





#### 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

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: Aubrey

#### The Lord's Service

October 9, 2022

#### **Welcome and Announcements**

#### **Prelude**

"Come to me" (arr. Dan Forrest, based on Mt. 11-28-29)

Come to me, all you who labor, Come to me, and I will give you rest.

Come to me, all who are weary and burdened, and you will find rest for your souls.

Come, my child, learn my heart, for I am gentle and lowly. See how great my love for you, that I have called you my child.

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 92:1-4

It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praises to your name, O Most High; to declare your steadfast love in the morning, and your faithfulness by night, to the music of the lute and the harp, to the melody of the lyre.

For you, O LORD, have made me glad by your work; at the works of your hands I sing for joy.

† = Stand if able Bold Words = Congregation



#### † 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

#### Colossions 2:15-23

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 staaes of recovery.

He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him. Therefore let no one pass judgment on you in questions of food and drink, or with regard to a festival or a new moon or a Sabbath. These are a shadow of the things to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. Let no one disqualify you, insisting on asceticism and worship of angels, going on in detail about visions, puffed up without reason by his sensuous mind, and not holding fast to the Head, from whom the whole body, nourished and knit together through its joints and ligaments, grows with a growth that is from God. If with Christ you died to the elemental spirits of the world, why, as if you were still alive in the world, do you submit to regulations— "Do not handle, Do not taste, Do not touch" (referring to things that all perish as they are used) according to human precepts and teachings? These have indeed an appearance of wisdom in promoting self-made religion and asceticism and severity to the body, but they are of no value in stopping the indulgence of the flesh.

# **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**

#### Colossians 1:15-20

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

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!

# Hymn of Assurance: "Mercies Anew"



# Prayers of Intercession and The Lord's Prayer

#### Scripture Reading: Mathew 12:1-14

At that time Jesus went through the grain fields on the Sabbath. His disciples were hungry, and they began to pluck heads of grain and to eat. But when the Pharisees saw it, they said to him, "Look, your disciples are doing what is not lawful to do on the Sabbath." He said to them, "Have you not read what David did when he was hungry, and those who were with him: how he entered the house of God and ate the bread of the Presence, which it was not lawful for him to eat nor for those who were with him, but only for the priests? Or have you not read in the Law how on the Sabbath the priests in the temple profane the Sabbath and are guiltless? I tell you, something greater than the temple is here. And if you had known what this means, 'I desire mercy, and not sacrifice,' you would not have condemned the guiltless. For the Son of Man is lord of the Sabbath."

He went on from there and entered their synagogue. And a man was there with a withered hand. And they asked him, "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath?"—so that they might accuse him. He said to them, "Which one of you who has a sheep, if it falls into a pit on the Sabbath, will not take hold of it and lift it out? Of how much more value is a man than a sheep! So it is lawful to do good on the Sabbath." Then he said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." And the man stretched it out, and it was restored, healthy like the other. But the Pharisees went out and conspired against him, how to destroy him.

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 5:1-17

After this there was a feast of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

<sup>2</sup> Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate a pool, in Aramaic called Bethesda, which has five roofed colonnades. <sup>3</sup> In these lay a multitude of invalids—blind, lame, and paralyzed. <sup>5</sup> One man was there who had been an invalid for thirty-eight years. <sup>6</sup> When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had already been there a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to be healed?" <sup>7</sup> The sick man answered him, "Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up, and while I am going another steps down before me." <sup>8</sup> Jesus said to him, "Get up, take up your bed, and walk." <sup>9</sup> And at once the man was healed, and he took up his bed and walked.

