

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: Nancy & Jenny

The Lord's Service

January 22, 2023

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude "How Excellent is Your Name, O Lord" by Michael W. Smith/Arr. Mark Hayes

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!

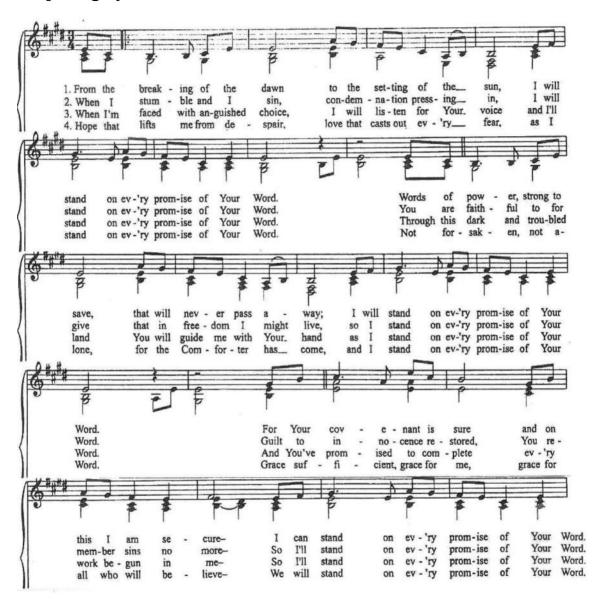
Call to Worship

Isaiah 55:1

"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.

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

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.

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

"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 vou through Him. Amen."

of Forgiveness breaks through the accusations science, the lies of the evil one.

The Declaration

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the amazing

truth of the

aospel to our heart!

Declaration of Forgiveness

Romans 8:26-30

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

† Hymn of Assurance: Hymn #501 "Just as I am, Without One Plea"

Prayers of Intercession and The Lord's Prayer

Scripture Reading: Nehemiah 8:13-18

On the second day the heads of fathers' houses of all the people, with the priests and the Levites, came together to Ezra the scribe in order to study the words of the Law. And they found it written in the Law that the LORD had commanded by Moses that the people of Israel should dwell in booths during the feast of the seventh month, and that they should proclaim it and publish it in all their towns and in Jerusalem, "Go out to the hills and bring branches of olive, wild olive, myrtle, palm, and other leafy trees to make booths, as it is written." So the people went out and brought them and made booths for themselves, each on his roof, and in their courts and in the courts of the house of God, and in the square at the Water Gate and in the square at the Gate of Ephraim. And all the assembly of those who had returned from the captivity made booths and lived in the booths, for from the days of Jeshua the son of Nun to that day the people of Israel had not done so. And there was very great rejoicing. And day by day, from the first day to the last day, he read from the Book of the Law of God. They kept the feast seven days, and on the eighth day there was a solemn assembly, according to the rule.

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 7:37-52*

³⁷ On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and cried out, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. ³⁸ Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, 'Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.'" ³⁹ Now this he said about the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were to receive, for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

⁴⁰ When they heard these words, some of the people said, "This really is the Prophet." ⁴¹ Others said, "This is the Christ." But some said, "Is the Christ to come from Galilee? ⁴² Has not the Scripture said that the Christ comes from the offspring of David, and comes from Bethlehem, the village where David was?" ⁴³ So there was a division among the people over him. ⁴⁴ Some of them wanted to arrest him, but no one laid hands on him.

⁴⁵ The officers then came to the chief priests and Pharisees, who said to them, "Why did you not bring him?" ⁴⁶ The officers answered, "No one ever spoke like this man!" ⁴⁷ The Pharisees answered them, "Have you also been deceived? ⁴⁸ Have any of the authorities or the Pharisees believed in him? ⁴⁹ But this crowd that does not know the law is accursed." ⁵⁰ Nicodemus, who had gone to him before, and who was one of them, said to them, ⁵¹ "Does our law judge a man without first giving him a hearing and learning what he does?" ⁵² They replied, "Are you from Galilee too? Search and see that no prophet arises from Galilee."

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Sermon Title: "Streams of Living Water" Pastor Austin Reed

Sermon Outline

- 1.) Jesus at the Festival
- 2.) The Gift of the Spirit

Sermon Hymn "Holy Spirit"



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 "Mercies Anew"



† 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:

Redeemer Presbyterian, Detroit MI—We are thanking God for all he did in 2022 and are trusting him for similar things this upcoming year. DeMyron Haynes recently completed his ordination trial and is now ordained and serving at Redeemer. With God's help, Jerry Riendeau will complete his trial at the upcoming meeting of the GLP, after which Jerry will then begin the work of planting Grace Presbyterian in West Dearborn. Steve Van Noort now has a consistent gathering of families at Metro North which is a tremendous answer to prayer. Their first official Lord's Day service is scheduled for the end of February. Please pray for all the details that go into starting services. Shiv Muthukumar and family arrived to Novi in November. The plant will officially be through MNA, but Redeemer is playing a big role. Namhui (Shiv's wife) is expecting their 2nd child in late January. Moving, planting and child-birth is a lot in a small time frame. Please pray for the Lord's care in all of it.

Christ Church, Ann Arbor MI – Please pray that the Lord would provide wisdom and resources we need for building out the property we hope to make CCAA's long term home. Pray that we would be faithful in proclaiming the gospel in our new location.

Daniel (Abby) Eguiluz, Missionary with Serge, Lima Peru-

We praise the Lord for keeping our family safe during the violent protests that shook Peru after the impeachment of President Castillo. Please pray that the Lord will teach the new President and all those in power to fear Him so they may govern in "the wisdom that comes from above". For the seminary courses that I started teaching recently: Patristic theology and Ecclesiology. For the new Bible study manuals that I'm writing for Timothy Leadership Training. For my service to Union Church of Lima as interim pastor. UCL has extended a call to a PCA pastor that should be moving to Lima in May. We are very grateful for that.

Announcements

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!

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		

Announcements (cont'd)

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.

This Week at Redeemer:

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

Community Groups and meeting information:

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



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:		
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:		



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

REDEEMER TRAVERSE CITY 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	
	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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