Earley). More details to come!

**CAPITAL CAMPAIGN** | We are currently having a capital campaign with the goal of paying off our mortgage principal. Through April, \$77,512 has been given to the Building Fund mortgage paydown, leaving the amount owed at ~\$362,500. To give, submit a check to Redeemer designated for the Building Fund or designate a Church Center transfer for the Building Fund. More information, including our reasoning for the campaign, linked below.

**GIVE TO BENT TREE** | Bent Tree is a ministry providing rest, wisdom and fellowship to pastors through online communities, gatherings and training events, pastoral coaching relationships, and counseling. Giving to Bent Tree would be a great way to show support to David Wilson (Bent Tree's director) and thank him for faithfully bringing the Word to us in the past year. Find more info and give at the link below.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**May 30** Women's Book Club Kickoff

**June 1** Men's Pub Night

**June 3** Intro to Redeemer

**June 11-17** RYM High School Colorado

**June 18** Return bottles for Baby Bottle Boomerang

**June 29** Women's Book Club: *Persuasion*

**July 20** Women's Book Club: *The Common Rule*

**August 2-6** RYM Middle School Texas



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