

REDEEMER
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Welcome

Welcome to Redeemer Presbyterian Church! We are glad that you have joined with us to worship God. Please stay after the service and get to know others in our community who are calling Redeemer Presbyterian Church “home.” If you have any questions about our church, feel free to contact us using the information on the back of the bulletin.

When you arrive for worship, please observe silence as you prepare to enter into God’s Divine Service. Silence your cell phone, listen to the prelude, read the Words of Preparation and the Scripture lessons in the back of the bulletin, and join others in prayer and meditation.

Our Worship

Our service is intentionally structured to reflect our belief that worship is God’s service to us, his people. By design, there are three parts to our worship: the Service of Entrance, the Service of the Word, and the Service of the Table.

The **Service of Entrance** begins when the choir sings the Introit, followed by our Hymn of Invocation, Call to Worship, and Prayer of Adoration. We will then join in a Corporate Confession of Sin, hear God’s Declaration of Absolution, and respond with the Gloria and Hymn of Gratitude or Psalm.

The **Service of the Word** will include readings from the Lectionary (a calendar-based system for reading through the Bible) along with corporate responses of song and prayer. The sermon is God’s Word to us and we ask that you listen attentively, asking the Holy Spirit to apply his Word to you in a particular way.

The **Service of the Table** begins with a Corporate Confession of Faith, followed by the Passing of the Peace, and the Collection of Tithes and Offerings. Our service concludes with the Lord’s Supper and Benediction. Our church partakes of the Lord’s Supper every week. We welcome to the table all baptized Christians who are trusting in Christ alone for their salvation, have made public profession of their faith, and are part of a local church. We offer both wine and grape juice (located in the center rings) in the communion tray. If you have any questions, please speak with a pastor.

Your Children

We love kids! And we try to make them feel welcome during our worship service. You can help your children profit from the service by working through the bulletin with them. If your child needs a break from the service, please feel free to sit in the Narthex where you can still hear the service. You can also take young children to the Nursery. A private space is provided in the Nursery for nursing mothers.

Between Services

Please join us in the courtyard for a time of fellowship with coffee and breakfast snacks. At 10:15 a.m., we offer School of Discipleship classes for all ages in Calvin Hall, with nursery through Kindergarten downstairs, and first grade through adults meeting on the second floor.

Liturgical Color: Green – symbolizes our growth in Christ.

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THE DIVINE SERVICE

November 17, 2024

The Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost Day

In Preparation



Please observe silence as you read, pray, and meditate.

PRELUDE

Leon Couch

Chorale Preludes on *Jesus, meine Zuversicht*

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750), BWV 728

Michael Gotthard Fischer (1773-1829)

Max Reger (1873-1916), Op. 67/20

*Jesus lives, and so shall I. Death! thy sting is gone forever!
He who deigned for me to die, lives, the bands of death to sever.
He shall raise me from the dust: Jesus is my hope and trust.*

Praeludium II in G Major (Andante con moto), Op. 37/2a — Felix Mendelssohn (1809-47)

WORDS OF PREPARATION

Daniel 12:1-10

“At that time shall arise Michael, the great prince who has charge of your people. And there shall be a time of trouble, such as never has been since there was a nation till that time. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone whose name shall be found written in the book. And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. And those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky above; and those who turn many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever. But you, Daniel, shut up the words and seal the book, until the time of the end. Many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall increase.”

Then I, Daniel, looked, and behold, two others stood, one on this bank of the stream and one on that bank of the stream. And someone said to the man clothed in linen, who was above the waters of the stream, “How long shall it be till the end of these wonders?” And I heard the man clothed in linen, who was above the waters of the stream; he raised his right hand and his left hand toward heaven and swore by him who lives forever that it would be for a time, times, and half a time, and that when the shattering of the power of the holy people comes to an end all these things would be finished. I heard, but I did not understand. Then I said, “O my lord, what shall be the outcome of these things?” He said, “Go your way, Daniel, for the words are shut up and sealed until the time of the end. Many shall purify themselves and make themselves white and be refined, but the wicked shall act wickedly. And none of the wicked shall understand, but those who are wise shall understand.”

COLLECT OF THE DAY

O Lord, by your bountiful goodness release us from the bonds of our sins, which by reason of our weakness we have brought upon ourselves, that we may stand firm until the day of our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The Service of Entrance



CHORAL INTROIT

Holy, Holy, Holy — Daniel Bird

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

❖ HYMN OF ENTRANCE

Reginald Heber, 1783-1826 NICAEA John B. Dykes, 1861



1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
2. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,
3. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,
4. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.
cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
though the eye of sin - ful man thy glo - ry may not see,
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!
cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!

God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
which wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
per - fect in pow'r, in love and pur - i - ty.
God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

Minister: Praise ye the LORD!

People: Sing to the LORD a new song

Minister: And his praise in the great congregation.

People: Let the children of Zion rejoice in their King!

Minister: In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Minister: Let us pray.

