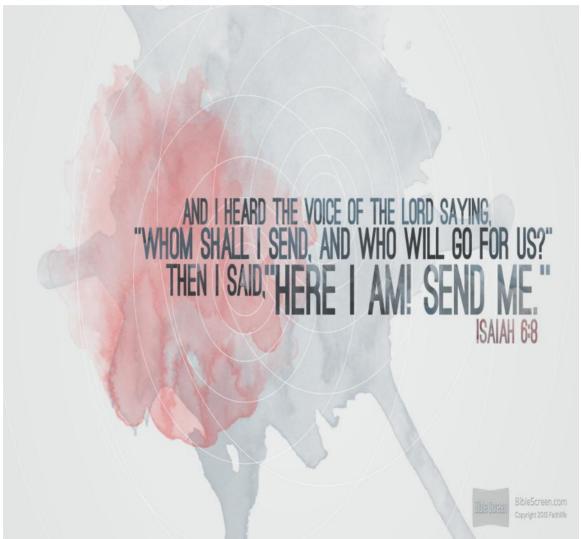


January 15, 2023



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: Christina & Heidi

The Lord's Service

January 15, 2023

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

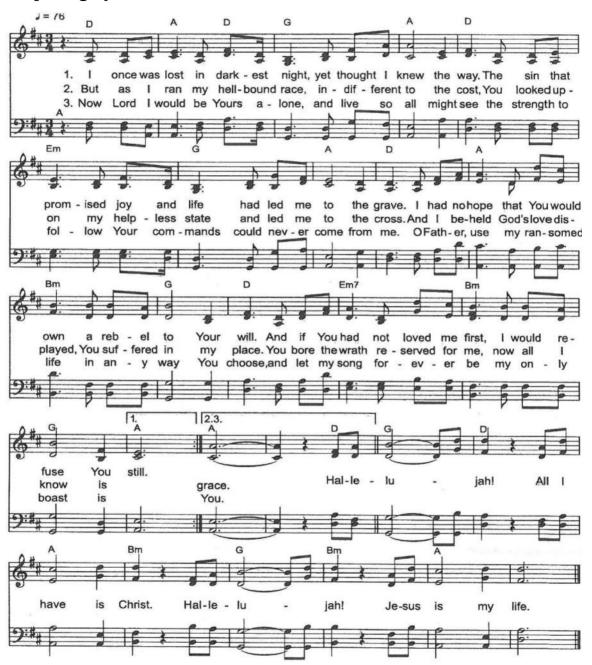
Psalm 63:1-4

O God, you are my God; earnestly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water. So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and glory. Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you.

So I will bless you as long as I live; in your name I will lift up my hands.

Stand if able **Bold Words** = Congregation

† Opening Hymn: "All I have is Christ"



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.

† 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

Psalm 32:5

I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity: I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD, " and you forgave the iniquity of my sin. Selah

Prayer of Confession

"Gracious and Eternal God,

We confess that we have not loved you with all our heart, or with all our soul, or with all our mind, or with all our strength, or our neighbors as ourselves. We have loved what we ought not to have loved; we have coveted what is not ours; we have not been content with your provision for us. Cleanse and forgive us through Jesus Christ, who is able for all time to save us who approach you through Him.

Amen."

Declaration of Forgiveness

Romans 4:1-8

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!

What then shall we say was gained by Abraham, our forefather according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the Scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness." Now to the one who works, his wages are not counted as a gift but as his due. And to the one who does not work but believes in him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is counted as righteousness, just as David also speaks of the blessing of the one to whom God counts righteousness apart from works:

"Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven, and whose sins are covered:

blessed is the man against whom the Lord will not count his sin."

