



REDEEMER  
TRAVERSE CITY

*October 4, 2020*



*Great*

IS OUR LORD

AND MIGHTY IN POWER;

HIS UNDERSTANDING

*has no limit.*

PSALM 147:5

## 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

October 4, 2020

## 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 96:1-3*

Oh sing to the LORD a new song;  
sing to the LORD, all the earth!  
Sing to the LORD, bless his name;  
tell of his salvation from day to day.  
Declare his glory among the nations,  
his marvelous works among all the peoples!

† = Stand if able

**Bold Words** = Congregation

# † Opening 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.

## † 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*

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

**People: 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**

*Psalm 51:1-6*

Have mercy on me, O God,  
according to your steadfast love;  
according to your abundant mercy  
blot out my transgressions.  
Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,  
and cleanse me from my sin!

For I know my transgressions,  
and my sin is ever before me.  
Against you, you only, have I sinned  
and done what is evil in your sight,  
so that you may be justified in your words  
and blameless in your judgment.  
Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity,  
and in sin did my mother conceive me.  
Behold, you delight in truth in the inward being,  
and you teach me wisdom in the secret heart.

**Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;  
wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.  
Let me hear joy and gladness;  
let the bones that you have broken rejoice.  
Hide your face from my sins,  
and blot out all my iniquities.  
Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
and renew a right spirit within me.**

*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**

*Psalm 32:10*

Many are the sorrows of the wicked,  
but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD.

† Hymn of Assurance #461 "Not What My Hands Have Done"



1. Not what my hands have done can save my guilt - y soul;  
 2. Thy work a - lone, O Christ, can ease this weight of sin;  
 3. Thy grace a - lone, O God, to me can par - don speak;  
 4. I bless the Christ of God; I rest on love di - vine;  
 5. I praise the God of grace; I trust his truth and might;



not what my toil - ing flesh has borne can make my spir - it whole.  
 thy blood a - lone, O Lamb of God, can give me peace with - in.  
 • thy pow'r a - lone, O Son of God, can this sore bond - age break.  
 and with un - fal - t'ring lip and heart, I call this Sav - ior mine.  
 he calls me his, I call him mine, my God, my joy, my light.



Not what I feel or do can give me peace with God;  
 Thy love to me, O God, not mine, O Lord, to thee,  
 • No oth - er work, save thine, no oth - er blood will do;  
 His cross dis - pels each doubt; I bur - y in his tomb  
 'Tis he who sav - eth me, and free - ly par - don gives;



not all my prayers and sighs and tears can bear my aw - ful load.  
 can rid me of this dark un - rest, and set my spir - it free.  
 • no strength, save that which is di - vine, can bear me safe - ly through.  
 each thought of un - be - lief and fear, each lin - g'ring shade of gloom.  
 I love be - cause he lov - eth me, I live be - cause he lives.

## Prayers of Intercession and the Lord's Prayer

### Scripture Reading

*Isaiah 40:9-11*

Go on up to a high mountain,  
O Zion, herald of good news;  
lift up your voice with strength,  
O Jerusalem, herald of good news;  
lift it up, fear not;  
say to the cities of Judah,  
"Behold your God!"  
Behold, the Lord GOD comes with might,  
and his arm rules for him;  
behold, his reward is with him,  
and his recompense before him.  
He will tend his flock like a shepherd;  
he will gather the lambs in his arms;  
he will carry them in his bosom,  
and gently lead those that are with young.

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

### *Psalm 147*

Praise the LORD!

For it is good to sing praises to our God;  
for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.

<sup>2</sup> The LORD builds up Jerusalem;  
he gathers the outcasts of Israel.

<sup>3</sup> He heals the brokenhearted  
and binds up their wounds.

<sup>4</sup> He determines the number of the stars;  
he gives to all of them their names.

<sup>5</sup> Great is our Lord, and abundant in power;  
his understanding is beyond measure.

<sup>6</sup> The LORD lifts up the humble;  
he casts the wicked to the ground.

Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving;  
make melody to our God on the lyre!

