

February 28, 2021



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 (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

February 28, 2021

Welcome and Announcements

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!

Prelude

Call to Worship

Psalm 135:1-3

Praise the LORD!

Praise the name of the LORD,
give praise, O servants of the LORD,
who stand in the house of the LORD,
in the courts of the house of our God!

Praise the LORD, for the LORD is good;
sing to his name, for it is pleasant!

† = Stand if able **Bold Words** = Congregation

† Opening Hymn #2 "O Worship the King"



- Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, in you do we trust, nor find you to fail; your mercies how tender, how firm to the end, our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!
- O measureless Might! Ineffable Love!
 While angels delight to hymn you above,
 the humbler creation, though feeble their lays,
 with true adoration shall lisp to your praise.

† 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 aatherina 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!

Isaiah 55:6-7

Seek the LORD while he may be found; call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the LORD, that he may have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

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



Receiving New Member:

Pansy Peckham

- 1. Do you acknowledge yourselves to be a sinner 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 this sister as a member of this body?

We do.

Do you promise to take seriously your responsibilities to build up this new member and to seek to practice with her true Christian community and true Biblical church life?

We do.

Prayers of Intercession and the Lord's Prayer

Scripture Reading

Ieremiah 1:1-19

The words of Jeremiah, the son of Hilkiah, one of the priests who were in Anathoth in the land of Benjamin, to whom the word of the LORD came in the days of Josiah the son of Amon, king of Judah, in the thirteenth year of his reign. It came also in the days of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah, king of Judah, and until the end of the eleventh year of Zedekiah, the son of Josiah, king of Judah, until the captivity of Jerusalem in the fifth month.

Now the word of the Lord came to me, saying,

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations."

Then I said, "Ah, Lord God! Behold, I do not know how to speak, for I am only a youth." But the LORD said to me,

"Do not say, 'I am only a youth'; for to all to whom I send you, you shall go, and whatever I command you, you shall speak. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, declares the LORD."

Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth. And the Lord said to me,

"Behold, I have put my words in your mouth.
See, I have set you this day over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to break down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

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And the word of the LORD came to me, saying, "Jeremiah, what do you see?" And I said, "I see an almond branch." Then the LORD said to me, "You have seen well, for I am watching over my word to perform it."

The word of the LORD came to me a second time, saying, "What do you see?" And I said, "I see a boiling pot, facing away from the north." Then the LORD said to me, "Out of the north disaster shall be let loose upon all the inhabitants of the land. For behold, I am calling all the tribes of the kingdoms of the north, declares the LORD, and they shall come, and every one shall set his throne at the entrance of the gates of Jerusalem, against all its walls all around and against all the cities of Judah. And I will declare my judgments against them, for all their evil in forsaking me. They have made offerings to other gods and worshiped the works of their own hands. But you, dress yourself for work; arise, and say to them everything that I command you. Do not be dismayed by them, lest I dismay you before them. And I, behold, I make you this day a fortified city, an iron pillar, and bronze walls, against the whole land, against the kings of Judah, its officials, its priests, and the people of the land. They will fight against you, but they shall not prevail against you, for I am with you, declares the LORD, to deliver you."

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

1 Timothy 4:11-5:2

¹¹ Command and teach these things. ¹² Let no one despise you for your youth, but set the believers an example in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, in purity. ¹³ Until I come, devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to exhortation, to teaching. ¹⁴ Do not neglect the gift you have, which was given you by prophecy when the council of elders laid their hands on you. ¹⁵ Practice these things, immerse yourself in them, so that all may see your progress. ¹⁶ Keep a close watch on yourself and on the teaching. Persist in this, for by so doing you will save both yourself and your hearers.

Do not rebuke an older man but encourage him as you would a father, younger men as brothers, ² older women as mothers, younger women as sisters, in all purity.

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

Sermon "Devoted to Christ"

Reverend Bill VanDoodewaard

(Sermon outline and notes are located on Pages 12-13)

1) Set an example (4:11-12)

