



REDEEMER
TRAVERSE CITY

November 15, 2020

For we shall all stand
before the judgment seat of Christ.
For it is written:

As I live, says the Lord,
Every knee shall bow to Me,
And every tongue shall confess to God.

So then each of us
shall give account of himself to God.

~ Romans 14:10-12

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 (**not available at this time**). 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

November 15, 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

Exodus 15:2

The LORD is my strength and my song,
And he has become my salvation;
This is my God, and I will praise him,
My father's God, and I will exalt him.

† = Stand if able

Bold Words = Congregation

† Opening Hymn #57 "Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah, O My Soul"

1. Hal - le - lu - jah, praise Je - ho - vah, O my soul, Je - ho - vah praise;
 2. Hap - py is the man that choos - es Is - rael's God to be his aid;
 3. Food he dai - ly gives the hun - gry, sets the mourn - ing pris - 'ner free;
 4. Hal - le - lu - jah, praise Je - ho - vah, O my soul, Je - ho - vah praise;

I will sing the glo - rious prais - es of my God through all my days.
 he is blessed whose hope of bless - ing on the Lord his God is stayed.
 rais - es those bowed down with an - guish, makes the sight - less eye to see.
 I will sing the glo - rious prais - es of my God through all my days.

Put no con - fi - dence in princ - es, nor for help on man de - pend;
 Heav'n and earth the Lord cre - at - ed, seas and all that they con - tain;
 Well Je - ho - vah loves the righ - teous, and the strang - er he be - friends,
 O - ver all God reigns for - ev - er, through all a - ges he is King;

he shall die, to dust re - turn - ing, and his pur - pos - es shall end.
 he de - liv - ers from op - pres - sion, righ - teous - ness he will main - tain.
 helps the fa - ther - less and wid - ow, judg - ment on the wick - ed sends.
 un - to him, your God, O Zi - on, joy - ful hal - le - lu - jahs sing.

† 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

1 John 1:5-8

This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

Father, we come, not as those who are strong in faith, but those whose faith is feeble. Weakened because we have trusted in ourselves—in our own intellect, in our own strength, in our own standing, in our own ability—instead of trusting wholly in you.

This morning we awoke from our beds, and ate breakfast, and moved our limbs, and used our senses, and went about our lives with thankless hearts, ignoring you, the Sovereign Lord, the one who is over every detail of our lives.

So we confess that we have thought you to be a little God. A God interested in our worship, our devotions, our Spiritual lives. Not as one who stands over all things, the Sovereign over creation. We have feared men, rather than God. We have held up and revered people at our jobs, at our schools, even in our own homes and in this church, to give us praise and fill us with the love that only you can provide.

O Lord, this is but a portion of our transgressions. If we were to consider the totality of our iniquity, the sun would set, rise and set again. Forgive us for our ignorant living, confessing only the surface level of our sins. Give us the strength in Jesus, O Lord to stand before you, the Judge, with whom there is no darkness, the one who brings about perfect peace, justice and righteousness. For with you there is forgiveness, through the Messiah Jesus, who was pierced for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities, and by whose wounds we are healed.

It is in His beautiful name we pray. Amen.

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.

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!

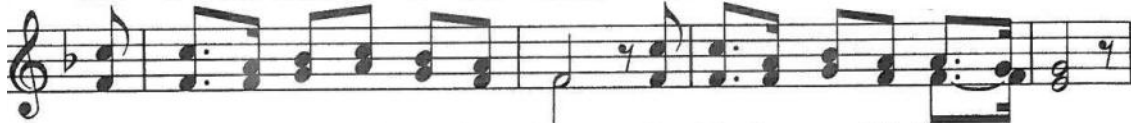
† Hymn of Assurance "How Deep the Father's Love for Us"



1. How deep the Fa-ther's love for us, how vast be-yond all mea - sure;
2. Be - hold the Man up - on a cross, my sin up - on His shoul - ders;
3. I will not boast in an - y - thing: no gifts, no power, no wis - dom;



That He should give His on - ly Son to make a wretch His trea - sure.
A - shamed, I hear my mock - ing voice call out a - mong the scof - fers.
But I will boast in Je - sus Christ; His death and res - ur - rec - tion.



How great the pain of sear - ing loss; the Fa - ther turns His face a - way
It was my sin that held Him there un - til it was ac - com - plished.
Why should I gain from His re - ward? I can - not give an an - swer.



As wounds which mar the Cho - sen One bring man - y sons to glo - ry.
His dy - ing breath has brought me life; I know that it is fin - ished.
But this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ran - som.

Prayers of Intercession and the Lord's Prayer

† 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

Romans 14:10-15:7

¹⁰ Why do you pass judgment on your brother? Or you, why do you despise your brother? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God; ¹¹ for it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God."

¹² So then each of us will give an account of himself to God.

