



REDEEMER  
TRAVERSE CITY

*February 27, 2022*

**Luke 9:24**

*For whoever wants to  
save their life will  
lose it, but whoever  
loses their life for me  
will save it.*



## 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

### Nursery: Berneice & Jessica

# The Lord's Service

February 27, 2022

## Welcome and Announcements

## Prelude

## Call to Worship

*Psalm 104:1-4*

Bless the LORD, O my soul!

O LORD my God, you are very great!

You are clothed with splendor and majesty,

covering yourself with light as with a garment,

stretching out the heavens like a tent.

He lays the beams of his chambers on the waters;

he makes the clouds his chariot;

he rides on the wings of the wind;

he makes his messengers winds,

his ministers a flaming fire.

† **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.**

† **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**

*Psalm 106:6-15*

Both we and our fathers have sinned; we have committed iniquity; we have done wickedness. Our fathers, when they were in Egypt, did not consider your wondrous works; they did not remember the abundance of your steadfast love, but rebelled by the sea, at the Red Sea. Yet he saved them for his name's sake, that he might make known his mighty power. He rebuked the Red Sea, and it became dry, and he led them through the deep as through a desert. So he saved them from the hand of the foe and redeemed them from the power of the enemy. And the waters covered their adversaries; not one of them was left. Then they believed his words; they sang his praise.

But they soon forgot his works; they did not wait for his counsel. But they had a wanton craving in the wilderness, and put God to the test in the desert; he gave them what they asked, but sent a wasting disease among them.

## **Prayer of Confession**

**"Oh Great and Everlasting God, who dwells in unapproachable light, who searches and knows the thoughts and intentions of the heart, we confess that we have not loved you with all of our heart, soul, mind, or strength or our neighbors as ourselves. We have loved what we ought not to have loved, we have coveted what is not ours, we have not been content with your provisions for us. Cleanse us and forgive us through Jesus Christ, who is able for all time to save us who approach you through him. Amen."**

## **Declaration of Forgiveness**

*Psalm 103:8-14*

The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us. As a father shows compassion to his children, so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him. For he knows our frame; he remembers that we are dust.

# † Hymn of Assurance "Oh, the Deep, Deep Love

1. Oh the deep, deep love of Je - sus, vast, un -  
 deep, deep love of Je - sus! Spread His  
 deep, deep love of Je - sus, far sur -

meas - ured, bound-less, free, roll - ing as a might-y  
 praise from shore to shore, how He came to pay our  
 pass - ing all the rest! It's an o - cean full of

o - cean in its full - ness o - ver me. Un - der -  
 ran - som through the sav - ing cross He bore; how He  
 bless - ing in the midst of ev - ery test. Oh the

neath me, all a - round me is the cur - rent of Your  
 watch - es o'er His loved ones, those He died to make His  
 deep, deep love of Je - sus, might-y Sav - ior, pre - cious

love, lead - ing on - ward, lead - ing home - ward to Your  
 own; how for them He's in - ter - ced - ing, plead - ing  
 Friend! You will bring us home to glo - ry, where Your

glo - rious rest a - bove. Oh the  
 now be - fore the throne.  
 love will nev - er end.

deep, deep love! All I need and trust is the  
 deep, deep love of Je - sus.

## Prayers of Intercession and The Lord's Prayer

### Scripture Reading

*2 Peter 1:16-21*

For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. For when he received honor and glory from God the Father, and the voice was borne to him by the Majestic Glory, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased," we ourselves heard this very voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain. And we have the prophetic word more fully confirmed, to which you will do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts, knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone's own interpretation. For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

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

*Luke 9:18-36*

<sup>18</sup> Now it happened that as he was praying alone, the disciples were with him. And he asked them, "Who do the crowds say that I am?" <sup>19</sup> And they answered, "John the Baptist. But others say, Elijah, and others, that one of the prophets of old has risen." <sup>20</sup> Then he said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" And Peter answered, "The Christ of God."

<sup>21</sup> And he strictly charged and commanded them to tell this to no one, <sup>22</sup> saying, "The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised."

<sup>23</sup> And he said to all, “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me. <sup>24</sup> For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will save it. <sup>25</sup> For what does it profit a man if he gains the whole world and loses or forfeits himself? <sup>26</sup> For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words, of him will the Son of Man be ashamed when he comes in his glory and the glory of the Father and of the holy angels. <sup>27</sup> But I tell you truly, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the kingdom of God.”

<sup>28</sup> Now about eight days after these sayings he took with him Peter and John and James and went up on the mountain to pray. <sup>29</sup> And as he was praying, the appearance of his face was altered, and his clothing became dazzling white. <sup>30</sup> And behold, two men were talking with him, Moses and Elijah, <sup>31</sup> who appeared in glory and spoke of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. <sup>32</sup> Now Peter and those who were with him were heavy with sleep, but when they became fully awake they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. <sup>33</sup> And as the men were parting from him, Peter said to Jesus, “Master, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah”—not knowing what he said. <sup>34</sup> As he was saying these things, a cloud came and overshadowed them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. <sup>35</sup> And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, “This is my Son, my Chosen One; listen to him!” <sup>36</sup> And when the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and told no one in those days anything of what they had seen.

This is the Word of the Lord!

