

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: Purple – symbolizes preparation and penitence.

Hearing enhancement devices available – please ask an usher.

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THE DIVINE SERVICE

March 23, 2025

The Third Sunday in Lent

In Preparation

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

PRELUDE

Destin Wernicke, Guest Organist/Choirmaster

Von Gott will ich nicht lassen (I Shall Not Abandon God), BWV 658 — J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

I shall not abandon God
For he does not abandon me,
he leads me on the right way,
where I would otherwise go far astray,
he reaches out his hand to me.
Morning and evening
he takes good care of me
wherever I may be.

WORDS OF PREPARATION

1 Corinthians 10:1-13

For I do not want you to be unaware, brothers, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ. Nevertheless, with most of them God was not pleased, for they were overthrown in the wilderness.

Now these things took place as examples for us, that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not be idolaters as some of them were; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play." We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did and were destroyed by serpents, nor grumble, as some of them did and were destroyed by the Destroyer. Now these things happened to them as an example, but they were written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come. Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall. No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word; 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



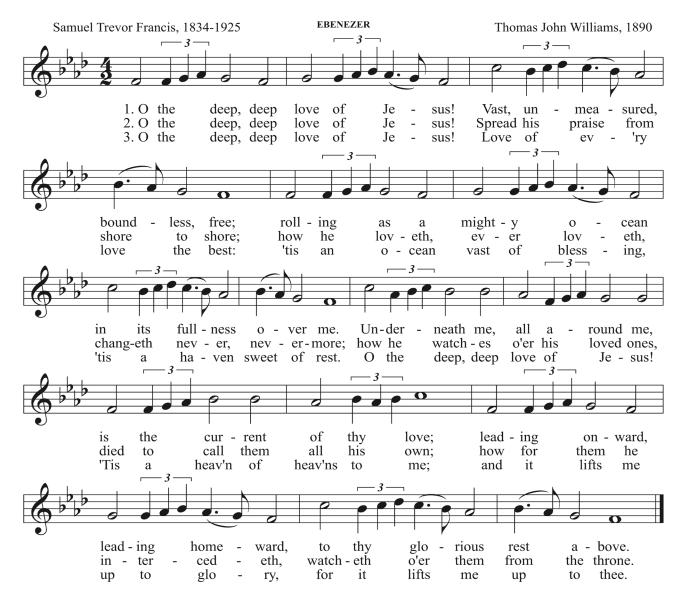
CHORAL INTROIT

Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness — William Gardiner (1779-1853)

Lord, I believe thy precious blood, Which at the mercy seat of God Pleads for the captives' liberty, Was also shed in love for me.

(Nikolaus Ludwig von Zinzendorf)

***** HYMN OF ENTRANCE



Minister: O come, let us fix our eyes on Jesus,

People: The founder and perfecter of our faith,

Minister: Who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame,

People: And is seated on the right hand of the throne of God. 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.

CHORAL CALL TO CONFESSION

1 Kings 8:28-30

Hear the Voice and Prayer — Thomas Tallis (1505-1585)

Hear the voice and prayer of thy servants, that they make before thee this day.

That thine eyes may be open toward this house night and day,

ever toward this place,

of which thou hast said, "My name shall be there." And when thou hearest, have mercy on them.

Minister: Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says, "Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets;

I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven."

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,

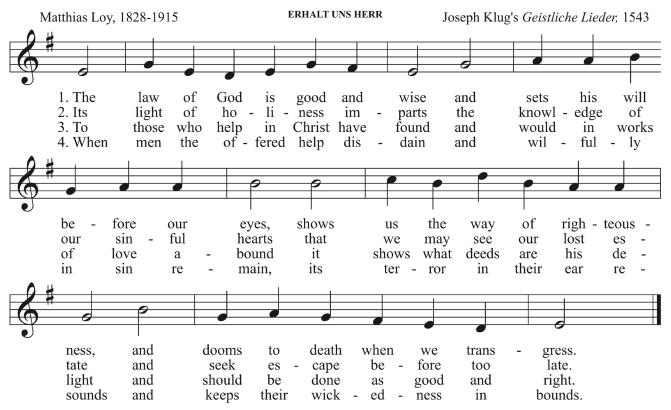
People: the Maker of heaven and earth.

