



REDEEMER
TRAVERSE CITY

October 2, 2022

The
GOSPEL *of* **JOHN**

SO THAT YOU MAY BELIEVE

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.

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: Christina & Heidi

The Lord's Service

October 2, 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 62: 5-7

For God alone, O my soul, wait in silence,
for my hope is from him.
He only is my rock and my salvation,
my fortress; I shall not be shaken.
On God rests my salvation and my glory;
my mighty rock, my refuge is God.

† = Stand if able

Bold Words = Congregation

Opening Hymn: "Every Promise of Your Word"



1. From the break - ing of the dawn to the set-ting of the sun, I will
 2. When I stum - ble and I sin, con-dem - na-tion press - ing in, I will
 3. When I'm faced with an-guished choice, I will lis - ten for Your voice and I'll
 4. Hope that lifts me from de - spair, love that casts out ev - 'ry fear, as I

stand on ev-'ry prom-ise of Your Word. Words of pow - er, strong to
 stand on ev-'ry prom-ise of Your Word. You are faith - ful to for
 stand on ev-'ry prom-ise of Your Word. Through this dark and trou-bled
 stand on ev-'ry prom-ise of Your Word. Not for - sak - en, not a -

save, that will nev - er pass a - way, I will stand on ev-'ry prom-ise of Your
 give that in free - dom I might live, so I stand on ev-'ry prom-ise of Your
 land You will guide me with Your hand as I stand on ev-'ry prom-ise of Your
 lone, for the Com - for - ter has come, and I stand on ev-'ry prom-ise of Your

Word. For Your cov - e - nant is sure and on
 Word. Guilt to in - no - cence re - stored, You re -
 Word. And You've prom - ised to com - plete ev - 'ry
 Word. Grace suf - fi - cient, grace for me, grace for

this I am se - cure - I can stand on ev - 'ry prom - ise of Your Word.
 mem - ber sins no more - So I'll stand on ev - 'ry prom - ise of Your Word.
 work be - gun in me - So I'll stand on ev - 'ry prom - ise of Your Word.
 all who will be - lieve - We will stand on ev - 'ry prom - ise of Your Word.

† 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

2 Corinthians 5:1-10

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 gathering of perfect people, we are all sinners in various stages of recovery.

For we know that if the tent that is our earthly home is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. For in this tent we groan, longing to put on our heavenly dwelling, if indeed by putting it on we may not be found naked. For while we are still in this tent, we groan, being burdened—not that we would be unclothed, but that we would be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee.

So we are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, or we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we are of good courage, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil.

Prayer of Confession

“Almighty God,

You have been pleased to consecrate us as a holy people unto Yourself. But we are polluted by the many defilements of our own flesh and of this world. Grant that Your Holy Spirit may sanctify us more and more every day, until You bring us to that perfection which You have invited us by the voice of Your gospel, that we may enjoy the blessed glory that has been provided for us by Jesus Christ our Lord, in whose name we pray.

Amen.”

Declaration of Forgiveness

2 Corinthians 5:18-21

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!

All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Hymn of Assurance: #524 “Thy Works, Not Mine , O Christ”

Prayers of Intercession and The Lord's Prayer

Scripture Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:7-18

But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies. For we who live are always being given over to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you.

Since we have the same spirit of faith according to what has been written, "I believed, and so I spoke," we also believe, and so we also speak, knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his presence. For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

Offertory

† 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 : John 4:46-54

⁴⁶ So he came again to Cana in Galilee, where he had made the water wine. And at Capernaum there was an official whose son was ill. ⁴⁷ When this man heard that Jesus had come from Judea to Galilee, he went to him and asked him to come down and heal his son, for he was at the point of death. ⁴⁸ So Jesus said to him, "Unless you see signs and wonders you will not believe." ⁴⁹ The official said to him, "Sir, come down before my child dies." ⁵⁰ Jesus said to him, "Go; your son will live." The man believed the word that Jesus spoke to him and went on his way. ⁵¹ As he was going down, his servants met him and told him that his son was recovering. ⁵² So he asked them the hour when he began to get better, and they said to him, "Yesterday at the seventh hour the fever left him." ⁵³ The father knew that was the hour when Jesus had said to him, "Your son will live." And he himself believed, and all his household. ⁵⁴ This was now the second sign that Jesus did when he had come from Judea to Galilee.

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Sermon Title: "The Road to Capernaum"

Pastor Austin Reed

Sermon Outline

- 1.) The Royal Command
- 2.) The Royal Gift

† **Sermon Hymn:** #691 "It is Well with My Soul"

Holy Communion

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 inner 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.

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 "By Faith"



1. By faith we see the hand of God in the light of cre - a - tion's grand de -
 2. By faith our fa - thers roamed the earth with the pow'r of His prom - ise in their
 3. By faith the pro - phets saw a day when the longed - for Mes - si - ah would ap -
 4. By faith the church was called to go in the pow'r of the Spir - it to the
 5. By faith this moun - tain shall be moved and the pow'r of the gos - pel shall pre -



sign, in the lives of those who prove His faith - ful - ness,
 hearts, of a ho - ly cit - y built by God's own hand,
 pear with the pow'r to break the chains of sin and death
 lost to de - liv - er cap - tives and to preach good news
 vail, for we know in Christ all things are pos - si - ble



1.3. 2.4.5. **Refrain**
 who walk by faith and not by sight. reign.
 a place where peace and jus - tice We will stand as chil - dren of the
 and rise tri - um - phant from the grave. earth.
 in ev - 'ry cor - ner of the name.
 for all who call up - on His



prom - ise; We will fix our eyes on Him, our soul's re - ward. Till the race is fin - ished and the



work is done, we'll walk by faith and not by sight.