PRAYER OF ADORATION

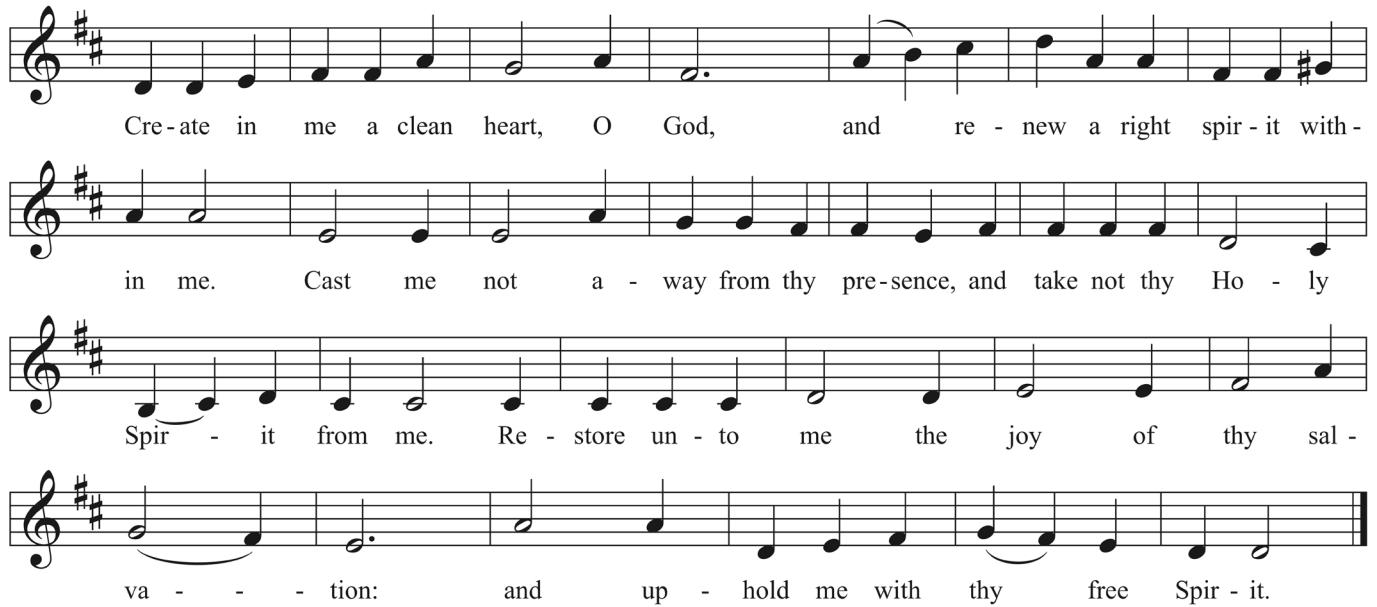
... world without end. Amen.

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Psalm 51:10-12

FREYLINGHAUSEN

Johann A. Freylinghausen



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right spir - it with -
in me. Cast me not a - way from thy pre - sence, and take not thy Ho - ly
Spir - it from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of thy sal -
va - - - tion: and up - hold me with thy free Spir - it.

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Minister: Hear what the LORD our God says, “The LORD our God, the LORD is one. You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. These words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise.”

Minister: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

People: Almighty and most merciful Father; we have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare thou those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore thou those who are penitent; according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake; that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

DECLARATION OF ABSOLUTION

Minister: Hear the Word of the Gospel: “Christ has died for our sins and been raised for our justification.” All you who repent of your sin and trust in the Lord Jesus Christ for your salvation, rejoice and be glad and give glory to the Lord who has taken away all of your sins in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

❖ Minister: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: the Maker of heaven and earth.

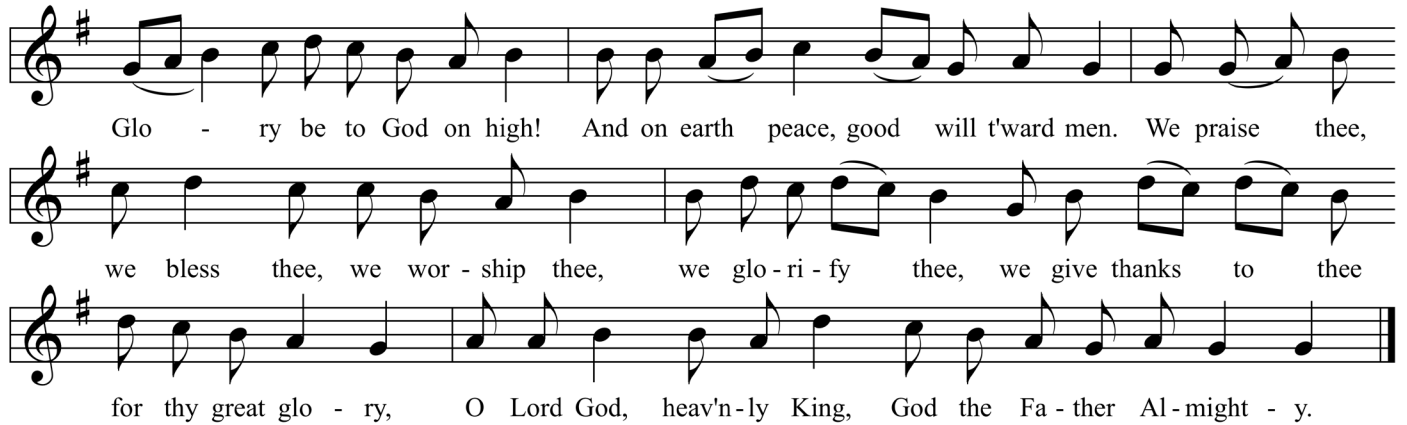
Minister: O Lord, open our lips,

People: and our mouth will declare your praise.