Minister: O Lord, open our lips,

People: and our mouth will declare your praise.

***** THE GLORIA AND HYMN OF GRATITUDE





- 5. The law is good; but since the fall Its holiness condemns us all; It dooms us for our sin to die And has no pow'r to justify.
- 6. To Jesus we for refuge flee, Who from the curse has set us free, And humbly worship at his throne, Saved by his grace through faith alone.

The Service of the Word



Ezekiel 33:7-20

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

THE PSALTER Psalm 85



Choir: You have been favorable to your land;

you have brought back the captivity of Jacob. You have forgiven the iniquity of your people;

you have covered | all their sin.

All: You have taken away | all your wrath;

you have turned from the fierceness of your | anger.

Restore us, O God of our sal- | vation, and cause your anger toward us | to cease.

Choir: Will you be angry with us for- | ever?

Will you prolong your anger to all generations?

Will you not revive us again,

that your people may re- | joice in you?

Show us your | mercy, LORD, and grant us your sal- | vation.

I will hear what God the | LORD will speak,

for he will speak peace to his people and to his saints;

but let them not turn back to | folly.

Choir: Surely his salvation is near to those who | fear him,

that glory may dwell | in our land. Mercy and truth have met to- | gether; righteousness and peace | have kissed.

Truth shall spring out | of the earth,

and righteousness shall look down from | heaven.

Yes, the Lord will give | what is good, and our land will yield its | increase.

Choir: Righteousness will go be- fore him

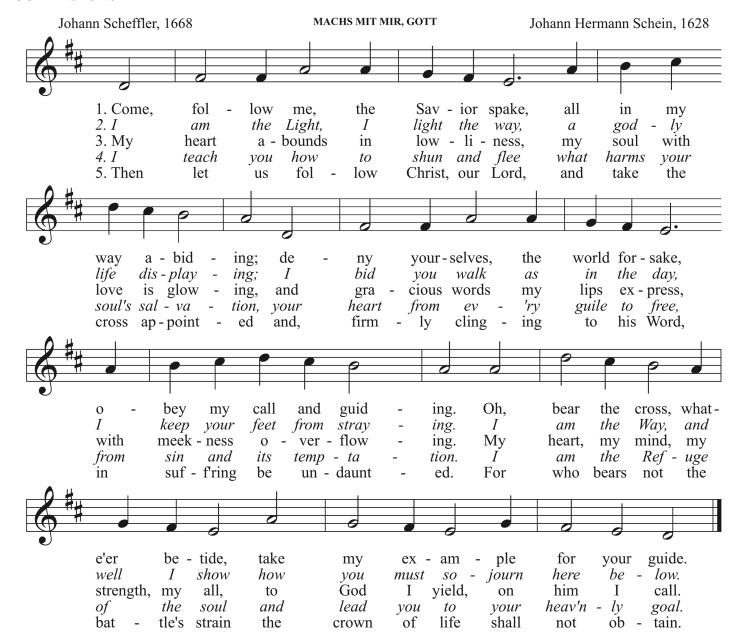
and shall make his footsteps our pathway.

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. 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.

INTERLUDE

PRAYER OF SUPPLICATION AND THANKSGIVING

Ruling Elder Rick Mealer

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 GOSPEL LESSONMark 10:1-12

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

*** PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

MORNING SERMON Rev. Danny Morgan

Marriage and Divorce
Mark 10:1-12

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 the control of the control

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.

