

REDEEMER

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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: White – symbolizes the brightness of the day and the Resurrection of Christ

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# THE DIVINE SERVICE

May 11, 2025

## *The Fourth Sunday of Easter*

### *In Preparation*



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

#### PRELUDE

Pat Dolan

*Let Not Your Heart Be Troubled (John 14:1-3)* — Gordon Young (1919-1998)

*Sheep May Safely Graze* — Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750), arr. Egon Petri (1881-1962)

#### WORDS OF PREPARATION

Psalm 23

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.  
He makes me lie down in green pastures.  
He leads me beside still waters.  
He restores my soul.  
He leads me in paths of righteousness  
for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,  
I will fear no evil,  
for you are with me;  
your rod and your staff,  
they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me  
in the presence of my enemies;  
you anoint my head with oil;  
my cup overflows.  
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me  
all the days of my life,  
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD  
forever.

#### COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, merciful Father, since you have wakened from death the Shepherd of your sheep, grant us your Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know him who calls us each by name and follow where he leads; through the same 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

*The Word Was Made Flesh* — Egil Hovland (1924-2013)

The Word was made Flesh and dwelt among us;  
We beheld the Glory of the Father  
Full of Grace and Truth.

## ❖ HYMN OF ENTRANCE

John of Damascus, 8th cent.

ELLACOMBE

*Gesangbuch der Herzogl. Hofkapelle, 1784*

1. The day of res - ur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad;  
2. Our hearts be pure from e - vil, that we may see a - right  
3. Now let the heav'ns be joy - ful, let earth her song be - gin,  
the Pass - o - ver of glad - ness, the Pass - o - ver of God.  
the Lord in rays e - ter - nal of res - ur - rec - tion light;  
the round world keep high tri - umph, and all that is there - in;  
From death to life e - ter - nal, from earth un - to the sky,  
and, lis - t'ning to his ac - cents, may hear so calm and plain  
let all things seen and un - seen their notes to - geth - er blend,  
our Christ hath brought us o - ver, with hymns of vic - to - ry.  
his own "All hail!" and hear - ing, may raise the vic - tor strain.  
for Christ the Lord is ris - en, our joy that hath no end.

## ❖ CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: Be joyful in the LORD, all you lands;

**People: Serve the LORD with gladness and come before his presence with a song.**

Minister: The LORD himself is God; he himself has made us, and we are his;

**People: We are his people and the sheep of his pasture.**

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.**

## CALL TO CONFESSION

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 our Lord Jesus Christ says, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.”

**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 AND HYMN OF GRATITUDE

2nd cent.

GLORIA PATRI

Henry W. Greatorex, 1851

Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be-  
gin-ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with-out end. A - men, a - men.

Charles Wesley, 1739

EASTER HYMN

*Lyra Davidica*, 1708

1. "Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day," Al - le - lu - ia!  
2. *Vain the stone, the watch, the seal;* Al - le - lu - ia!  
3. Lives a - gain our glo - rious King; Al - le - lu - ia!  
4. *Soar we now where Christ has led,* Al - le - lu - ia!  
5. Hail, the Lord of earth and heav'n! Al - le - lu - ia!

sons of men and an - gels say; Al - le - lu - ia!  
*Christ has burst the gates of hell;* Al - le - lu - ia!  
where, O death, is now thy sting? Al - le - lu - ia!  
*fol - l'wing our ex - alt - ed Head;* Al - le - lu - ia!  
Praise to thee by both be giv'n: Al - le - lu - ia!

raise your joys and tri - umphs high; Al - le - lu - ia!  
*death in vain for - bids him rise;* Al - le - lu - ia!  
Once he died, our souls to save; Al - le - lu - ia!  
*made like him, like him we rise;* Al - le - lu - ia!  
thee we greet tri - um - phant now; Al - le - lu - ia!

sing ye heav'ns, and earth, re - ply. Al - le - lu - ia!  
*Christ has o - pened par - a - dise.* Al - le - lu - ia!  
where thy vic - to - ry, O grave? Al - le - lu - ia!  
*ours the cross, the grave, the skies,* Al - le - lu - ia!  
hail, the Res - ur - rec - tion, thou! Al - le - lu - ia!