❖ THE GLORIA AND HYMN OF GRATITUDE

Gloria in excelsis

Nikolaus Decius



Glo - ry be to God on high! And on earth peace, good will t'ward men. We praise thee,
we bless thee, we wor - ship thee, we glo - ri - fy thee, we give thanks to thee
for thy great glo - ry, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - migh - t - y.

Timothy Dudley-Smith, 1973

GOD OF GODS

Christian Strover, 1973



1. God of gods, we sound his prais - es, high - est heav'n its hom - age brings;
2. Chris-tians in their hearts en-throne him, tell his prais - es wide a - broad;
3. Hail the Christ, the King of glo - ry, he whose praise the an - gels cry,
4. Lord, we look for your re - turn - ing, teach us so to walk your ways,
earth and all cre - a - tion rais - es glo - ry to the King of kings.
proph - ets, priests, a - pos - tles own him, mar - tyr's crown and saints' re - ward.
born to share our hu - man sto - ry, love and la - bor, grieve and die.
hearts and minds your will dis - cern - ing, lives a - light with joy and praise.
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, name him, Lord of all his hosts pro - claim him,
Three in one his glo - ry shar - ing, earth and heav'n his praise de - clar - ing,
By his cross his work com - plet - ed, sin - ners ran - somed, death de - feat - ed,
In your love and care en - fold us, by your con - stan - cy up - hold us,
to the ev - er - last - ing Fa - ther ev - 'ry tongue in tri - umph sings.
praise the high ma - jes - tic Fa - ther, praise the ev - er - last - ing Lord.
in the glo - ry of the Fa - ther, Christ as - cend - ed reigns on high.
may your mer - cy, Lord and Fa - ther, keep us now and all our days.

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Morning Trumpet – arr. Shaw/Parker

O, when shall I see Jesus, and reign with him above,
And shall hear the trumpet sound in that morning.

And from the flowing fountain drink everlasting love,
And shall hear the trumpet sound in that morning.

Shout O glory, for I shall mount above the skies,
When I hear the trumpet sound in that morning.

When shall I be delivered from this vain world of sin,
And shall hear the trumpet sound in that morning.

And with my blessed Jesus drink endless pleasures in,
And shall hear the trumpet sound in that morning.

Through grace I am determined to conquer though I die,
And shall hear the trumpet sound in that morning.

And then away to Jesus on wings of love I'll fly,
And shall hear the trumpet sound in that morning.

Shout O glory, for I shall mount above the skies!
When I hear the trumpet sound in that morning!

(John Leland)

The Service of the Word



THE EPISTLE LESSON

Hebrews 10:11-25

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

THE PSALTER

Psalm 16



Choir: *Preserve me, | O God,
for in you I take | refuge.*

All: I say to the Lord, “You | are my Lord;
I have no good a- | part from you.”

As for the saints | in the land,
they are the excellent ones, in whom is all | my delight.

The sorrows of those who run after another god shall | multiply;
their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out
or take their names | on my lips.

The Lord is my chosen portion | and my cup;
you | hold my lot.

The lines have fallen for me in pleasant | places;
indeed, I have a beautiful in- | heritance.

I bless the Lord who gives me | counsel;
in the night also my heart in- | structs me.

I have set the Lord always be- | fore me;
because he is at my right hand, I shall not be | shaken.

Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being re- | joices;
my flesh also | dwells secure.

For you will not abandon my soul to | Sheol,
or let your holy one see cor- | ruption.

You make known to me the | path of life;
in your presence there is fullness of joy;
at your right hand are pleasures for- | evermore.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son
and to the Holy | Spirit;
As it was in the be- | ginning,
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 13:1-3

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise be to you, O Christ!

❖ OUR RESPONSE

The Book of Psalms for Singing, 1973

CORNERSTONE

Leonard R. Payton, 1998



1. That stone is made head cor - ner - stone which the build - ers did de - spise.
2. O bless - ed be the one who comes, comes ___ in Je - ho - vah's name;
3. Thou art my God; I'll give thee thanks. My ___ God, I'll wor - ship thee.



This is the do - ing of the Lord, and
the bless - ing from Je - ho - vah's house up -
O thank the Lord, for he is good; his



won - drous in our eyes, and won - drous in our eyes.
on you we pro - claim, up - on you we pro - claim.
grace will end - less be, his grace will end - less be.



This is the day the Lord has made; let us be glad and sing.
The Lord is God, and he to us has made the light a - rise;



Ho - san - na, Lord, O give suc - cess! O Lord, sal - va - tion bring!
O bind ye to the al - tar's horns with cords the sac - ri - fice.

WELCOME

At this time, please sign and pass the attendance pads down the row.

