



# 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.

Text **RPCinfo** to **55498** to fill out a visitor card and/or receive more information about Redeemer! Paper visitor cards are also available in your seats and at both entrances.

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

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## 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.

We'd love to get to know you!  
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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 Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday*

March 24, 2024 | 10:00 am

In consideration  
of other  
worshippers,  
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for the duration  
of the service.

## PRELUDE

## WELCOME

*Mr. Heath Robinson*

## MEDITATION AND PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

“So what does baptism signal about families? What understanding of family is carried in this worship practice? What are we learning on a gut level when we participate in this rite? The baptismal liturgy calls for us, the congregation, to also make a covenantal promise. . . . The covenant binds us together as a community . . . we are also . . . the family, “the household of God” (Eph. 2:19 NRSV). In the household of God there is a relativizing of bloodlines. Our promises in baptism—as parents and as a congregation—signal that what counts as “family” is not just the closed, nuclear unit that is so often idolized as “the family.” Thus, if Christian congregations are truly going to live *out of* and *into* the significance of baptism, they will need to become communities in which the bloodlines of kin are trumped by the blood of Christ—where “natural” families don’t fold into themselves in self-regard.”

—James K. A. Smith, *You Are What You Love* (p. 116)

## SCRIPTURE FOR MEMORIZATION

### *Ephesians 2:1-3 (ESV)*

<sup>1</sup> And you were dead in the trespasses and sins <sup>2</sup> in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— <sup>3</sup> among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind.

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## ADVENT CALENDAR

CHRISTMAS

EPIPHANY

**LENT**

EASTER

PENTECOST

“A journey, a pilgrimage! Yet, as we begin it, as we make the first step into the ‘bright sadness’ of Lent, we see - far, far away - the destination. It is the joy of Easter, it is the entrance into the glory of the Kingdom.” (Alexander Schmemmann) The death and resurrection of Jesus Christ are at the heart of the Christian gospel, and Good Friday and Easter are two of the most significant celebrations of the Christian year. Lent is a season of preparation and repentance during which we anticipate Good Friday and Easter. Just as we carefully prepare for big events in our personal lives... Lent invites us to make our hearts ready for remembering Jesus’ passion and celebrating Jesus’ resurrection (From *The Worship Sourcebook*).

# God's Supremacy

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Please stand.

## CALL TO WORSHIP

*Mr. Heath Robinson*

*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.*

*based on Luke 19:38 and Zechariah 9:9*

Leader: Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord!

**All: Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!**

Leader: Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!

**All: Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!**

Leader: Behold, your king is coming to you;

**All: righteous and having salvation is he,**

Leader: humble and mounted on a donkey,

**All: on a colt, the foal of a donkey.**

# God's Supremacy

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## SONG OF ADORATION

### *Come, People of the Risen King*

Come, people of the Risen King,  
Who delight to bring Him praise;  
Come all and tune your hearts to sing  
To the Morning Star of grace.  
From the shifting shadows of the earth  
We will lift our eyes to Him,  
Where steady arms of mercy reach  
To gather children in.

#### *Refrain:*

Rejoice, Rejoice!  
Let every tongue rejoice!  
One heart, one voice;  
O Church of Christ, rejoice!

Come, those whose joy is morning sun,  
And those weeping through the night;  
Come, those who tell of battles won,  
And those struggling in the fight.  
For His perfect love will never change,  
And His mercies never cease,  
But follow us through all our days  
With the certain hope of peace.

#### *Refrain*

Come, young and old from every land -  
Men and women of the faith;  
Come, those with full or empty hands -  
Find the riches of His grace.  
Over all the world, His people sing -  
Shore to shore we hear them call  
The Truth that cries through every age:  
“Our God is all in all”

#### *Refrain x2*

# God's Supremacy

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## PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*Mr. Heath Robinson*

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*Mr. Heath Robinson*

### *The Apostles' Creed*

*"Although not written by the apostles, the Apostles' Creed is a concise summary of their teachings. It originated as a baptismal confession, probably in the second century, and developed into its present form by the sixth or seventh century." (Trinity Hymnal)*

Leader: Christian, what do you believe?

**All: 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,  
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He 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 catholic\* church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*\* "catholic" refers to the true Christian church throughout the world and throughout all times*

# *God's Supremacy*

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## DOXOLOGY

*Praise the Father, Praise the Son (v. 3)*

To the valley, for my soul,  
Thy great descent has made me whole!  
Your word my heart has welcomed home,  
Now peace like water ever flows.

