

#### 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 25, 2025

### The Sixth Sunday of Easter

### In Preparation

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

PRELUDE

Pat Dolan

Jesus Lives, and So Shall I — Johann Cruger, arr. Larry Shackley

The Power of the Cross - Keith Getty and Stuart Townend, arr. Mark Hayes

Speak, O Lord — Keith Getty and Stuart Townend, arr. Mary McDonald

#### WORDS OF PREPARATION

John 16:23b-33

In that day you will ask nothing of me. Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you. Until now you have asked nothing in my name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.

"I have said these things to you in figures of speech. The hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figures of speech but will tell you plainly about the Father. In that day you will ask in my name, and I do not say to you that I will ask the Father on your behalf; for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from God. I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father."

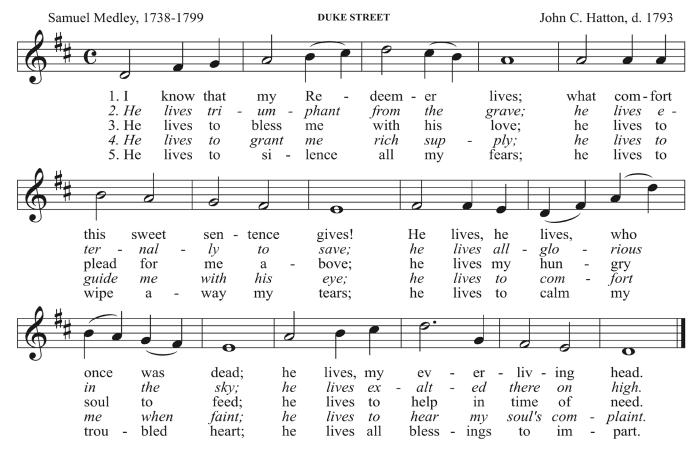
His disciples said, "Ah, now you are speaking plainly and not using figurative speech! Now we know that you know all things and do not need anyone to question you; this is why we believe that you came from God." Jesus answered them, "Do you now believe? Behold, the hour is coming, indeed it has come, when you will be scattered, each to his own home, and will leave me alone. Yet I am not alone, for the Father is with me. I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world."

#### **COLLECT OF THE DAY**

O God, the giver of all that is good, by your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by your merciful guiding accomplish them; 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

#### **\* HYMN OF ENTRANCE**



6. He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend; He lives and loves me to the end; He lives, and while he lives, I'll sing; He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King.

- 7. He lives and grants me daily breath; He lives, and I shall conquer death; He lives my mansion to prepare; He lives to bring me safely there.
- 8. He lives, all glory to his name! He lives, my Jesus, still the same; Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives: I know that my Redeemer lives!

#### **\*** CALL TO WORSHIP

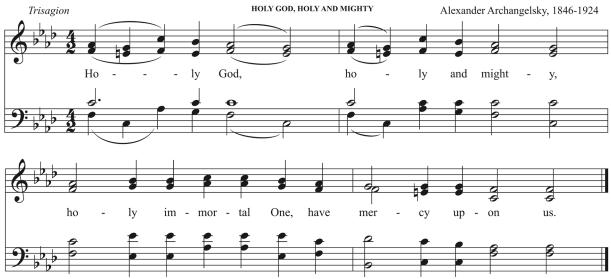
- Minister: Christ has risen from the dead,
- People: God the Father has crowned him with glory and honor,
- Minister: He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;
- People: He has put all things under his feet.
- Minister: In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
- People: Amen.
- Minister: Let us pray.

#### PRAYER OF ADORATION

... world without end. Amen.

Congregation stands as able

#### **CALL TO CONFESSION**



- Minister: Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him. If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words."
  - 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.

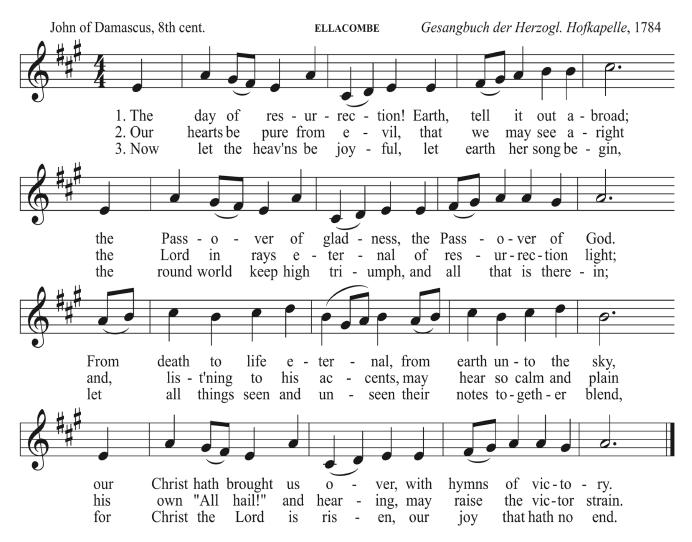
People: Amen.

