





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: Johanna & Esther

The Lord's Service

October 30, 2022

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Call to Worship

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!

Psalm 47:1

Clap your hands, all peoples!
Shout to God with loud songs of joy!

† = Stand if able Bold Words = Congregation

† Opening Hymn: #115 "All Creatures of Our God and King"



† 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

Isaiah 55:2-3

Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; hear, that your soul may live; and I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David.

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.

Declaration of Forgiveness

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!

Isaiah 54:4-5

Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know, and a nation that did not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, and of the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.

† Hymn of Assurance: #252 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

Prayers of Intercession and The Lord's Prayer

Scripture Reading: John 2:13-17

The Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found those who were selling oxen and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting there. And making a whip of cords, he drove them all out of the temple, with the sheep and oxen. And he poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. And he told those who sold the pigeons, "Take these things away; do not make my Father's house a house of trade." His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me."

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: Psalm 69

Save me, O God! For the waters have come up to my neck. ² I sink in deep mire, where there is no foothold; I have come into deep waters, and the flood sweeps over me. ³ I am weary with my crying out; my throat is parched. My eyes grow dim with waiting for my God. More in number than the hairs of my head are those who hate me without cause; mighty are those who would destroy me, those who attack me with lies. What I did not steal must I now restore? ⁵ O God, you know my folly; the wrongs I have done are not hidden from you.

⁶ Let not those who hope in you be put to shame through me, O Lord God of hosts; let not those who seek you be brought to dishonor through me, O God of Israel. ⁷ For it is for your sake that I have borne reproach, that dishonor has covered my face. ⁸ I have become a stranger to my brothers, an alien to my mother's sons.

⁹ For zeal for your house has consumed me, and the reproaches of those who reproach you have fallen on me. ¹⁰ When I wept and humbled my soul with fasting, it became my reproach. ¹¹ When I made sackcloth my clothing, I became a byword to them. ¹² I am the talk of those who sit in the gate, and the drunkards make songs about me.

- ¹³ But as for me, my prayer is to you, O LORD. At an acceptable time, O God, in the abundance of your steadfast love answer me in your saving faithfulness. ¹⁴ Deliver me from sinking in the mire; let me be delivered from my enemies and from the deep waters. ¹⁵ Let not the flood sweep over me, or the deep swallow me up, or the pit close its mouth over me.
- ¹⁶ Answer me, O LORD, for your steadfast love is good; according to your abundant mercy, turn to me. ¹⁷ Hide not your face from your servant, for I am in distress; make haste to answer me. ¹⁸ Draw near to my soul, redeem me; ransom me because of my enemies!
- ¹⁹ You know my reproach, and my shame and my dishonor; my foes are all known to you. ²⁰ Reproaches have broken my heart, so that I am in despair.

I looked for pity, but there was none, and for comforters, but I found none.

- ²¹ They gave me poison for food, and for my thirst they gave me sour wine to drink.
- ²² Let their own table before them become a snare; and when they are at peace, let it become a trap.

- ²³ Let their eyes be darkened, so that they cannot see, and make their loins tremble continually. ²⁴ Pour out your indignation upon them, and let your burning anger overtake them. ²⁵ May their camp be a desolation; let no one dwell in their tents. ²⁶ For they persecute him whom you have struck down, and they recount the pain of those you have wounded. ²⁷ Add to them punishment upon punishment; may they have no acquittal from you. ²⁸ Let them be blotted out of the book of the living; let them not be enrolled among the righteous.
- ²⁹ But I am afflicted and in pain; let your salvation, O God, set me on high!
- ³⁰ I will praise the name of God with a song; I will magnify him with thanksgiving.
- ³¹ This will please the LORD more than an ox or a bull with horns and hoofs.
- 32 When the humble see it they will be glad; you who seek God, let your hearts revive. 33 For the LORD hears the needy and does not despise his own people who are prisoners.
- ³⁴ Let heaven and earth praise him, the seas and everything that moves in them.
- ³⁵ For God will save Zion and build up the cities of Judah, and people shall dwell there and possess it; ³⁶ the offspring of his servants shall inherit it, and those who love his name shall dwell in it.

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Sermon Title: "When God Feels Far Away" Pastor Austin Reed

Sermon Outline

- 1.) The Prayer of David
- 2.) The Prayer of Christ

† Sermon Hymn: "I Will Wait for You"



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 #I Will Glory in My Redeemer"



† 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.
- **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

Providence Presbyterian Church, Ft. Wayne IN – Pastor Tony (Mica) Garbarino—Praise for Providence's continued growth; for her unity and love; Pray that the Lord would pour out His Spirit on the congregation and the Fort Wayne area for His glory, and that Jesus would be magnified in all that we do!

Christ the King Church, Hastings MI - Pastor Peter (Karen) Adams - We continue ministry at our local jail. May God give these prisoners a new start in life. We are also needing some work to upgrade our website if any of the churches have a person. We are thankful to be Presbyterians and working together with other churches for our Lord Jesus.

RUF – Robert (Katherine) Knuth- Please pray that the Lord would convert our non-Christian students, and further equip our Christian students to love the Church and her mission now and for the rest of their lives.

Announcements

Ladies Pop-up Events - From a walk or cup of coffee to a day trip, we love getting together! If you'd like to receive a text message when an event is happening, contact Corky Crimmins.

Love Thy Neighbor is once again gearing up for Christmas with our Adopt a Family Program as we are looking for Sponsors to adopt families for Christmas! Please see Deacon Dave VanDyk for details.

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	Sept. 30, 2021	Sept. 30 2022	2022 Budget	<u>Budget</u>
Total Giving + Rentals:	\$242,858	\$263,733	\$209,475	\$54,258
Total Expenses	\$192,424	\$237,296		

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 **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	
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	