

January 31, 2021

# ANANIAS AND SAPPHIRA

# 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

January 31, 2021

### Welcome and Announcements

# Prelude

# Call to Worship

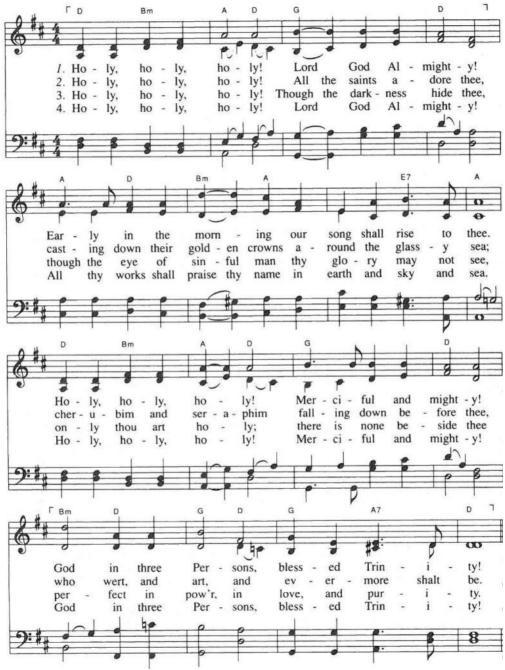
The Call to Worship gives God the first word in our service. God always comes to us before we come to him. God graciously invites us to enter His presence with Thanksgiving!

Psalm 93:1-2

The LORD reigns; he is robed in majesty; the LORD is robed; he has put on strength as his belt. Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved. Your throne is established from of old; you are from everlasting.

### **† Opening Hymn** #100

#100 "Holy, Holy, Holy!"



# † 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**

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 stages of recovery.

The Call to

### Isaiah 6:1-5

In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!" And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin! For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have broken rejoice. Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit.

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!

### The Declaration **Declaration of Forgiveness**

### Isaish 6:6-7

Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. And he touched my mouth and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for."

### + Hymn of Assurance "In Christ Alone"

∌ 1. In Christ a - lone is found. He is mv hope mv a - lone 2. In Christ who took on flesh, full - ness of in the 3. There the ground His bo dy lay, Light of No guilt in life, fear death. this is the 4. no in sol - id light, my strength, my song; this Cor - ner - stone, this gift God in help less babe! This of love and right - eous slain: burst - ing in glor - ious world by dark , ness then forth from life's Christ in first to fi - nal power of me; CIV cest drought What heights of firm through the fier and storm. Ground, by the ones He came to save: 'til on that scorned ness, He He day. up from the grave rose a gain! And 35 com - mands my des ti -No power of breath, Je sus ny. stilled, what depths of when fears are when striv - ings love. peace. the wrath of God CTOSS as Je - sus died, was sa tis stands in vic - tor sin's curse has lost its grip on y hell, take from His no scheme of man, can ev - er me All All, the cease! My Com - for - ter, my in here in Him the fied. laid: here in for ev егу sin on was He mine, bought with the me, for Ι am His and is hand; 'til He calls me home, here in the re - turns OT 3 love of Christ Ι stand. death of Christ T live. prec ious blood of Christ. power of Christ I'11 stand!

# Prayers of Intercession and the Lord's Prayer

# **Scripture Reading**

# 2 Samuel 6:1-9

David again gathered all the chosen men of Israel, thirty thousand. And David arose and went with all the people who were with him from Baale-judah to bring up from there the ark of God, which is called by the name of the LORD of hosts who sits enthroned on the cherubim. And they carried the ark of God on a new cart and brought it out of the house of Abinadab, which was on the hill. And Uzzah and Ahio, the sons of Abinadab, were driving the new cart, with the ark of God, and Ahio went before the ark.

And David and all the house of Israel were celebrating before the LORD, with songs and lyres and harps and tambourines and castanets and cymbals. And when they came to the threshing floor of Nacon, Uzzah put out his hand to the ark of God and took hold of it, for the oxen stumbled. And the anger of the LORD was kindled against Uzzah, and God struck him down there because of his error, and he died there beside the ark of God. And David was angry because the LORD had broken out against Uzzah. And that place is called Perez-uzzah to this day. And David was afraid of the LORD that day, and he said, "How can the ark of the LORD come to me?"

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 5:1-11

But a man named Ananias, with his wife Sapphira, sold a piece of property, <sup>2</sup> and with his wife's knowledge he kept back for himself some of the proceeds and brought only a part of it and laid it at the apostles' feet. <sup>3</sup> But Peter said, "Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit and to keep back for yourself part of the proceeds of the land? <sup>4</sup> While it remained unsold, did it not remain your own? And after it was sold, was it not at your disposal? Why is it that you have contrived this deed in your heart? You have not lied to man but to God." <sup>5</sup> When Ananias heard these words, he fell down and breathed his last. And great fear came upon all who heard of it. <sup>6</sup> The young men rose and wrapped him up and carried him out and buried him.

<sup>7</sup> After an interval of about three hours his wife came in, not knowing what had happened. <sup>8</sup> And Peter said to her, "Tell me whether you sold the land for so much." And she said, "Yes, for so much." <sup>9</sup> But Peter said to her, "How is it that you have agreed together to test the Spirit of the Lord? Behold, the feet of those who have buried your husband are at the door, and they will carry you out." <sup>10</sup> Immediately she fell down at his feet and breathed her last. When the young men came in they found her dead, and they carried her out and buried her beside her husband. <sup>11</sup> And great fear came upon the whole church and upon all who heard of these things.

