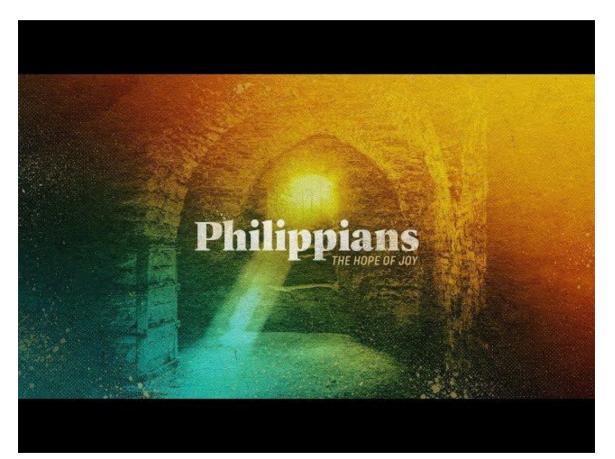


May 30, 2021



# 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

May 30, 2021

#### Welcome and Announcements

### Prelude

### **Call to Worship**

Worship gives Psalm 115:1-3

The Call to

God the first word in our

service. God always comes

to us before we come to him.

God graciously

Thanksgiving!

invites us to

enter His presence with Not to us, O LORD, not to us, but to your name give glory, for the sake of your steadfast love and your faithfulness!

Why should the nations say, "Where is their God?" Our God is in the heavens; he does all that he pleases.

**†** = Stand if able

**Bold Words** = Congregation

**† Opening Hymn** #53 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"



#### **†** 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

### **Confession of Sin**

#### James 4:1-10

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 staaes of recovery.

What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions. You adulterous people! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. Or do you suppose it is to no purpose that the Scripture says, "He yearns jealously over the spirit that he has made to dwell in us"? But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble." Submit vourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double minded. Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

"Almighty God,

Since you delay with so much forbearance the punishments which we have deserved and daily draw upon ourselves, grant that we may not indulge ourselves but carefully consider how often and in how many different ways we have provoked your wrath. May we learn to humbly present ourselves to you for pardon, and with true repentance implore your great mercy. With all our heart we desire to submit ourselves to you. According to your infinite goodness, forgive our sins in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. In him alone is our wretchedness turned to splendor, in him alone is our mourning turned to laughter and our gloom into joy. Let us find you to be our kind and bountiful Father, who has reconciled us in your only-begotten Son, in whose name we pray, Amen."

#### **Declaration of Forgiveness** *Zephaniah 3:14-17*

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!

Sing aloud, O daughter of Zion;
shout, O Israel!
Rejoice and exult with all your heart,
O daughter of Jerusalem!
The Lord has taken away the judgments against you;
he has cleared away your enemies.
The King of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst;
you shall never again fear evil.
On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem:
"Fear not, O Zion;
let not your hands grow weak.
The Lord your God is in your midst,
a mighty one who will save;
he will rejoice over you with gladness;
he will quiet you by his love;
he will exult over you with loud singing.

#### **† Hymn of Assurance** #693 "Blessed Assurance"



# Prayers of Intercession and the Lord's Prayer

# Scripture Reading

### Isaiah 45:21-25

Declare and present your case; let them take counsel together! Who told this long ago? Who declared it of old? Was it not I, the LORD? And there is no other god besides me, a righteous God and a Savior; there is none besides me. Turn to me and be saved. all the ends of the earth! For I am God, and there is no other. By myself I have sworn; from my mouth has gone out in righteousness a word that shall not return: 'To me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear allegiance.' "Only in the LORD, it shall be said of me, are righteousness and strength; to him shall come and be ashamed all who were incensed against him. In the LORD all the offspring of Israel shall be justified and shall glory."

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

### Philippians 2:1-11

So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, <sup>2</sup> complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. <sup>3</sup> Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. <sup>4</sup> Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. <sup>5</sup> Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup> who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, <sup>7</sup> but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. <sup>8</sup> And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. <sup>9</sup> Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup> so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup> and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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

Sermon "The Humility of Christ"