INTERLUDE

PRAYER OF SUPPLICATION AND THANKSGIVING

Ruling Elder Joshua Torrey

Unison: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil: for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

❖ THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

1 Samuel 17

Minister: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

❖ PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

MORNING SERMON

Rev. Eric Landry

The Most Misunderstood Story in the Bible

1 Samuel 17

The Service of the Table



❖ CORPORATE CONFESSION OF FAITH

The Nicene Creed

Unison: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made: Who for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge the quick and the dead: Whose kingdom shall have no end.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spake by the prophets. And I believe one holy catholic and apostolic church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

❖ PASSING OF THE PEACE

Minister: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you!**

Minister: Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Members of the congregation greet one another with a sign of friendship such as the ancient words that the church has used over the centuries, "The peace of Christ be with you," and the response, "And also with you."

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Minister: The earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof;

People: **the world, and they that dwell therein.**

HYMN OF GRATITUDE TO GOD

Christopher Wordsworth, 1862

RUSTINGTON

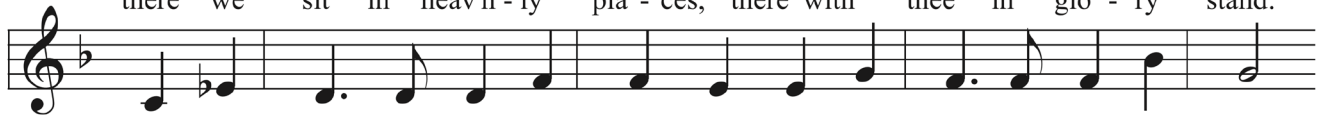
C. Hubert H. Parry, 1897



1. See, the Con-queror mounts in tri-umph; see the King in roy - al state,
2. *Who is this that comes in glo - ry, with the trump of ju - bi - lee?*
3. While he lifts his hands in bless-ing, he is part - ed from his friends,
4. *Now our heav'n - ly Aar - on en - ters, with his blood, with - in the veil;*
5. Thou hast raised our hu - man na - ture in the clouds to God's right hand;



rid - ing on the clouds, his char - iot, to his heav'n - ly pal - ace gate.
Lord of bat - tles, God of ar - mies, he has gained the vic - to - ry;
while their ea - ger eyes be - hold him, he up - on the clouds as - cends.
Josh - ua now is come to Ca - naan, and the kings be - fore him quail;
there we sit in heav'n - ly pla - ces, there with thee in glo - ry stand:



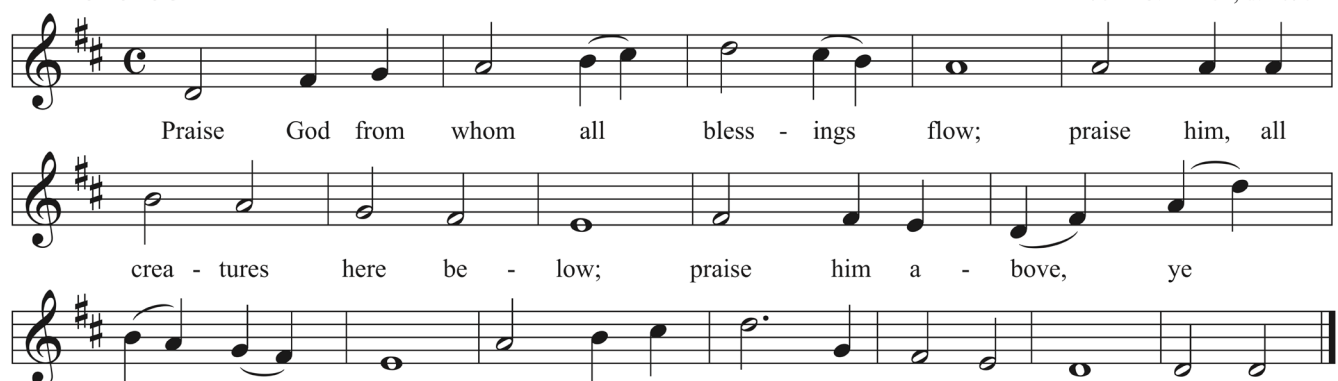
Hark! the choirs of an - gel voic - es joy - ful al - le - lu - ias sing,
he who on the cross did suf - fer, he who from the grave a - rose,
He who walked with God, and pleased him, preach-ing truth and doom to come,
now he plants the tribes of Is - rael in their prom-ised rest - ing place;
Je - sus reigns, a - dored by an - gels, Man with God is on the throne;



and the por - tals high are lift - ed to re - ceive their heav'n - ly King.
he has van - quished sin and Sa - tan, he by death has spoiled his foes.
he, our E - noch, is trans - lat - ed to his ev - er - last - ing home.
now our great E - li - jah of - fers dou - ble por - tion of his grace.
might - y Lord, in your as - cen - sion we by faith be - hold our own.

- ❖ Minister: Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendor, and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.

DOXOLOGY DUKE STREET John C. Hatton, d. 1793



Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all
crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye
heav'n - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

❖ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Minister: Blessed be your name, O Most High God, forever and ever. You have delivered us from the power of darkness. You have brought us into your kingdom. All that we are and all that we have belongs to you. Prosper these gifts and bless the service we render to others through Jesus Christ, our Lord, in whose name we pray.