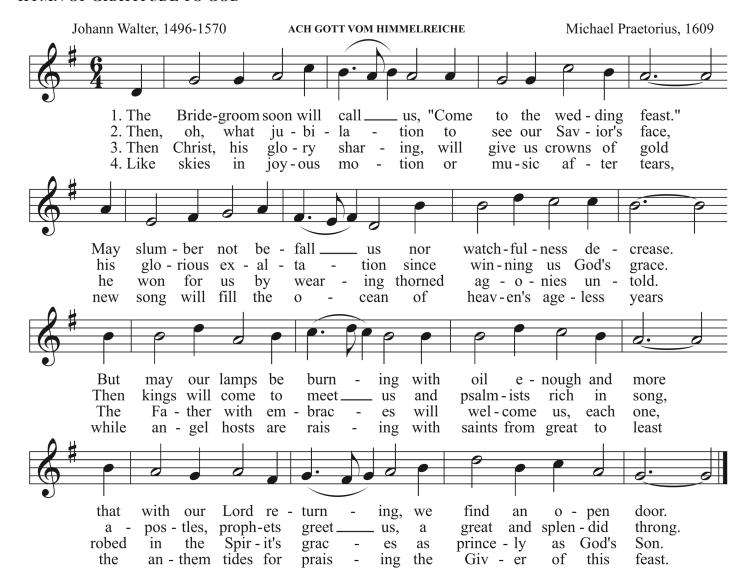
Members of the congregation greet one another with a sign of friendship such as the ancient words that the church has used over the centuries, "The peace of Christ be with you," and the response, "And also with you."

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

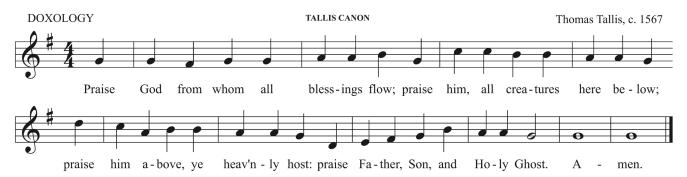
Minister: The earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof;

People: the world, and they that dwell therein.

HYMN OF GRATITUDE TO GOD



❖ 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 Holy and Triune God, for our sake your Son became poor that through his poverty we might be rich

in grace. Now, we honor you with the blessings you have given to us through 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, through Jesus Christ our Lord. You bid your people cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast. Renew our zeal in faith and life, and bring us to the fullness of grace that belongs to the children of God. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we praise and magnify your glorious name, evermore praising you and singing:

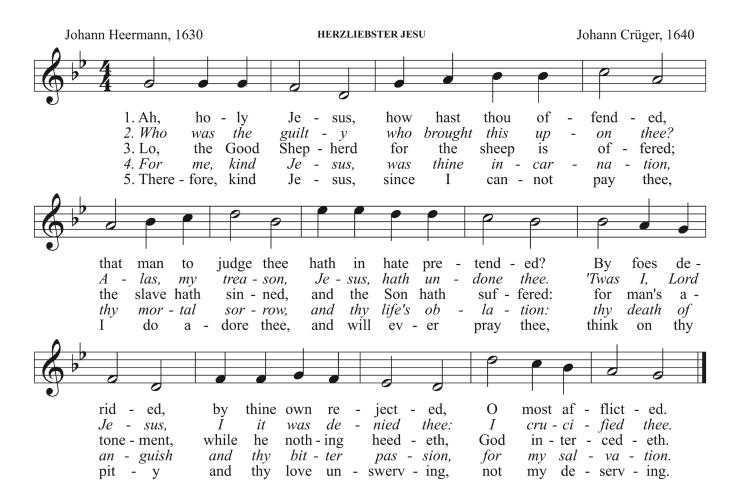


INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

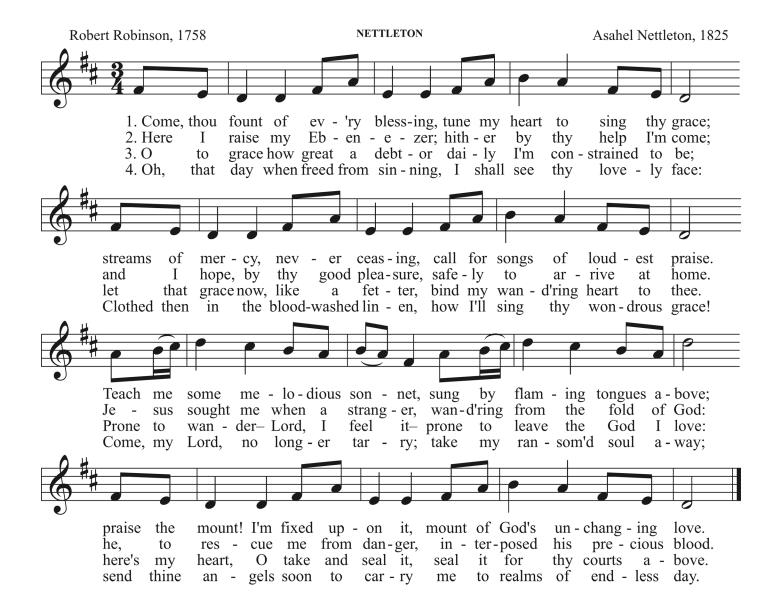
THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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)



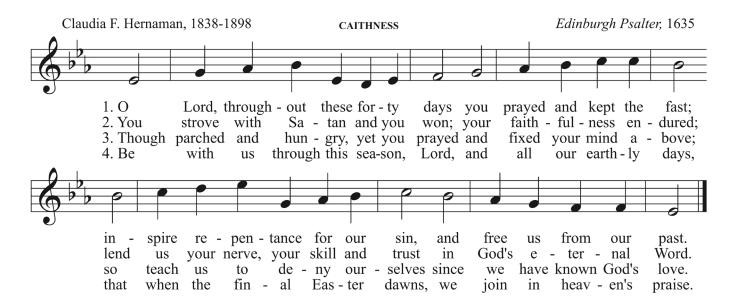
THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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 HYMN



LESSONS

Psalm 85

¹LORD, you were favorable to your land; you restored the fortunes of Jacob. ²You forgave the iniquity of your people; you covered all their sin. Selah ³You withdrew all your wrath; you turned from your hot anger.

⁴Restore us again, O God of our salvation, and put away your indignation toward us! ⁵Will you be angry with us forever? Will you prolong your anger to all generations? ⁶Will you not revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you? ⁷Show us your steadfast love, O LORD, and grant us your salvation.

8Let me hear what God the LORD will speak, for he will speak peace to his people, to his saints; but let them not turn back to folly.
9Surely his salvation is near to those who fear him, that glory may dwell in our land.

Steadfast love and faithfulness meet;
 righteousness and peace kiss each other.
 Faithfulness springs up from the ground,
 and righteousness looks down from the sky.
 Yes, the LORD will give what is good,
 and our land will yield its increase.
 Righteousness will go before him
 and make his footsteps a way.

Ezekiel 33:7-20

⁷"So you, son of man, I have made a watchman for the house of Israel. Whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. ⁸If I say to the wicked, O wicked one, you shall surely die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from his way, that wicked person shall die in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at your hand. ⁹But if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, that person shall die in his iniquity, but you will have delivered your soul.

¹⁰ And you, son of man, say to the house of Israel, Thus have you said: 'Surely our transgressions and our sins are upon us, and we rot away because of them. How then can we live?' ¹¹Say to them, As I live, declares the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from his way and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways, for why will you die, O house of Israel?

¹²"And you, son of man, say to your people, The righteousness of the righteous shall not deliver him when he transgresses, and as for the wickedness of the wicked, he shall not fall by it when he turns from his wickedness, and the righteous shall not be able to live by his righteousness when he sins. ¹³Though I say to the righteous that he shall surely live, yet if he trusts in his righteousness and does injustice, none of his righteous deeds shall be remembered, but in his injustice that he has done he shall die. ¹⁴Again, though I say to the wicked, 'You shall surely die,' yet if he turns from his sin and does what is just and right, ¹⁵if the wicked restores the pledge, gives back what he has taken by robbery, and walks in the statutes of life, not doing injustice, he shall surely live; he shall not die. ¹⁶None of the sins that he has committed shall be remembered against him. He has done what is just and right; he shall surely live.

