



**REDEEMER**  
TRAVERSE CITY

*July 5, 2020*

2 Samuel 9:3

**“Anyone left of Saul’s family  
that I can show the kindness of God to?”**



## Welcome to Redeemer!

Thank you for joining us for worship today. Especially if this is your first time with us, we are glad you are here. Please don't hesitate to ask one of our greeters or anyone with a nametag regarding location of the nursery, restrooms, or just a cup of coffee!

We realize that the flow and order of our worship may be unfamiliar, so there are notes in the margins that will help you participate and offer some explanations. Our service is designed to be both biblical and Christ centered, as each week we cycle through the wonderful truths of the Gospel. We gather weekly not for a lecture, conference, or concert, but for an encounter with God, and so our service follows the pattern God gave his people thousands of years ago: God speaks and we respond.

- Calling – Worship begins with God's invitation to worship. He always takes the initiative and moves towards us.
- Cleansing – God reminds us that we are forgiven in Christ and loved as his children
- Consecration – God builds us up through his Word
- Communion – God brings us as children to his table to affirm his relationship with us.
- Commission – God sends us out in the power of his Spirit to live as his ambassadors before a watching world.

Whether you are a committed believer, skeptic, or somewhere in the middle, we are glad you are here today. Please feel free to participate actively or just listen and observe. Jesus Christ makes audacious and wonderful claims, and our church is a place where you can process those freely and safely.

We would love to know that you were here this morning. The back of this bulletin contains a tear off sheet that you can put in the offering basket during service. If there is any way we can pray for you, or you have questions about Christianity or our church, you can indicate that as well. There is more information about our church activities, events, and beliefs in the back pages of this bulletin and on our website.

## A Word to Parents with Young Children

We have a staffed nursery available for children ages 0-4. For those who have younger children remaining in the service, please relax and take a deep breath! We want them in the service and they are not a distraction. Keeping our children in as much as possible is one of the best gifts we can give them, as they will not only learn the importance of worship but will also pick up much more than we sometimes think. Feel free to sit up front where it is easier for your kids to see and hear what is happening. So again, relax and take a deep breath. The noises and excitement that comes with having children in our worship is not a distraction, but a gift from God to our entire church.

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## Redeemer at a Glance

We are a church that seeks to Glorify God by making disciples who are growing in love for God, love for each other, and love for our neighbor. Please join us for any of our weekly events, more information is in the back of the bulletin.

- Community Groups
- Men's & Women's Ministry
- Service opportunities

# The Lord's Service

July 5, 2020

## Welcome and Announcements

## Prelude

*The Call to  
Worship gives  
God the first  
word in our  
service. God  
always comes  
to us before we  
come to him.  
God graciously  
invites us to  
enter His  
presence with  
Thanksgiving!*

## Call to Worship

Pastor Chris Stevens

*Psalm 8:1-2; 9*

O LORD, our Lord,  
how majestic is your name in all the earth!  
You have set your glory above the heavens.  
Out of the mouth of babies and infants,  
you have established strength because of your foes,  
to still the enemy and the avenger.  
O LORD, our Lord,  
how majestic is your name in all the earth!

† = Stand if able

**Bold Words** = Congregation

† Opening Hymn #53 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" (Vss. 1, 2, & 5 only)

1. Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -  
 2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so won - drous - ly  
 3. Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy work and de -  
 4. Praise to the Lord, who with mar - vel - ous wis - dom hath  
 5. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

a - tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy  
 reign - eth, shel - ters thee un - der his wings, yea, so  
 • fend thee! Sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy here  
 made thee, decked thee with health, and with lov - ing hand  
 dore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with

health and sal - va - tion! All ye who hear, now to his  
 • gent - ly sus - tain - eth! Hast thou not seen how thy de -  
 dai - ly at - tend thee; pon - der a - new what the Al -  
 guid - ed and stayed thee. How oft in grief hath not he  
 prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his

tem - ple draw near, join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion.  
 sires e'er have been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?  
 • might - y will do, if with his love he be - friend thee!  
 brought thee re - lief, spread - ing his wings to o'er - shade thee!  
 peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for - e'er we a - dore him.