People: Amen.

❖ THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Minister: The Lord be with you!

People: **And also with you!**

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

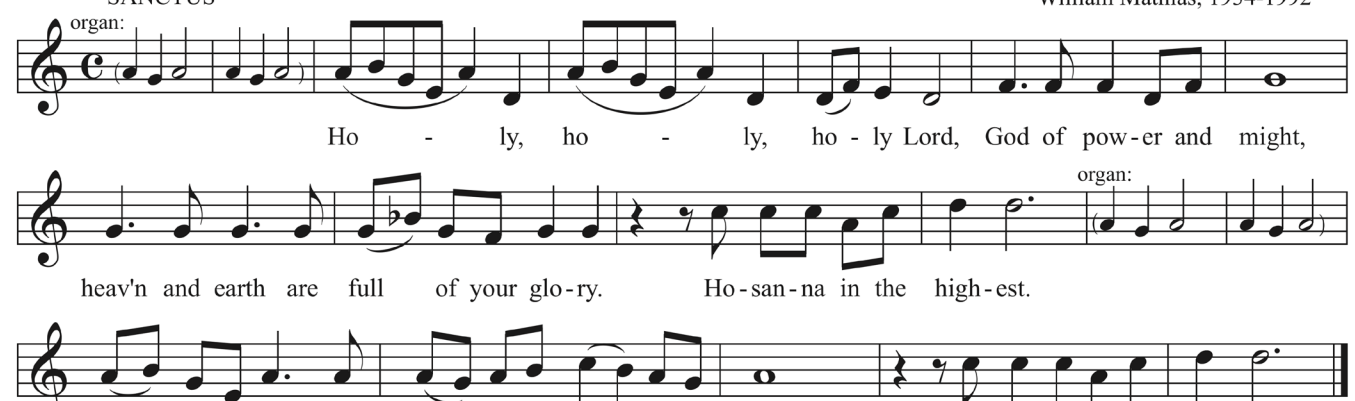
People: **We lift them up to the Lord!**

Minister: Let us give thanks to our Lord God!

People: **It is good and right to do so!**

Minister: It is very good and right that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to you, O Holy Lord, Father Almighty, everlasting God, who in the multitude of your saints did surround us with so great a cloud of witnesses that we, rejoicing in their fellowship, may run with patience the race that is set before us and, together with them, may receive the crown of glory that does not fade away. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we praise and magnify your glorious name, evermore praising you and singing:

SANCTUS William Mathias, 1934-1992



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

The Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." (1 Cor. 11:23-24)

Horatius Bonar, 1866

O QUANTA QUALIA

La Feillée's *Méthode du plain-chant*, 1808



1. Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and pow'r,
2. Sound - eth the heav'n of the heav'ns with his name;
3. Ev - er as - cend - eth the song and the joy;
4. Give we the glo - ry and praise to the Lamb;



wis - dom and rich - es and strength ev - er - more
ring - eth the earth with his glo - ry and fame;
ev - er de - scend - eth the love from on high;
take we the robe and the harp and the palm;



give ye to him who our bat - tle hath won,
o - cean and moun - tain, stream, for - est, and flow'r
bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and praise—
sing we the song of the Lamb that was slain,



whose are the king - dom, the crown, and the throne.
ech - o his prais - es and tell of his pow'r.
this is the theme of the hymns that we raise.
dy - ing in weak - ness, but ris - ing to reign.

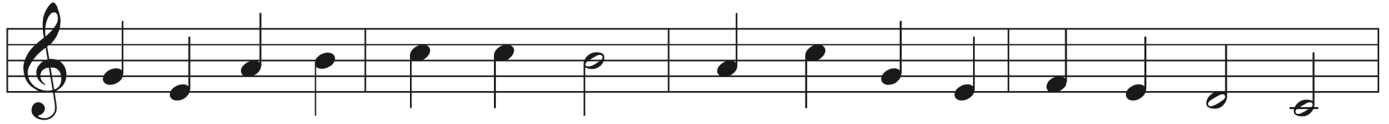
THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." (1 Cor. 11:25)

Christian F. Gellert, 1757

JESUS, MEINE ZUVERSICHT

Johann Crüger, 1653



1. Je-sus lives, and so shall I. Death! thy sting is gone for - ev - er!
2. Je-sus lives and reigns su - preme; and, his king-dom still re - main - ing.
3. Je-sus lives, and by his grace, vic - t'ry o'er my pas - sions giv - ing,
4. Je-sus lives! I know full well naught from him my heart can sev - er,



He who deigned for me to die, lives, the bands of death to sev - er.
I shall al - so be with him, ev - er liv - ing, ev - er reign - ing.
I will cleanse my heart and ways, ev - er to his glo - ry liv - ing.
life nor death nor pow'rs of hell, joy nor grief, hence - forth for - ev - er.



He shall raise me from the dust: Je - sus is my hope and trust.
God has pro - mised; be it must: Je - sus is my hope and trust.
Me he rais - es from the dust: Je - sus is my hope and trust.
None of all his saints is lost: Je - sus is my hope and trust.

