

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 Entrance, 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

February 23, 2025

The Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany

In Preparation

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

PRELUDE Patricia Dolan

Holy, Holy, Holy

The Lord's My Shepherd (Psalm 23)

This is My Father's World

WORDS OF PREPARATION

Genesis 45:3-15

And Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph! Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, for they were dismayed at his presence. So Joseph said to his brothers, "Come near to me, please." And they came near. And he said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed or angry with yourselves because you sold me here, for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years, and there are yet five years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. And God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God. He has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt. Come down to me; do not tarry. You shall dwell in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, and your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. There I will provide for you, for there are yet five years of famine to come, so that you and your household, and all that you have, do not come to poverty.' And now your eyes see, and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see, that it is my mouth that speaks to you. You must tell my father of all my honor in Egypt, and of all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here." Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck and wept, and Benjamin wept upon his neck. And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them. After that his brothers talked with him.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, the strength of all who put their trust in you, mercifully grant that by your power we may be defended against all adversity; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The Service of Entrance



CHORAL INTROIT

How Firm a Foundation — Daniel Bird

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, Is laid for your faith in his excellent Word. What more can he say than to you he hath said, To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled!

*** HYMN OF ENTRANCE**



Minister: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;

People: Those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has the light shone.

Minister: You have multiplied the nation; you have increased its joy;

People: They rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest.

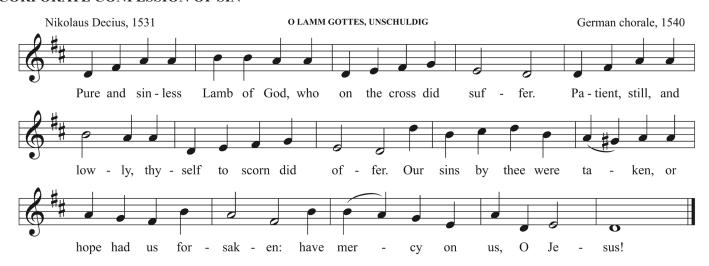
Minister: In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen. Minister: Let us pray.

PRAYER OF ADORATION

... world without end. Amen.

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN



Minister: Hear what the LORD our God says, "You shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for

yourself a carved image. You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain. Observe the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Honor your father and your mother. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet."

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

People: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what

we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and

walk in your ways, to the glory of your 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**



The Service of the Word

❖ THE PSALTER Psalm 103:1-13



Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

CHORAL PSALTER Psalm 23

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need — Mack Wilberg (1955-)
(Anna Blauw Lipscomb, Harp)

My Shepherd will supply my need; Jehovah is his Name; In pastures fresh he makes me feed, Beside the living stream. He brings my wand'ring spirit back, When I forsake his ways, And leads me for his mercy's sake, In paths of truth and grace.

When I walk through the shades of death, Thy presence is my stay;
One word of thy supporting breath
Drives all my fears away.
Thy hand, in sight of all my foes,
Doth still my table spread;
My cup with blessings overflows,
Thine oil anoints my head.