† Hymn of Assurance: "In Christ Alone"



Prayers of Intercession and The Lord's Prayer

Scripture Reading: Matthew 28:16-20

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

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: Isaiah 6:8-13

And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here I am! Send me." ⁹ And he said, "Go, and say to this people:

"Keep on hearing, but do not understand; keep on seeing, but do not perceive." ¹⁰ Make the heart of this people dull, and their ears heavy, and blind their eyes; lest they see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their hearts, and turn and be healed." ¹¹ Then I said, "How long, O Lord?" And he said: "Until cities lie waste without inhabitant, and houses without people, and the land is a desolate waste, ¹² and the LORD removes people far away, and the forsaken places are many in the midst of the land. ¹³ And though a tenth remain in it, it will be burned again, like a terebinth or an oak, whose stump remains when it is felled." The holy seed is its stump.

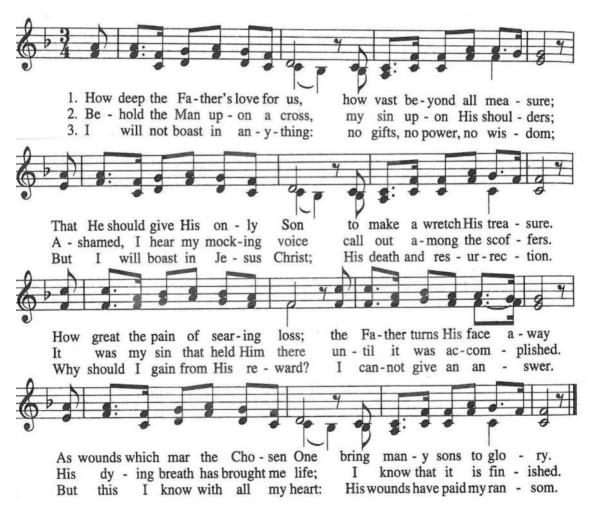
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Sermon Outline

- 1.) Request
- 2.) Removal
- 3.) Remnant

Sermon Hymn "How Deep the Father's Love"



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

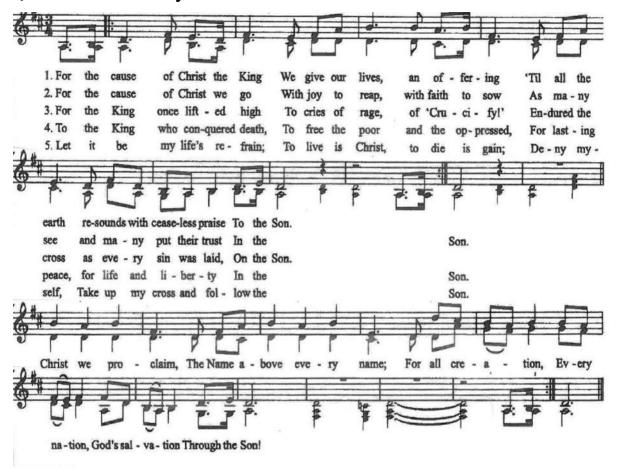
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts. Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts. The whole earth is full of his glory, the whole earth is full of his glory, the whole earth is full of his glory, Holy is the Lord.

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 "For the Cause"



† Benediction

† Benediction Response Hymn #735 "Gloria Patri"

Prayer Requests

Redeemer Family:

- Drew (8 yr old grandson of Randy and Gail Lawton) Thank you for your continued prayers for Drew. As of yesterday, his "Interim Maintenance" phase officially came to a close. Today (Wednesday), he starts another block of treatment that is significantly more intense and is intended to hit any remaining leukemia cells pretty hard. It is intimidating to think an increase in the intensity of his treatment when the last two months have been so difficult. The chemo drugs he will receive in this block, which lasts 2 months, will hit his immune system hard. Please pray with us:
 - * That the Lord will protect Drew from illness and infection throughout this block of treatment, which can be very dangerous for Drew with a severely suppressed immune system.
 - * For protection for Drew from side effects of the chemo drugs, which is known to be more toxic (especially to the heart) and can be very nauseating.
 - * That Drew would have courage to take all of his numerous oral medications each day.
 - * That the Lord would strengthen Drew physically. He has lost weight and is still not fully recovered from his first round of steroids in August, which begin again today.
 - * That the Lord would eradicate all of the leukemia from his body. Please also pray that the Lord would give his family strength, courage, and faith for each day as they struggle through this very difficult time.
- Julie Reed (Pastor Reed's mother) Praise God that Julie has been approved for the treatment she needs at no cost. Please pray the treatment will be effective.
- 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.
- $\mbox{\bf Bernard\,Hoogland},$ pray for healing. Praise God for advances in medical science.
- **Bobbie Van Ti**l (sister in law of Dirk and Ethan) has recurrent cancer. Please pray for God to give wisdom and comfort to 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.
- Russell Gunn, (Richie Gunn's father) Please pray for healing and wisdom for treatment of his heart issues.