- ↔ 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.





#### **\* HYMN OF GRATITUDE**



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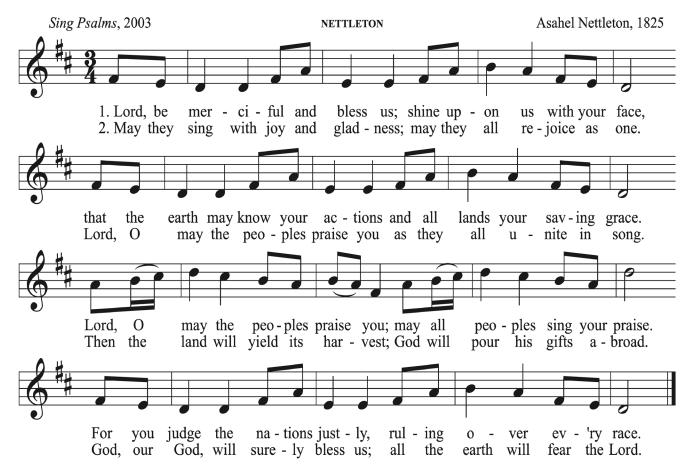
# The Service of the Word

#### THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

Acts 16:6-15

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God!** 

#### **\*** THE PSALTER



#### THE EPISTLE LESSON

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God!** 

#### **♦ OUR RESPONSE**

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#### **WELCOME**

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

#### **INTERLUDE**

#### PRAYER OF SUPPLICATION AND THANKSGIVING

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

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

#### **\* PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**MORNING SERMON** 

Rev. Eric Landry

Matthew 5:1-12

Mercy for the Merciful Matthew 5:1-12

Congregation stands as able

Ruling Elder Joshua Torrey

## 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.

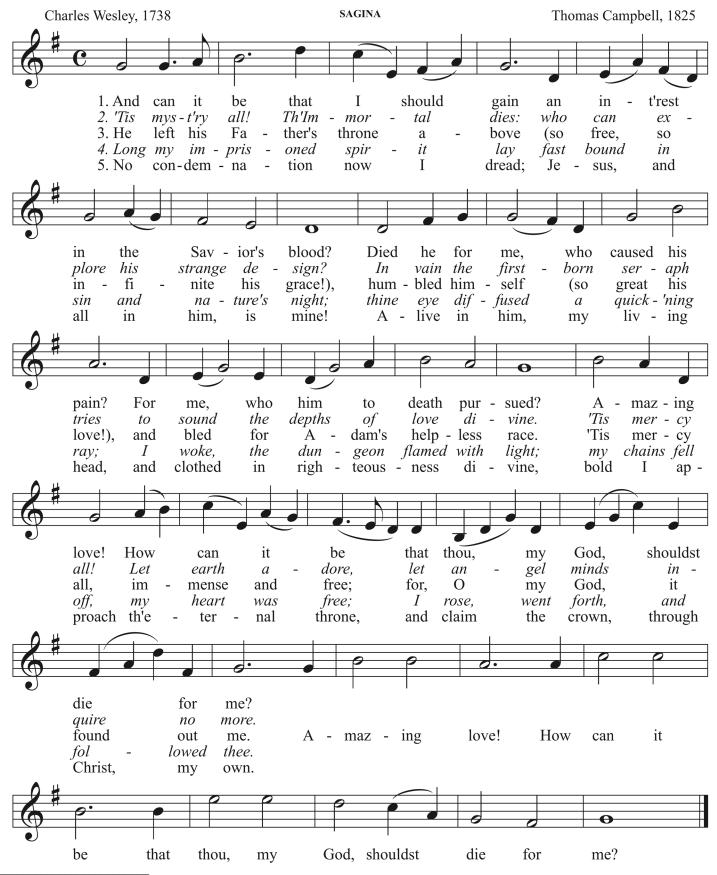
Members of the congregation greet one another with a sign of friendship such as the ancient words that the church has used over the centuries, "The peace of Christ be with you," and the response, "And also with you."

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#### **TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

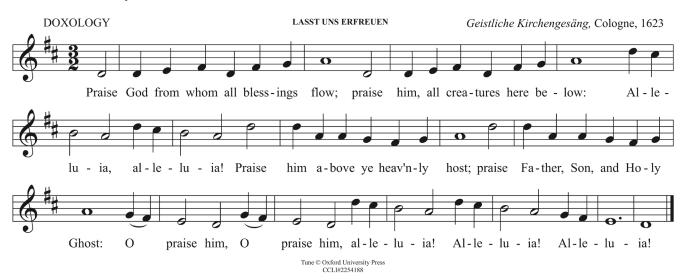
Minister:The earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof;People:the world, and they that dwell therein.

