

November 20, 2022

The F 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 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: Connie and Maya

The Lord's Service

November 20, 2022

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Call to Worship

Isaiah 55:1-3

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!

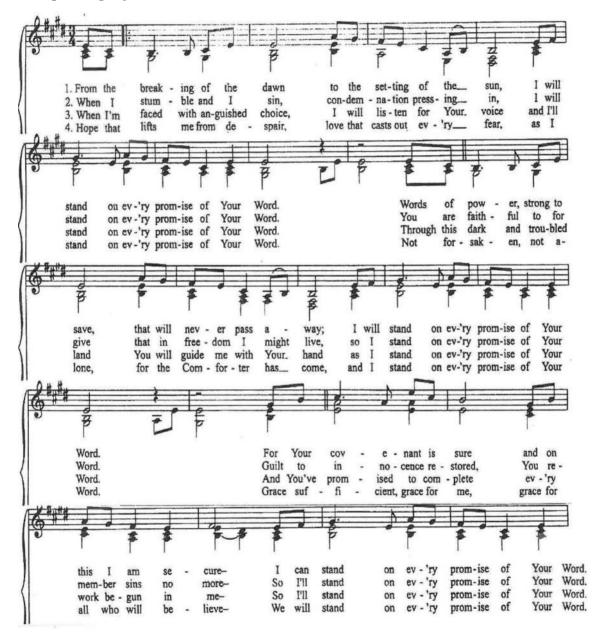
The Call to

"Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters;
and he who has no money, come, buy and eat!
Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.
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.

† = Stand if able

Bold Words = Congregation

+ Opening Hymn: "Every Promise 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

Jonah 2:8

Those who pay regard to vain idols forsake their hope of steadfast love.

Prayer of Confession

"Almighty and most merciful Father,

We have erred and stayed from your ways like lost sheep, we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, we have offended against your holy laws, we have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and done those things which we ought not to have done. Have mercy upon us and restore those who repent, according to your promises declared in Jesus Christ. Grant that for His sake we may live a godly and righteous life, to the glory of your name. Amen."

Declaration of Forgiveness

Exodus 6:6-8

Say therefore to the people of Israel, 'I am the LORD, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will deliver you from slavery to them, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with great acts of judgment. I will take you to be my people, and I will be your God, and you shall know that I am the LORD your God, who has brought you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians. I will bring you into the land that I swore to give to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. I will give it to you for a possession. I am the LORD.'"

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 aatherina 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! ⁺ Hymn of Assurance: "In Christ Alone" 1. In Christ a - lone is found, He is my hope mv 2 In Christ a - lone who took on flesh, full - ness of 3. There in the ground His bo dy lay, Light of the life, this is the 4 No guilt in no fear in death. 4 my strength, this Cor this sol - id light. song; ner - stone, my This gift God in help less babe! of love and right - eous slain: then glor - ious world by dark > ness burst - ing forth in Christ from life's first to fi - nal power of in me; CIY fier - cest drought What heights of firm through the and storm. Ground, by the ones He came to save: 'til on that scorned ness, from the grave He rose a - gain! And as He day. up breath. Je sus com - mands my des ti - ny. No power of what depths of when fears stilled. when striv - ings love, peace. are Cross as Je - sus died. the wrath of God was sa - tis sin's curse has lost stands in vic - tor its grip on Y take His hell, from no scheme of man, can ev er me All All, the cease! My Com - for - ter, my in here in Him fied. laid: here in the for ev егу sin on was me, He is mine, bought with the for Ι am His and hand; calls here the 'til He re - turns OT me home, in 3 love of Christ Ι stand. death of Christ Ι live. prec ious blood of Christ. power of Christ I'11 stand!

Prayers of Intercession and The Lord's Prayer

Scripture Reading: Psalm 77

I cry aloud to God, aloud to God, and he will hear me. In the day of my trouble I seek the Lord; in the night my hand is stretched out without wearying; my soul refuses to be comforted. When I remember God, I moan; when I meditate, my spirit faints. *Selah*

You hold my eyelids open; I am so troubled that I cannot speak. I consider the days of old, the years long ago. I said, "Let me remember my song in the night; let me meditate in my heart." Then my spirit made a diligent search: "Will the Lord spurn forever, and never again be favorable? Has his steadfast love forever ceased? Are his promises at an end for all time? Has God forgotten to be gracious? Has he in anger shut up his compassion?" *Selah*

Then I said, "I will appeal to this, to the years of the right hand of the Most High."