# *The Service of the Word*



## CHORAL ANTHEM

*Forth He Came at Easter* — Old French Tune, arr David H. Williams (1919-2002)

Now the green blade riseth, from the buried grain,  
Wheat that in dark earth many days has lain;  
Love lives again, that with the dead has been:  
Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

In the grave they laid him, Love who had been slain,  
Thinking that he never would wake again,  
Laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen:  
Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain,  
Jesus who for three days in the grave had lain,  
Quick from the dead the risen one is seen:  
Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

(J. M. C. Crum)

## THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

Acts 20:17-35

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

# THE EPISTLE LESSON

Revelation 7:9-17

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

## ❖ OUR RESPONSE

Johann J. Schütz, 1675

LOBT GOTT DEN HERREN, IHR

Melchior Vulpius, 1609



1. All praise to God, who reigns a - bove, the God of all cre -  
 2. What God's al - might - y pow'r hath made his gra - cious mer - cy  
 3. I cried to him in time of need: Lord God, O hear my  
 4. The Lord for - sak - eth not his flock, his cho - sen gen - er -



a - tion, the God of won - ders, pow'r, and love, the God of our sal -  
 keep - eth; by morn - ing dawn or eve - ning shade his watch - ful eye ne'er  
 call - ing! For death he gave me life in - deed and kept my feet from  
 a - tion; he is their ref - uge and their rock, their peace and their sal -



va - tion! With heal - ing balm my soul he fills, the God who ev - 'ry  
 sleep - eth; with - in the king - dom of his might, lo, all is just and  
 fall - ing. For this my thanks shall end - less be; O thank him, thank our  
 va - tion. As with a moth - er's ten - der hand he leads his own, his



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| sor - row stills. | To God all praise | and glo - ry! |
| all is right.     | To God all praise | and glo - ry! |
| God with me.      | To God all praise | and glo - ry! |
| cho - sen band.   | To God all praise | and glo - ry! |

5. Ye who confess Christ's holy name,  
 To God give praise and glory!  
 Ye who the Father's pow'r proclaim,  
 To God give praise and glory!  
 All idols underfoot be trod,  
 The Lord is God! The Lord is God!  
 To God all praise and glory!

6. Then come before his presence now  
 And banish fear and sadness;  
 To your Redeemer pay your vow  
 And sing with joy and gladness:  
 Though great distress my soul befell,  
 The Lord, my God, did all things well.  
 To God all praise and glory!



## WELCOME

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

## INTERLUDE

## PRAYER OF SUPPLICATION AND THANKSGIVING

Ruling Elder **Landy Ligon**

**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 LESSON

Matthew 5:1-12

Minister: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise be to you, O Christ!

## ❖ PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

## MORNING SERMON

Rev. Eric Landry

*The Meek Heirs of the New Creation*

Matthew 5:1-12

# *The Service of the Table*



## ❖ 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:** Christ is risen!

**People:** He is risen indeed!

**Minister:** Filled with the hope and joy of the resurrection, 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.

## THE PSALTER

Francis Rous, William Mure, et al., c. 1650

CRIMOND

Jessie Seymour Irvine, 1871



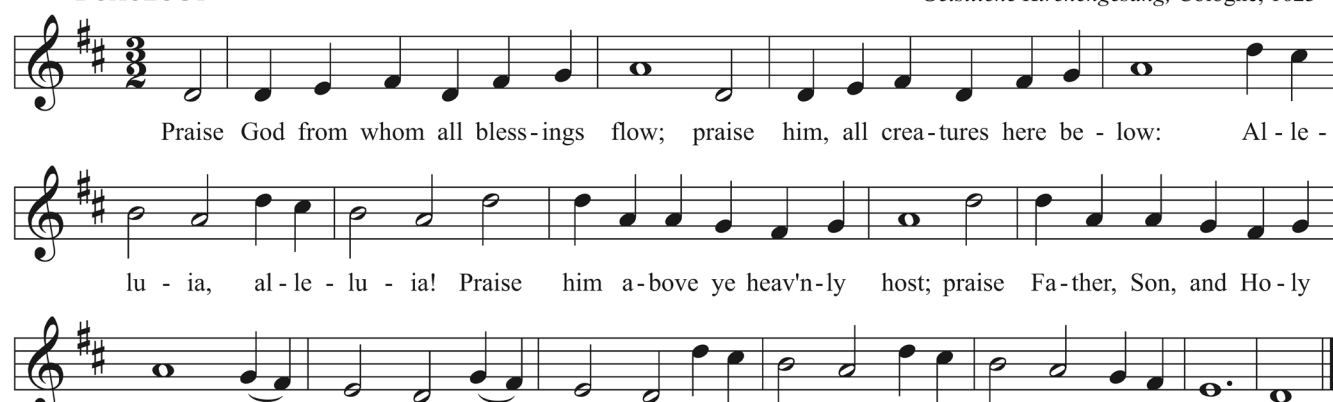
1. The Lord's my shep - herd, I'll not want;  
 2. My soul he doth re - store a - gain;  
 3. Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,  
 4. My ta - ble thou has fur - nish - ed  
 5. Good - ness and mer - cy all my life