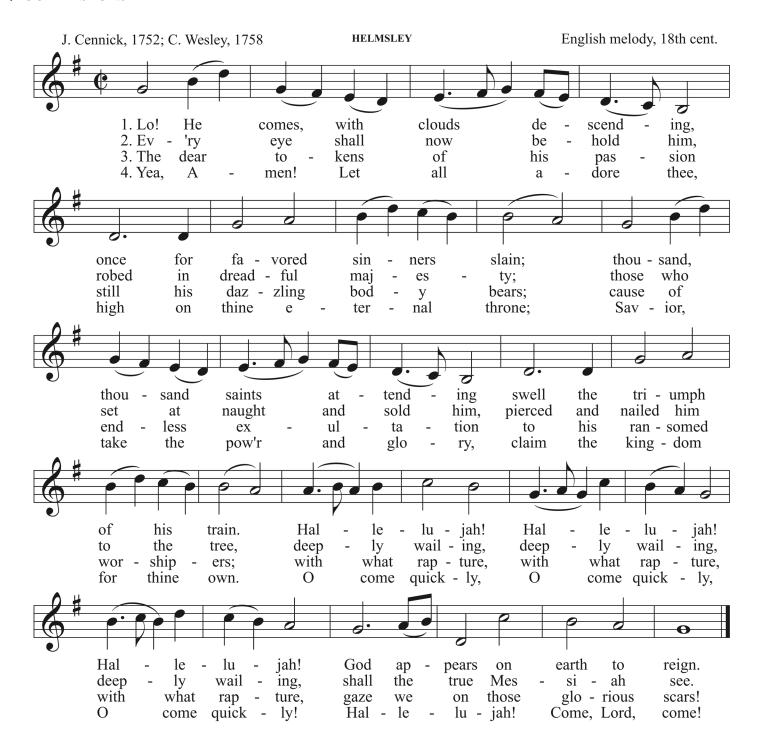
The sure provisions of my God Attend me all my days; O may thy house be mine abode And all my work be praise! There would I find a settled rest While others go and come, No more a stranger, nor a guest; But like child at home.

Please wait until the choir is finished before turning the page.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

OUR RESPONSE



WELCOME

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

PRAYER OF SUPPLICATION AND THANKSGIVING

Ruling Elder Dan Allen

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.

INTERLUDE

THE GOSPEL LESSON Mark 8:27—9:1

Minister: This is the Gospel of the Lord. **People: Praise be to you, O Christ!**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

MORNING SERMON Rev. Eric Landry

Stumbling Toward Jesus
Mark 8:27—9:1



***** CORPORATE CONFESSION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

Unison: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead;

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. 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.

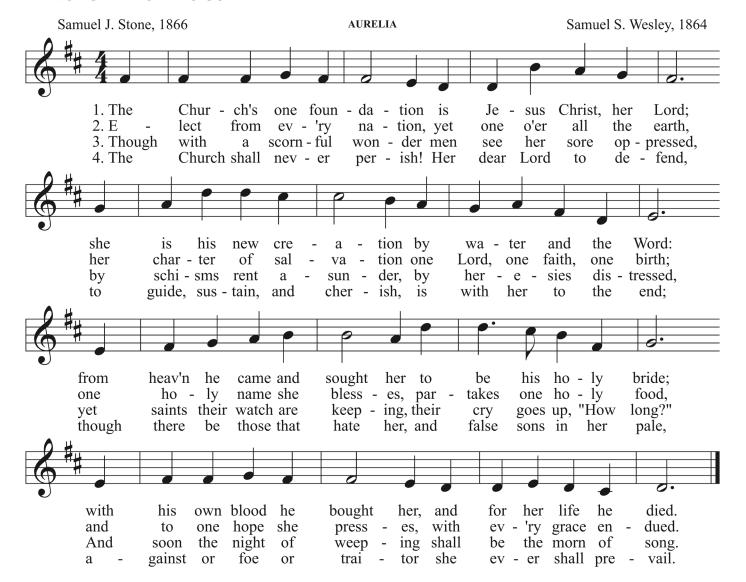
Members of the congregation greet one another with a sign of friendship such as the ancient words that the church has used over the centuries, "The peace of Christ be with you," and the response, "And also with you."

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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

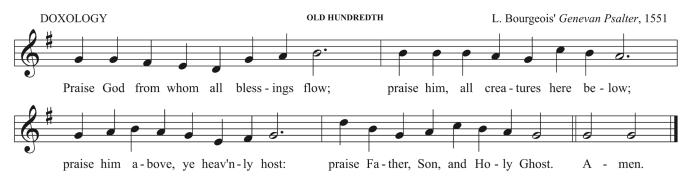
People: the world, and they that dwell therein.