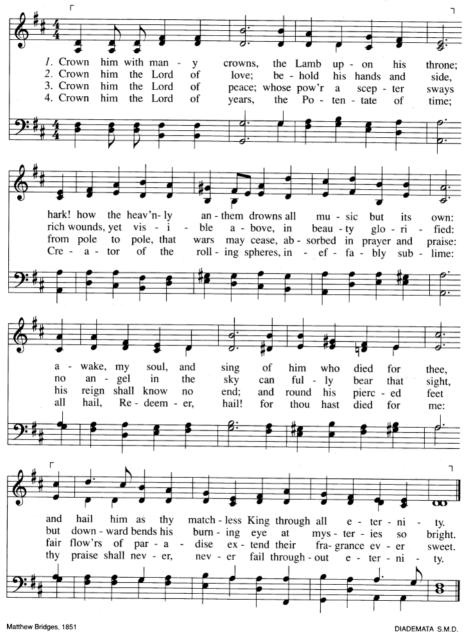
Pastor Austin Reed

Outline:

1) The Call of Christ

2) The Gift of Christ

**† Sermon Hymn** #295 "Crown Him with Many Crowns"



George J. Elvey, 1868

### **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.

#### Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed

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.

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.			
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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** #499 "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"



Augustus M. Toplady, 1776 Alt. by Thomas Cotterill, 1815 TOPLADY 7.7.7.7.7. Thomas Hastings, 1830

## **†** Benediction

## **† Benediction Response** #735 "Gloria Patri"



# **Prayer Requests**

### **Redeemer Family:**

- The family of Elaine Mandenberg (Keith McLennan's grandmother), who passed away on Monday. Pray for comfort and peace.
- Joyce Weise, pray for relief from severe back pain.
- Roger & Linda Rowe on the passing of their son-in-law Jack Horstman.
- 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.
- Stephen Ruhl, cadet on The Sunshine State ship for the next 3 months.

#### Churches in our Presbytery:

**Good Shepherd, Valparaiso -** Pray for our community outreach this summer and to make disciples of the next generation of leaders and new families.

**Redeemer, Traverse City** - Praise to God for bringing us a new pastor, Austin Reed and his wife Michelle and for all the pastors who have preached at Redeemer for these many months. Please pray for those in our congregation who have health concerns and for a comfortable transition for Pastor Austin & Michelle.

**Reverend Satoshi Kawachi** - Pray for our efforts to get to know our neighbors & new friends and for His guidance in resuming our in-person ministry to refugees and migrants.

Financials				Over (Under)
Year to Date	<u>Apr. 31 2020</u>	<u>Apr. 31, 2021</u>	<u>2021 Budget</u>	Budget
Total Giving + Rentals:	\$100,851	\$102,081	\$110,964	(\$8,883)
Total Expenses	\$111,169	\$61,851		

## Announcements

Sermon today - Pastor Austin Reed will preach on Philippians 2:1-11.

**Spring Clean Up** - We need a volunteer to organize the Spring Clean Up at church. If you are interested please give Deb a call at the office (231-946-1700) or send an email (redeemertc@gmail.com). Your help is greatly appreciated!

**Masks** - Following along with recommendations made by the CDC, masks will no longer be required to attend the first morning worship service. For both worship services the wearing of masks will be optional. Let us continue to show great love and respect for one another as the body of Christ and family of God during this time. *"Above all these, put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony (Colossians 3:14)."* 

**Pit Spitters Baseball Game** - Friday June 18th. This will be a fundraiser for Love Thy Neighbor *and* Carrie Berkompas will be singing the National Anthem! Details for ticket purchase coming soon.

**Ladies Summer Book Club** - The book for June is <u>Gentle and Lowly</u>, by Dane Ortlund. We'll meet on Tuesday June 29 at 7pm, in the pavilion at the Riverine Apts (for directions see Cherie vonDrehle or Heidi VanTil). We'll do another book in July!

## This Week at Redeemer:

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

# Community Groups and meeting information:

Husted: 6:30 pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday
Paladino: 6 pm, every other Wednesday (Summer schedule)
VanDyk: 7 pm, on alternate Tuesdays (check calendar for exact date)
vonDrehle: After 8:30 am service, one Sunday a month, more info to come
Weber: 6 pm, every Wednesday except the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month

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	Sun	30 Worship Service, 8:30 & 10:30 am	-		6 Worship Service, 8:30 & 10:30 am



1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> 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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Email:
Best Contact (Call/Text):
Address:
City:
State/Zip:
How did you hear about us:

1<sup>st</sup> Time Guest: \_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> Time Guest: \_\_\_\_

Regular Attendee:\_\_\_\_

Member:\_\_\_\_

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

Prayer Requests:

Share with congregation: \_\_\_\_\_ Private: \_\_\_\_\_ The Session

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> The Deacons Tim Schramm II Dave VanDyk

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- \_\_\_\_ Membership
- \_\_\_\_ Serving on a Team
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