he makes me down to lie in pas - tures green;  
 and me to walk doth make with - in the paths  
 yet will I fear no ill, for thou art with  
 in pres - ence of my foes; my head thou dost  
 shall sure - ly fol - low me: and in God's house

he lead - eth me the qui - et wa - ters by.  
 of righ - teous - ness, e'en for his own name's sake.  
 me; and thy rod and staff me com - fort still.  
 with oil a - noint, and my cup o - ver - flows.  
 for - ev - er - more my dwell - ing place shall be.

- ❖ 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                      LASST UNS ERFREUEN                      *Geistliche Kirchengesäng, Cologne, 1623*



Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; praise him, all crea-tures here be - low: Al - le -  
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise him a-bove ye heav'n-ly host; praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho - ly  
Ghost: O praise him, O praise him, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

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## ❖ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Minister: Almighty, eternal, merciful God, you have abundantly provided for all our needs. In return we joyfully give to you these tithes and offerings, along with our very lives, for service in the kingdom of your risen and returning Son, 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!

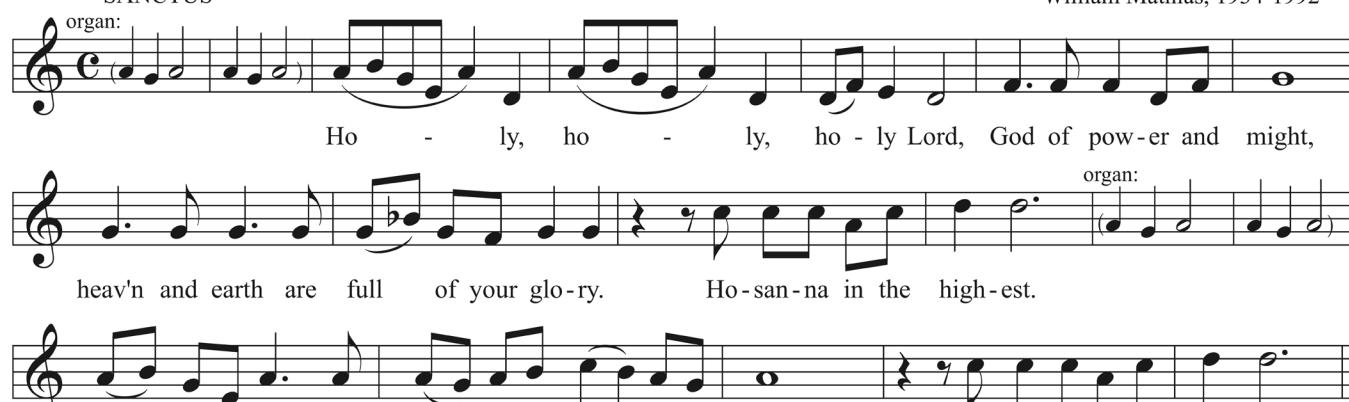
People: **We lift them up to the Lord!**

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; but chiefly we are bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord; for he is the very Paschal Lamb, which was offered for us and has taken away the sins of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has restored to us everlasting life. 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                      HOLY, HOLY, HOLY LORD                      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.

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## 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)

Jean Tisserand, c. 1490

O FILII ET FILIAE

French melody, 17th cent.



1. O sons and daugh - ters of the King, whom  
2. *That Eas - ter morn, at break of day, the*  
3. An an - gel clad in white they see, who  
4. *That night th'a - pos - tles met in fear; a -*  
5. When Thom - as first the tid - ings heard that



heav'n - ly hosts in glo - ry sing, to - day the  
*faith - ful wom - en went their way seek the*  
sits and speaks un - to the three, "Your Lord will  
*mong them came their Mas - ter dear and said, "My*  
they had seen the ris - en Lord, he doubt - ed



grave has lost its sting! Al - le - lu - ia!  
*tomb where Je - sus lay. Al - le - lu - ia!*  
go to Gal - i - lee." Al - le - lu - ia!  
*peace be with you here." Al - le - lu - ia!*  
the dis - ci - ples' word. Al - le - lu - ia!

