

July 26, 2020

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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 Gods' 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.

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

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Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Call to Worship

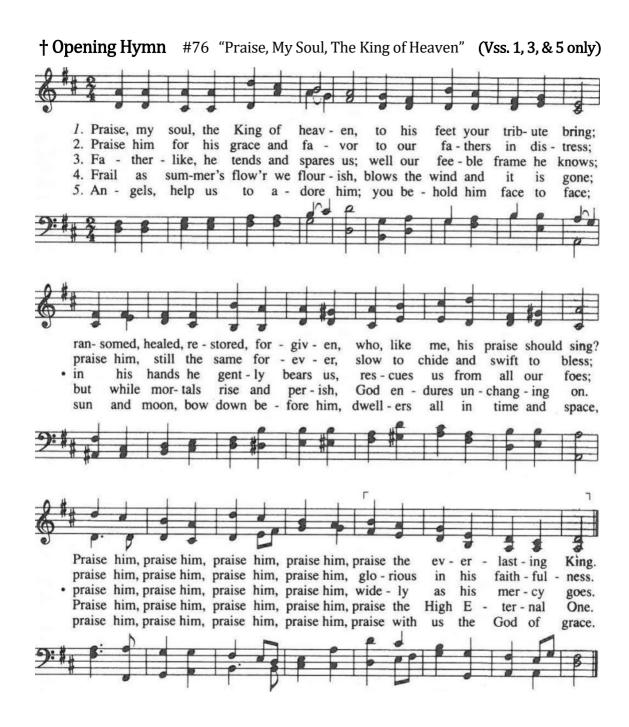
The Call to Worship gives God the first word in our service. God always comes to us before we come to him. God graciously invites us to enter His presence with Thanksgiving!

Psalm 149:1

Praise the Lord. Sing to the Lord a new song, his praise in the assembly of the godly!

† = Stand if able

Bold Words = Congregation



† Invocation

Psalm 124:8

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,People: who made heaven and earth.Pastor: Let us pray.

† The Greeting

1 Thessalonians 1:2; 2 Corinthians 13:14

Grace to you and peace from God the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Amen

Confession of Sin

John 13:34-35

A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Heavenly Father, we pray this morning especially for those who have injured us in anything, made us sad, spoken evil concerning us, or have caused us any loss or pain. We pray also for those whom we have at any time made sad, disturbed, burdened, and scandalized, by words or deeds, knowingly or ignorantly. We pray for all of us alike, that you may equally pardon our sins and mutual offenses. Take away, O Lord, from our hearts all suspicion, indignation, anger, and contention, and whatsoever is able to injure charity and diminish brotherly love. Have mercy, have mercy, Lord, on those who entreat Thy mercy. Give grace to the needy, and make us such that we may live a life worthy of your kingdom, and go forward to the life eternal. - Thomas A Kempis

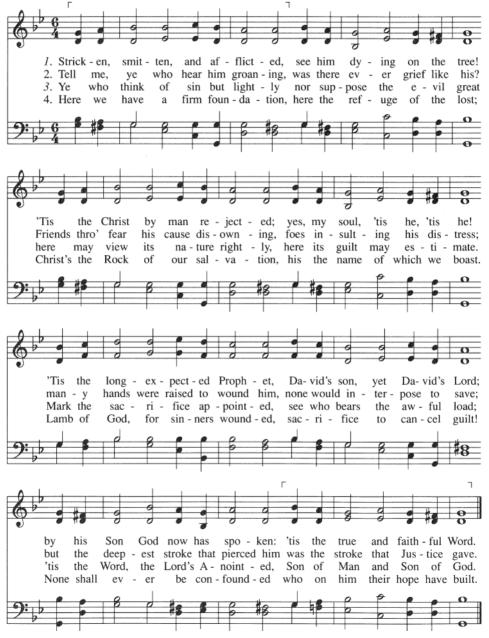
Declaration of Forgiveness

John 18:11

So Jesus said to Peter, "Put your sword into its sheath; shall I not drink the cup that the Father has given me?"

+ Hymn of Assurance #257 "Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted"

(Vss. 1, 3, 4 only)



Receiving New Members:

Dan & Barb Boersma

- 1. Do you acknowledge yourselves to be sinners in the sight of God, justly deserving His displeasure, and without hope save in His sovereign mercy?
- 2. Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and rest upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel?
- 3. Do you now resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as becomes the follower of Christ?
- 4. Do you promise to support the Church in its worship and work to the best of your ability?
- 5. Do you submit yourself to the government and discipline of the Church, and promise to study its purity and peace?

Questions to the Congregation:

Do you as a congregation now welcome these brothers and sister as members of this body?

We do.

Do you promise to take seriously your responsibilities to build up these new members and to seek to practice with them true Christian community and true Biblical church life?

We do.

Prayers of Intercession and the Lord's Prayer

Scripture Reading

Ephesians 4:1-6;

I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call— one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

Galatians 5:14-15

For the whole law is fulfilled in one word: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." But if you bite and devour one another, watch out that you are not consumed by one another.

