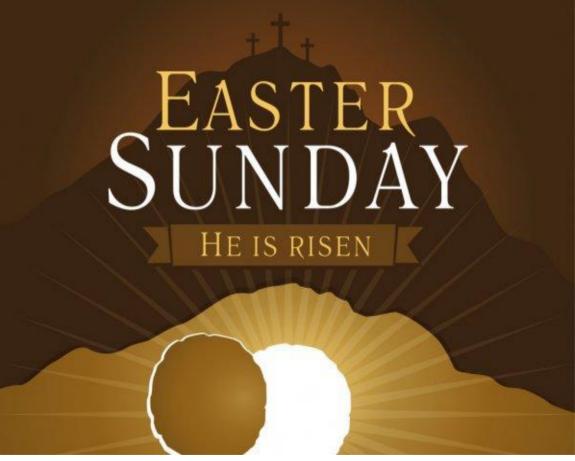


April 4, 2021



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

For those who have young children. please relax and take a deep breath! We want them in the sanctuary during our worship service and they are not a distraction. Having our children with us will allow them to not only learn the importance of worship but they 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 April 4, 2021 Easter Sunday

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Call to Worship

Matthew 28:5-6a

Pastor: But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here, for he has risen, as he said.

People: Alleluia!

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!

† = Stand if able

Bold Words = Congregation

† Opening Hymn "Come, People of the Risen King"



† Invocation

From Luke 24:34

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen! **People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!** 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

1 Peter 1:3-5

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death and gave us hope beyond the grave. We confess that we have often failed to live in a way that is consistent with our resurrection hope. We have lacked the joy of the resurrection and been caught up in the worries of this world. We have remained captive to doubt and fear, instead of walking in newness of life. Forgive us, God of mercy. Help us to trust your power to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the joy of life abundant given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord. Amen.

The Declaration **Declaration of Forgiveness**

of Forgiveness breaks through the accusations of our conscious, the lies of the evil one, and proclaims the amazing truth of the gospel to our heart!

1 Corinthians 15:55-56; John 11:25-26

Pastor: "O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting? The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law;" Jesus said to Martha, "I am the resurrecttion and the life; he who believes in Me will live even if he dies, and everyone who lives and believes in Me will never die. Do you believe this?

People: We do.

Pastor: In the name of Christ and by the authority of his Word, be at peace and know that your sins are forgiven.

† Hymn of Assurance "In Christ Alone"



Prayers of Intercession and the Lord's Prayer

Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 15:12-28, 35-49

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified about God that he raised Christ, whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised. And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death. For "God has put all things in subjection under his feet." But when it says, "all things are put in subjection," it is plain that he is excepted who put all things in subjection under him. When all things are subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to him who put all things in subjection under him. that God may be all in all.

But someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" You foolish person! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. And what you sow is not the body that is to be, but a bare kernel, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body. For not all flesh is the same, but there is one kind for humans, another for animals, another for birds, and another for fish. There are heavenly bodies and earthly bodies, but the glory of the heavenly is of one kind, and the glory of the earthly is of another. There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; for star differs from star in glory.

So is it with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable; what is raised is imperishable. It is sown in dishonor; it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness; it is raised in power. It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a natural body, there is also a spiritual body. Thus it is written, "The first man Adam became a living being"; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. But it is not the spiritual that is first but the natural, and then the spiritual. The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. As was the man of dust, so also are those who are of the dust, and as is the man of heaven, so also are those who are of the man of heaven. Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we shall also bear the image of the man of heaven.

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

John 20:1-23

Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. ² So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." ³ So Peter went out with the other disciple, and they were going toward the tomb. ⁴ Both of them were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵ And stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in. ⁶ Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying there, ⁷ and the face cloth, which had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen cloths but folded up in a place by itself. ⁸ Then the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; ⁹ for as yet they did not understand the Scripture, that he must rise from the dead. ¹⁰ Then the disciples went back to their homes.

¹¹ But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb, and as she wept she stooped to look into the tomb. ¹² And she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had lain, one at the head and one at the feet. ¹³ They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." ¹⁴ Having said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing, but she did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵ Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you seeking?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." ¹⁶ Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned and said to him in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means Teacher). ¹⁷ Jesus said to her, "Do not cling to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." ¹⁸ Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"—and that he had said these things to her. ¹⁹ On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." ²⁰ When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. ²¹ Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." ²² And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld."

