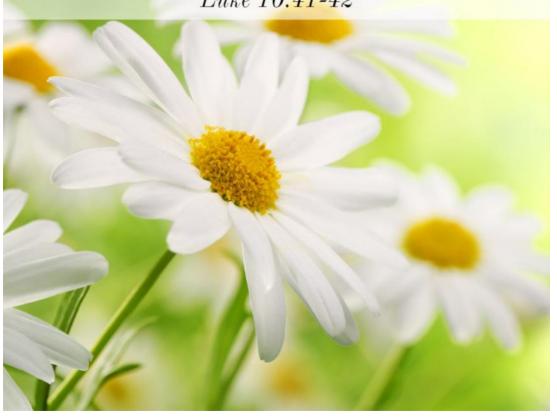


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Luke 10:41-42



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

May 2, 2021

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

Revelation 5:9-10

And they sang a new song, saying,

"Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth."

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

† Opening Hymn #457 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"



† 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

1 Peter 2:1-5

So put away all malice and all deceit and hypocrisy and envy and all slander. Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

Almighty God, we acknowledge and confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed; we have not loved you with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. Deepen within us our sorrow for the wrong we have done, and the good we have left undone. Lord, you are full of compassion and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy; there is always forgiveness with you! Restore to us the joy of your salvation; bind up that which is broken, give light to our minds, strength to our wills, and rest to our souls. Speak to each of us, and let your word abide with us until it has wrought in us your holy will. Amen.

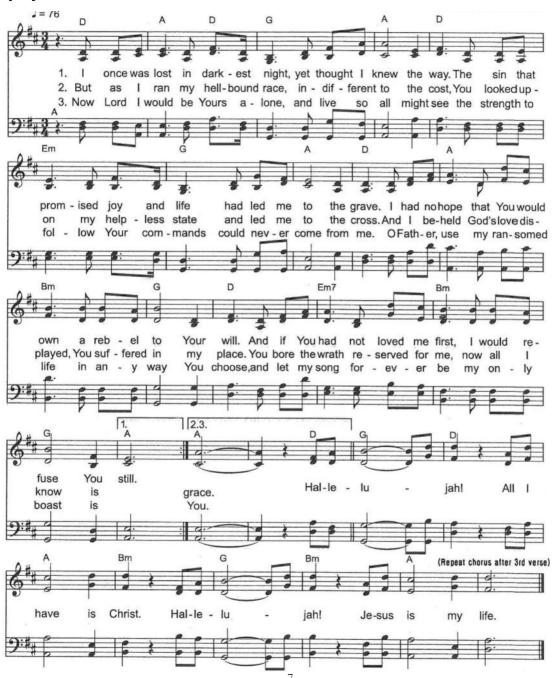
The Declaration of Forgiveness breaks through the accusations of our conscience, the lies of the evil one, and proclaims the amazing truth of the gospel to our heart!

Declaration of Forgiveness

1 Peter 2:24

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.

† Hymn of Assurance "All I Have is Christ"



Prayers of Intercession and the Lord's Prayer

Scripture Reading

Psalm 27:4

One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in his temple.

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

Luke 10:38-42

³⁸ Now as they went on their way, Jesus entered a village. And a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. ³⁹ And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his teaching. ⁴⁰ But Martha was distracted with much serving. And she went up to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me." ⁴¹ But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, ⁴² but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her."

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

Sermon "One Thing is Necessary"

Reverend Jim von Drehle

† Sermon Hymn "Holy Spirit" (Vss. 1 & 3 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

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

We thank you Father for the hope this meal gives us. We thank you for the testimony that Christ has died for us, but also that he will return and we will celebrate this supper with him in heaven. Now may this meal enable us to increase in faith, persevere in hope, and grow up in love. Send us out from this place by your Spirit, our ears open to your Word, our minds alert to the calling you give us, our hearts full of love for your coming kingdom, our voices confessing the name of Jesus, our Lord and our God. Amen.

† Post Communion Hymn "For the Cause" (Vss. 1 to 4 only)



† Benediction

† Benediction Response "For the Cause" (Verse 5 only)

Let is be my life's refrain; To live is Christ, to die is gain; Deny myself, Take up my cross and follow the Son.

Christ we proclaim,
The Name above every name;
For all creation,
Every nation,
God's salvation
Through the Son!