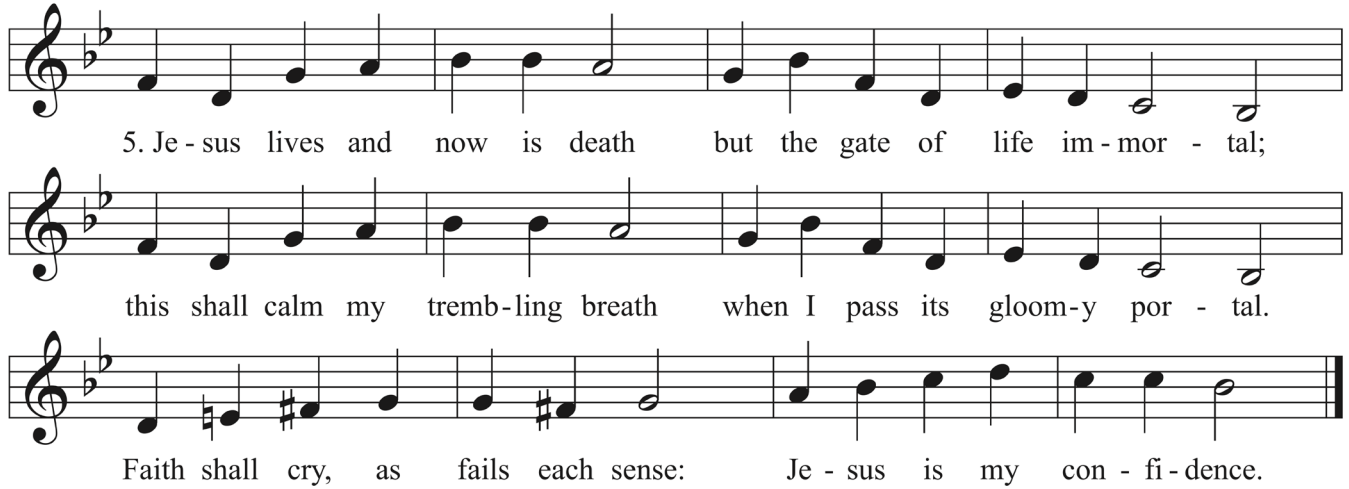
❖ BENEDICTION

❖ DEPARTING HYMN

Christian F. Gellert, 1757

JESUS, MEINE ZUVERSICHT

Johann Crüger, 1653



5. Je - sus lives and now is death but the gate of life im - mor - tal;
this shall calm my tremb - ling breath when I pass its gloom - y por - tal.
Faith shall cry, as fails each sense: Je - sus is my con - fi - dence.

LESSONS

Psalm 16

Preserve me, O God,
for in you have I put my trust.
O my soul, you have said unto the Lord,
“You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you.”
All my delight is upon the saints who are on the earth,
and upon those who excel in virtue.
But those who run after another god
shall have great trouble.
Their drink offerings of blood I will not offer,
neither make mention of their names with my lips.
The Lord himself is the portion of my inheritance and of my cup;
you shall maintain my lot.
The boundaries have fallen for me in pleasant places;
indeed, I have a goodly heritage.
I will thank the Lord for giving me counsel;
my heart also chastens me in the night season.
I have set the Lord always before me;
he is at my right hand; therefore I shall not fall.
Therefore my heart is glad and my soul rejoices.
My flesh also shall rest in hope.
For you shall not leave my soul in the grave,
neither shall you allow your Holy One to see corruption.
You shall show me the path of life; in your presence is the fullness of joy,
and at your right hand there is pleasure for evermore.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
As it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Hebrews 10:11-25

¹¹Every priest stands daily at his service, offering repeatedly the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. ¹²But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God, ¹³waiting from that time until his enemies should be made a footstool for his feet. ¹⁴For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified. ¹⁵And the Holy Spirit also bears witness to us; for after saying, ¹⁶“This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my laws on their hearts, and write them on their minds,” ¹⁷then he adds, “I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.” ¹⁸Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin. ¹⁹Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, ²¹and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²²let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. ²³Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful. ²⁴And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, ²⁵not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

Mark 13:1-13

¹As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what wonderful stones and what wonderful buildings!” ²And Jesus said to him, “Do you see these great buildings? There will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down.” ³And as he sat on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter and James and John and Andrew asked him privately, ⁴“Tell us, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when all these things are about to be accomplished?” ⁵And Jesus began to say to them, “See that no one leads you astray. ⁶Many will come in my name, saying, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray. ⁷And when you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed. This must take place, but the end is not yet. ⁸For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. These are but the beginning of the birth pains. ⁹“But be on your guard. For they will deliver you over to councils, and you will be beaten in synagogues, and you will stand before governors and kings for my sake, to bear witness before them. ¹⁰And the gospel must first be proclaimed to all nations. ¹¹And when they bring you to trial and deliver you over, do not be anxious beforehand what you are to say, but say whatever is given you in that hour, for it is not you who speak, but the Holy Spirit. ¹²And brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death. ¹³And you will be hated by all for my name’s sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved.