6. "My pierced side, O Thomas, see,  
And look upon my hands, my feet;  
Not faithless but believing be."  
Alleluia!

7. No longer Thomas then denied,  
He saw the feet, the hands, the side;  
"You are my Lord and God!" he cried.  
Alleluia!

8. How blest are they who have not seen  
And yet whose faith has constant been,  
For they eternal life shall win.  
Alleluia!

9. On this most holy day of days  
Be laud and jubilee and praise:  
To God your hearts and voices raise.  
Alleluia!

## 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)

St. 1-5, John Newton, 1779

St. 6, *Collection of Sacred Ballads*, 1790

AMAZING GRACE

Traditional American melody



1. A - maz - ing grace!— how sweet the sound— that  
 2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and  
 3. Thro' man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I  
 4. The Lord has prom - ised good to me, his



saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but  
 grace my fears re - lieved, how pre - cious did that  
 have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me  
 Word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and



now am found, was blind, but now I see.  
 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!  
 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.  
 por - tion be, as long as life en - dures.

5. And when this flesh and heart shall fail,  
 And mortal life shall cease,  
 I shall possess within the veil  
 A life of joy and peace.

6. When we've been there ten thousand years,  
 Bright shining as the sun,  
 We've no less days to sing God's praise  
 Than when we've first begun.

## ❖ BENEDICTION

## ❖ DEPARTING HYMN

Johann Lindemann, 1549-1631

IN DIR IST FREUDE

Giovanni Gastoldi, c. 1556-c. 1622

1. In thee is glad - ness a - mid all sad - ness, Je - sus,  
 2. Since he is ours, \_\_\_\_\_ we fear no pow'rs, \_\_\_\_\_ not of

sun - shine of my heart. By thee are giv - en the gifts of  
 earth nor sin nor death. He sees and bless - es in worst dis -

heav - en, thou the true Re-deem - er art. Our souls thou  
 tress - es; he can change them with a breath. Where - fore the

wak - est, our bonds thou break - est; who trusts thee sure - ly has built se -  
 sto - ry tell of his glo - ry with hearts and voic - es; all heav'n re -

cure - ly; he stands for - ev - er: Al - le - lu - ia! Our hearts are  
 joic - es in him for - ev - er: Al - le - lu - ia! We shout for

pin - ing to see thy shin - ing, dy - ing or liv - ing to thee are  
 glad - ness, tri - umph o'er sad - ness, love him and praise him and still shall

cleav - ing; naught can us sev - er: Al - le - lu - ia!  
 raise him glad hymns for - ev - er: Al - le - lu - ia!

## LESSONS

### **Psalm 23**

<sup>1</sup>The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

<sup>2</sup>He makes me lie down in green pastures.

He leads me beside still waters.

<sup>3</sup>He restores my soul.

He leads me in paths of righteousness  
for his name's sake.

<sup>4</sup>Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil,

for you are with me;

your rod and your staff,

they comfort me.

<sup>5</sup>You prepare a table before me

in the presence of my enemies;

you anoint my head with oil;

my cup overflows.

<sup>6</sup>Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me

all the days of my life,

and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD  
forever.

### **Acts 20:17-35**

<sup>17</sup>Now from Miletus he sent to Ephesus and called the elders of the church to come to him. <sup>18</sup>And when they came to him, he said to them:

“You yourselves know how I lived among you the whole time from the first day that I set foot in Asia, <sup>19</sup>serving the Lord with all humility and with tears and with trials that happened to me through the plots of the Jews; <sup>20</sup>how I did not shrink from declaring to you anything that was profitable, and teaching you in public and from house to house, <sup>21</sup>testifying both to Jews and to Greeks of repentance toward God and of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>22</sup>And now, behold, I am going to Jerusalem, constrained by the Spirit, not knowing what will happen to me there, <sup>23</sup>except that the Holy Spirit testifies to me in every city that imprisonment and afflictions await me. <sup>24</sup>But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God. <sup>25</sup>And now, behold, I know that none of you among whom I have gone about proclaiming the kingdom will see my face again. <sup>26</sup>Therefore I testify to you this day that I am innocent of the blood of all, <sup>27</sup>for I did not shrink from declaring to you the whole counsel of God. <sup>28</sup>Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood. <sup>29</sup>I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; <sup>30</sup>and from among your own selves will arise men speaking twisted things, to draw away the disciples after them. <sup>31</sup>Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish every one with tears. <sup>32</sup>And now I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. <sup>33</sup>I coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel. <sup>34</sup>You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities and to those who were with me. <sup>35</sup>In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, ‘It is more blessed to give than to receive.’”



