



What does the LORD require of you, but to Act Justly to LOVE MERCY and to Walk Humbly WITH GOD MICAH 6:8

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

September 19, 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
Thanksqiving!

Call to Worship

Psalm 8:1-4

O LORD, our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!
You have set your glory above the heavens.
Out of the mouth of babies and infants,
you have established strength because of your foes,
to still the enemy and the avenger.

When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is man that you are mindful of him, and the son of man that you care for him?

† = Stand if able Bold Words = Congregation

† Opening Hymn "Behold Our God"



† Invocation

Psalm 124:8

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: who made heaven and earth.

† 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

Colossians 3:5-11

Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. On account of these the wrath of God is coming. In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all.

Blessed is then one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin I covered. Blessed is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit. For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. I acknowledged by sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave my iniquity.

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

Colossians 2:11-15

In him also you were circumcised with a circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ, having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the powerful working of God, who raised him from the dead. And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

† Hymn of Assurance #44 "How Great Thou Art"



Prayers of Intercession and The Lord's Prayer

Scripture Reading

Matthew 23:25-28

"Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you clean the outside of the cup and the plate, but inside they are full of greed and self-indulgence. You blind Pharisee! First clean the inside of the cup and the plate, that the outside also may be clean.

"Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you are like whitewashed tombs, which outwardly appear beautiful, but within are full of dead people's bones and all uncleanness. So you also outwardly appear righteous to others, but within you are full of hypocrisy and lawlessness.

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

Micah 6

Hear what the LORD says: Arise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice. ² Hear, you mountains, the indictment of the LORD, and you enduring foundations of the earth, for the LORD has an indictment against his people, and he will contend with Israel.

³"O my people, what have I done to you? How have I wearied you? Answer me! ⁴ For I brought you up from the land of Egypt and redeemed you from the house of slavery, and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. ⁵ O my people, remember what Balak king of Moab devised, and what Balaam the son of Beor answered him, and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the righteous acts of the LORD."

⁶ "With what shall I come before the LORD, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? ⁷ Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?" ⁸ He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

⁹ The voice of the LORD cries to the city—and it is sound wisdom to fear your name: "Hear of the rod and of him who appointed it! ¹⁰ Can I forget any longer the treasurers of wickedness in the house of the wicked, and the scant measure that is accursed?

¹¹ Shall I acquit the man with wicked scales and with a bag of deceitful weights? ¹² Your rich men are full of violence; your inhabitants speak lies, and their tongue is deceitful in their mouth. ¹³ Therefore I strike you with a grievous blow, making you desolate because of your sins. ¹⁴ You shall eat, but not be satisfied, and there shall be hunger within you; you shall put away, but not preserve, and what you preserve I will give to the sword. ¹⁵ You shall sow, but not reap; you shall tread olives, but not anoint yourselves with oil; you shall tread grapes, but not drink wine. ¹⁶ For you have kept the statutes of Omri, and all the works of the house of Ahab; and you have walked in their counsels, that I may make you a desolation, and your inhabitants a hissing; so you shall bear the scorn of my people."

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Sermon Title: "Do Justice, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly" Mr. Robert Whims

Sermon Outline:

- 1) God's Case
- 2) God's Character
- 3) God's Call

Sermon Notes:

Sermon Hymn #263 "Lift High the Cross"



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. 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

Eternal God, you love us, have chosen us, and redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ, whose body was broken and whose blood was shed for us. Grant that we may go into the world, in the strength of your Spirit, to serve you and others through Christ our Lord. Amen

† Post Communion Hymn #642 "Be Thou My Vision"



† Benediction

† Benediction Response Hymn #735 "Gloria Patri"



Prayer Requests

Redeemer Family:

- Carol Bostelaar (Bob's sister), recently diagnosed with cancer.
- Bobbie Van Til (sister-in-law of Ethan & Dirk), still fighting cancer.
- McKinzie Robinson, pray for continued controlled breathing.
- Joyce Weise, pray for relief from back pain.
- 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.

Churches in our Presbytery:

Redeemer, Detroit - Praise for 12 people that are in our new members' class. Pray that we would press on in good hope, knowing that God is surely with us.

Christ Church, Ann Arbor - Praise for significant growth in numbers and in the knowledge of Christ. Pray for wisdom and direction regarding building a new church or expanding our current building. Pray for the students at Michigan and that we will continue to seek ways to serve and care for them.

Daniel Equiluz, Missionary in Lima, Peru - Thank you for your prayers! The Lord has provided a home for our family. Please pray that we settle completely into our new home as we continue to fill multiple ministry opportunities.

From Pastor Reed:

"Dear Congregation, perhaps you have noticed that I have not been wearing the ministerial robe. I just want to assure you, the robe is coming! We have ran into a few issues with the vendor regarding size, style, and shipping, so it is taking longer to arrive than originally anticipated. The Lord willing, it will arrive in the next few months. Thank you for your patience! God bless you all!"

Announcements

Sermon today - Mr. Rob Whims will preach on Micah 6.

Coffee is available under the portico after the worship services.

Update - For the time being we have canceled our plans to return to one service. Sunday School will remain suspended until further notice.

Ladies Fall Bible Study- Join us for a 7 week study in Micah! Fridays 9:30-11am (in person) and Mondays 7-8:30pm (via zoom) beginning October 8 and 11, through November. Books are available on the table in the narthex; no need to do anything before the first meeting.

This Week at Redeemer:

Paladino SG - Wednesday, 6 pm Men's Study - Thursday, 7:30 am Prayer Gathering - Thursday, 12 noon Husted SG - 6:30 pm

Community Groups and meeting information:

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

VanDyk: Dates will vary over the next months (contact Angie for more info) **vonDrehle**: After 10:30 am service on the 2nd & 4th Sundays in September

Weber: 1st & 3rd Wednesday at 6 pm

Financials Over (Under) Year to Date July 31, 2020 <u>July 31, 2021</u> 2021 Budget **Budget** Total Giving + Rentals: \$195,574 \$181,690 \$194,187 (\$12,497)**Total Expenses** \$186,834 \$134,063

September 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26 Worship Service, 8:30 & 10:30 am	27	28	29 30 Men's Study, 7:30 am Paladino SG, 6 pm Prayers, 12 noon	30 Men's Study, 7:30 am Prayers, 12 noon		



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

Share with congregation: ____

Prayer Requests:

Private: ____

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