



REDEEMER  
TRAVERSE CITY

*February 6, 2022*



# The Book of Ezekiel

## 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 God's 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.

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### 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

February 6, 2022

## 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

*Psalm 147:1-5*

Praise the LORD!  
For it is good to sing praises to our God;  
for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.  
The LORD builds up Jerusalem;  
he gathers the outcasts of Israel.  
He heals the brokenhearted  
and binds up their wounds.  
He determines the number of the stars;  
he gives to all of them their names.  
Great is our Lord, and abundant in power;  
his understanding is beyond measure.

† = Stand if able

**Bold Words** = Congregation

# † Opening Hymn “Across the Lands”

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1. You're the Word of God the  
2. Yet You left the gaze of  
3. With a shout You rose vic-



Fa - ther from be - fore the world be - gan; Ev 'ry star and ev 'ry plan - et has been  
an - gels, came to seek and save the lost and ex - changed the joy of heav - en for the  
to - rious, wrest - ing vic - t'ry from the grave and as - cend - ed in - to heav - en, lead - ing



fash - ioned by Your hand. All cre - a - tion holds to - geth - er by the pow - er of Your  
an - guish of a cross. With a prayer You fed the hun - gry, with a word You calmed the  
cap - tives in Your way. Now You stand be - fore the Fa - ther, in - ter - ced - ing for Your



voice. Let the skies de - clare Your glo - ry; let the land and seas re - joice.  
sea; Yet how si - lent - ly You suf - fered, that the guilt - y may go free. You're the  
own; From each tribe and tongue and na - tion You are lead - ing sin - ners home.



Au - thor of cre - a - tion, You're the Lord of ev - 'ry man, and Your cry of love rings



out a - cross the lands.

## Invocation

*Psalms 124:8*

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
People: who made heaven and earth.

## † Prayer

### † 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

*Romans 6:15-18*

What then? Are we to sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were committed, and, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness.

### Prayer of Confession

“Our Father in Heaven,

We bow down in humility before the splendor of your majesty. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have presented our bodies and our minds as servants of unrighteousness and we have obeyed sin. We pray for your cleansing and for your forgiveness, in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray, Amen.”

### Declaration of Forgiveness

*Romans 6:20-23*

For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. But what fruit were you getting at that time from the things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death. But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

## † Hymn of Assurance #461 “Not What My Hands Have Done”

### Prayers of Intercession and The Lord’s Prayer

#### Scripture Reading

*Revelation 18:1-10*

After this I saw another angel coming down from heaven, having great authority, and the earth was made bright with his glory. And he called out with a mighty voice, “Fallen, fallen is Babylon the great! She has become a dwelling place for demons, a haunt for every unclean spirit, a haunt for every unclean bird, a haunt for every unclean and detestable beast. For all nations have drunk the wine of the passion of her sexual immorality, and the kings of the earth have committed immorality with her, and the merchants of the earth have grown rich from the power of her luxurious living.”

Then I heard another voice from heaven saying, “Come out of her, my people, lest you take part in her sins, lest you share in her plagues; for her sins are heaped high as heaven, and God has remembered her iniquities. Pay her back as she herself has paid back others, and repay her double for her deeds; mix a double portion for her in the cup she mixed. As she glorified herself and lived in luxury, so give her a like measure of torment and mourning, since in her heart she says, ‘I sit as a queen, I am no widow, and mourning I shall never see.’ For this reason her plagues will come in a single day, death and mourning and famine and she will be burned up with fire; for mighty is the Lord God who has judged her.”

And the kings of the earth, who committed sexual immorality and lived in luxury with her, will weep and wail over her when they see the smoke of her burning. They will stand far off, in fear of her torment, and say, “Alas! Alas! You great city, you mighty city, Babylon! For in a single hour your judgment has come.”

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

### *Ezekiel 22*

And the word of the LORD came to me, saying, <sup>2</sup>“And you, son of man, will you judge, will you judge the bloody city? Then declare to her all her abominations. <sup>3</sup>You shall say, Thus says the Lord GOD: A city that sheds blood in her midst, so that her time may come, and that makes idols to defile herself! <sup>4</sup>You have become guilty by the blood that you have shed, and defiled by the idols that you have made, and you have brought your days near, the appointed time of your years has come. Therefore I have made you a reproach to the nations, and a mockery to all the countries. <sup>5</sup>Those who are near and those who are far from you will mock you; your name is defiled; you are full of tumult.

<sup>6</sup>“Behold, the princes of Israel in you, every one according to his power, have been bent on shedding blood. <sup>7</sup>Father and mother are treated with contempt in you; the sojourner suffers extortion in your midst; the fatherless and the widow are wronged in you. <sup>8</sup>You have despised my holy things and profaned my Sabbaths. <sup>9</sup>There are men in you who slander to shed blood, and people in you who eat on the mountains; they commit lewdness in your midst. <sup>10</sup>In you men uncover their fathers' nakedness; in you they violate women who are unclean in their menstrual impurity. <sup>11</sup>One commits abomination with his neighbor's wife; another lewdly defiles his daughter-in-law; another in you violates his sister, his father's daughter. <sup>12</sup>In you they take bribes to shed blood; you take interest and profit and make gain of your neighbors by extortion; but me you have forgotten, declares the Lord GOD.