Praise the Father, praise the Son.  
Praise the Spirit, three in One.  
Clothed in power and in grace  
The name above all other names.

# God's Renewal

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Please be seated.

## THE LAW OF GOD

*Mr. Doug Smith*

### *Deuteronomy 5:6, 19*

*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. . . .  
“And you shall not steal.”



# 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: O King of glory,  
we confess that our praise of your majesty  
has often been faint,  
our performance as citizens of your kingdom treasonous.  
For we have surrendered to the enemy  
by our secret sins and our known sins.  
For our treason you died, Lord Jesus.  
For our restoration, you rose again.  
Draw us closer to you in this holy week,  
that our eyes may catch the vision of your tears,  
and our hearts, the wonder of your grace.  
By the Holy Spirit's continuing discipline,  
let us be loyal and loving servants of the King.  
Praise be to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

## SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND COMFORT

*Rev. JB Wilbanks*

*based on Psalm 118:4-5, 14, 17*

Minister: Let those who fear the Lord say,  
"His steadfast love endures forever."  
Out of my distress I called on the Lord;  
the Lord answered me and set me free.  
The Lord is my strength and my song;  
he has become my salvation.  
I shall not die, but I shall live,  
and recount the deeds of the Lord.

In Christ, God answers us and sets us free!  
In Christ, we shall not die, but we shall live!  
Thanks be to God!

Please stand  
for the Song of  
Assurance.

# God's Grace

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## SONG OF ASSURANCE

### *Is He Worthy?*

Do you feel the world is broken? *(We do)*  
Do you feel the shadows deepen? *(We do)*  
But do you know that all the dark won't  
stop the light from getting through? *(We do)*  
Do you wish that you could see  
it all made new? *(We do)*

Is all creation groaning? *(It is)*  
Is a new creation coming? *(It is)*  
Is the glory of the Lord to be the light  
within our midst? *(It is)*  
Is it good that we remind ourselves  
of this? *(It is)*

Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?  
Is anyone able to break the seal  
and open the scroll?  
The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave  
He is David's root and the Lamb who died  
to ransom the slave

Is He worthy? Is He worthy?  
Of all blessing and honor and glory  
Is He worthy of this? He is

Does the Father truly love us? *(He does)*  
Does the Spirit move among us? *(He does)*  
And does Jesus, our Messiah hold forever  
those He loves? *(He does)*

Does our God intend to dwell again  
with us? *(He does)*

Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?  
Is anyone able to break the seal  
and open the scroll?  
The Lion of Judah  
who conquered the grave  
He is David's root  
and the Lamb who died  
to ransom the slave  
From every people and tribe  
Every nation and tongue  
He has made us a kingdom  
and priests to God  
To reign with the Son

Is He worthy? Is He worthy?  
Of all blessing and honor and glory  
Is He worthy? Is He worthy?  
Is He worthy of this? He is!  
Is He worthy? Is He worthy?  
He is! He is!

*"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.**

*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.*

## SCRIPTURE READING

*Mr. Taylor Wilby*

*Isaiah 50:4-9a*

Reader: The Word of the Lord!

**People: Thanks be to God!**

## EXTENDING THE REDEEMER'S MISSION

*Mrs. Anna Sartin*

*Parties at Redeemer*

## THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

*Sadie Ann Coulter*

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Mr. Doug Smith*

**All: You are holy, O God of majesty,  
and blessed is Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.  
As one of us, he knew our joys and sorrows  
and our struggles with temptation.  
He was like us in every way except sin.  
In him we see what you created us to be.  
Though blameless, he suffered willingly for our sin.  
Though innocent, he accepted death for the guilty.  
On the cross he offered himself, a perfect sacrifice,  
for the life of the world.  
By his suffering and death, he freed us from sin and death.  
Risen from the grave, he leads us to the joy of new life.**

**Lead us, O God, in the way of Christ.  
Give us courage to take up our cross  
and, in full reliance upon your grace, to follow him.  
Help us to love our neighbor as we love ourselves,  
demonstrating that love in deed and word  
by the power of your Spirit.  
Give us strength to serve you faithfully**

# 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 in the annex 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 annex after the offertory prayer.*

**until the promised day of resurrection,  
when, with the redeemed of all the ages,  
we will feast with you at your table in glory.  
Through Christ, all glory and honor are yours, almighty Father,  
with the Holy Spirit in the holy church, now and forever. Amen.**

