

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: Maya & Jenny

The Lord's Service

October 23, 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 92:1-3

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.

† = Stand if able Bold Words = Congregation

† Opening Hymn: "Across the Lands"



† 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

1 John 5:20-21

And we know that the Son of God has come and has given us understanding, so that we may know him who is true; and we are in him who is true, in his Son Jesus Christ. He is the true God and eternal life. Little children, keep yourselves from idols.

Prayer of Confession

"Almighty God,

With heartfelt sorrow we confess and repent of our offenses. Be pleased to have compassion on us, O most gracious God, Father of all mercies, for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. And as you remove our guilt and pollution, grant us the daily increase of the grace of your Holy Spirit and the fruits of holiness and righteousness. Grant all this in Jesus' name we pray,

Amen."

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.

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

1 John 2:12

I am writing to you, little children, because your sins are forgiven for his name's sake.

† Hymn of Assurance: #307 "Nothing but the Blood"



Prayers of Intercession and The Lord's Prayer

Scripture Reading: Deuteronomy 17:2-7

"If there is found among you, within any of your towns that the LORD your God is giving you, a man or woman who does what is evil in the sight of the LORD your God, in transgressing his covenant, and has gone and served other gods and worshiped them, or the sun or the moon or any of the host of heaven, which I have forbidden, and it is told you and you hear of it, then you shall inquire diligently, and if it is true and certain that such an abomination has been done in Israel, then you shall bring out to your gates that man or woman who has done this evil thing, and you shall stone that man or woman to death with stones. On the evidence of two witnesses or of three witnesses the one who is to die shall be put to death; a person shall not be put to death on the evidence of one witness. The hand of the witnesses shall be first against him to put him to death, and afterward the hand of all the people. So you shall purge the evil from your midst.

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 5:30-47

³⁰ "I can do nothing on my own. As I hear, I judge, and my judgment is just, because I seek not my own will but the will of him who sent me. 31 If I alone bear witness about myself, my testimony is not true. ³² There is another who bears witness about me, and I know that the testimony that he bears about me is true. 33 You sent to John, and he has borne witness to the truth, ³⁴ Not that the testimony that I receive is from man, but I say these things so that you may be saved. 35 He was a burning and shining lamp, and you were willing to rejoice for a while in his light. ³⁶ But the testimony that I have is greater than that of John. For the works that the Father has given me to accomplish, the very works that I am doing, bear witness about me that the Father has sent me. ³⁷ And the Father who sent me has himself borne witness about me. His voice you have never heard, his form you have never seen, 38 and you do not have his word abiding in you, for you do not believe the one whom he has sent. ³⁹ You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that bear witness about me, ⁴⁰ yet you refuse to come to me that you may have life. 41 I do not receive glory from people. ⁴² But I know that you do not have the love of God within you. ⁴³ I have come in my Father's name, and you do not receive me. If another comes in his own name, you will receive him. 44 How can you believe, when you receive glory from one another and do not seek the glory that comes from the only God? ⁴⁵ Do not think that I will accuse you to the Father. There is one who accuses you: Moses, on whom you have set your hope. ⁴⁶ For if you believed Moses, you would believe me; for he wrote of me. ⁴⁷ But if you do not believe his writings, how will you believe my words?"

