

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. During the school year 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 17, 2026

The Seventh Sunday of Easter

In Preparation



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

PRELUDE

Destin Wernicke

Improvisation on 'Nun freut euch'

On Christ's ascension now I build the hope of my ascension;
This hope alone has always stilled all doubt and apprehension,
For where the head is, there as well I know his members are to dwell
When Christ will come and call them.

Ascendens Christus – Tomas Luis de Victoria (1548–1611)

God has ascended with shouts of joy,
and the Lord with the sound of a trumpet, alleluia.
He has given gifts to men, alleluia.

WORDS OF PREPARATION

John 17:1-11

When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do. And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed.

"I have manifested your name to the people whom you gave me out of the world. Yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you. For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them. And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one."

COLLECT OF THE DAY

O King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, we pray, leave us not without consolation, but send us the Spirit of truth, whom you promised from the Father; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The Service of Entrance



THE CHORAL INTROIT

Praise Ye the Lord of Hosts – Camille Saint-Saëns (1835-1921)

Praise ye the Lord of hosts, come and adore him,
Praise the holy Trinity, blessed forever.
Sing, oh ye heavens, on earth be ye joyful
In his presence, the Lord who cometh. Alleluia.

❖ HYMN OF ENTRANCE

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.

❖ CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: God is gone up with a shout,

People: The LORD with the sound of a trumpet.

Minister: Sing praises to God, sing praises;

People: Sing praises unto our King, sing praises.

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 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

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 - might - y.

Edmund P. Clowney, 1987

ENGELBERG

Charles V. Stanford, 1904

1. Who shall as - cend the moun - tain of the Lord, to search the
 2. *One King a - lone, whose hands and heart are pure, one Ser - vant*
 3. He on - ly can as - cend to God's right hand who first came
 4. *Be - fore the clouds re - ceive the King on high, a cross lifts*
 5. He shall as - cend the moun - tain of the Lord, the King of
 mys - ter - y in heav - en stored, the know - ledge of the Ho - ly
of the Lord with pur - pose sure, can en - ter in that glo - ry
 down as his high mer - cy planned; true God and man has earth and
up his form a - gainst the sky; the Fram - er of the worlds has
 glo - ry, whose own blood out - poured paid that dear price that mer - cy
 One a - dored? Al - - le - lu - ia!
to en - dure. Al - - le - lu - ia!
 heav - en spanned. Al - - le - lu - ia!
come to die. Al - - le - lu - ia!
 did af - ford. Al - - le - lu - ia!

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The Service of the Word



❖ THE PSALTER

Psalm 68:1–18

Minister:

God shall arise, his enemies shall be scattered;

People:

and those who hate him shall flee before him!

As smoke is driven away, so you shall drive them away; as wax melts before fire,
so the wicked shall perish before God!

But the righteous shall be glad; they shall exult before God;
they shall be jubilant with joy!

Sing to God, sing praises to his name; lift up a song to him who rides through the deserts;
his name is the LORD; exult before him!

Father of the fatherless and protector of widows
is God in his holy habitation.

God settles the solitary in a home; he leads out the prisoners to prosperity,
but the rebellious dwell in a parched land.

O God, when you went out before your people, when you marched through the wilderness,
the earth quaked, the heavens poured down rain,

before God, the One of Sinai,
before God, the God of Israel.

Rain in abundance, O God, you shed abroad;
you restored your inheritance as it languished;

your flock found a dwelling in it;
in your goodness, O God, you provided for the needy.

The Lord gives the word;
the women who announce the news are a great host:

“The kings of the armies—they flee, they flee!”

or removed his steadfast love from me!

The women at home divide the spoil—
though you men lie among the sheepfolds—

the wings of a dove covered with silver,
its pinions with shimmering gold.

When the Almighty scatters kings there,
let snow fall on Zalmon.

O mountain of God, mountain of Bashan;
O many-peaked mountain, mountain of Bashan!

Why do you look with hatred, O many-peaked mountain, at the mount that God desired for his
abode,

yes, where the LORD will dwell forever?

The chariots of God are twice ten thousand, thousands upon thousands;
the Lord is among them; Sinai is now in the sanctuary.

You ascended on high, leading a host of captives in your train and receiving gifts among men,
even among the rebellious, that the LORD God may dwell there.

THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

Acts 1:12-26

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

THE CHORAL ANTHEM

Above All Praise – Felix Mendelssohn (1809–1847)

Above all praise and all majesty,
Lord thou reignest evermore.
Hallelujah.