## 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 SERMON

**Luke 19:28-44**

***Carrying Palm Branches Instead of Swords***

*Rev. JB Wilbanks*

*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 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.*

## LUKE 19:28-44

<sup>28</sup> And when he had said these things, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. <sup>29</sup> When he drew near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount that is called Olivet, he sent two of the disciples, <sup>30</sup> saying, "Go into the village in front of you, where on entering you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever yet sat. Untie it and bring it here. <sup>31</sup> If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' you shall say this: 'The Lord has need of it.'" <sup>32</sup> So those who were sent went away and found it just as he had told them. <sup>33</sup> And as they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, "Why are you untying the colt?" <sup>34</sup> And they said, "The Lord has need of it." <sup>35</sup> And they brought it to Jesus, and throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. <sup>36</sup> And as he rode along, they spread their cloaks on the road. <sup>37</sup> As he was drawing near—already on the way down the Mount of Olives—the whole multitude of his disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen, <sup>38</sup> saying, "Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!" <sup>39</sup> And some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples." <sup>40</sup> He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the very stones would cry out."

<sup>41</sup> And when he drew near and saw the city, he wept over it, <sup>42</sup> saying, "Would that you, even you, had known on this day the things that make for peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes. <sup>43</sup> For the days will come upon you, when your enemies will set up a barricade around you and surround you and hem you in on every side <sup>44</sup> and tear you down to the ground, you and your children within you. And they will not leave one stone upon another in you, because you did not know the time of your visitation."

Minister: The Word of the Lord!

People: **Thanks be to God!**

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## SERMON NOTES

*Sursum Corda*  
is Latin for "lift  
up your hearts."

*One of the  
oldest liturgical  
pieces still in  
use, it calls us  
to be heavenly  
minded and  
summons us  
into the Lord's  
presence. Along  
with the voices  
around you,  
hear the echo  
of 2000 years  
of worshipping  
Christians who  
have gone  
before.*

## PREPARING OUR HEARTS TO BE FED

*Rev. JB Wilbanks*

### *The Great Thanksgiving*

#### *Sursum Corda*

Minister: The Lord be with you!

**People: And with your spirit!**

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

**People: We lift them up to the Lord!**

Minister: Let us give thanks to our Lord God.

**People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Minister: It is indeed good, right, and our delight that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God. Your son, Jesus Christ, fulfilled the prophets' words and entered the city of Jerusalem, where he was lifted high upon the cross, that the whole world might be drawn to him. By his suffering and death he defeated the power of death, becoming the source of eternal life. The tree of defeat became the tree of victory; where life was lost, life has been restored. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying:

**All: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:  
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.  
Glory be to You, O Lord Most High!**



## 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.*

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*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

### *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

1. Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah,  
Pilgrim through this barren land.  
I am weak, but Thou art mighty;  
Hold me with Thy powerful hand.  
Bread of heaven,  
Feed me now and evermore;  
Bread of heaven,  
Feed me now and evermore.

2. Open now the crystal fountain,  
Whence the healing waters flow;  
Let the fire and cloudy pillar  
Lead me all my journey through.  
Strong Deliverer,  
Be Thou still my Strength and Shield;  
Strong Deliverer,  
Be Thou still my Strength and Shield.

3. When I tread the verge of Jordan,  
Bid my anxious fears subside;  
Death of death, and hell's destruction,  
Land me safe on Canaan's side.  
Songs of praises,  
I will ever give to Thee;  
Songs of praises,  
I will ever give to Thee.

Land me safe on Canaan's side  
Bid my anxious fears, bid my anxious fears  
Land me safe on Canaan's side  
Bid my anxious fears,  
Bid my anxious fears, goodbye.

# 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

### *And Can It Be*

1. And can it be that I should gain  
An interest in the Savior's blood?  
Died He for me who caused His pain!  
For me who Him to death pursued?  
Amazing love! How can it be  
That Thou, my God, should die for me?

### *Chorus:*

Amazing love! How can it be  
That Thou, my God, should die for me!  
Amazing love! How can it be  
That Thou, my God, should die for me!

2. He left His Father's throne above,  
So free, so infinite His grace!  
Emptied Himself of all but love,  
And bled for Adam's helpless race.  
'Tis mercy all, immense and free,  
For O my God, it found out me!