Now that day was the Sabbath. <sup>10</sup> So the Jews said to the man who had been healed, "It is the Sabbath, and it is not lawful for you to take up your bed." <sup>11</sup> But he answered them, "The man who healed me, that man said to me, 'Take up your bed, and walk.'" <sup>12</sup> They asked him, "Who is the man who said to you, 'Take up your bed and walk'?" <sup>13</sup> Now the man who had been healed did not know who it was, for Jesus had withdrawn, as there was a crowd in the place. <sup>14</sup> Afterward Jesus found him in the temple and said to him, "See, you are well! Sin no more, that nothing worse may happen to you." <sup>15</sup> The man went away and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had healed him. <sup>16</sup> And this was why the Jews were persecuting Jesus, because he was doing these things on the Sabbath. <sup>17</sup> But Jesus answered them, "My Father is working until now, and I am working."

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**Sermon Title:** "Keeping The Sabbath Holy" Pastor Austin Reed

#### Sermon Outline

- 1.) The Healing at the Pool
- 2.) Jesus is Working

**† Sermon Hymn:** #188 "Jesus, I am Resting, Resting

# **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. 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**

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 "My Soul Finds Rest in God Alone"



#### † Benediction

# † Benediction Response Hymn #735 "Gloria Patri"

# **Prayer Requests**

#### **Redeemer Family:**

- Russell Gunn, (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 Ti**l (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:**

Michiana Covenant, Granger IN – Pastor Peter Wallace - Pray for: the teachers and students of Michiana Covenant Academy (one day a week homeschool academy); Hayley Mullins, our counseling intern; wisdom in shepherding the flock.

**Faith Presbyterian Church, Jenison MI - Pastor Dan Naulty - Praise** the Lord that he has provided a new church building at an incredibly low price. **Pray** for our transition to the new building . **Pray** for our men's and women's groups.

**Rev. Paul Engle** —**Pray for** preparation of lectures, exams, workbook, and slides for upcoming courses on Romans and The Life of Christ to be taught to church leaders

#### Announcements

**Weekly Volunteers Needed** - As our Fall Ministry begins, we need additional volunteers to serve 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)** -the Baby Bottle Boomerang fundraiser ends today. Any questions, see Beth Nussdorfer.

**Church Fall Cleanup**, **Saturday**, **October 15** - 9am-12pm. We need as many people as possible to help!

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. Tickets can be purchased online at www.lovethyneighbor.org

**Bridal Shower for Carrie Berkompas** -Saturday October 22nd, 9:30-11:30am in the fellowship hall. All ladies and girls are invited to celebrate with Carrie! Please share your favorite wisdom or advice on marriage in a card. If you'd like to bring a gift, Carrie's wedding registry can be found on <a href="mayergistry.com">myregistry.com</a>. If you can help with refreshments, please sign up in the narthex or contact Heidi VanTil.

**Youth Reformation Day Party**-Monday, October 31st. 5-7pm. More information to come!

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

#### This Week at Redeemer:

Deacon's Meeting-Tuesday, 6pm Women's Study-Tuesday, 6:30 pm Session Meeting- Wednesday, 5:30pm 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:
How did you hear about us:
1 <sup>st</sup> Time Guest:
2 <sup>nd</sup> Time Guest:
Regular Attendee:
Member:



# please fill out and place in the Offering Plate

# If you would like to be prayed for

# The Session Pastor Reed Bill Morrison Tom Nussdorfer Tony Paladino Fred Weber **Rob Whims** Fred Janke (Emeritus) David Schafer (Emeritus)

<u>Prayer Requests:</u>	The Deacons	
Share with congregation:	Rick Harkert	
Private:	Darryl Johnson	
	Ron Sabotka	
	Brett C. Schut	
	Dave VanDyk	
	Redeemer Staff	
	Jeff Kozisek, Treasurer	
	Bill Morrison, Assistant to the Pastor	
Send me information about :	Redeemer Presbyterian Church 402 W. Ninth Street	
Becoming a Christian	Traverse City, MI 49684	
Baptism	(231) 946-1700	
Membership	Website: www.redeemertc.org Email: redeemertc@gmail.com	
Serving on a Team		
Small Groups	Worship Service 10:15 am	
Other	A Congregation of the	