HYMN OF GRATITUDE TO GOD



- 'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war,
 She waits the consummation of peace forevermore;
 Till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest,
 And the great Church victorious shall be the Church at rest.
- 6. Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One, And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won; O happy ones and holy! Lord give us grace that we, Like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

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



PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Minister: Our gracious God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, giver of all good gifts, receive these offerings

as our worship properly given to you for the glory due your name. Use them to strengthen your church,

expand your kingdom, and show mercy to our neighbors. In the name of your Son we pray.

People: Amen.

❖ THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Minister: The Lord be with you! **People:** And also with you!

Lift up your hearts!

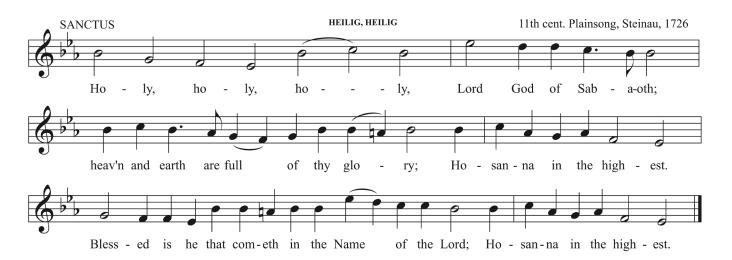
People: We lift them up to the Lord!

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, through Jesus Christ our Lord. And now we do praise you who sent your only begotten Son, and that in him, being found in fashion as a man, you did reveal the fullness of your glory. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we praise and

magnify your glorious name, evermore praising you and singing:

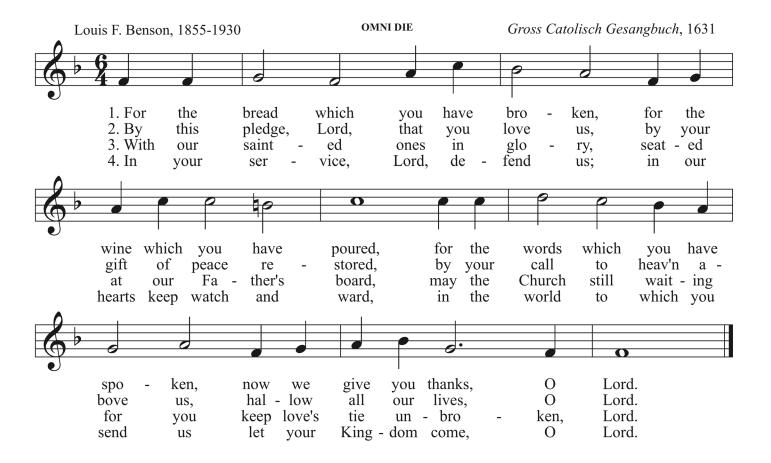


INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

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)



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)



***** BENEDICTION

❖ DEPARTING HYMNNunc Dimittis



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LESSONS

Psalm 103:1-13

¹Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name! ²Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, ³who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, ⁴who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, ⁵who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

⁶The Lord works righteousness and justice for all who are oppressed. ⁷He made known his ways to Moses, his acts to the people of Israel. ⁸The Lord is merciful and gracious. slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. ⁹He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. ¹⁰He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. ¹¹For as high as the heavens are above the earth. so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; ¹²as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us. ¹³As a father shows compassion to his children, so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear him.

Genesis 45:3-15

³And Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph! Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, for they were dismayed at his presence. ⁴So Joseph said to his brothers, "Come near to me, please." And they came near. And he said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. ⁵And now do not be distressed or angry with yourselves because you sold me here, for God sent me before you to preserve life. ⁶For the famine has been in the land these two years, and there are yet five years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. ⁷And God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. ⁸So it was not you who sent me here, but God. He has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. ⁹Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt. Come down to me; do not tarry. ¹⁰You shall dwell in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, and your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. ¹¹There I will provide for you, for there are yet five years of famine to come, so that you and your household, and all that you have, do not come to poverty. ¹²And now your eyes see, and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see, that it is my mouth that speaks to you. You must tell my father of all my honor in Egypt, and of all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here." ¹⁴Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck and wept, and Benjamin wept upon his neck. ¹⁵And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them. After that his brothers talked with him.