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

Sermon "The Church is a Holy Community"

Pastor Scott Korljan

# **† Sermon Hymn** "The Gospel Song"



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# **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.	

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

# Special Communion Music "O Lord, Most Holy"

O Lord, most holy, O Lord, most holy, O loving Father, Thee would we be praising always. Help us to know Thee, know Thee and love Thee; Father, Father, grant us Thy truth and grace; Father, Father, guide and defend us.

Rule Thou our willful hearts, keep Thou our wandering thoughts; In all our sorrows let us find our rest in Thee. And in temptation's hour, save through Thy mighty power, Thine aid, oh send us; hear us in mercy. Show us Thy favor, so shall we live, and sing praise to Thee.

# **Prayer after Communion**

Loving God, we thank you that you have fed us in this Sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet in your eternal kingdom. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **† Post Communion Hymn** "I Will Glory in My Redeemer"

will glo-ry Re - deem - er, whose price - less blood in my has ran - somed will glo-ry 1 in my Re - deem - er, my life He bought, my love He I will glo - ry in Re - deem - er, mv who car - ries me on ea - gle's Mine was the me. sin that drove the bit - ter nails and hung Him on that judg-ment long owns. I have no ings for an - oth - er. -I'm sat - is - fied in Him a wings. with lov - ing - kind - ness. Hecrownsmy life His tri-umphsong I'll\_ \_ ev - er D who crushed the pow'r of sin and Re-deem-er, will glo - ry in my tree. my stand-ing His faith - ful - ness, in my Re-deem-er. will glo - ry lone. who waits for at gates of me will glo - ry in my Re-deem-er. sing. - 10 Judge. the ho - ly lv Sav - ior be - fore the death, my on my Though foes are might - y and rush up on me, place. dise. His will be par - a gold. And when He calls me it my right-eous-ness. the Lamb who is my right-eous - ness, Lamb who is my feet are firm, held by His grace. feet are firm, held by His grace. to be - hold. His face fo - ev - er hold, face for - ev - er to be -

### **†** Benediction

### **† Benediction Response** "May the Peace" (Verse 1 only)



# Prayer Requests

# **Redeemer Family:**

- Susan Johnson who is recovering from back surgery; pray for healing and strength. For Darryl, pray for comfort and peace.
- Crimmins family as they mourn the loss of Bill's father, pray for comfort and peace.
- 'Geoff', a dear brother in Christ, who has been diagnosed with kidney cancer, pray for comfort and peace during this time of trial.
- For the work of our pulpit search committee, the elders, and our church during this transition season.

# Churches in our Presbytery:

**Christ Church, Grand Rapids-** Praise for God's multi-faceted provision through these tumultuous times. Pray that the weary would find a welcome in Christ and that God's people would find their rest in him.

**Good Shepherd, Kalamazoo** - Pray for our campus ministry team and their efforts to reach students during the pandemic, for wisdom as we seek to restart various ministries that have been on pause and for our efforts to plan and prepare for particularization.

**Heart City, Elkhart** - Pray that we will remember the gospel is not about 'being right' but knowing we are greatly loved, for Mark who fell and has a compound fracture in his leg, for our building projects and for ordained leadership.

**Robert Knuth, Reformed University Fellowship** - Pray for students to find their new meeting location, that students can adjust to the new schedule, and that the Gospel would be proclaimed.

Financials				Over (Under)
Year to Date	Dec. 31, 2019	Dec. 31 2020	<u>2020 Budget</u>	Budget
Total Giving + Rentals:	\$350,414	\$326,936	\$345,444	(\$18,508)
Total Expenses	\$322,164	\$302,639		

# Announcements

**Sunday Services** - This morning Pastor Scott Korljan will preach on Acts 5:1-11.

**Congregational Meeting** - Today between services; it will be live streamed and recorded.

**Ladies Winter Book Study** - February book; Becoming Elisabeth Elliott. This group will meet the last week of the respective month (Monday, <u>6:30 pm</u> & Thursday at 10 am) via zoom. See Heidi Van Till for more details.

**Redeemer Pen Paliday -** Please contact Cherie vonDrehle to sign up your child or to participate (248-514-7110 or cherylvondrehle@gmail.com).

**Thank You!** - When you see Meghan Scott and Maya Weber please give them a big *'thank you'* for painting the front wall in the Sanctuary.

# This Week at Redeemer:

Women's Ministry Study - Tuesday,9:30 am (church) & Thursday, 6:30 pm (Zoom) VanDyk Small Group, Tuesday, 12:30 pm Paladino Small Group - Wednesday, 6 pm via Zoom 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 Wednesday
VanDyk: 12:30 pm, Tuesday, Oct. 13 (then alternate Tuesdays)
vonDrehle: Following the 8:30 am worship service on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday
Weber: 6 pm, every Wednesday except the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month

Sun 31 Worship Service, 8:30 & 10:30 am Benevolence Offering Congregational Meeting 7 Worship Service, 8:30 & 10:30 am vonDrehle Small Group
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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!

Date:
Name:
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** Fred Janke Bill Morrison Tom Nussdorfer Fred Weber David Schafer (Emeritus)

> The Deacons Tim Schramm II Dave VanDvk

**Redeemer Staff** 

Jeff Kozisek, Treasurer Deb Long, Office Administrator/ Bookkeeper

Send me information about :

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

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