

## January 10, 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

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### 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.

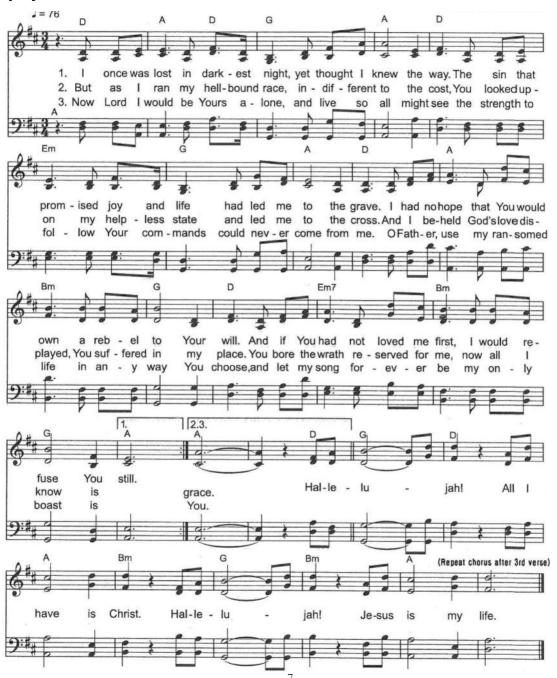
The Declaration of Forgiveness breaks through the accusations of our conscience, the lies of the evil one, and proclaims the amazing truth of the gospel to our heart!

### **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**

Genesis 11:1-9

Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. And as people migrated from the east, they found a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves, lest we be dispersed over the face of the whole earth." And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of man had built. And the LORD said, "Behold, they are one people, and they have all one language, and this is only the beginning of what they will do. And nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. Come, let us go down and there confuse their language, so that they may not understand one another's speech. So the LORD dispersed them from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. Therefore its name was called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth. And from there the LORD dispersed them over the face of all the earth.

### Genesis 12:1-3

Now the LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

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

Acts 2:1-13

When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup> And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup> And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. <sup>4</sup> And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

<sup>5</sup> Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. <sup>6</sup> And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. <sup>7</sup> And they were amazed and astonished, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? <sup>8</sup> And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? <sup>9</sup> Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup> Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, <sup>11</sup> both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God." <sup>12</sup> And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" <sup>13</sup> But others mocking said, "They are filled with new wine."

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

**Sermon** "The Church is a Pentecostal Community"

Pastor Scott Korljan

### † 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:**

- Susan Johnson who is recovering from back surgery; pray for healing and strength. For Darryl, pray for comfort and peace.
- For the work of our pulpit search committee, the elders, and our church during this transition season.

### **Churches in our Presbytery:**

**Good Shepherd, Valparaiso -** Pray for our community as we start a new members class, for vision for 2021, for the spouses & families of those who went to be with the Lord this past year and those who are unable to be with the church body physically during this time.

**Redeemer, Traverse City** - Pray for our congregation and leadership as we continue to search for a new pastor, for the health and safety of all who are attending our worship services, and for those in our congregation that are having health issues. Praise for the many pastors who have led us in our Sunday worship these past weeks.

**Reverend Satoshi Kawachi** - Pray for His wisdom and guidance as we hope to resume our ministry to refugees/migrants in Italy and our participation in MBB meetings here starting in late January.

Financials				Over (Under)
Year to Date	Nov. 30, 2019	Nov. 30 2020	<b>2020 Budget</b>	<u>Budget</u>
Total Giving + Rentals:	\$285,544	\$292,828	\$316,657	(\$23,825)
Total Expenses	\$291,417	\$280,800		

### **Announcements**

**Sunday Services** - This morning Pastor Scott Korljan will preach on Acts 2:1-13.

**Safe Harbor** - We have an opportunity to serve dinner to the guests at Safe Harbor on Thursday, January 14th between 4 & 8 pm. Please contact Dave VanDyk (517-242-2912, vandykdav78@gmail.com) if you can help. Covid protocols will be followed.

**Ladies Winter Book Study** - Please join us in reading <u>The Covenantal Life: Appreciating the Beauty of Theology and Community</u> by Sarah Ivill in January! We'll meet via zoom the last week of the month to fellowship and discuss (Monday 7 pm and Thursday 10 am). Our February book will be <u>Becoming Elisabeth Elliott</u> by Ellen Vaughn. For more details, contact Heidi Van Til.

**Redeemer Pen Paliday** - Starts this month. The goal is to connect each interested child with a woman from Redeemer via regular letter writing. Please contact Cherie vonDrehle to sign up your child or to participate (248-514-7110 or cherylvondrehle@gmail.com).

### This Week at Redeemer:

Women's Ministry Study - Tuesday, 9:30 am
Paladino Small Group - 6 pm via Zoom
Men's Study - Thursday, 7:30 am
Prayer Gathering - Thursday, 12 noon
Safe Harbor - Thursday, 4 pm
Husted Small Group - Thursday, 6:30 pm
Women's Ministry Study - Thursday, 6:30 pm via Zoom

### **Community Groups and meeting information:**

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

<u>VanDyk</u>: 12:30 pm, Tuesday, Oct. 13 (then alternate Tuesdays)

**<u>vonDrehle</u>**: Following the 8:30 am worship service on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday **<u>Weber</u>**: 6 pm, every Wednesday **<u>except</u>** the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month

# January 2021



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:
1st Time Guest:
2 <sup>nd</sup> 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: \_\_\_\_ Private: \_\_\_\_ Send me information about: \_\_\_\_ Becoming a Christian

\_\_\_ Baptism \_\_\_ Membership

Other

\_\_\_ Serving on a Team

\_\_\_ Small Groups

### The Session

Fred Janke
Bill Morrison
Tom Nussdorfer
Fred Weber
David Schafer (Emeritus)

The Deacons
Tim Schramm II
Dave VanDyk

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Sunday School: (suspended) Worship Service: 8:30 & 10:30 am

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