### *Chorus*

3. Long my imprisoned spirit lay,  
Fast bound in sin and nature's night;  
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray;  
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;  
My chains fell off, my heart was free,  
I rose, went forth, and followed Thee.

### *Chorus*

4. No condemnation now I dread;  
Jesus, and all in Him, is mine;  
Alive in Him, my living Head,  
And clothed in righteousness divine,  
Bold I approach the eternal throne,  
And claim the crown, through Christ my own.

### *Chorus*

# God's Blessing

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Please stand.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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.

## BENEDICTION

Rev. JB Wilbanks

*based on Philippians 4:7*

Minister: The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, guard your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of God's Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, remain with you always. Amen.

## POSTLUDE

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## FAMILY WORSHIP GUIDE

A Catechism is an ancient, simple, and effective tool for teaching the basics of the Christian faith. The New City Catechism is a modern catechism in the Reformed tradition that draws from the ancient practice of basing Christian formation around the Ten Commandments, the Apostle's Creed, and the Lord's Prayer. Through 52 questions and answers it helps form our hearts and our minds around the great truths of the Christian faith. The bold portion is a more concise answer designed to be memorized by younger children.

**QUESTION 38:** What is prayer?

**ANSWER:** Prayer is pouring out our hearts to God in praise, petition, confession of sin, and thanksgiving. *Psalm 62:8*

**QUESTION 39:** With what attitude should we pray?

**ANSWER:** With love, perseverance, and gratefulness; in humble submission to God's will, knowing that, for the sake of Christ, he always hears our prayers. *Philippians 4:6*

**QUESTION 40:** What should we pray?

**ANSWER:** The whole Word of God directs and inspires us in what we should pray, including the prayer Jesus himself taught us. *Ephesians 3:14–21*

**QUESTION 41:** What is the Lord's Prayer?

**ANSWER:** Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. *Matthew 6:9*

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## FINANCIAL GIVING REPORT

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

	INCOME*	BUDGETED EXPENSES	ACTUAL EXPENSES*	ACTUAL VARIANCE
2024 Jan-Feb	\$110,786.02	\$113,616.00	\$114,323.99	(\$3,537.97)
2024 February	\$57,955.75	\$56,808.00	\$55,060.01	\$2,895.74
2024 January	\$52,830.27	\$56,808.00	\$59,263.98	(\$6,433.71)
2023 December	\$61,618.12	\$51,484.00	\$50,947.38	\$10,670.74

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

**MORTGAGE AS OF 2/29/2024** **\$211,125.62**

## EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

More info can be found in our weekly news email! Contact us at [office@redeemerprestemple.org](mailto:office@redeemerprestemple.org) to be added.

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**GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE** | Join us for a brief Good Friday service on Friday, March 29 at 6pm.

**EASTER IS MARCH 31!** | There will be no Sunday School, but join us before the service for muffins and mimosas starting at 8:30am. Sign up to bring something or help using the code below.

**MEN'S PUB NIGHT** | Thursday, April 4 at 7:30pm at O'Briens Irish Pub (11 E Central Ave, Temple)

**PRIME TIME FELLOWSHIP (55+) GAME NIGHT** | Tuesday, April 9, 6-8pm in the lower level. For info contact Laurie Kiniry at 254-541-5701.

**WOMEN'S IN-TOWN RETREAT APRIL 12-13** | Sign up is now available for our in-town retreat! The agenda includes dinner on Friday; breakfast, teaching from our guest speaker, lunch, and small group excursions on Saturday. We hope you'll join us for as much as you are able! Sign up using the code below.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES MEET SUNDAYS AT 9AM THROUGH MAY 5

**ADULTS** | Stroll through the Westminster Confession of Faith (*worship annex*)

**YOUTH** | 10 Questions Every Teen Should Ask (and Answer) about Christianity (*downstairs*)

**CHILDREN** | PreK-5th grade will learn about the Bible, catechism, and memory verses! (*upstairs*)

**NURSERY** | Available for infants and toddlers 2 months—3 years

**JOIN A COMMUNITY GROUP** | Find a group during the code below!

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**March 29** Good Friday service

**March 31** Muffins & Mimosas, No Sunday School

**April 4** Men's Pub Night

**April 9** Prime Time Fellowship (55+) Game Night

**April 12-13** Women's In-Town Retreat

**May 5** Last week of Sunday School and Community Groups



**WORSHIP** | Sundays 10:00 AM

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