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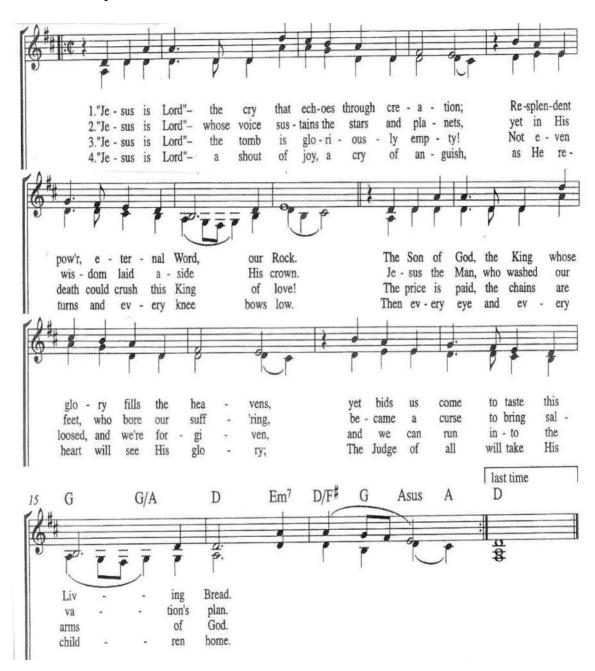
Sermon Title: "The Trial Pt. 2" Pastor Austin Reed

Sermon Outline

1.) The Witnesses

2.) The Verdict

† Sermon Hymn: "Jesus is Lord"



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 #Jesus Shall Reign"



- † 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) Praise for successful surgery this week and pray for positive pathological reports in the next two weeks.
- **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. Pray that his low white blood cell count would improve.
- **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.

Churches in the Presbytery

Christ Church, Grand Rapids MI – Lead Pastor Andrew VanderMaas; Assoc. Pastor Addison Hawkins: Praise God for Pastor Andrew & Lisa VanderMaas' return from their time of sabbatical. Pray for the planning and volunteers needed for the startup of fall children's, youth, college-age and adult discipleship ministries. Pray for discernment and God's leading of elder and deacon candidates in training. Pray for direction from God as to the candidates He has intended for Director of Youth Ministries and Pastor of Discipleship & Outreach. Pray for the staff and the development of Campus Outreach as they minister to college students in W. Michigan.

Good Shepherd, Kalamazoo MI–Pastor Neil Quinn – We rejoice and praise the Lord that more college students are attending our Sunday services, and that we have seen a handful come to faith in recent months. Please pray for the Campus Outreach staff as they proclaim the gospel on the campus of Western Michigan University, and please pray for us as a church that we would love these students well by standing firmly upon the truth of the gospel and welcoming them into Christian fellowship.

Heart City, Elkhart IN – Pastor Joel Irvin – Praise God that: 1) our sanctuary is looking great thanks to volunteers & youth who helped paint, 2) God provided us a new member who is a gifted pianist, 3) Pastor Joel's chaplaincy is bringing souls to Christ, 4) Fellowship Evenings. Pray that: God will raise up leaders from our 6 nominees, Visitors will 'Come & See' and Members will 'Go & Be', for our Outreach to city community, Financial provision for future renovations.

Announcements

Benevolance Offering - this Sunday, October 23rd and all receipts will be sent to help relief efforts in Florida from Hurricane Ian.

Monthly Potluck - right after Church today.

Weekly Volunteers Needed - As our Fall Ministry begins, we need additional volunteers to serve in the nursery. Please see the sign up sheets in the Narthex.

Redeemer Ladies and Friends Christmas Brunch (with optional cookie exchange) December 10, 2022- Save the date! We need two more women to help with planning and hosting the event- please contact Christina Apol or Angie VanDyk.

Financials				Over
				(Under)
Year to Date	Aug.31, 2021	Aug. 31 2022	2022 Budget	Budget
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 Paladino Small Group - Wednesday, 6 pm 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

 $\underline{\textbf{Weber}} : \ 1^{st} \& \ 3^{rd} \ Wednesday \ at \ 6pm$

Paladino: 1st, 3rd, & 4th Wednesday at 6pm

Date:
Name:
Email:
Best Contact (Call/Text):
Address:
City:
State/Zip:
How did you hear about us:
1st Time Guest:
2 nd Time Guest:
Regular Attendee:

Member:



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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	
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Baptism	(231) 946-1700	
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Serving on a Team		
Small Groups	Worship Service 10:15 am	
Other	A Congregation of the	