<sup>13</sup>“Behold, I strike my hand at the dishonest gain that you have made, and at the blood that has been in your midst. <sup>14</sup>Can your courage endure, or can your hands be strong, in the days that I shall deal with you? I the LORD have spoken, and I will do it. <sup>15</sup>I will scatter you among the nations and disperse you through the countries, and I will consume your uncleanness out of you. <sup>16</sup>And you shall be profaned by your own doing in the sight of the nations, and you shall know that I am the LORD.”

<sup>17</sup>And the word of the LORD came to me: <sup>18</sup>“Son of man, the house of Israel has become dross to me; all of them are bronze and tin and iron and lead in the furnace; they are dross of silver. <sup>19</sup>Therefore thus says the Lord GOD: Because you have all become dross, therefore, behold, I will gather you into the midst of Jerusalem.

<sup>20</sup> As one gathers silver and bronze and iron and lead and tin into a furnace, to blow the fire on it in order to melt it, so I will gather you in my anger and in my wrath, and I will put you in and melt you. <sup>21</sup> I will gather you and blow on you with the fire of my wrath, and you shall be melted in the midst of it. <sup>22</sup> As silver is melted in a furnace, so you shall be melted in the midst of it, and you shall know that I am the LORD; I have poured out my wrath upon you.”

<sup>23</sup> And the word of the LORD came to me: <sup>24</sup> “Son of man, say to her, You are a land that is not cleansed or rained upon in the day of indignation. <sup>25</sup> The conspiracy of her prophets in her midst is like a roaring lion tearing the prey; they have devoured human lives; they have taken treasure and precious things; they have made many widows in her midst. <sup>26</sup> Her priests have done violence to my law and have profaned my holy things. They have made no distinction between the holy and the common, neither have they taught the difference between the unclean and the clean, and they have disregarded my Sabbaths, so that I am profaned among them. <sup>27</sup> Her princes in her midst are like wolves tearing the prey, shedding blood, destroying lives to get dishonest gain. <sup>28</sup> And her prophets have smeared whitewash for them, seeing false visions and divining lies for them, saying, ‘Thus says the Lord GOD,’ when the LORD has not spoken. <sup>29</sup> The people of the land have practiced extortion and committed robbery. They have oppressed the poor and needy, and have extorted from the sojourner without justice. <sup>30</sup> And I sought for a man among them who should build up the wall and stand in the breach before me for the land, that I should not destroy it, but I found none. <sup>31</sup> Therefore I have poured out my indignation upon them. I have consumed them with the fire of my wrath. I have returned their way upon their heads, declares the Lord GOD.”

This is the Word of the Lord!

**Thanks be to God!**

**Sermon Title:** “To Dwell in the City of Peace”

Pastor Austin Reed

Sermon Outline:

- 1) The Clean becomes Unclean
- 2) The Unclean becomes Clean



# † Sermon Hymn "Creation Sings the Father's Song



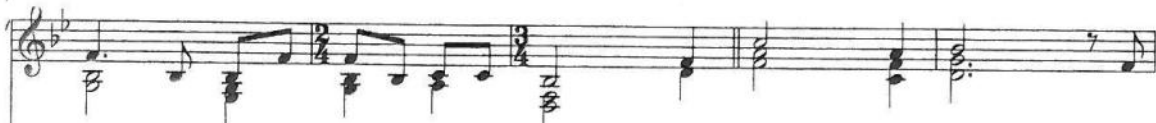
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Cre a - tion gazed up - on His face; the age - less One in time's em - brace\_\_\_\_\_ un - veiled the Fa - ther's  
Cre a - tion longs for His re - turn, when Christ shall reign up - on the earth;\_\_\_\_\_ the bit - ter wars that



day till e - v'ning falls in crim - son rays. His  
plan of rec - on - cil - ing God and man. A  
rage are birth pains of a com - ing age. When



fin - ger - prints in flakes of snow, His breath up - on this spin - ning globe,\_\_\_\_\_ He charts the ea - gle's  
sec - ond Ad - am walked the earth, whose blame - less life would break the curse,\_\_\_\_\_ whose death would set us  
He re - news the land and sky, all heav'n will sing and earth re - ply,\_\_\_\_\_ with one res - plend - ent



flight; com - mands the new - born ba - by's cry.  
free to live with Him e - ter - nal - ly. } Hal - le - lu - jah! Let  
theme: The glo - ries of our God and King!



all cre - a - tion stand and sing, "Hal - le - lu - jah!" Fill the earth with songs of



wor - ship; tell the won - ders of cre - a - tion's King.