Churches in the Presbytery:

Gracehill, Grand Rapids MI—Please pray for fruitful ministry.

Tyrone Covenant Presbyterian Church, Fenton MI – Praise for a safe and successful Jesus Walk event in which over 1000 people walked through our live nativity and heard the gospel proclaimed. Pray for that message to stick in their hearts and minds. Pray for all of our regular ministries starting up again after the holiday break: women's Bible studies, small groups, youth group, children's ministry. Pray that our new sermon series would reach hearts and transform us to be more like Christ.

Rev. Elliott (Becky) Pinegar— **Praise** God for greater opportunities to serve the local church, especially here in Granger. **Pray** for wisdom in seeking how best to continue to do so. **Praise** God for the upcoming birth of our third child in March 2023, and **pray** for continued health for Becky and the baby.

Announcements

AED Training—A training on the use of our defibrillator will take place immediately following the worship service today. Barb Boersma will be facilitating the class and the class is open to anyone who wishes to be trained in the use of this life saving device.

Congregational Meeting—There will be a congregational meeting on Sunday, January 29th.

Ladies Winter Book Study- For January, all ladies are invited to read Chosen by God by R.C. Sproul! Please order your own copy and if you have an extra, give to a friend. Join us for discussion and fellowship either Thursday evening, January 26 6:30-8pm at the home of Aubrey Smith or Friday morning January 27 10-11:30am at the home of Lisa Engel (with optional lunch following). Please RSVP to the hosts or if you need directions. For our February book, stay tuned!

Youth Movie Night—Saturday, January 21st the Junior High and High School youth will have a German-themed movie night. We will be meeting at the Craig's home and watching "Luther" by Joseph Fiennes. Food will be from 5:30—6:30 and the movie will be from 6:30-8:30. Please see Johanna or Nancy for directions. Please RSVP at 231-944-0027 asap.

Monthly Church Potlucks will resume on Sunday, January 22nd. There will be a church wide hymn sing afterwards for anyone that desires to stay. We will be singing hymns from the Trinity Hymnal.

Quarterly Benevolence Offering—Our quarterly benevolence offering will be taken on Sunday, January 22nd.

Redeemer Family Game Night- For everyone! Save the date Friday February 10th 6:30-8:30pm in the fellowship hall

Church closers needed—We need some volunteers who would be willing to close the building after the service on Sunday. Please see Deacon Rick Harkert for details.

Financials				Over
				(Under)
Year to Date	Dec 31, 2021	Dec. 31 2022	2022 Budget	<u>Budget</u>
Total Giving + Rentals:	\$337,837	\$359,582	\$279,300	\$80,282
Total Expenses	\$251,758	\$379,027		

This Week at Redeemer:

Paladino Small Group—Wednesday, 6:00 pm Men's Study-Thursday, 7:30 am Prayer Meeting-Thursday, 12:00 pm



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!

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Community Groups and meeting information:

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

Music Copy License Number: 2539700

Date:		
Name:		
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Best Contact (Call/Text):		
Address:		
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2 nd Time Guest:		
Regular Attendee:		
Member:		



If you would like to be prayed for please fill out and place in the Offering Plate

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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	
	Redeemer Staff	
	Jeff Kozisek, Treasurer	
	Bill Morrison, Assistant to the Pastor	
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Serving on a Team		
Small Groups Other	Worship Service 10:15 am	
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