#### HYMN OF GRATITUDE TO GOD



Congregation stands as able

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



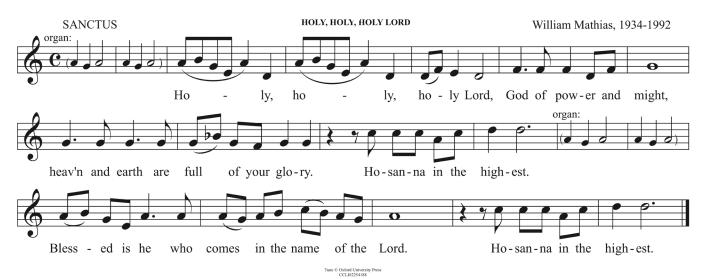
#### **\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Minister: 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:

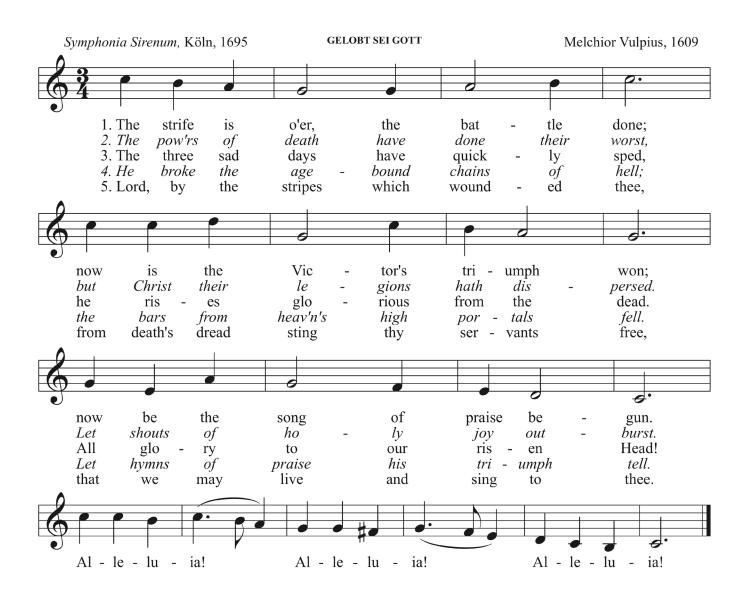


#### INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

#### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

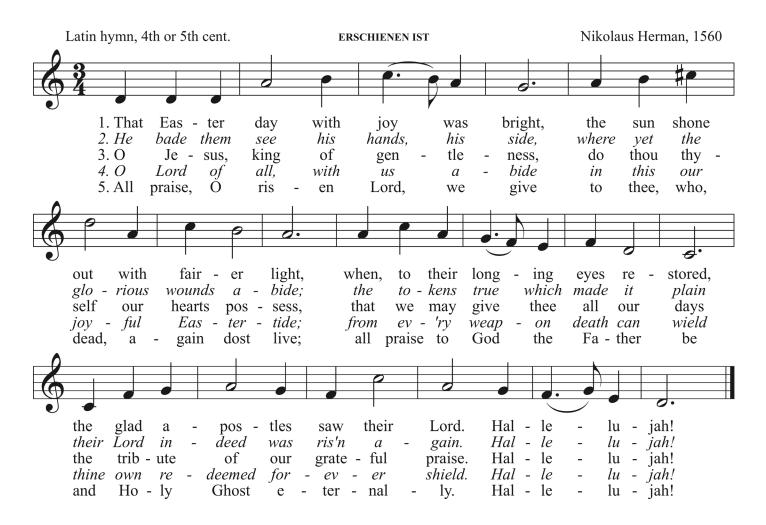
#### THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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**

#### <u>Psalm 67</u>

<sup>1</sup>May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us,
<sup>2</sup>that your way may be known on earth, your saving power among all nations.
<sup>3</sup>Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

<sup>4</sup>Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.
<sup>5</sup>Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

<sup>6</sup>The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, shall bless us. <sup>7</sup>God shall bless us; let all the ends of the earth fear him!

#### Acts 16:6-15

<sup>6</sup>And they went through the region of Phrygia and Galatia, having been forbidden by the Holy Spirit to speak the word in Asia. <sup>7</sup>And when they had come up to Mysia, they attempted to go into Bithynia, but the Spirit of Jesus did not allow them. <sup>8</sup>So, passing by Mysia, they went down to Troas. <sup>9</sup>And a vision appeared to Paul in the night: a man of Macedonia was standing there, urging him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." <sup>10</sup>And when Paul had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go on into Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them.