† Benediction

† Benediction Response Hymn #735 "Gloria Patri"

Prayer Requests

Redeemer Family:

- **Richie Gunn's father** - Please pray for healing and wisdom for treatment of his heart issues.
- **Julie Reed** (Pastor Reed's mother) has been diagnosed with a malignant melanoma, and is undergoing a series of tests. Please pray that the cancer has not spread.
- **Drew** (8 yr old grandson of Randy and Gail Lawton) has leukemia and has begun a three year treatment plan. Please pray for him and his family.
- **Anne Smith** (mother of Scott Smith) Praise God for successful breast cancer surgery. She has begun new treatments targeting the suspected cause of the cancer that will last almost another year. Please pray for continued strength and healing.
- **Mark Sentell**, son-in-law of Fred and Gloria Janke, is recovering from a serious motorcycle accident. Please pray for healing and peace.
- **Carol Ann Lehman**, niece of the Sabotka's, is doing well. Praise God for healing.
- **Bernard Hoogland**, pray for healing.
- **Bobbie Van Til** (sister-in-law of Ethan & Dirk) returned home from the hospital. Please continue to pray for her and her family.
- **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.
- **Bill Morrison** - pray for healing, recovering from knee replacement surgery.
- **Leslie Paladino** - pray for healing, recovering from surgery.

Churches in our Presbytery:

Good Shepherd, Valparaiso IN – Pastor Andrew Gretzinger - Continued prayer for our members attending full time studies at Mid America, that they'd be provided for in every way (financially and spiritually). Prayer for unity, love, and strength for our pastor, session, and diaconate as they deal with some on-going matters.

Redeemer Presbyterian Church, Traverse City, MI - Pastor Austin Reed Pray fall ministries as they kick off would be fruitful particularly among the children. Please pray that as the gospel is proclaimed weekly, the Holy Spirit would draw unbelievers to Himself and encourage and strengthen believers to be faithful.

Rev. Satoshi Kawachi - Please pray for our efforts (1) to minister to the refugees and migrants living on the street in an Italian town across the border, (2) to network with Italian churches in order to establish a partnership for this work in Italy, (3) to raise up more workers for this work, especially for His blessings on David, Rashel & their family as they prepare for MTW missions candidate orientation in March 2023 and (4) that the Red Cross Center be reopened so that these migrants no longer have to live on the street; (6) for Cally's ministry to our neighbors via her ESL/Crafting groups at our home; (7) for our twin daughters' medical studies and their financial needs: Suzi finished her 3rd qtr. at a PA program in Tampa, and Sophi just started her studies at a DO medical school in Blacksburg, VA in July. Merci!

Announcements

Weekly Volunteers Needed - As our Fall Ministry begins, we need additional volunteers to serve as Sunday School teachers and helpers, greeters; to open and close the building; to set up communion and cleanup; and to serve in the nursery. Please see the sign up sheets in the Narthex.

Thrive Medical Clinic (Formerly Pregnancy Care Center) will be doing the Baby Bottle Boomerang fundraiser starting September 11th and running through October 9th. The bottles will be in the back starting next week so please pick one up and see Beth Nussdorfer if you have any questions.

Sunday School for all ages will begin October 2nd.

"An Evening with Westminster Seminary California" with President Joel E. Kim on Thursday, Oct 13, 2022 from 6:00 – 9:00 pm at the Sunnybrook Country Club, Grandville, MI. Come see and hear about the fruit of God's blessings at WSC. You will not be asked to make a donation and there is no charge for the dinner, but a reservation is necessary. Please call 888-480-8474, or email rkats@wscal.edu for reservations.

Love Thy Neighbor Fund Raiser -For The Love of Jazz and Neighbors, October 19, 6:00 –8:30 pm at Faith Reformed Church, 1139 E. Front St., Traverse City

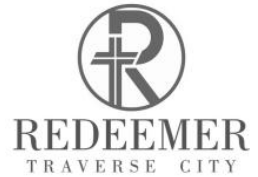
Bridal Shower for Carrie Berkompas -October 22nd 9:30-11:30am- Save the date, more details to come!

Financials

	<u>Aug.31, 2021</u>	<u>Aug. 31 2022</u>	<u>2022 Budget</u>	Over (Under) <u>Budget</u>
Year to Date				
Total Giving + Rentals:	\$216,123	\$230,953	\$186,200	\$44,753
Total Expenses	\$169,765	\$210,751		

This Week at Redeemer:

Women's Study-Tuesday, 6:30 pm
Weber Small Group-Wednesday, 6pm
Men's Study - Thursday, 7:30 am
Prayer Meeting- Thursday at noon
Women's Study-Friday, 8:30 am



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!

Community Groups and meeting information:

vonDrehle: 1st and 3rd Sunday after Church

Weber: 1st & 3rd Wednesday at 6pm

Date: _____

Name: _____

Email: _____

Best Contact
(Call/Text): _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State/Zip: _____

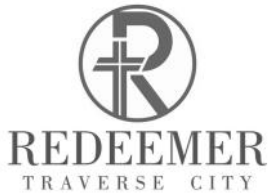
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1st Time Guest: ____

2nd 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

___ Serving on a Team

___ Small Groups

___ Other

The Session

Pastor Reed

Bill Morrison

Tom Nussdorfer

Tony Paladino

Fred Weber

Rob Whims

Fred Janke (Emeritus)

David Schafer (Emeritus)

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Rick Harkert

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