Sermon Text — 1 Samuel 17

¹Now the Philistines gathered their armies for battle. And they were gathered at Socoh, which belongs to Judah, and encamped between Socoh and Azekah, in Ephes-dammim. ²And Saul and the men of Israel were gathered, and encamped in the Valley of Elah, and drew up in line of battle against the Philistines. ³And the Philistines stood on the mountain on the one side, and Israel stood on the mountain on the other side, with a valley between them. ⁴And there came out from the camp of the Philistines a champion named Goliath of Gath, whose height was six cubits and a span. ⁵He had a helmet of bronze on his head, and he was armed with a coat of mail, and the weight of the coat was five thousand shekels of bronze. ⁶And he had bronze armor on his legs, and a javelin of bronze slung between his shoulders. ⁷The shaft of his spear was like a weaver’s beam, and his spear’s head weighed six hundred shekels of iron. And his shield-bearer went before him. ⁸He stood and shouted to the ranks of Israel, “Why have you come out to draw up for battle? Am I not a Philistine, and are you not servants of Saul? Choose a man for yourselves, and let him come down to me. ⁹If he is able to fight with me and kill me, then we will be your servants. But if I prevail against him and kill him, then you shall be our servants and serve us.” ¹⁰And the Philistine said, “I defy the ranks of Israel this day. Give me a man, that we may fight together.” ¹¹When Saul and all Israel heard these words of the Philistine, they were dismayed and greatly afraid.

¹²Now David was the son of an Ephrathite of Bethlehem in Judah, named Jesse, who had eight sons. In the days of Saul the man was already old and advanced in years. ¹³The three oldest sons of Jesse had followed Saul to the battle. And the names of his three sons who went to the battle were Eliab the firstborn, and next to him Abinadab, and the third Shammah. ¹⁴David was the youngest. The three eldest followed Saul, ¹⁵but David went back and forth from Saul to feed his father’s sheep at Bethlehem. ¹⁶For forty days the Philistine came forward and took his stand, morning and evening. ¹⁷And Jesse said to David his son, “Take for your brothers an ephah of this parched grain, and these ten loaves, and carry them quickly to the camp to your brothers. ¹⁸Also take these ten cheeses to the commander of their thousand. See if your brothers are well, and bring some token from them.”

¹⁹Now Saul and they and all the men of Israel were in the Valley of Elah, fighting with the Philistines. ²⁰And David rose early in the morning and left the sheep with a keeper and took the provisions and went, as Jesse had commanded him. And he came to the encampment as the host was going out to the battle line, shouting the war cry. ²¹And Israel and the Philistines drew up for battle, army against army. ²²And David left the things in charge of the keeper of the baggage and ran to the ranks and went and greeted his brothers. ²³As he talked with them, behold, the champion, the Philistine of Gath, Goliath by name, came up out of the ranks of the Philistines and spoke the same words as before. And David heard him. ²⁴All the men of Israel, when they saw the man, fled from him and were much afraid. ²⁵And the men of Israel said, “Have you seen this man who has come up? Surely he has come up to defy Israel. And the king will enrich the man who kills him with great riches and will give him his daughter and make his father’s house free in Israel.” ²⁶And David said to the men who stood by him, “What shall be done for the man who kills this Philistine and takes away the reproach from Israel? For who is this uncircumcised Philistine, that he should defy the armies of the living God?” ²⁷And the people answered him in the same way, “So shall it be done to the man who kills him.”

²⁸Now Eliab his eldest brother heard when he spoke to the men. And Eliab’s anger was kindled against David, and he said, “Why have you come down? And with whom have you left those few sheep in the wilderness? I know your presumption

and the evil of your heart, for you have come down to see the battle.”²⁹ And David said, “What have I done now? Was it not but a word?”³⁰ And he turned away from him toward another, and spoke in the same way, and the people answered him again as before.

³¹ When the words that David spoke were heard, they repeated them before Saul, and he sent for him. ³² And David said to Saul, “Let no man’s heart fail because of him. Your servant will go and fight with this Philistine.” ³³ And Saul said to David, “You are not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him, for you are but a youth, and he has been a man of war from his youth.” ³⁴ But David said to Saul, “Your servant used to keep sheep for his father. And when there came a lion, or a bear, and took a lamb from the flock, ³⁵ I went after him and struck him and delivered it out of his mouth. And if he arose against me, I caught him by his beard and struck him and killed him. ³⁶ Your servant has struck down both lions and bears, and this uncircumcised Philistine shall be like one of them, for he has defied the armies of the living God.”

³⁷ And David said, “The Lord who delivered me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear will deliver me from the hand of this Philistine.” And Saul said to David, “Go, and the Lord be with you!”

³⁸ Then Saul clothed David with his armor. He put a helmet of bronze on his head and clothed him with a coat of mail, ³⁹ and David strapped his sword over his armor. And he tried in vain to go, for he had not tested them. Then David said to Saul, “I cannot go with these, for I have not tested them.” So David put them off. ⁴⁰ Then he took his staff in his hand and chose five smooth stones from the brook and put them in his shepherd’s pouch. His sling was in his hand, and he approached the Philistine.