## † Invocation

*Psalm 145:18*

Minister: The Lord is near to all who call on him,

**Congregation: to all who call on him in truth.**

## † The Greeting

*Colossians 1:2*

To the saints in Christ at Traverse City, who are faithful brothers and sisters. Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

**Amen**

*The Call to Confession invites us to honest expression before God that we are not as we were made to be. The church is not a gathering of perfect people, we are all sinners in various stages of recovery.*

## Confession of Sin

*Micah 6:8*

He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

**O, Great and Glorious Father, we confess we have not lived perfectly. We have not upheld your requirements or what is good. We confess and cry out like Jeremiah, “though our iniquities testify against us, O LORD, act for your name’s sake; for our backslidings are many; we have sinned against you” (Jer. 14:7). Forgive us for your name’s sake. Heal us for your name’s sake. Uphold us for your name’s sake. Teach us to live in Christ for your name's sake. Amen.**

*The Declaration of Forgiveness breaks through the accusations of our conscience, the lies of the evil one, and proclaims the amazing truth of the gospel to our heart!*

## Declaration of Forgiveness

*1 John 1:9*

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

## **Baptism** of Marion Elsa Mizell, daughter of Dan & Ashby Mizell

### **Questions to Parents:**

1. Do you acknowledge your child's need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ, and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?
2. Do you claim God's covenant promises on her behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for her salvation, as you do for your own?
3. Do you now unreservedly commit your child to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before her a godly example, that you will pray with and for her, that you will teach her the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring her up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

### **Question to Congregation:**

Do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting the parents in the Christian nurture of this child?

**We do**

# † Hymn of Assurance "The Lord Is My Salvation"

1. The grace of God has reached for me,      And pulled me from the rag - ing sea.  
 2. I will not fear when dark - ness falls,      His strength will help me scale these walls.  
 3. My hope is hid - den in the Lord,      He flow'rs each pro - mise of His Word.  
 4. In times of wait - ing, times of need,      When I know loss, when I am weak.

4      D/F#      E/G#      A A/C# D      Bm7      E      13. D/A      E/A

And I am safe on this sol - id ground:      The Lord is my sal - va - tion.  
 I'll see the dawn of the ris - ing sun:      The Lord is my sal - va - tion.  
 When win - ter fades, I know spring will come:      The Lord is my sal - va - tion.  
 I know His grace will re - new these days:      The Lord is my sal - va -

8      24. Refrain      D/AE/A A      E      D      A/C#      E      D      A/C#

tion.      Who is like the Lord our God?      Strong to save, faith - ful in love. My

13      F#m      E/G#      A A/C# DA/C# Bm7      E      1. D/A      E/A      2. D/A      E/A

debt is paid and the vic - tory won:      The Lord is my sal - va - tion.      tion.

## Prayers of Intercession and the Lord's Prayer

### Scripture Reading

*2 Samuel 4:4-5*

Saul's son Jonathan had a son whose feet were crippled. He was five years old when the report about Saul and Jonathan came from Jezreel. His nanny picked him up and fled, but as she was hurrying to flee, he fell and became lame. His name was Mephibosheth.

2 Samuel 9:1-13

David asked, "Is there anyone remaining from the family of Saul I can show kindness to for Jonathan's sake?" There was a servant of Saul's family named Ziba. They summoned him to David ... So the king asked, "Is there anyone left of Saul's family that I can show the kindness of God to?" Ziba said to the king, "There is still Jonathan's son who was injured in both feet." ... So King David had him brought from the house of Machir son of Ammiel in Lo-debar. Mephibosheth son of Jonathan son of Saul came to David, fell facedown, and paid homage. David said, "Mephibosheth!" "I am your servant," he replied. "Don't be afraid," David said to him, "since I intend to show you kindness for the sake of your father Jonathan. I will restore to you all your grandfather Saul's fields, and you will always eat meals at my table." Mephibosheth paid homage and said, "What is your servant that you take an interest in a dead dog like me?" Then the king summoned Saul's attendant Ziba and said to him, "I have given to your master's grandson all that belonged to Saul and his family. You, your sons, and your servants are to work the ground for him, and you are to bring in the crops so your master's grandson will have food to eat. But Mephibosheth, your master's grandson, is always to eat at my table." ... So Mephibosheth ate at David's table just like one of the king's sons. ... Mephibosheth lived in Jerusalem because he always ate at the king's table. His feet had been injured.

This is the Word of the Lord!

**Thanks be to God!**



## † Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## † Sermon Text Reading

*Absalom rebels against David: 2 Samuel 16:1-4*

When David had gone a little beyond the summit, Ziba, Mephibosheth's servant, was right there to meet him. He had a pair of saddled donkeys loaded with two hundred loaves of bread, one hundred clusters of raisins, one hundred bunches of summer fruit, and a clay jar of wine. The king said to Ziba, "Why do you have these?" Ziba answered, "The donkeys are for the king's household to ride, the bread and summer fruit are for the young men to eat, and the wine is for those to drink who become exhausted in the wilderness." "Where is your master's grandson?" the king asked. "Why, he's staying in Jerusalem," Ziba replied to the king, "for he said, 'Today, the house of Israel will restore my grandfather's kingdom to me.'" The king said to Ziba, "All that belongs to Mephibosheth is now yours!" "I bow before you," Ziba said. "May I find favor with you, my lord the king!"