1 Corinthians 15:21-26

²¹For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. ²²For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. ²³But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. ²⁵For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

Sermon Text — Mark 8:27—9:1

²⁷And Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi. And on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" ²⁸And they told him, "John the Baptist; and others say, Elijah; and others, one of the prophets." ²⁹And he asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Christ." ³⁰And he strictly charged them to tell no one about him.

³¹And he began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³²And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man."

³⁴And calling the crowd to him with his disciples, he said to them, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. ³⁵For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. ³⁶For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul? ³⁷For what can a man give in return for his soul? ³⁸For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

^{9:1}And he said to them, "Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the kingdom of God after it has come with power."



SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Sun, Feb 23	8:45 & 11:15 a.m.	The Divine Service, Rev. Eric Landry preaching	
	10:15 a.m.	School of Discipleship, Classes for all ages in Calvin Hall	
	6:00 p.m.	Evening at Redeemer, Adult Study, Youth Group, Children's Choirs, with	
		nursery care available	
Tue, Feb 25	6:30 p.m.	Redeemer Theological Academy: New Testament, Contact Marcus Serven	
Thu, Feb 27	9:30 a.m.	Redeemer Theological Academy, Contact Marcus Serven	
	10:00 a.m.	Journey of Motherhood, Library, child care provided	
Sat, Mar 1	8:00 a.m.	Redeemer Men's Workout, Redeemer Parking Lot	
TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY			
Sun, Mar 2	8:45 & 11:15 a.m.	The Divine Service, Rev. Eric Landry preaching	
	10:15 a.m.	School of Discipleship, Classes for all ages in Calvin Hall	
	6:00 p.m.	Evening at Redeemer, Adult Study, Youth Group, Children's Choirs, with	
		nursery care available	
Tue, Mar 4	6:00 p.m.	Session Meeting	
	6:30 p.m.	Redeemer Theological Academy: New Testament, Contact Marcus Serven	
Wed, Mar 5	7:00 p.m.	Lenten Service, Rev. Danny Morgan Preaching, nursery care available	
Thu, Mar 6	9:30 a.m.	Redeemer Theological Academy, Contact Marcus Serven	
Fri, Mar 7	7:30 p.m.	AoA Presents: Holbrook Organ Series - Carson Cooman, artsonalexander.org	
Sat, Mar 8	8:00 a.m.	South Men's Breakfast, Contact Steven Loomis	
Sun, Mar 9	_	Daylight Saving Time Begins	

Lenten Service

On Wednesday, March 5, join us as we gather at 7 p.m. for a special service to mark the beginning of the season of Lent in prayer and song. The liturgy includes a setting of Psalm 51 with chant and choral anthem, a corporate litany of confession, and a sermon from Pastor Danny Morgan. Nursery care provided!

Women's Ministry Brunch

Redeemer Women's Ministry will be hosting a brunch for the women of Redeemer on March 22, 2025. Come and enjoy food and fellowship and hear about current and upcoming ministry opportunities designed to help our sisters grow in Christ and in relationship with one another. Contact Amy Phillips for further details!

Redeemer Arts Camp Dates Set

Please mark your calendar for Arts Camp 2025! Our annual summer camp, scheduled for June 9-12, will focus on exploring God's creation with the arts with a new twist this year — adding some science-oriented activities. As usual, we will offer early registration to Redeemer families, then later to the wider community. Registration will begin Monday, February 24 — Parents, check your email for registration details.

Children age four through fourth grade (completed) are invited to attend, June 9-12 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Daylight Saving Time

Daylight Saving Time is quickly approaching! Clocks "spring" forward starting March 9!

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