

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 Invocation, Call to Worship, and Prayer of Adoration. We will then join in a Corporate Confession of Sin, hear God’s Declaration of Absolution, and respond with the Gloria and Hymn of Gratitude or Psalm.

The **Service of the Word** will include readings from the Lectionary (a calendar-based system for reading through the Bible) along with corporate responses of song and prayer. The sermon is God’s Word to us and we ask that you listen attentively, asking the Holy Spirit to apply his Word to you in a particular way.

The **Service of the Table** begins with a Corporate Confession of Faith, followed by the Passing of the Peace, and the Collection of Tithes and Offerings. Our service concludes with the Lord’s Supper and Benediction. Our church partakes of the Lord’s Supper every week. We welcome to the table all baptized Christians who are trusting in Christ alone for their salvation, have made public profession of their faith, and are part of a local church. We offer both wine and grape juice (located in the center rings) in the communion tray. If you have any questions, please speak with a pastor.

Your Children

We love kids! And we try to make them feel welcome during our worship service. You can help your children profit from the service by working through the bulletin with them. If your child needs a break from the service, please feel free to sit in the Narthex where you can still hear the service. You can also take young children to the Nursery. A private space is provided in the Nursery for nursing mothers.

Between Services

Please join us in the courtyard for a time of fellowship with coffee and breakfast snacks. At 10:15 a.m., we offer School of Discipleship classes for all ages in Calvin Hall, with nursery through kindergarten downstairs, and first grade through adults meeting on the second floor.

Liturgical Color: Green – symbolizes our growth in Christ.

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THE DIVINE SERVICE

October 8, 2023

The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

In Preparation



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

PRELUDE

Michael Phillips

Rhosymedre — Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

Allein Gott in der Höh sei Ehr, BWV 715 — J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

All glory be to thee, Most High, to thee all adoration;
In grace and truth thou drawest nigh to offer us salvation;
Thou showest thy goodwill to men, and peace shall reign on earth again;
We praise thy name forever.

WORDS OF PREPARATION

Isaiah 5:1-7

Let me sing for my beloved
my love song concerning his vineyard:
My beloved had a vineyard
on a very fertile hill.

He dug it and cleared it of stones,
and planted it with choice vines;
he built a watchtower in the midst of it,
and hewed out a wine vat in it;
and he looked for it to yield grapes,
but it yielded wild grapes.

And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem
and men of Judah,
judge between me and my vineyard.
What more was there to do for my vineyard,
that I have not done in it?
When I looked for it to yield grapes,
why did it yield wild grapes?

And now I will tell you
what I will do to my vineyard.
I will remove its hedge,
and it shall be devoured;
I will break down its wall,
and it shall be trampled down.
I will make it a waste;
it shall not be pruned or hoed,
and briars and thorns shall grow up;
I will also command the clouds
that they rain no rain upon it.

For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts
is the house of Israel,
and the men of Judah
are his pleasant planting;
and he looked for justice,
but behold, bloodshed;
for righteousness,
but behold, an outcry!

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Gracious God, you gave your Son into the hands of sinful men who killed him. Forgive us when we reject your unfailing love, and grant us the fullness of your salvation; 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

Lead Me, Lord – Samuel S. Wesley (1810-1876)
Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness,
Make thy way plain before my face.
For it is thou, Lord, thou, Lord, only,
That makest me dwell in safety.

❖ HYMN OF ENTRANCE

Francis of Assisi, c. 1225

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Geistliche Kirchengesäng, 1623



1. All crea - tures of our God and King, lift up your voice and
2. *Thou rush - ing wind that art so strong, ye clouds that sail in*
3. *Thou flow - ing wa - ter, pure and clear, make mu - sic for thy*
4. *And all ye men of ten - der heart, for - giv - ing oth - ers,*
5. Let all things their Cre - a - tor bless, and wor - ship him in



with us sing al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Thou burn - ing sun with
heav'n a - long, O — praise him, al - le - lu - ia! Thou ris - ing morn in
Lord to hear, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Thou fire so mas - ter -
take your part, O — sing ye, al - le - lu - ia! Ye who long pain and
hum - ble - ness, O — praise him, al - le - lu - ia! Praise, praise the Fa - ther,



gold - en beam, thou sil - ver moon with soft - er gleam,
praise re - joice, ye lights of eve - ning, find a voice,
ful and bright, that giv - est man both warmth and light, O praise him,
sor - row bear, praise God and on him cast your care,
praise the Son, and praise the Spir - it, three in one.



O praise him, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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Minister: Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness,
People: And tremble before him all the earth.
Minister: Let the heavens be glad and the earth rejoice
People: For the LORD is coming to judge the earth.
Minister: In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
People: Amen.
Minister: Let us pray.