Prayer Requests

Redeemer Family:

- Joeann Bissell, pray for wellness and improved health.
- Roger & Linda Rowe on the passing of their son-in-law Jack Horstman.
- 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.
- Families of Jo Wolfe and Andy Harris on the passing of Megan Harris. Pray for comfort and peace.
- Susan Johnson, pray for healing and strength.
- Stephen Ruhl, cadet on The Sunshine State ship for the next 3 months.
- Praise for the many pastors who have preached at Redeemer during this transition season.
- Pray for Pastor Austin and Michelle as they transition to Redeemer.

Churches in our Presbytery:

Redeemer, Detroit - Pray that Redeemer would press on in good hope, knowing that God is surely with us.

Christ Church, Ann Arbor - Pray for revival in the Ann Arbor area.

Daniel Eguiluz, Missionary with Serge - Pray that God will give us the last push to reach full funding.

Financials				Over
				(Under)
Year to Date	Mar. 31 2020	Mar. 31, 2021	<u> 2021 Budget</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Total Giving + Rentals:	\$67,679	\$73,559	\$83,223	(\$9,664)
Total Expenses	\$84,945	\$45,608		

Announcements

Installation Service, May 16th - Pastor Austin Reed will be installed as the pastor of Redeemer Presbyterian Church on Sunday May 16th at 5 pm. Immediately following there will be a reception for Austin & Michelle in the Fellowship Hall.

Drop in Bridal Shower - For Matthew Scott & Pasha Kantlehner, May 15, 10 am to 2 pm at the Botanic Garden at the Historic Barns Park. You're welcome to greet the couple, take a garden tour or wander the gardens yourself, and enjoy refreshments there or take a box with you. Ladies please pick up your invitation in the Nartherx. If you'd like to help, or to RSVP, please contact Cherie von Drehle or Heidi Van Til.

Thank You! - A really BIG <u>thank you</u> to everyone who has put in countless hours of work at the parsonage. After the renovation is complete it will be a beautiful, welcoming home for Pastor Austin and Michelle.

Help Needed! - Pastor Austin & Michelle will be arriving in Traverse City with a trailer on Monday, May 3 sometime in the early afternoon. Help is needed to unpack the trailer. If you can help, show up at the parsonage about 2 pm

This Week at Redeemer:

Ladies Study - Monday, 7 pm or 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

Community Groups and meeting information:

Husted: 6:30 pm, 2nd & 4th Thursday **Paladino:** 7 pm, every Wednesday

VanDvk: 7 pm, on alternate Tuesdays (check calendar for exact date)

<u>vonDrehle</u>: After 8:30 am service, one Sunday a month, more info to come **<u>Weber</u>**: 6 pm, every Wednesday **<u>except</u>** the 2nd Wednesday of each month

May 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2	3	4	5	9	7	8
Worship Service, 8:30 & 10:30 am			Weber SG, 6 pm	Men's Study, 7:30 am Ladies Study,		
	Ladies Study, 7 pm		Paladino SG, 7 pm	10 am Prayers, 12 noon		
6	10	11	12	13 Men's Study	14	15
Worship Service, 8:30 & 10:30 am	Ladies Study, 7 pm	VanDyk Small Group, 7 pm	Paladino SG, 7 pm	7:30 am Ladies Study, 10 am Prayers, 12 noon Husted SG, 6:30 pm		Drop in Bridal Shower for Matthew and Pasha at the Historic Barns Park
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Worship Service, 8:30 & 10:30 am			Weber SG, 6 pm	Men's Study, 7:30 am		
vonDrehle Small Grp. Pastor Austin Reed Ordination, 5 pm			Paladino SG, 7 pm	Prayers, 12 noon		
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Worship Service, 8:30 & 10:30 am		VanDyk Small Group, 12:30 pm	Weber SG, 6 pm Paladino SG, 7 pm	Men's Study, 7:30 am Prayers, 12 noon Husted SG, 6:30 pm		
30 Worship Service, 8:30 & 10:30 am	31 Memorial Day					



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:
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2 nd Time Guest:
Regular Attendee:
Member:



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

Share with congregation: ____

Prayer Requests:

Private: ____

The Session Fred Ianke Bill Morrison Tom Nussdorfer Fred Weber David Schafer (Emeritus)

The Deacons Tim Schramm II Dave VanDvk

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