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

Sermon "Peace Be With You" (John 20:19-23) Reverend Elliott Pinegar

Sermon Notes:

† Sermon Hymn "See What a Morning"



Holy Communion

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

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. The Apostles' Creed is a concise summary of biblical teaching, dating in its earliest form to the 2nd century, and originally used as a baptismal confession.

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, please hold on to the elements and circle back to your seat. We will all partake together when everyone has been served. 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 encourage those who are not partaking to spend this time in prayer and reflection on what you have heard and your relationship to Jesus.

Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

the forgiveness of sins,

Amen.

the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

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 "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. And also with you. Lift up your hearts! We lift them up to the Lord! Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. Ruth 2:4

Lamentations 3:41

Psalm 118:1

It is right to give him thanks and praise. It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to you, Almighty Father and Everlasting God. We praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord; for he is the very Lamb of God, which was offered for us and has taken away the sins of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has restored to us everlasting life. We ask you to bless these common elements of bread and wine for holy use, and use them to strengthen and edify your people. Therefore, with angels and all the company of heaven, and with the church on earth, 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 thank you, O God, that through Word and Sacrament, you have given us your Son who is the true bread from heaven and food of eternal life. Through Jesus Christ, you have overcome death and opened the gate of everlasting life to us. By the power of your life giving Spirit, grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of our Lord's resurrection, may be daily raised from the death of sin to the life of saving faith and of service to you and our neighbor. We ask that the gifts of your grace would strengthen and preserve us steadfast in the true faith now and forever. Amen.

† Post Communion Hymn "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" (Vss. 1-3 only)



† Benediction

† Benediction Response "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" (Verse 4 only)

Sing we to our God above,	Alleluia!
Praise eternal as his love,	Alleluia!
Praise him, all ye heav'nly host,	Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.	Alleluia!

Prayer Requests

Redeemer Family:

- McKinzie Robinson is home from the hospital, pray for healing and strength.
- Marsha (Barb Boersma's sister). She is suffering from terminal cancer.
- Marie Goins (Randy's mother), pray for her failing health and for faith in our great God.
- Megan Harris (niece of Jo Wolfe) has terminal cancer. Please keep the Harris family (husband Andy & 3 young daughters) in your prayers.
- Susan Johnson, pray for healing and strength.
- Praise for the many pastors who have preached at Redeemer during this transition season.
- Pray for Pastor Austin as he prepares for his exams and for Austin & Michelle as they transition.

Churches in our Presbytery:

First Presbyterian, Bad Axe - Pray for God's continued blessing of good health for our congregation, numerical growth and for musicians to serve joyfully in leading our congregational singing at both worship services.

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

Confex Makhalira, Evangelistic Missionary - Praise that our church plant has returned to in-person worship. Pray for our membership class and for wisdom and God's blessing upon our provisional Session as they provide leadership and shepherd God's people.

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Total Giving + Rentals:	\$52,957	\$49,816	\$55,482	(\$5,666)
Total Expenses	\$55,426	\$31,688		

Announcements

Sunday Services - This morning we welcome back Reverend Elliott Pinegar who will preach on John 20:1-23.

This Week at Redeemer:

Ladies Study - Monday, 7 pm & Thursday, 10 am (via Zoom) 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 Husted Small Group - Thursday, 6:30 pm

Community Groups and meeting information:

Husted: 6:30 pm, 2nd & 4th Thursday
Paladino: 7 pm, every Wednesday
VanDyk: 12:30 pm, Tuesday, Oct. 13 (then alternate Tuesdays)
vonDrehle: Zoom on Sunday, contact Cherie vonDrehle for details
Weber: 6 pm, every Wednesday except the 2nd Wednesday of each month

Depressed? Feeling Hopeless? Have the Covid-19 lockdowns and restrictions caused you or a loved one to be overcome with despair? You are invited to join us the evening of April 16th, to hear words of gospel hope from Dr. David Murray, author of "Christians Get Depressed Too." His encouraging message on battling depression will be offered by the Shepherd's Way Biblical Counseling Center in Holland. For free registration or more information, please visit the Shepherd's Way Holland Facebook page, or contact Pastor Chip Byrd at 616-994-0280.

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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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Member:____



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

Prayer Requests:

Share with Prayer Team: _____ Private: _____ **The Session** Fred Janke Bill Morrison Tom Nussdorfer Fred Weber David Schafer (Emeritus)

> The Deacons Tim Schramm II Dave VanDvk

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Jeff Kozisek, Treasurer Deb Long, Office Administrator/ Bookkeeper

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

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