*Absalom's rebellion is defeated: 2 Sam 19:24-30*

Mephibosheth, Saul's grandson, also went down to meet the king. He had not taken care of his feet, trimmed his mustache, or washed his clothes from the day the king left until the day he returned safely. When he came from Jerusalem to meet the king, the king asked him, "Mephibosheth, why didn't you come with me?" "My lord the king," he replied, "my servant Ziba betrayed me. Actually, your servant said, 'I'll saddle the donkey for myself so that I may ride it and go with the king'—for your servant is lame. Ziba slandered your servant to my lord the king. But my lord the king is like the angel of God, so do whatever you think best.

For my grandfather's entire family deserves death from my lord the king, but you set your servant among those who eat at your table. So, what further right do I have to keep on making appeals to the king?" The king said to him, "Why keep on speaking about these matters of yours? I hereby declare: you and Ziba are to divide the land." Mephibosheth said to the king, "Instead, since my lord the king has come to his palace safely, let Ziba take it all!"

This is the Word of the Lord!

**Thanks be to God!**

**Sermon** "The Lame Feast with the King"

Pastor Chris Stevens

**Questions:**

1. Do I feel summoned to dine with the king?
2. How do these scenes teach me gratitude that Christ is a perfect covenant keeper?

# † Sermon Hymn #2 "O Worship the King"

1. O wor - ship the King all - glo - rious a - bove, O grate - ful - ly  
 2. O tell of his might, O sing of his grace, whose robe is the  
 3. The earth with its store of won - ders un - told, Al - might - y, your  
 4. Your boun - ti - ful care what tongue can re - cite? It breathes in the

sing his pow'r and his love; our shield and De - fend - er, the  
 light, whose can - o - py space. His char - iots of wrath the deep  
 pow'r has found - ed of old; has 'stab - lished it fast by a  
 air; it shines in the light; it streams from the hills; it de -

An - cient of Days, pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor and gird - ed with praise.  
 thun - der - clouds form, and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.  
 change - less de - cree, and round it has cast, like a man - tle, the sea.  
 scends to the plain; and sweet - ly dis - tils in the dew and the rain.

## Holy Communion

*We celebrate communion each week to remember what Christ has done and to be nourished spiritually.*

### **Invitation to the Lord's Table**

*We warmly welcome to the table all who trust in Jesus Christ for their salvation, have been baptized, and are in good standing with any church that proclaims the Gospel. Please note that we use wine for Communion, but the inter rings (colored cups) contain non-alcoholic wine if you prefer. A gluten free wafer is available in place of bread, just ask the minister when you come forward. We come forward in two lines as each row is dismissed. We encourage children to come forward, but ask that they not take the elements unless they have met with their Elders to make a profession of their faith. There is no pressure to take communion if you are not ready. Feel free to stay in your seat or come forward but indicate that you are not partaking.*

*We recite a creed each week as a way to prepare for communion and also to connect our worship to generations of Christians who have gone before us.*

### **Affirmation of Faith** The Apostles' 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  
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, (\*universal)  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen**

*The "Sursum Corda" (Lift up your hearts!) has been used in Christian worship for centuries. The prayer that follows asks God to set apart the ordinary bread and wine for this special use.*

## **Prayer of Thanksgiving and Consecration**

The Lord be with you.

Ruth 2:4

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts!

Lamentations 3:41

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. Psalm 118:1

**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Great God of Highest Heaven, who are we that we should be invited to such a feast as this? We are not worthy to come, we have no merit of our own that would make us worthy to receive your body and blood. But thanks be to you O God, that you invite us to this table and promise to refresh us and strengthen us by your grace in Christ. You say come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest. Except you had said it, who could believe it true? Except you invite us to come, who should attempt to draw near? Now we thank you for the gift of this holy supper, and we magnify your glorious name, evermore praising you and singing:

## **Sanctus**

**Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts.**

**Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts.**

**The whole earth is full of his glory,**

**the whole earth is full of his glory,**

**the whole earth is full of his glory,**

**Holy is the Lord.**

## **Words of Institution and Breaking of the Bread**

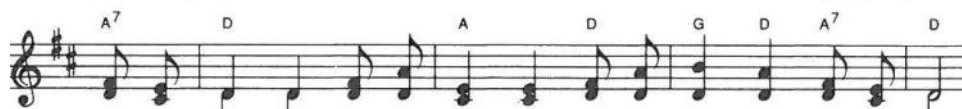
### **Prayer after Communion**

**We give thanks to you almighty God, that you have refreshed us at your table by granting us the presence of your Son, Jesus Christ. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world in courage and peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