PRAYER OF ADORATION

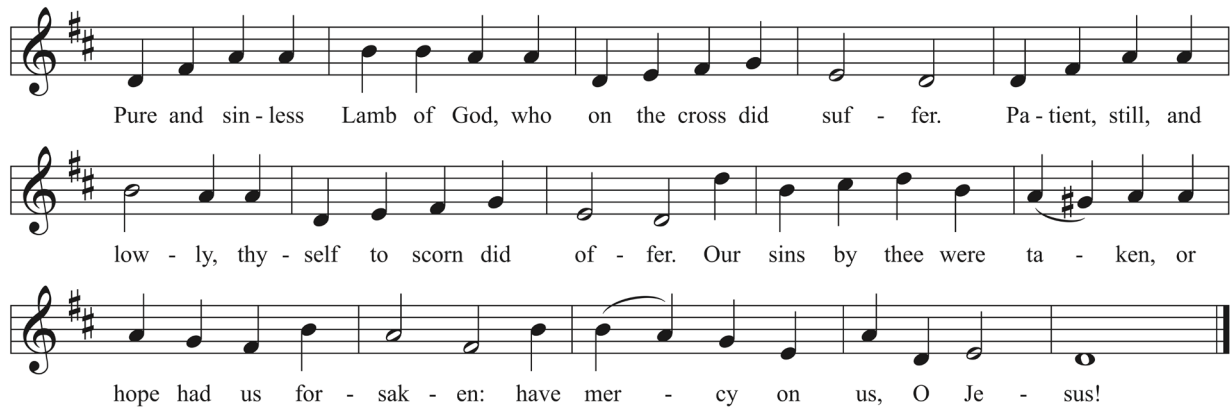
... world without end. **Amen.**

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Nikolaus Decius, 1531

O LAMM GOTTES, UNSCHULDIG

German chorale, 1540



Pure and sin - less Lamb of God, who on the cross did suf - fer. Pa - tient, still, and
low - ly, thy - self to scorn did of - fer. Our sins by thee were ta - ken, or
hope had us for - sak - en: have mer - cy on us, O Je - sus!

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: **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,

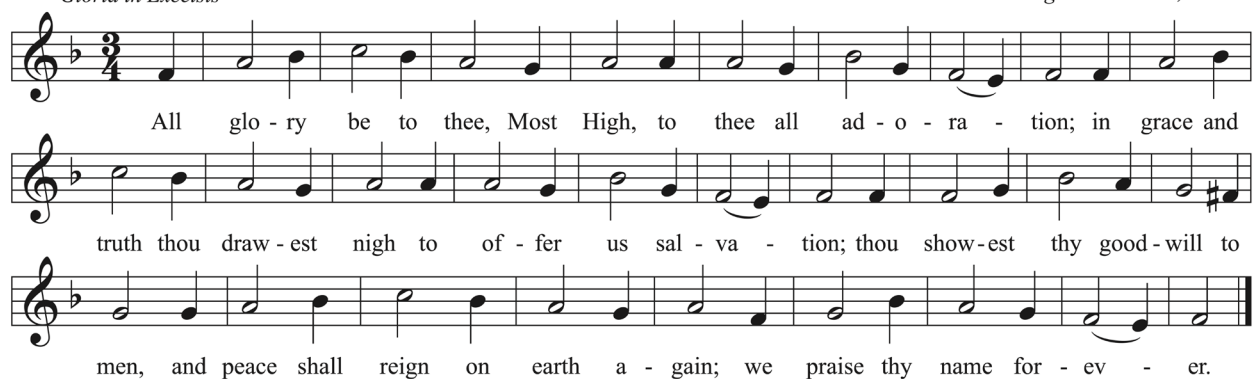
People: **and our mouth will declare your praise.**

❖ THE GLORIA

Gloria in Excelsis

ALLEIN GOTT IN DER HÖH SEI EHR

Deutsche Evangelisch Messze, 1539



All glo - ry be to thee, Most High, to thee all ad - o - ra - tion; in grace and
truth thou draw - est nigh to of - fer us sal - va - tion; thou show - est thy good - will to
men, and peace shall reign on earth a - gain; we praise thy name for - ev - er.

❖ HYMN OF GRATITUDE

Lutherisch Hand-Büchlein, 1648 HERR JESU CHRIST *Cantionale Germanicum, 1628*

1. Lord Je - sus Christ, be pres - ent now; our
 2. Un - seal our lips to sing your praise in
 3. Then shall we join the hosts that cry, "O
 4. All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, Son, and

hearts in true de - vo - tion bow. Your Spir - it send with
 end - less hymns through all our days. In - crease our faith and
 ho - ly, ho - ly Lord Most High!" And in the light of
 Ho - ly Spir - it, Three in One! To you, O bless - ed

light di - vine, and let your truth with - in us shine.
 light our minds; and set us free from doubt that blinds.
 that blest place we then shall see you face to face.
 Trin - i - ty, be praise through - out e - ter - ni - ty!

The Service of the Word



THE PSALTER

Psalm 80:7-19



Choir: Restore us again, O | God of hosts;
show the light of your countenance, and we | shall be whole.
You have brought a vine out of | Egypt;
you have cast out the nations and | planted it.

**All: You made | room for it,
and when it had taken root, it | filled the land.
The hills were covered with the sha- | dow of it,
and the boughs thereof were like the mighty | cedar trees.**

Choir: It stretched out its branches | to the sea
and its boughs to the | river.
Why have you broken | down its hedge,
so that all those who go by pluck | off its grapes?