**Thanks be to God!**

**Sermon Title:** “A Life or Death Catechism”

Pastor Austin Reed

Sermon Outline:

- 1) The Question
- 2) The Answer

# † Sermon Hymn "Jesus is Lord"



1. "Je - sus is Lord" - the cry that ech-oes through cre - a - tion; Re-splen-dent  
 2. "Je - sus is Lord" - whose voice sus - tains the stars and pla - nets, yet in His  
 3. "Je - sus is Lord" - the tomb is glo - ri - ous - ly emp - ty! Not e - ven  
 4. "Je - sus is Lord" - a shout of joy, a cry of an - guish, as He re -



pow'r, e - ter - nal Word, our Rock. The Son of God, the King whose  
 wis - dom laid a - side His crown. Je - sus the Man, who washed our  
 death could crush this King of love! The price is paid, the chains are  
 turns and ev - ery knee bows low. Then ev - ery eye and ev - ery



glo - ry fills the hea - vens, yet bids us come to taste this  
 feet, who bore our suff - 'ring, be - came a curse to bring sal -  
 loosed, and we're for - gi - ven, and we can run in - to the  
 heart will see His glo - ry; The Judge of all will take His



Liv - - ing Bread.  
 va - - tion's plan.  
 arms of God.  
 child - - ren home.



# 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 “May the Peace”

1. May the peace of God our Heav'nly Fa - ther, and the grace of Christ the ris - en  
peace which pass - es un - der - stand - ing, and this grace which makes us what we

4 F Gm<sup>7</sup> F/A F<sup>7</sup> B<sup>b</sup>add<sup>9</sup> B<sup>b</sup>/D E<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup>add<sup>9</sup>/D Gm<sup>7</sup> Cm<sup>7</sup>

Son, and the fel - low-ship of God the Spi - rit keep our hearts and minds with-in His  
are, and this fel - low-ship of His com - mun - ion make us one in spi - rit and in

Chorus

8 F/A Gm<sup>7</sup> F B<sup>b</sup>/D F Gm<sup>7</sup> F/A E<sup>b</sup>add<sup>9</sup>/B<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup>add<sup>9</sup> F/A Gm<sup>7</sup> F/A

love. And to Him be\_\_\_ praise for His glo - rious reign, from the depths of\_\_\_ earth to the  
heart.

12 E<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup>add<sup>9</sup>/D F Gm<sup>7</sup> F/A Gm<sup>7</sup> F Cm<sup>7</sup>/E<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup>/F Cm<sup>7</sup>/F

heights of Heav'n; We de - clare the\_\_\_ name of the Lamb once slain-Christ e - ter - nal the King of Kings!

## † Benediction

## † Benediction Response Hymn #735 “Gloria Patri”

## Prayer Requests

### Redeemer Family:

- Dennis Weise who is having knee replacement surgery on Monday, Feb. 28th.
- 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:

**Redeemer, Holland** - Pray for the Lord's continued blessing on the church and for our church as we begin to oversee the Shepherd's Way of Holland Biblical Counseling Center.

**Covenant, Holland**- Pray for wisdom for the congregation as they nominate officer candidates and a clear vision for moving forward with our ministries.

**Trinity, DeMotte**– Pray for our congregation as we have lost three individuals in death in January and for the families of those who passed.

## Financials

Year to Date	<u>Jan.. 31, 2021</u>	<u>Jan. 31, 2022</u>	<u>2022 Budget</u>	Over (Under) <u>Budget</u>
Total Giving + Rentals:	\$24,877	\$33,586	\$23,275	\$10,311
Total Expenses	\$16,448	\$20,593		

## Announcements

**Sermon today** - Pastor Austin Reed will preach on Luke 9:18-36.

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!

**Parents of young children** - The Session would invite you to go and retrieve your children from the nursery during the sermon hymn and bring them back into the sanctuary for the celebration of the Lord's Supper. While they are still too young to fully understand the sacrament or receive the elements themselves, we believe there is a rich blessing that God reserves for them in being present for the distribution of the elements. As you come forward to receive the elements, we invite you to bring your young children with you to receive a benediction and even at a young age bear witness to God's covenant faithfulness to His people. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to speak to one of the elders or to Pastor Reed.

**Ladies Bible Study**- Join us this Spring as we see how the book of Hebrews unfolds and how it affects our daily lives.. God's work from creation to the current church age inaugurated by Jesus Christ coming to dwell among us. Guided by Nancy Guthrie's book, Hoping for Something Better, we will "go deeper, draw closer, and hold tighter." Fridays March 11-May 27, 9:30-11 am at the church. Please order your own book and read just the introduction before our first meeting. Contact Cherie, Corky or Heidi if you have questions.

**Youth Ministry Event** - Ice Skating at the Civic Center, March 19th, 11am to 12 pm. Private rink; ice skates & helmets provided, pizza afterwards. RSVP to Johanna Lashbrook, 231-944-0027.

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

von Drehle SG - Today after worship

Paladino Small Group - Wednesday, 6 pm

Weber Small Group - Wednesday 6 pm

Men's Study - Thursday, 7:30 am

Prayer Gathering - Thursday, 12 noon

Ladies Theology Workshop in Lansing - Friday & Saturday

February 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27 Sunday School, 9 am  Worship Service 10:15 am	28					

March 2022

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		Paladino SG, 6 pm  Weber SG, 6 pm	Men's Study, 7:30 am  Prayers, 12 noon	Ladies Theology Workshop in Lansing	Ladies Theology Workshop in Lansing

**Community Groups and meeting information:**

**Husted:** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday at 6 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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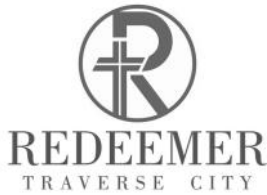
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1<sup>st</sup> Time Guest: \_\_\_\_

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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