† Post Communion Hymn #457 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"  
(Vss. 1 & 2 only)



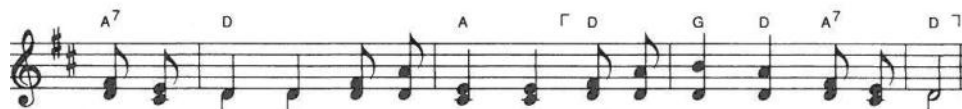
1. Come, thou fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
2. Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer; hith - er by thy help I'm come;  
3. O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con - strained to be;



streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.  
and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.  
let that grace now, like a fet - ter, bind my wan - d'ring heart to thee.



Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove;  
Je - sus sought me when a strang - er, wan - d'ring from the fold of God:  
Prone to wan - der—Lord, I feel it—prone to leave the God I love:



praise the mount! I'm fixed up - on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love.  
he, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.  
here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.



## † Benediction

† **Benediction Response** #457 “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”  
(Verse 3 only)

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be;  
let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wand'ring heart to thee.  
Prone to wander—Lord, I feel it—prone to leave the God I love:  
here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.

## **Prayer Requests**

### **Redeemer Family:**

- John Van Til, pray for comfort and peace. At this time no visitation is requested.
- Jean VanDyk (Dave's mother) who is recovering from a fall that left her with a fractured neck, hip, and broken arm. Pray for strength and a relief from pain.
- Pansy Peckham for strength and healing.
- Praise for good results for Cindy Sabotka, thankful to God for answered prayers.

### **Churches in our Presbytery:**

**Christ Church, Grand Rapids** - Pray for our times of worship online.

**Good Shepherd, Kalamazoo** - We praise the Lord that some of those who lost jobs have returned to work or found new employment.

**Heart City, Elkhart** - Pray for a better worship location.

## **Financials**

Year to Date	<u>May 31, 2019</u>	<u>May 31, 2020</u>	<u>2020 Budget</u>	<u>Over (Under) Budget</u>
Total Giving + Rentals:	\$108,201	\$140,626	\$143,935	(\$3,309)
Total Expenses	\$134,989	\$132,742		



## **Announcements**

**Congregational Meeting July 19th** - To vote on Tom Nussdorfer for the office of Elder. Please take the next couple of weeks to speak with Tom or the Elders.

**Ladies Summer Book Study** - All ladies are invited to read, then share conversation about *A Shepherd Looks at Psalm 23* by W. Phillip Keller on **Tuesday July 14 from 7-8 pm** and *Seven Women: And the Secret of their Greatness* by Eric Metaxas on **Tuesday August 11, 7-8 pm**. We will meet outdoors at the Riverine Apts Pavillion on Eighth Street (near Cherie von Drehle—please see her if you need directions).

**Summer Church Party** - Sunday, July 26<sup>th</sup> at the Nussdorfer home; more details to come.

### **Want to receive Redeemer email notifications & reminders?**

Contact the Church office at:

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# July 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
5 Worship Service 8:30 & 10:30 am	6	7	8	9	10	11
12 Worship Service 8:30 & 10:30 am	13	14 Ladies Summer Book Study, 7-8 pm	15	16	17	18
19 Worship Service 8:30 & 10:30 am Congregational Meeting	20	21	22	23	24	25
26 Worship Service 8:30 & 10:30 am Benevolence Offering Church Picnic	27	28	29	30	31	



**REDEEMER**  
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*1st or 2nd time visitor?*

*Have a Prayer need?*

*Want to be on our weekly newsletter?*

*Want more info about ministry or  
service at Redeemer?*

*Please fill out and place in the  
Offering plate.*

*Thank You!*

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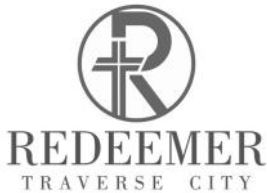
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2nd Time Guest: \_\_\_\_

Regular Attendee: \_\_\_\_

Member: \_\_\_\_



*If you would like to be prayed for  
please fill out and place in the  
Offering Plate*

**Prayer Requests:**

Share with congregation: \_\_\_\_

Private: \_\_\_\_

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**Send me information about :**

- \_\_\_ Becoming a Christian
- \_\_\_ Baptism
- \_\_\_ Membership
- \_\_\_ Serving on a Team
- \_\_\_ Small Groups
- \_\_\_ Other

**The Session (Pastors and Elders)**  
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Rev. Chris Stevens, Associate Pastor  
Fred Janke  
Bill Morrison  
Fred Weber  
David Schafer (Emeritus)

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