¹³ Therefore let us not pass judgment on one another any longer, but rather decide never to put a stumbling block or hindrance in the way of a brother. ¹⁴ I know and am persuaded in the Lord Jesus that nothing is unclean in itself, but it is unclean for anyone who thinks it unclean. ¹⁵ For if your brother is grieved by what you eat, you are no longer walking in love. By what you eat, do not destroy the one for whom Christ died. ¹⁶ So do not let what you regard as good be spoken of as evil. ¹⁷ For the kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking but of righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit. ¹⁸ Whoever thus serves Christ is acceptable to God and approved by men. ¹⁹ So then let us pursue what makes for peace and for mutual up building.

²⁰ Do not, for the sake of food, destroy the work of God. Everything is indeed clean, but it is wrong for anyone to make another stumble by what he eats. ²¹ It is good not to eat meat or drink wine or do anything that causes your brother to stumble. ²² The faith that you have, keep between yourself and God. Blessed is the one who has no reason to pass judgment on himself for what he approves. ²³ But whoever has doubts is condemned if he eats, because the eating is not from faith. For whatever does not proceed from faith is sin.

15 We who are strong have an obligation to bear with the failings of the weak, and not to please ourselves. ² Let each of us please his neighbor for his good, to build him up. ³ For Christ did not please himself, but as it is written, “The reproaches of those who reproached you fell on me.” ⁴ For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. ⁵ May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, ⁶ that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁷ Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

Sermon “Core Life Living”

Reverend Addison Hawkins

Description: Division creeps into the church if we are not careful. This truth rings powerfully today just as much as it did during the years Paul was caring for the Jesus followers in Rome. Paul’s letter to the Romans is often positioned as one of his great doctrinal and theological works. The context behind Romans is deep, public division between the Jewish and Gentile Christians in Rome. What is at stake is their shared mission to proclaim the Good News that Jesus is the saving King across Rome and beyond. Romans 14-15 is the culmination of Paul’s appeal to the Christians to walk in a manner of love towards one another for the sake of the Gospel message and the glory of God.

I. The Problem

II. The Price

III. The Power

† Sermon Hymn "He Will Hold Me Fast"

1. When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast; When the tempt-er
 2. Those He saves are His de-light, Christ will hold me fast; Pre-cious in his
 3. For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast; Just-ice has been

would pre-vail, He will hold me fast. I could nev-er keep my hold
 ho-ly sight, He will hold me fast. He'll not let my soul be lost; His
 sat-is-fied; He will hold me fast. Raised with Him to end-less life,

Through life's fear-ful path; For my love is oft-en cold; He must hold me
 Prom-is-es shall last; Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me
 He will hold me fast 'Till our faith is turned to sight, When He comes at

fast. He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;
 fast.
 last!

For my Sa-vior loves me so, He will hold me fast.

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 “Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery”

Matt Papa, Matt Boswell, Michael Bleecker

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1. Come be - hold the won - drous mys - t'ry in the dawn - ing of the
 2. Come be - hold the won - drous mys - t'ry: He the per - fect Son of
 3. Come be - hold the won - drous mys - t'ry: Christ the Lord up - on the
 4. Come be - hold the won - drous mys - t'ry: slain by death, the God of

King, He, the theme of heav - en's prais - es, robed in
 Man, In His liv - ing, in His suf - fring, nev - er
 tree; In the stead of ru - ined sin - ners hangs the
 life; but no grave could e'er re - strain Him, Praise the


frail hu - man - i - ty. In our long - ing, in our
 trace nor stain of sin. See the true and bet - ter
 Lamb in vic - to - ry. See the price and of our re -
 Lord, He is a - live! What a fore - taste of de -

dark - ness, now the light of life has come; Look to
 Ad - am come to save of the hell - bound man, Christ, the
 demp - tion; see the Fa - ther's plan un - fold, bring - ing
 liv - 'rance; how un - wa - ver - ing our hope: Christ in

Christ, who con - de - scend - ed, took on flesh to ran - som us.
 great and sure ful - fill - ment of the law, in Him we stand.
 man - y sons to glo - ry, grace un - meas - ured, love un - told!
 pow - er res - ur - rect - ed, as will we be when He comes.

† Benediction

† Benediction Response "In Christ Alone"



1 In Christ a-lone my hope is found; he is my
 2 In Christ a-lone, who took on flesh— full-ness of
 3 There in the ground his bod-y lay, light of the
 4 No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the

light, my strength, my song— this cor-ner-stone, this sol-id
 God in help-less babel— this gift of love and right-eous-
 world by dark-ness slain; then, burst-ing forth in glo-rious
 power of Christ in me; from life's first cry to fin-al

ground, firm through the fierc-est drought and storm. What heights of
 ness, scorned by the ones he came to save. 'Til on the
 day, up from the grave he rose a-gain! And as he
 breath, Je-sus com-mands my des-ti-ny. No power of

love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when striv-ings
 cross as Je-sus died, the wrath of God was sat-is-
 stands in vic-to-ry, sin's curse has lost its grip on
 hell, no scheme of man can ev-er pluck me from his

cease. My com-fort-er, my all in all,
 fied. For ev-ery sin on him was laid;
 me; for I am his and he is mine,
 hand; 'til he re-turns or calls me home,

here in the love of Christ I stand.
 here in the death of Christ I live.
 bought with the pre-cious blood of Christ.
 here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

Prayer Requests

Redeemer Family:

- For the work of our pulpit search committee, the elders, and our church during this transition season.
- Jean VanDyk (Dave's mother) pray for continued healing and strength.
- Pansy Peckham, praise for her return home and pray for continued good health.