## 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. We come forward 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.

Psalms 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

Gracious God, you love us, have chosen us, and redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ, who took on flesh and dwelt among us, and who gave His life willingly for our salvation. Give us joy in His coming, and greater hope in His coming again. Until that day, help us by your Holy Spirit to go into this world to love and serve you and others in His name, and for His glory. Amen.

† **Post Communion Hymn** #699 "Like a River Glorious"

† **Benediction**

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

# Prayer Requests

## Redeemer Family:

- David Stevens (Jim & Cherie von Drehle’s grandson) is home from the hospital, please continue to pray for the family.
- Bernard Hoogland, pray for healing.
- Bobbie Van Til (sister-in-law of Ethan & Dirk), still fighting cancer.
- Barb Boersma, for relief from back pain.
- 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.
- Brett Schut who fell and broke his elbow, pray for healing.
- Melissa Birdsey, baby is due the end of March.

## Churches in our Presbytery:

**Christ Church, Ann Arbor** - Pray for a permanent home and for RUF students who attend.

**Daniel Equiluz, Missionary**– Pray for a fruitful season of ministry for all of us.

# Financials

Year to Date	<u>Dec. 31, 2020</u>	<u>Dec. 31, 2021</u>	<u>2021 Budget</u>	Over (Under) <u>Budget</u>
Total Giving + Rentals:	\$326,936	\$337,836	\$332,900	\$4,936
Total Expenses	\$302,639	\$251,758		

## **Announcements**

**Sermon today** - Pastor Austin Reed will preach on Ezekiel 22.

Children and adult Sunday School will be held before the worship service at 9:00 am. The Worship Service will be at 10:15 am.

Pastor Reed will be leading the Adult Sunday School class in a study of reformed covenant theology. We will be learning the biblical and confessional grounds for the concepts of the Covenants of Redemption, Works, and Grace. The Lord willing, this will provide us with a helpful lens through which to read all of the Scriptures. All are welcome to attend!

**New Member Class** - Pastor Reed will be leading a New Member class for those interested in learning more about Redeemer's theology, piety, and practice. All are welcome to attend! The classes will be meeting on February 10, 17, 24 and possibly March 3rd. Class will start at 6:00 pm here at the church and end between 7-7:30. Please reach out to Pastor Reed if you have any questions.

**"Pop-In" Shower for Melissa Birdsey** - Redeemer Fellowship hall Saturday, February 12<sup>th</sup>, anytime between 2-4pm.

**Congregational Meeting** - Sunday, February 13<sup>th</sup> immediately following the worship service.

**Ladies Theology Workshop with Nancy Guthrie** - There will be a group of ladies going to this workshop on March 4-5 in Lansing. Registration is now open, please contact Heidi Van Til for more details if you would like to attend.

**Ladies Spring Bible Study** - In Hebrews will begin Friday, March 11! Please prayerfully consider joining your sisters in Christ. More details to come!

### **This Week at Redeemer:**

von Drehle SG - Today after worship  
Paladino Small Group - Wednesday, 6 pm  
Men's Study - Thursday, 7:30 am  
Prayer Gathering - Thursday, 12 noon  
Husted SG - Thursday, 6:30 pm  
New Member Class - Thursday, 6 pm  
"Pop-In" Shower for Melissa Birdsey - Saturday, 2-4 pm

# February 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
6 Sunday School, 9 am <b>Worship Service            10:15 am</b> von Drehle SG	7	8	9  Paladino SG, 6 pm	10 Men's Study, 7:30 am Prayers, 12 noon New Member Class, 6 pm Husted SG, 6:30 pm	11	12 "Pop-In" Shower for Melissa Birdsey Fellowship Hall anytime between 2-4 pm
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**Community Groups and meeting information:**

**Husted:** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday at 6:30 pm

**Paladino:** 6 pm, every Wednesday

**VanDyk:** Will resume meeting in May

**vonDrehle:** Check with Jim or Cherie for dates & times.

**Weber:** 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday at 6 pm



*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: \_\_\_\_\_

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How did you hear about us:

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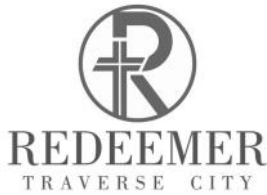
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1<sup>st</sup> Time Guest: \_\_\_\_

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: \_\_\_\_

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**Send me information about :**

\_\_\_ Becoming a Christian

\_\_\_ Baptism

\_\_\_ Membership

\_\_\_ Serving on a Team

\_\_\_ Small Groups

\_\_\_ Other

**The Session**

Pastor Reed

Fred Janke

Bill Morrison

Tom Nussdorfer

Fred Weber

David Schafer (Emeritus)

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**Sunday School: 9 am**

**Worship Services: 10:15 am**

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