<sup>8</sup> He covers the heavens with clouds;  
he prepares rain for the earth;  
he makes grass grow on the hills.

<sup>9</sup> He gives to the beasts their food,  
and to the young ravens that cry.

<sup>10</sup> His delight is not in the strength of the horse,  
nor his pleasure in the legs of a man,

<sup>11</sup> but the LORD takes pleasure in those who fear him,  
in those who hope in his steadfast love.

Praise the LORD, O Jerusalem!

Praise your God, O Zion!

<sup>13</sup> For he strengthens the bars of your gates;  
he blesses your children within you.

<sup>14</sup> He makes peace in your borders;  
he fills you with the finest of the wheat.

<sup>15</sup> He sends out his command to the earth;  
his word runs swiftly.

<sup>16</sup> He gives snow like wool;  
he scatters frost like ashes.

<sup>17</sup> He hurls down his crystals of ice like crumbs;  
who can stand before his cold?

<sup>18</sup> He sends out his word, and melts them;  
he makes his wind blow and the waters flow.

<sup>19</sup> He declares his word to Jacob,  
his statutes and rules to Israel.

<sup>20</sup> He has not dealt thus with any other nation;  
they do not know his rules.

Praise the LORD!

This is the Word of the Lord!

**Thanks be to God!**

**Sermon** “Knowing and Praising the Lord”

Dr. William VanDoodewaard

† Sermon Hymn #76 "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven" (Vss. 1 & 5 only)



1. Praise, my soul, the King of heav - en, to his feet your trib - ute bring;
2. Praise him for his grace and fa - vor to our fa - thers in dis - tress;
3. Fa - ther - like, he tends and spares us; well our fee - ble frame he knows;
4. Frail as sum - mer's flow'r we flour - ish, blows the wind and it is gone;
5. An - gels, help us to a - dore him; you be - hold him face to face;



- ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en, who, like me, his praise should sing?  
 praise him, still the same for - ev - er, slow to chide and swift to bless;  
 • in his hands he gent - ly bears us, res - cues us from all our foes;  
 but while mor - tals rise and per - ish, God en - dures un - chang - ing on.  
 sun and moon, bow down be - fore him, dwell - ers all in time and space,



- Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, praise the ev - er - last - ing King.  
 praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, glo - rious in his faith - ful - ness.  
 • praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, wide - ly as his mer - cy goes.  
 Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, praise the High E - ter - nal One.  
 praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, praise with us the God of grace.



## 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. 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**

Gracious God, you love us, have chosen us, and redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ, who took on flesh and dwelt among us, and who gave His life willingly for our salvation. Give us joy in His coming, and greater hope in His coming again. Until that day, help us by your Holy Spirit to go into this world to love and serve you and others in His name, and for His glory. Amen.

# † Post Communion Hymn "All I Have Is Christ"

*♩ = 76*

D A D G A D

1. I once was lost in dark - est night, yet thought I knew the way. The sin that  
 2. But as I ran my hell-bound race, in - dif - ferent to the cost, You looked up -  
 3. Now Lord I would be Yours a - lone, and live so all might see the strength to

A  
Em G A D A

prom - ised joy and life had led me to the grave. I had no hope that You would  
 on my help - less state and led me to the cross. And I be-held God's love dis-  
 fol - low Your com - mands could nev - er come from me. O Fath - er, use my ran - somed

Bm G D Em7 Bm

own a reb - el to Your will. And if You had not loved me first, I would re -  
 played, You suf - fered in my place. You bore the wrath re - served for me, now all I  
 life in an - y way You choose, and let my song for - ev - er be my on - ly

1. A 2.3. A D G D

fuse You still. grace. Hal - le - lu - jah! All I  
 know is You. You.

A Bm G Bm A (Repeat chorus after 3rd verse)

have is Christ. Hal - le - lu - jah! Je - sus is my life.

## † Benediction

*Numbers 6:24-26*

The LORD bless you and keep you;  
the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;  
the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

## † Benediction Response #735 “Gloria Patri”

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the

The first line of musical notation consists of a treble and bass staff in 4/4 time with a key signature of two flats. The melody is in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the".

Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in

The second line of musical notation continues the melody and bass line. The lyrics are: "Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in".

the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er

The third line of musical notation continues the melody and bass line. The lyrics are: "the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er".

shall be, world with - out end. A - men, a - men.

The fourth line of musical notation concludes the piece with a final cadence. The lyrics are: "shall be, world with - out end. A - men, a - men."

## Prayer Requests

### Redeemer Family:

- 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, the elders, and our church during this transition season.

### Churches in our Presbytery:

**Redeemer, Detroit** - Pray for a smooth transition in our new church home and for many years of effective gospel ministry in this building.

**Christ Church, Ann Arbor** - Pray as we look for a bigger building, for the RUF students who have been attending and how we might minister the gospel into their lives.

**Daniel Eguiluz, Missionary with Serge, Lima Peru**– Please pray for fruitful interactions with the churches of the South Florida Presbytery. We thank God for all the meetings we already have had and the new friends we are making.

## Financials

Year to Date	<u>Aug. 31, 2019</u>	<u>Aug. 31, 2020</u>	<u>2020 Budget</u>	Over (Under) <u>Budget</u>
Total Giving + Rentals:	\$201,502	\$218,063	\$230,296	(\$12,233)
Total Expenses	\$213,215	\$212,184		



## Announcements

**Guest Pastor** - This morning we welcome Dr. William VanDoodewaard from Grand Rapids who serves as Professor of Church History at Puritan Reformed Theological Seminary in Grand Rapids.

**Children's Sunday School** - Starts on Sunday, October 11<sup>th</sup>, from 9:50 to 10:20 am (between the two services). To sign your child up we need their name and grade. Please text or email this information to Johanna Lashbrook (231-944-0027 or leelashbrook@gmail.com) or give her the information today.

**Volunteers Needed** - We need 3 men to help move the Korljan family into the parsonage on Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup>. Please email the church office if you can help (redeemertc@gmail.com).

**Women's Ministries** - will offer a 7 week study on Spiritual and Emotional Growth. Beginning the last week in October and again in January. See Connie Van Til with questions or to sign up (231-218-4356)/cgvantil@gmail.com).

**Fundraiser for the Pregnancy Care Center**- Empty baby bottles are located in the basket in the narthex. Please take one home and fill it with change or a check (**made out to the Pregnancy Care Center**) and return it to the basket next Sunday.

**Communion Cup Disposal** - Please dispose of all used communion cups in one of the waste baskets in the Narthex. Thank you!

### This Week at Redeemer:

vonDrehle Small Group - Today after the 8:30 am worship service  
Ladies Bible Study - Monday, 7 pm (Zoom) or Thursday 10 am (at church)  
Paladino Small Group - Wednesday, 6 pm  
Men's Study - Thursday, 7:30 am  
Prayer Gathering - Thursday, 12 noon  
Husted Small Group - Thursday, 6:30 pm

### Community Groups and meeting information:

**Husted:** 6:30 pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday

**Paladino:** Wednesday, 6 pm

**VanDyk:** 12:30 pm, Tuesday, Oct. 13 (then alternate Tuesdays)

**vonDrehle:** Following our 8:30 am worship service on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday

**Weber:** (schedule information coming soon)

# October 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>4</b> <b>Worship Service</b> <b>8:30 &amp; 10:30 am</b> vonDrehle Small Group, after the 8:30 am service at church	5 Ladies Bible Study, 7 pm	6	7 Paladino Small Group, 6 pm	8 Men's Study, 7:30 am Ladies Study, 10 am Prayer Meeting, 12 noon Husted Small Group, 6:30 pm	9	10
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**REDEEMER**  
TRAVERSE CITY

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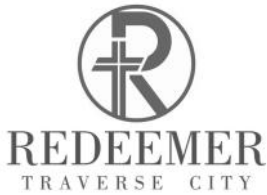
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2nd Time Guest: \_\_\_\_

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**

Fred Janke  
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Tom Nussdorfer  
Fred Weber  
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**Sunday School: (suspended)**

**Worship Service: 8:30 & 10:30 am**

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