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

Acts 2:42-47;

⁴² And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. ⁴³ And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. ⁴⁴ And all who believed were together and had all things in common. ⁴⁵ And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶ And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷ praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

Acts 4:32-35;

³² Now the full number of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one said that any of the things that belonged to him was his own, but they had everything in common. ³³ And with great power the apostles were giving their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. ³⁴ There was not a needy person among them, for as many as were owners of lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold ³⁵ and laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

John 17:20-21

²⁰ "I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, ²¹ that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me.

This is the Word of the Lord! Thanks be to God!

Sermon "Community for a Movement of the Gospel Today" Pastor Scott Korljan

Sermon notes:

† Sermon Hymn #347 "The Church's One Foundation" (Vss. 1 & 2 only)



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.				

It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise for you are holy, O God of majesty, and blessed is Jesus Christ, your Son. As we come now to the supper which he gave to us, we ask for the blessing of the Holy Spirit, that the bread that we break and the cup that we bless would be a participation in the body and blood of our Lord. And now, with the angels, and all the company of heaven, we magnify your glorious Name, evermore praising you and singing:

Sanctus

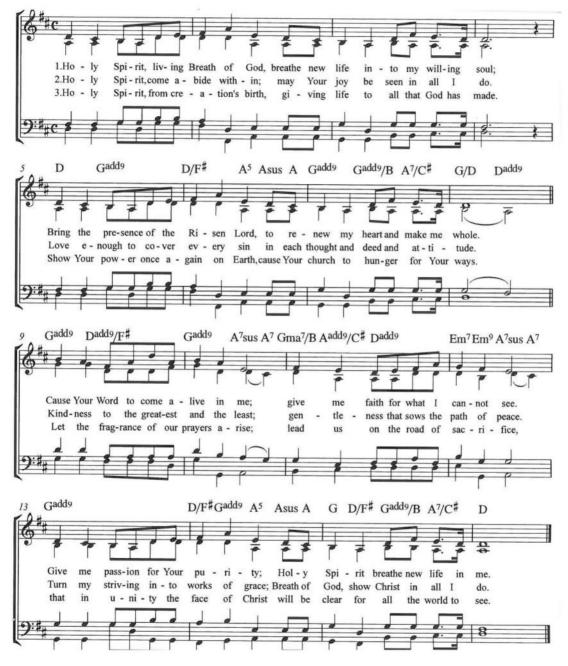
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts. Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts. The whole earth is full of his glory, the whole earth is full of his glory, the whole earth is full of his glory, Holy is the Lord.

Words of Institution and Breaking of the Bread

Prayer after Communion

Loving God, we thank you that you have fed us in this Sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet in your eternal kingdom. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

† Post Communion Hymn "Holy Spirit" (Vss. 1 & 2 only)



† Benediction

+ Benediction Response "Holy Spirit" (Verse 3 only)

Holy Spirit, from creation's birth, giving life to all that God has made. Show Your power once again on Earth, cause Your church to hunger for Your ways. Let the fragrance of our prayers arise; lead us on the road of sacrifice, that in unity the face of Christ will be clear for all the world to see.

Prayer Requests <u>Redeemer Family</u>:

- John Van Til, pray for comfort and peace. Visits are appreciated and encouraged. Please contact Traverse Manor to schedule a visit.
- 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.
- For the work of our pulpit search committee and our church during this transition season.

Churches in our Presbytery:

Redeemer, Detroit - Pray for the many medical workers at Redeemer who are on the front lines and the return to in-person worship services. Praise God for the ability to stay connected via video chat and services via Facebook.

Christ Church, Ann Arbor - Pray for unity in the church as we continue to navigate worship during the COVID pandemic and that those still anxious about the situation would find peace and rest in Christ.

Daniel Eguiluz, Missionary with Serge, Lima Peru - Pray for a spiritually fruitful and edifying last month before our move from Michigan to Florida, for ministry opportunities and the multiplication of contacts for support raising in Florida.

Financials				Over (Under)	
Year to Date	<u>June 30, 2019</u>	<u>June 30, 2020</u>	<u>2020 Budget</u>	Budget	
Total Giving + Rentals:	\$136,479	\$166,347	\$172,722	(\$6,375)	
Total Expenses	\$157,761	\$156,534			

Announcements

Ladies Summer Book Study - All ladies are invited to read, then share conversation about *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 Apartments Pavilion on Eighth Street (near Cherie von Drehle—please see her if you need directions).

Summer Church Picnic - Today at the Nussdorfer home.

Quarterly Benevolence Offering - Today

Want to receive Redeemer email notifications & reminders?

Contact the Church office at: Email: redeemertc@gmail.com Phone: 231-946-1700 Website: www.redeemertraversecity.org Redeemer Facebook (Redeemer PCATC)

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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!

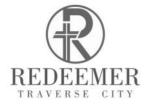
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If you would like to be prayed for please fill out and place in the Offering Plate

Prayer Requests:

Share with congregation: _____ Private: _____

Send me information about :

____ Becoming a Christian

- ____ Baptism
- ____ Membership
- ____ Serving on a Team
- ____ Small Groups
- ____ Other

The Session (Pastors and Elders)

Rev. Scott Korljan, Pastor Rev. Chris Stevens, Associate Pastor Fred Janke Bill Morrison Tom Nussdorfer Fred Weber David Schafer (Emeritus)

> The Deacons Tim Schramm II Dave VanDyk

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