### **Revelation 7:9-17**

<sup>9</sup>After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands,  
<sup>10</sup>and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" <sup>11</sup>And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, <sup>12</sup>saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

<sup>13</sup>Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?"  
<sup>14</sup>I said to him, "Sir, you know." And he said to me, "These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb."

<sup>15</sup>"Therefore they are before the throne of God,  
and serve him day and night in his temple;  
and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence.

<sup>16</sup>They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore;  
the sun shall not strike them,  
nor any scorching heat.

<sup>17</sup>For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd,  
and he will guide them to springs of living water,"

### **Sermon Text — Matthew 5:1-12**

<sup>1</sup>Seeing the crowds, he went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him. <sup>2</sup>And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:

<sup>3</sup>"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>4</sup>"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

<sup>5</sup>"Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

<sup>6</sup>"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

<sup>7</sup>"Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

<sup>8</sup>"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

<sup>9</sup>"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

<sup>10</sup>"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>11</sup>"Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.

<sup>12</sup>Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

# Redeemer Calendar

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

**Sun, May 11** 8:45 & 11:15 a.m.

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**Wed, May 14** 1:00 p.m.

**Thu, May 15** 9:30 a.m.

**Sat, May 17** 9:00 a.m.

**The Divine Service**, Rev. Eric Landry preaching

**Graduate Recognition**, Both services

**Redeemer Theological Academy: New Testament**, Contact Marcus Serven

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**Foundation Communities (M Station) Beautification**, Contact Danny Morgan

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

**Sun, May 18** 8:45 & 11:15 a.m.

**Thu, May 22** 10:00 a.m.

**Sat, May 24** 8:00 a.m.

**Thu, May 29** 7:00 p.m.

**Sat, May 31** 8:00 a.m.

**Sun, Jun 8** 5:00 p.m.

**June 9-12** —

**The Divine Service**, Rev. Eric Landry preaching

**Journey of Motherhood**, Library, child care provided

**More Than Welcome: Clean Up**, Contact Danny Morgan

**Ascension Day Service**, Covenant Hall

**Women's Pray For One Another Breakfast, North & South**

**Pentecost Feast**, Covenant Hall

**Redeemer Arts Camp**

### May Missions Month Volunteers

On May 17, we will be taking a team of volunteers to Foundation Communities at M Station for beautification work. M Station (in our backyard!) is a non-profit providing affordable housing for underemployed, refugee, or displaced people. Then, on Saturday, May 24, we will take a team of volunteers to More Than Welcome and help organize and clean their supply warehouse. More Than Welcome serves refugees and asylum seekers coming to the US for safety and opportunity not otherwise possible in their country of origin. These are opportunities designed for you and your family to get out and serve the Austin community. You can sign up by scanning the link below.

More details about Missions Month can be seen at [redeemerpres.org](http://redeemerpres.org)



### Deacon Work Day

The Deacons will be hosting two work days this spring on May 31 and June 7 to help with household projects you may need aid with (tree trimming, furniture moving, attic cleaning, etc.) To request help, send an email with details of your project to Tisha Welch at [twelch@redeemerpres.org](mailto:twelch@redeemerpres.org).

We are asking that all project requests be submitted by Sunday, May 18!

### Congratulations, Graduates!

We congratulate the following on their accomplishments and ask the Lord's blessing on their future endeavors. (The school from which they are graduating is listed first, followed by their future plans, if known.)

#### HIGH SCHOOL

**Jaden Bibler**, Summit Christian Academy, plans to attend Geneva College (Beaver Falls, Pa.) and major in Aviation and Biblical Studies

**Allie Landry**, Brentwood High School, plans to attend the University of Arkansas in the fall

**Elijah Ly**, Logos Online School, plans to attend Austin Community College pursuing a bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering

**Chelsea Scardino**, Summit Christian Academy, will attend Dordt University majoring in Global Studies

**Gloria Yonimiki**, Achieve Austin, plans to attend Austin Community College with a goal to continue at UT, majoring in pre-med

#### COLLEGE

**Sarah Baggett**, Baylor University, B.S. in Biology; currently looking for a research position

#### POST GRADUATE

**Ricky Hoobler**, completing his PhD in Aerospace Engineering (in December); he begins a position as a Controls and Dynamics Research Engineer in January 2026

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