THE GOSPEL LESSON

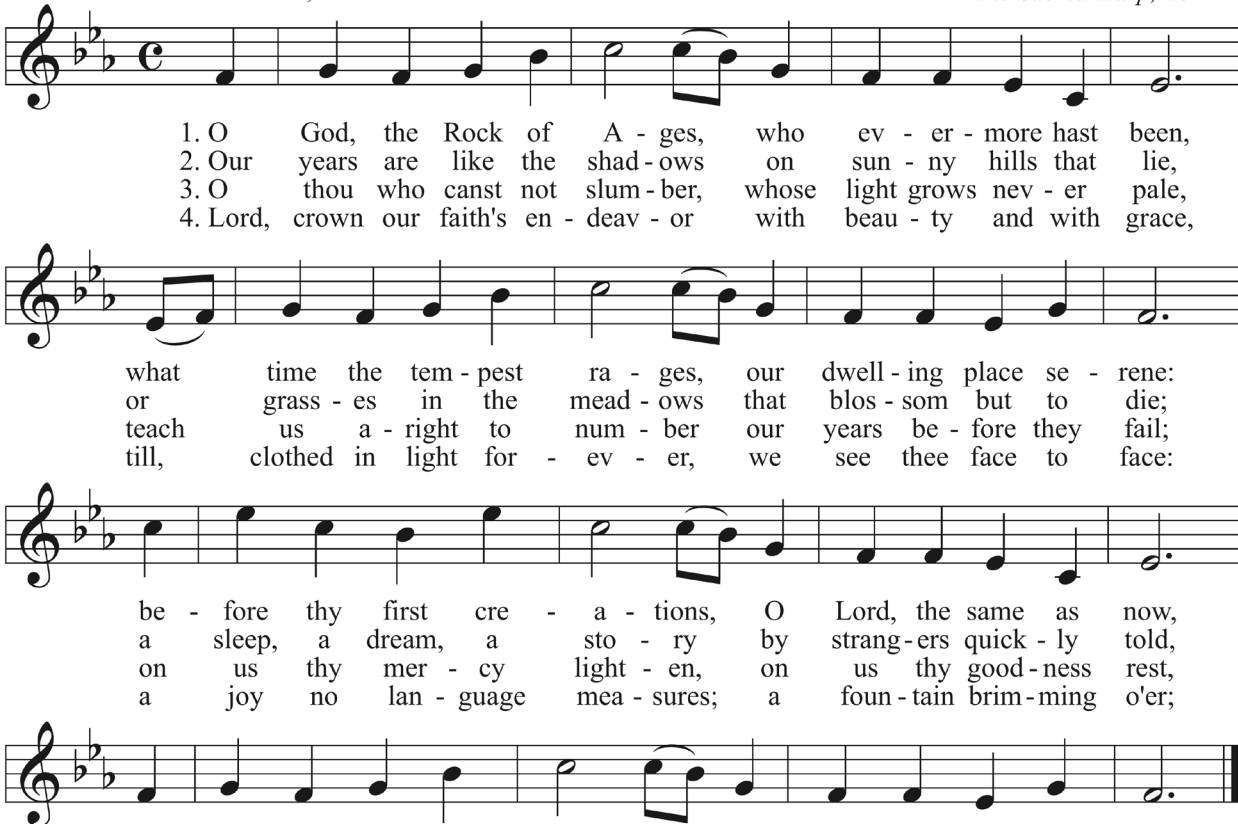
John 17:1-11

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise be to you, O Christ!**

❖ OUR RESPONSE

Edward H. Bickersteth, 1860 WEDLOCK *The Sacred Harp*, 1844



1. O God, the Rock of A - ges, who ev - er - more hast been,
2. Our years are like the shad - ows on sun - ny hills that lie,
3. O thou who canst not slum - ber, whose light grows nev - er pale,
4. Lord, crown our faith's en - deav - or with beau - ty and with grace,

what time the tem - pest ra - ges, our dwell - ing place se - rene:
or grass - es in the mead - ows that blos - som but to die;
teach us a - right to num - ber our years be - fore they fail;
till, clothed in light for - ev - er, we see thee face to face:

be - fore thy first cre - a - tions, O Lord, the same as now,
a sleep, a dream, a sto - ry by strang - ers quick - ly told,
on us thy mer - cy light - en, on us thy good - ness rest,
a joy no lan - guage mea - sures; a foun - tain brim - ming o'er;

to end - less gen - er - a - tions the Ev - er - last - ing Thou!
an un - re - main - ing glo - ry of things that soon are old.
and let thy Spir - it bright - en the hearts thy - self hast blessed.
an end - less flow of plea - sures; an o - cean with - out shore.