Churches in our Presbytery:

First Presbyterian, Bad Axe - Pray for God's continued blessing of good health for our congregation, numerical growth, and that God would send musicians our way who will serve joyfully in leading our congregational singing.

Pathway Community, Brighton - Pray for several families who have loved ones in the church suffering with significant health issues.

Confex Makhalira, Evangelistic Missionary - Pray for our Bible studies and that the Lord will continue to grow us both spiritually and numerically, for our endeavors to get permission to do student ministry on the campus of the University of Malawi and for me and my family for grace and strength as we do this ministry.

Financials

	<u>Oct. 31, 2019</u>	<u>Oct. 31 2020</u>	<u>2020 Budget</u>	<u>Over (Under) Budget</u>
Year to Date				
Total Giving + Rentals:	\$253,927	\$271,777	\$287,870	(\$16,093)
Total Expenses	\$266,169	\$259,502		

Announcements

Welcome - Today we welcome Reverend Addison Hawkins who is the Associate Pastor for Outreach, Mission and Discipleship at Christ Church in Grand Rapids. He came to Christ Church the summer of 2016 as the Pastoral Resident for Outreach and Community Engagement after he received his Master of Divinity from Covenant Theological Seminary in St. Louis. He and his wife Lynnette have a son Theo (5) and daughter Louisa (3). Addison enjoys many things including being outside, playing and watching soccer, a good story no matter the medium, conversations about church, theology, anthropology, or generally anything. His joy comes from Christ and being with his family.

Weber Small Group - Fred & Barb Weber are starting a Small Group which will meet at their home (10980 N. 21 1/2 Road, Buckley) at 6 pm. The first meeting is November 18th and going forward will meet every Wednesday (**except** the 2nd Wednesday) of the month.

From Love Thy Neighbor - "LTN is again reaching out in our community with our Adopt a Family Christmas Program. We need your help! Please consider adopting a family for Christmas. Call the Love Thy Neighbor office at 231-941-5683 to participate in this wonderful program." Deadline for applicants is tomorrow. Please see the bulletin board for more information.

This Week at Redeemer:

vonDrehle Small Group - Today after the 8:30 am service
Ladies Bible Study - Monday, 7 pm (Zoom) or Thursday 10 am (Zoom)
Paladino Small Group - Wednesday, 6 pm
Weber Small Group - Wednesday, 6 pm
Men's Study - Thursday, 7:30 am

Community Groups and meeting information:

Husted: 6:30 pm, 2nd & 4th Thursday

Paladino: 6 pm, every Wednesday

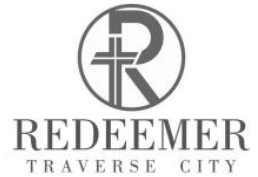
VanDyk: 12:30 pm, Tuesday, Oct. 13 (then alternate Tuesdays)

vonDrehle: Following the 8:30 am worship service on the 1st & 3rd Sunday

Weber: 6 pm, every Wednesday **except** the 2nd Wednesday of each month

November 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
15 Worship Service 8:30 & 10:30 am Sunday School, 9:50 am vonDrehle Small Group, after the 8:30 am service church	16 Ladies Bible Study, 7 pm	17	18 Weber Small Group, 6 pm Paladino Small Group, 6 pm	19 Men's Study, 7:30 am Ladies Study, 10 am	20	21
22 Worship Service 8:30 & 10:30 am Sunday School, 9:50 am	23 Ladies Bible Study, 7 pm	24 VanDyk Small Group, 12:30 pm (Bostelaar)	25 Weber Small Group, 6 pm Paladino Small Group, 6 pm	26 Happy Thanksgiving!	27	28
29 Worship Service 8:30 & 10:30 am <u>No Sunday School</u>	30					



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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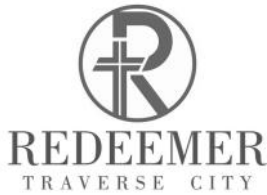
How did you hear about us:

1st Time Guest: ____

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: ____

Send me information about :

___ Becoming a Christian

___ Baptism

___ Membership

___ Serving on a Team

___ Small Groups

___ Other

The Session

Fred Janke

Bill Morrison

Tom Nussdorfer

Fred Weber

David Schafer (Emeritus)

The Deacons

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Sunday School: (suspended)

Worship Service: 8:30 & 10:30 am

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