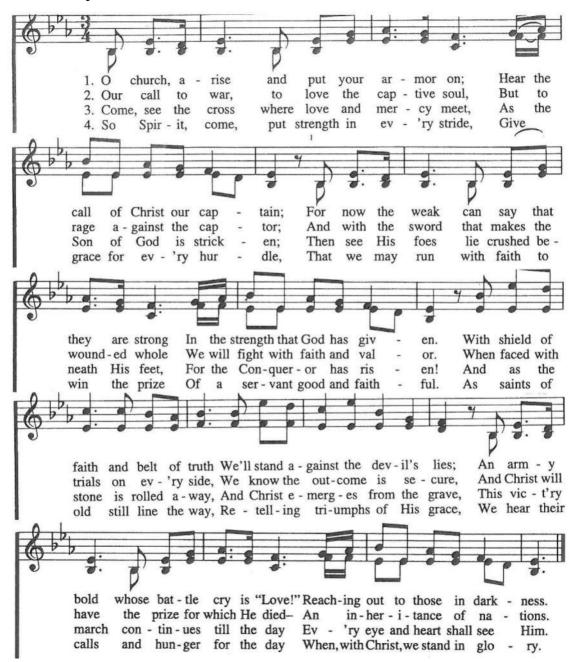
2) Devote yourself (4:13)

3) Exercise your gift (4:14)

4)	Practice for progress (4:15)
5)	Keep a close watch (4:16)

6) Engage others well (5:1-2)

† Sermon Hymn "O Church Arise"



Holy Communion

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

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

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

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 "Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery"



† Benediction

† Benediction Response #735 "Gloria Patri"



Prayer Requests

Redeemer Family:

- Rick Harkert pray for healing and strength.
- Berneice Gonder, for healing and strength.
- Susan Johnson who is recovering from back surgery; pray for healing and strength.
- 'Geoff', a dear brother in Christ, who has been diagnosed with kidney cancer, pray for healing, comfort, and peace during this time of trial.
- For the work of our pulpit search committee, the elders, and our church during this transition season.

John Van Til has received his vaccines and can have limited visits. Please contact Connie Van Til (231-218-4356) to schedule a visit.

Churches in our Presbytery:

New City, Royal Oak - Pray that the congregation would grow in the knowledge, understanding and love the Lord and His Church.

Knox, Harrison Township - Pray that God would be glorified and His Word heard.

Financials				Over (Under)
Year to Date	Jan. 31, 2020	Jan. 31 2021	2021 Budget	<u>Budget</u>
Total Giving + Rentals:	\$26,437	\$26,779	\$27,742	(\$963)
Total Expenses	\$28,673	\$16,448		

Announcements

Sunday Services - This morning we welcome Reverend Bill VanDoodewaard who will be preaching on 1 Timothy 4:11 - 5:2. Sermon title; 'Devoted to Christ'.

Pastoral Candidate - Reverend Austin Reed will be preaching at Redeemer on Sunday, March 7th. A town hall meeting will be held in the Sanctuary on Saturday, March 6th, from 2:30 to 4:30 pm followed by a meet and greet hosted by the Pastoral Search Committee. The town hall meeting will be live streamed on Redeemers webpage (redeemertc.org).

Covid 19, Tier 1B - Are you experiencing any barriers registering? Scheduling? Getting your vaccination? Please contact Forbes Husted who may be able to lessen the frustration that many have or will experience by understanding and managing the vaccination process.

Spring Ladies Bible Study - All ladies are invited to come as we study 1 Peter together! Beginning Thursday March 11 10-11:30am (in person, sanctuary) or Monday March 15 7-8:30pm (via zoom), we'll meet weekly through May to grow together in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Please order your own copy online:1 Peter: A Living Hope in Christ by Jen Wilkin. Questions? See Heidi Van Til

This Week at Redeemer:

Weber Small Group - Wednesday, 6 pm Paladino Small Group - Wednesday, 7 pm via Zoom Men's Study - Thursday, 7:30 am Prayer Gathering - Thursday, 12 noon

Community Groups and meeting information:

<u>Husted:</u> 6:30 pm, 2nd & 4th Thursday <u>Paladino:</u> 7 pm, every Wednesday

<u>VanDyk</u>: 12:30 pm, Tuesday, Oct. 13 (then alternate Tuesdays) <u>vonDrehle</u>: Zoom on Sunday, contact Cherie vonDrehle for details

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

March 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 Weber SG, 6 pm Paladino SG, 7 pm	4 Men's Study, 7:30 am Prayers, 12 noon	S	6 Town Hall Meeting with Rev. Austin Reed 2:30 - 4:30 pm
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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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Date:
Name:
Email:
Best Contact (Call/Text):
Address:
City:
State/Zip:
How did you hear about us:
1 st Time Guest:
2 nd 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: ____

Send me information about: ____ Becoming a Christian

Private: ____

___ Baptism

Other

___ Membership

___ Small Groups

___ Serving on a Team

The Session Fred Ianke Bill Morrison

Tom Nussdorfer Fred Weber David Schafer (Emeritus)

> The Deacons Tim Schramm II Dave VanDvk

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Sunday School: (suspended)

Worship Service: 8:30 & 10:30 am