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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 EPISTLE LESSON

Ephesians 4:1-16

Minister: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

❖ PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

MORNING SERMON

Rev. Eric Landry

The Gift-Giving King

Ephesians 4:1-16

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.**

HYMN OF GRATITUDE TO GOD

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,*
5. Je-sus lives and now is death but the gate of life im - mor - tal;



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.
this shall calm my tremb - ling breath when I pass its gloom - y por - tal.



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.
Faith shall cry, as fails each sense: Je - sus is my con - fi - dence.

- ❖ 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.

INTERLUDE

❖ 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

organ: 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. organ: 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)

Ancient Irish poem, c. 8th cent.

SLANE

Traditional Irish melody



1. Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
2. *Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;*
3. Be thou my bat - tle shield, sword for my fight;
4. *Rich - es I heed not, nor man's emp - ty praise,*
5. High King of heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,



naught be all else to me, save that thou art—
I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;
be thou my dig - ni - ty, thou my de - light,
thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:
may I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!



thou my best thought— by day or by night,
thou my great Fa - ther, I thy true son;
thou my soul's shel - ter, thou my high tow'r:
thou and thou on - ly, first in my heart,
Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
thou in me dwell - ing, and I with thee one.
raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
High King of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
still be my vi - sion, O Ru - ler of all.

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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)

Carolina Sandell Berg, 1855

TRYGGARE KAN INGEN VARA

Traditional Swedish melody



1. Chil - dren of the heav'n - ly Fa - ther safe - ly
 2. God his own doth tend and nour - ish, in his
 3. Nei - ther life nor death shall ev - er from the
 4. Praise the Lord in joy - ful num - bers, your pro -
 5. Though he giv - eth or he tak - eth, God his



in his bo - som gath - er; nest - ling bird nor star in
ho - ly courts they flour - ish; from all e - vil things he
 Lord his chil - dren sev - er; un - to them his grace he
tec - tor nev - er slum - bers; at the will of your de -
 chil - dren ne'er for - sak - eth; his the lov - ing pur - pose



heav - en such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en.
s pares them, in his might - y arms he bears them.
 show - eth, and their sor - rows all he know - eth.
fend - er ev - 'ry foe - man must sur - ren - der.
 sole - ly to pre - serve them pure and ho - ly.

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❖ BENEDICTION

❖ DEPARTING HYMN

Josua Wegelin, 1604-1640

NUN FREUT EUCH

Etlich Christlich liden, Wittenberg, 1524

1. On Christ's as - cen - sion I now build the hope of my as - cen - sion;
 2. Since Christ re - turned to claim his throne, great gifts for me ob - tain - ing,
 3. Oh, grant, dear Lord, this grace to me, re - call - ing your as - cen - sion,



this hope a - lone has al - ways stilled all doubt and ap - pre - hen - sion;
 my heart will rest in him a - lone, no oth - er rest re - main - ing;
 that I may serve you faith - ful - ly, a - dorn - ing your re - demp - tion;



for where the head is, there as well I know his mem - bers
 for where my trea - sure went be - fore, there all my thoughts will
 and then, when all my days will cease, let me de - part in



are to dwell when Christ will come and call them.
 ev - er soar to still their deep - est yearn - ing.
 joy and peace in an - swer to my plead - ing.

POSTLUDE

Destin Wernicke

Gott fährt auf gen Himmel – Christlieb Siegmund Binder (1723–1789)

Lo, God to heav'n ascendeth!
 Throughout its regions vast
 With shouts triumphant blendeth
 The trumpet's thrilling blast:
 Sing praise to Christ the Lord;
 Sing praise with exultation,
 King of each heathen nation,
 The God of hosts adored!

LESSONS

Psalm 66:8-20

¹God shall arise, his enemies shall be scattered;
and those who hate him shall flee before him!
²As smoke is driven away, so you shall drive them away;
as wax melts before fire,
so the wicked shall perish before God!
³But the righteous shall be glad;
they shall exult before God;
they shall be jubilant with joy!
⁴Sing to God, sing praises to his name;
lift up a song to him who rides through the deserts;
his name is the LORD;
exult before him!
⁵Father of the fatherless and protector of widows
is God in his holy habitation.
⁶God settles the solitary in a home;
he leads out the prisoners to prosperity,
but the rebellious dwell in a parched land.
⁷O God, when you went out before your people,
when you marched through the wilderness, Selah
⁸the earth quaked, the heavens poured down rain,
before God, the One of Sinai,
before God, the God of Israel.
⁹Rain in abundance, O God, you shed abroad;
you restored your inheritance as it languished;
¹⁰your flock found a dwelling in it;
in your goodness, O God, you provided for the
needy.