<sup>11</sup>So, setting sail from Troas, we made a direct voyage to Samothrace, and the following day to Neapolis, <sup>12</sup>and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city some days. <sup>13</sup>And on the Sabbath day we went outside the gate to the riverside, where we supposed there was a place of prayer, and we sat down and spoke to the women who had come together. <sup>14</sup>One who heard us was a woman named Lydia, from the city of Thyatira, a seller of purple goods, who was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to pay attention to what was said by Paul. <sup>15</sup>And after she was baptized, and her household as well, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come to my house and stay." And she prevailed upon us.

#### Revelation 21:9-14, 21-27

<sup>9</sup>Then came one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues and spoke to me, saying, "Come, I will show you the Bride, the wife of the Lamb." <sup>10</sup>And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, <sup>11</sup>having the glory of God, its radiance like a most rare jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. <sup>12</sup>It had a great, high wall, with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates the names of the twelve tribes of the sons of Israel were inscribed—<sup>13</sup>on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. <sup>14</sup>And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

<sup>21</sup>And the twelve gates were twelve pearls, each of the gates made of a single pearl, and the street of the city was pure gold, like transparent glass.

<sup>22</sup>And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. <sup>23</sup>And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb. <sup>24</sup>By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it, <sup>25</sup>and its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. <sup>26</sup>They will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. <sup>27</sup>But nothing unclean will ever enter it, nor anyone who does what is detestable or false, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

#### <u>Sermon Text — Matthew 5:1-12</u>

<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

		SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
Sun, May 25	8:45 & 11:15 a.m.	The Divine Service, Rev. Eric Landry preaching
Mon, May 26		Memorial Day, Redeemer OfficesClosed
Thu, May 29	7:00 p.m	Ascension Day Service, Covenant Hall
Sat, May 31	8:00 a.m.	Women's Pray For One Another Breakfast, North/South, Contact Cathy Scott
		ASCENSION SUNDAY
Sun, Jun 1	8:45 & 11:15 a.m.	The Divine Service, Rev. Jon Herr preaching
	—	Youth Group and Family Wimberley Day Trip, Contact Nate Esbenshade
Fri, Jun 6	7:00 p.m.	Friday Night, Ladies Night, Contact Zoie Duncan
Sat, Jun 7	8:00 a.m.	Redeemer Men's Workout, Redeemer Parking Lot
Sun, Jun 8	10:15 a.m.	Summer School of Discipleship Begins
	5:00 p.m.	Pentecost Feast
Mon, Jun 9	7:00 p.m.	Deacons Meeting
June 9-12	_	Redemeer Arts Camp
Sat, Jun 14	8:00 a.m.	South Men's Breakfast, Contact Steven Loomis

#### May Missions Month Bible Drive

This is the last week we will be collecting English and Spanish Bibles for the Heart of Texas Crisis Pregnancy Resource Center. You can purchase the approved Bibles by following the links in the Missions Month blog post or donate on Sundays by writing "Bible Drive" in the memo line of a check. We have generously been given a matching opportunity of \$750 for this project, so every Bible you purchase will become two Bibles, and \$20 will become \$40!

More details about Missions Month can be seen by scanning the link below.



#### **Pentecost Feast**

Our annual Pentecost Feast is coming up on Sunday, June 8! Please mark your calendar and check your inbox for an email with a volunteer sign up link. We are looking for volunteers to help with set up, clean up, or to bring a dish from the menu prepared by Kitchen Manager Teresa Hendrix.

#### **Ascension Day Service**

Join us this Thursday, May 29, as we gather at 7:00 p.m. to celebrate Jesus Christ as our ascended Lord! The service will feature hymn singing and a sermon from Rev. Marcus Serven.

#### **Summer School of Discpleship**

Make plans now to join us for our eight-week session of School of Discipleship, with classes for all ages! We will meet between services starting June 8 through July 27 (no classes in May or August). Scan this code for all the details about classes for kids and adults.



## **Monthly Financial Report - May 2025** (Fiscal year beginning October 1, 2024)

	Receipts		Expenses		/ Surplus / Deficit
Annual Budget	\$ 2,029,000	\$	2,015,555	\$	13,445
YTD Budget	\$ 1,209,081	\$	1,185,289	\$	23,792
YTD Actual	\$ 1,123,028	\$	1,246,021	\$	(122,993)
Favorable (unfavorable)	(86,054)		(60,732)		(146,786)

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