⁴¹ And the Philistine moved forward and came near to David, with his shield-bearer in front of him. ⁴² And when the Philistine looked and saw David, he disdained him, for he was but a youth, ruddy and handsome in appearance. ⁴³ And the Philistine said to David, “Am I a dog, that you come to me with sticks?” And the Philistine cursed David by his gods. ⁴⁴ The Philistine said to David, “Come to me, and I will give your flesh to the birds of the air and to the beasts of the field.” ⁴⁵ Then David said to the Philistine, “You come to me with a sword and with a spear and with a javelin, but I come to you in the name of the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. ⁴⁶ This day the Lord will deliver you into my hand, and I will strike you down and cut off your head. And I will give the dead bodies of the host of the Philistines this day to the birds of the air and to the wild beasts of the earth, that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel, ⁴⁷ and that all this assembly may know that the Lord saves not with sword and spear. For the battle is the Lord’s, and he will give you into our hand.”

⁴⁸ When the Philistine arose and came and drew near to meet David, David ran quickly toward the battle line to meet the Philistine. ⁴⁹ And David put his hand in his bag and took out a stone and slung it and struck the Philistine on his forehead. The stone sank into his forehead, and he fell on his face to the ground.

⁵⁰ So David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and with a stone, and struck the Philistine and killed him. There was no sword in the hand of David. ⁵¹ Then David ran and stood over the Philistine and took his sword and drew it out of its sheath and killed him and cut off his head with it. When the Philistines saw that their champion was dead, they fled. ⁵² And the men of Israel and Judah rose with a shout and pursued the Philistines as far as Gath and the gates of Ekron, so that the wounded Philistines fell on the way from Shaaraim as far as Gath and Ekron. ⁵³ And the people of Israel came back from chasing the Philistines, and they plundered their camp. ⁵⁴ And David took the head of the Philistine and brought it to Jerusalem, but he put his armor in his tent.

⁵⁵ As soon as Saul saw David go out against the Philistine, he said to Abner, the commander of the army, “Abner, whose son is this youth?” And Abner said, “As your soul lives, O king, I do not know.” ⁵⁶ And the king said, “Inquire whose son the boy is.” ⁵⁷ And as soon as David returned from the striking down of the Philistine, Abner took him, and brought him before Saul with the head of the Philistine in his hand. ⁵⁸ And Saul said to him, “Whose son are you, young man?” And David answered, “I am the son of your servant Jesse the Bethlehemite.”

Redeemer Calendar



	THE TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST	
Sun, Nov 17	8:45 & 11:15 a.m. 10:15 a.m. 5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	The Divine Service , Rev. Eric Landry preaching School of Discipleship classes , For all ages in Calvin Hall, nursery care Annual Congregational Meeting , Covenant Hall, nursery care Evening at Redeemer , Youth Group, Children’s Choirs, Adult Study, Nursery
Thu, Nov 21	9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Redeemer Theological Academy , Room 206, contact Rev. Dr. Marcus Serven Journey of Motherhood , Library, child care provided
Fri, Nov 22	7:00 p.m.	Men’s Smoke ‘N Choke , Contact Rick Mealer
Sat, Nov 23	8:00 a.m.	Women’s Pray for One Another Breakfast , Contact Rebecca Loomis
SUNDAY OF THE FULFILLMENT		
Sun, Nov 24	8:45 & 11:15 a.m. 10:15 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	The Divine Service , Rev. Eric Landry preaching School of Discipleship classes , For all ages in Calvin Hall, nursery care Evening at Redeemer , Youth Group, Children’s Choirs, Adult Study, Nursery
Wed, Nov 27	—	No Choir Rehearsal
Thu, Nov 28	—	Happy Thanksgiving!
Thu, Dec 5	9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Redeemer Theological Academy , Room 206, contact Rev. Dr. Marcus Serven Journey of Motherhood , Library, child care provided
Dec 6 & 7	7:30 p.m.	AoA Presents: Bach Advent Cantatas , Philharmonie Austin, Redeemer Choir
Tues, Dec 24	4:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Redeemer Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols , Nursery care available Redeemer Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols , Nursery care available

Thanksgiving Concert

Albert Yonimiki is helping to organize a Thanksgiving Concert and worship service on Saturday, November 23rd, from 3:00 to 8:00 pm at Grace and Peace Presbyterian Church (6301 Woodrow Ave., Austin TX 78757).

Pastor Eric will give a short sermon during the service. You are warmly invited to join with our brothers and sisters throughout Austin who have immigrated to the US from Africa for this celebration of God’s grace and provision.

Missions Spotlight: Dorcas Foundation

This month we are featuring and praying for the Seeds of Life Dorcas Foundation. The Dorcas Foundation provides for the basic needs of families who have experienced trauma during the course of ethnic civil war. The foundation oversees three programs: a rehabilitation center for civil war trauma victims, an orphanage and school to care for war orphans, and a vocational program to promote healing through art and to provide skills for people unable to return to their previously held jobs. Learn more at dorcass-burundi.org

Thanksgiving at the Morgans

Need a place to have dinner on Thanksgiving? Come to the Morgans on Thanksgiving day at 4 PM.

RSVP to Jaicee jaicee.k.morgan@gmail.com. Open invite, feel free to bring others!

Watershed Initiative Open House

On Sunday, December 8, between services, we invite you to come and see the new office space across the street and meet the team of counselors there. You can learn more about the Watershed Initiative at watershedinitiative.com

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