¹¹The Lord gives the word;
the women who announce the news are a great
host:
¹²“The kings of the armies—they flee, they flee!”
The women at home divide the spoil—
¹³though you men lie among the sheepfolds—
the wings of a dove covered with silver,
its pinions with shimmering gold.
¹⁴When the Almighty scatters kings there,
let snow fall on Zalmon.
¹⁵O mountain of God, mountain of Bashan;
O many-peaked mountain, mountain of Bashan!
¹⁶Why do you look with hatred, O many-peaked mountain,
at the mount that God desired for his abode,
yes, where the LORD will dwell forever?
¹⁷The chariots of God are twice ten thousand,
thousands upon thousands;
the Lord is among them; Sinai is now in the sanctu-
ary.
¹⁸You ascended on high,
leading a host of captives in your train
and receiving gifts among men,
even among the rebellious, that the LORD God may dwell
there.

Acts 1:12-26

¹²Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day’s journey away.
¹³And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. ¹⁴All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.
¹⁵In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, ¹⁶“Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. ¹⁷For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.”
¹⁸(Now this man acquired a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. ¹⁹And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) ²⁰“For it is written in the Book of Psalms,
““May his camp become desolate,
and let there be no one to dwell in it’;
and
““Let another take his office.’”
²¹So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us,
²²beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection.” ²³And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴And they prayed and said, “You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen ²⁵to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.” ²⁶And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

John 17:1-11

¹When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, “Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, ²since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. ³And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. ⁴I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do. ⁵And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed.

⁶“I have manifested your name to the people whom you gave me out of the world. Yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ⁷Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you. ⁸For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. ⁹I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours. ¹⁰All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them. ¹¹And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one.”

Sermon Text — Ephesians 4:1-16

¹I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ²with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call—⁵one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. ⁷But grace was given to each one of us according to the measure of Christ’s gift. ⁸Therefore it says,

“When he ascended on high he led a host of captives,
and he gave gifts to men.”

⁹(In saying, “He ascended,” what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower regions, the earth? ¹⁰He who descended is the one who also ascended far above all the heavens, that he might fill all things.) ¹¹And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers, ¹²to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, ¹³until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, ¹⁴so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes. ¹⁵Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, ¹⁶from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.

Redeemer Calendar

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sun, May 17 8:45 & 11:15 a.m. **The Divine Service**, Rev. Eric Landry preaching
Wed, May 20 7:00 p.m. **Choir Rehearsal**, Covenant Hall
Thu, May 21 10:00 a.m. **Journey of Motherhood**, Contact Tisha Welch

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Sun, May 24 8:45 & 11:15 a.m. **The Divine Service**, Rev. Titus Bagby preaching
1:00 p.m. **Annual Pentecost Feast**, Covenant Hall
Mon, May 25 10:00 a.m. **Memorial Day**, Redeemer Offices Closed
Fri, Jun 5 7:30 p.m. **Redeemer Choral Evensong**, Covenant Hall

Congratulations, Graduates!

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

HIGH SCHOOL

William Russel, Russel Classical Academy, plans to pursue a degree in Mechanical Engineering

Winston Raveny, Anderson High School, will attend the University of Arkansas to major in Business

Kate Ahrens, Hill Country Christian School, attending Texas Tech to study Landscape Architecture

Evan Rhinehart, Homeschool High School, will attend Texas State Technical College to study Aviation Maintenance

Parker Barnett, Bastrop High School, will pursue a Music degree from UT San Antonio

Ricardo Oses Santiago, Will be returning to Caceres, Spain to finish high school

COLLEGE

Sarah Grace Walton, Whitefield College, B.A. Christian Secondary Education

Will Baggett, Tarleton State University, Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice, will be commissioned as active-duty 2nd Lieutenant in the US Army, branching into Military Police.

Ethan Du, University of Texas, Masters in Special Education; will be pursuing a Ph.D in the fall

Benjamin Miller Cox, Colorado Christian University, Bachelor's in Finance and Business Admin; will be pursuing a Master's of Real Estate at Texas A&M this fall

Quinn Sullivan, Tarleton State University, Bachelors in Agricultural Economics.

Natalie Whitfield, Tarleton State University, Bachelors in Psychology. Will be working with children with autism at Action Behavior Centers

POST GRADUATE

Nicolas Molina Vergara, completing his PhD in Materials Science & Engineering from UT; he is currently applying for positions.

Ricky Hoobler, completing his PhD in Aerospace Engineering; he begins a position as a Controls and Dynamics Research Engineer this year.

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