I will remember the deeds of the LORD; yes, I will remember your wonders of old. I will ponder all your work, and meditate on your mighty deeds. Your way, O God, is holy. What god is great like our God? You are the God who works wonders; you have made known your might among the peoples. You with your arm redeemed your people, the children of Jacob and Joseph. *Selah*

When the waters saw you, O God, when the waters saw you, they were afraid; indeed, the deep trembled. The clouds poured out water; the skies gave forth thunder; your arrows flashed on every side. The crash of your thunder was in the whirlwind; your lightnings lighted up the world; the earth trembled and shook. Your way was through the sea, your path through the great waters; yet your footprints were unseen. You led your people like a flock by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

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 6:1-21

After this Jesus went away to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, which is the Sea of Tiberias.² And a large crowd was following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing on the sick. ³ Jesus went up on the mountain, and there he sat down with his disciples. ⁴Now the Passover, the feast of the Jews, was at hand. ⁵Lifting up his eyes, then, and seeing that a large crowd was coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread, so that these people may eat?" ⁶He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he would do. ⁷ Philip answered him, "Two hundred denarii worth of bread would not be enough for each of them to get a little." 8 One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, ⁹ "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish, but what are they for so many?" ¹⁰ Jesus said, "Have the people sit down." Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, about five thousand in number. ¹¹ Jesus then took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated. So also the fish, as much as they wanted, ¹² And when they had eaten their fill, he told his disciples. "Gather up the leftover fragments, that nothing may be lost." ¹³ So they gathered them up and filled twelve baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves left by those who had eaten. ¹⁴ When the people saw the sign that he had done, they said, "This is indeed the Prophet who is to come into the world!"

¹⁵ Perceiving then that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, Jesus withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

¹⁶ When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, ¹⁷ got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. ¹⁸ The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. ¹⁹ When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were frightened. ²⁰ But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." ²¹ Then they were glad to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat was at the land to which they were going.

This is the Word of the Lord! Thanks be to God! Sermon Title: "Take Heart; I AM"

Reverend Austin Reed

Sermon Outline

- 1.) Bread
- 2.) Water

Sermon Notes:

† Sermon Hymn: #521 "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"

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 Heidelberg Catechism Question and Answer #1

What is your only comfort in life and death?

That I, with body and soul, both in life and death, am not my own, but belong unto my faithful Savior Jesus Christ, who with his precious blood has fully satisfied for all my sins, and delivered me from all the power of the devil, and so preserves me that without the will of my heavenly Father not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that everything must fit his purpose for my salvation, therefore by his Holy Spirit he also assures me of eternal life and makes me heartily willing and ready, always, to live for him.

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 "All I Have is Christ"



† Benediction

† Benediction Response Hymn #735 "Gloria Patri"

Prayer Requests

Redeemer Family:

- Rick and Jody Harkert—Pray for safe travel as they drive to Iowa to attend the funeral of Rick's Aunt. Pray for comfort for the 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) Pray for peace, strength, wisdom, and God's provision as alternative treatments are being sought.
- **Drew** (8 yr old grandson of Randy and Gail Lawton) is in the hospital with complications from leukemia. He is improving but please continue to pray for effective treatment, wisdom for the doctors and those over seeing his care, and strength 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.
- 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:

New City Presbyterian, Ferndale MI—Praise God for His faithfulness in providing Sunday School teachers and faithful preachers. Pray for the work of the pastoral search committee as we seek our next pastor.

Knox Presbyterian Church, Harrison Twp MI– Pray that God will be glorified and His word heard.

Dan Millward and the Detroit Project– Please pray for the Church plants and Church Planters in Sterling Heights, Ann Arbor, West Dearborn, and Novi. Please pray for Dan Millward as he seeks to raise the necessary funds to continue his leadership role in the Detroit Project.

Announcements

Sunday School—there will be no Sunday School on Sunday, November 27th.

The Advent Choir—will be practicing right after the service on November 20 and 27th, **Youth Christmas Party**—there will be a youth Christmas party on Saturday, December 3rd from 9:30 am—12:00 pm. Preschool to High School are welcome. Please RSVP to Johanna Lashbrook for planning purposes.

Christmas Caroling—we will be caroling at Traverse Manor at 1 pm on December 11th. The church will provide snacks after the service. Please RSVP to Connie as soon as possible.

Single Momm Events—there will be a Single Momm event coming up soon. On December 10th, they are sponsoring a Christmas event. If you are interested in serving, please go to www.singlemomm.org and complete a volunteer application. Please see Deacon Brett Schut with questions.

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.

Ladies (of all ages) and Friends are invited to attend the Angels All

Around Christmas Brunch and optional Cookie Exchange December 10, 2022, 9:30 a.m. in the Church fellowship hall! Enjoy a gift exchange game, photo booth, devotion, food and fellowship. A Sign up sheet to RSVP, contribute breakfast items, and participate in the cookie exchange are in the narthex or contact Jody Harkert.

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Financials

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Year to Date	<u>Oct. 31, 2021</u>	<u>Oct. 31 2022</u>	<u>2022 Budget</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Total Giving + Rentals:	\$267,900	\$300,005	\$232,750	\$67,255
Total Expenses	\$209,135	\$291,095		

This Week at Redeemer:

Women's Study-Tuesday, 6:30 pm Paladino Small Group - Wednesday, 6 pm

Community Groups and meeting information:

vonDrehle: 1st and 3rd Sunday after Church **Paladino**: 1st, 3rd, & 4th Wednesday at 6pm

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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!

Date:
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Best Contact (Call/Text):
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How did you hear about us:
1 st 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: _____ Pastor Reed Bill Morrison Tom Nussdorfer Tony Paladino Fred Weber Rob Whims

Fred Janke (Emeritus) David Schafer (Emeritus)

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- ____ Becoming a Christian
- ____ Baptism
- ____ Membership
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- ____ Small Groups
- ____ Other