¹⁷"Yet your people say, 'The way of the Lord is not just,' when it is their own way that is not just. ¹⁸When the righteous turns from his righteousness and does injustice, he shall die for it. ¹⁹And when the wicked turns from his wickedness and does what is just and right, he shall live by this. ²⁰Yet you say, 'The way of the Lord is not just.' O house of Israel, I will judge each of you according to his ways."

1 Corinthians 10:1-13

¹For I do not want you to be unaware, brothers, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, ²and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, ³and all ate the same spiritual food, ⁴and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ. ⁵Nevertheless, with most of them God was not pleased, for they were overthrown in the wilderness.

⁶Now these things took place as examples for us, that we might not desire evil as they did. ⁷Do not be idolaters as some of them were; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play." ⁸We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. ⁹We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did and were destroyed by serpents, ¹⁰nor grumble, as some of them did and were destroyed by the Destroyer. ¹¹Now these things happened to them as an example, but they were written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come. ¹²Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall. ¹³No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

Sermon Text — Mark 10:1-12

¹And he left there and went to the region of Judea and beyond the Jordan, and crowds gathered to him again. And again, as was his custom, he taught them.

²And Pharisees came up and in order to test him asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" ³He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" ⁴They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of divorce and to send her away." ⁵And Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote you this commandment. ⁶But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' ⁷'Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, ⁸and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two but one flesh. ⁹What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate."

¹⁰And in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. ¹¹And he said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her, ¹²and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery."



THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

Sun, Mar 23	8:45 & 11:15 a.m.	The Divine Service, Rev. Danny Morgan preaching
		Spring Break - School of Discipleship
		Spring Break - No Evening at Redeemer
Tue, Mar 25	6:30 p.m.	Redeemer Theological Academy: New Testament, Contact Marcus Serven
Thu, Mar 27	9:30 a.m.	Redeemer Theological Academy, Contact Marcus Serven
	10:00 a.m.	Journey of Motherhood, Library, child care provided
Sat, Mar 29	8:00 a.m.	Women's Pray For One Another Breakfast, Contact Rebecca Loomis
FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT		
Sun, Mar 30	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
	_	Maundy Thursday Feast Signups Open, After services in the courtyard
	6:00 p.m.	Evening at Redeemer, Adult Study, Youth Group, Children's Choirs, with
	_	nursery care available
Tue, Apr 1	6:00 p.m.	Redeemer Theological Academy: New Testament, Contact Marcus Serven
Fri, Apr 4	7:30 p.m.	AoA Presents: Choir of St. John's Cambridge, artsonalexander.org
Sat, Apr 5	8:00 a.m.	Redeemer Men's Workout, Redeemer Parking Lot
Sun, Apr 13	_	Holy Week Begins

Holy Week at Reedemer

Save the date for the following events happening next month for Holy Week. More details available on the Redeemer website.

Palm Sunday Service – April 13

Maundy Thursday Feast – April 17

Signups for meal choice begin Sunday, March 30, in the courtyard after each service.

Good Friday Service - April 18

Easter Sunday Services – April 20

SoD Resumes Next Sunday

School of Discipleship classes and Evening at Redeemer activities will resume at their normal times beginning next Sunday, March 30.

Spring 40 Days for Life

The Spring 2025 "40 Days for Life" prayer and will continue through April 13. For more information visit centraltexascoalition.com, or contact Elder Bret Mercer via the email address on the back of your bulletin.

Arts Camp Registration

Tomorrow, March 24, is the last day for Arts Camp early registration for Redeemer families. As usual, we have had a lot of inquiries from the community and we expect the class rosters to fill up quickly after open registration begins on Tuesday, March 25. Register today by scanning the link below!

Redeemer Arts Camp will take place Monday, June 9, through Thursday, June 12 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Four years old — 4th grade (completed).



Send Us Info on Graduates!

We will be recognizing and praying for our graduates (high school and college) on Sunday, May 11, in both services. Please send your name, school, degree or program completed, and any future plans to Carol Waller by April 16. Contact info is on the back of your bulletin.

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