**All: The wild boar out of the wood | roots it up,
and the wild beasts of the field de- | vour it.
Turn again, O God of hosts, look down from | heaven;
behold, and vis- | it this vine,**

Choir: And the place of the vineyard that your right hand has | planted,
and the branch that you made so strong | for yourself.
As for those who burn it with fire and | cut it down,
let them perish at the rebuke of your | countenance.

**All: Let your hand be upon the man of | your right hand
and upon the son of man, whom you made so strong | for yourself.
And so we will not turn | back from you;
O let us live, and we shall call up- | on your Name.**

Choir: Restore us again, O Lord | God of hosts;
show the light of your countenance, and we | shall be whole.

**All: 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.**

THE EPISTLE LESSON

Philippians 3:4b-14

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

CHORAL ANTHEM

Youth Choir & Redeemer Choir

O for a Closer Walk with God – Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

O for a closer walk with God,
A calm and heavenly frame;
A light to shine upon the road
That leads me to the Lamb!

Return, O holy Dove, return,
Sweet messenger of rest;
I hate the sins that made thee mourn,
And drove thee from my breast.

So shall my walk be close with God,
Calm and serene my frame;
So purer light shall mark the road
That leads me to the Lamb.

(William Cowper, 1731-1800)

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise be to you, O Christ!

❖ OUR RESPONSE

The Book of Psalms for Singing, 1973

CORNERSTONE

Leonard R. Payton, 1998



1. That stone is made head cor - ner - stone which the build - ers did de - spise.
 2. O bless - ed be the one who comes, comes in Je - ho - vah's name;
 3. Thou art my God; I'll give thee thanks. My God, I'll wor - ship thee.



This is the do - ing of the Lord, and
 the bless - ing from Je - ho - vah's house up -
 O thank the Lord, for he is good; his



won - drous in our eyes, and won - drous in our eyes.
 on you we pro - claim, up - on you we pro - claim.
 grace will end - less be, his grace will end - less be.



This is the day the Lord has made; let us be glad and sing.
 The Lord is God, and he to us has made the light a - rise;



Ho - san - na, Lord, O give suc - cess! O Lord, sal - va - tion bring!
 O bind ye to the al - tar's horns with cords the sac - ri - fice.

WELCOME

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

INTERLUDE

PRAYER OF SUPPLICATION AND THANKSGIVING

Ruling Elder Bret Mercer

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 OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

1 Samuel 4:1b-11, 19-22

Minister: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

❖ PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

MORNING SERMON

Rev. Eric Landry

Using God

1 Samuel 4:1b-11, 19-22

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 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 in 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

Edith G. Cherry, c. 1895

FINLANDIA

Jean Sibelius, 1899



1. We rest on thee, our shield and our de - fend - er!
 2. Yea, in thy name, O Cap - tain of sal - va - tion!
 3. We go in faith, our own great weak - ness feel - ing,
 4. We rest on thee, our shield and our de - fend - er!



We go not forth a - lone a - gainst the foe; strong in thy
 In thy dear name, all oth - er names a - bove; Je - sus our
 and need - ing more each day thy grace to know. Yet from our
 Thine is the bat - tle, thine shall be the praise. When pass - ing



strength, safe in thy keep - ing ten - der, we rest on thee, and
 righ - teous - ness, our sure foun - da - tion, our Prince of glo - ry
 hearts a song of tri - umph peal - ing, "We rest on thee, and
 through the gates of pearl - y splen - dor, vic - tors, we rest with



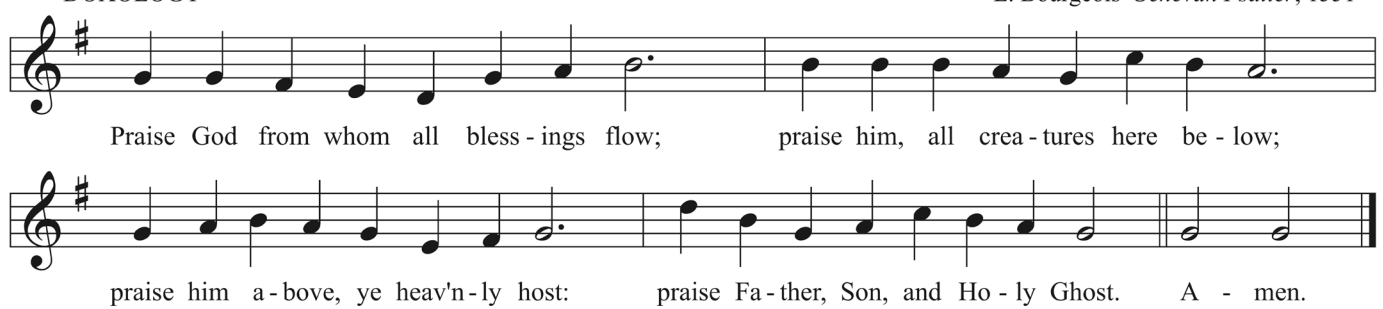
in thy name we go. Strong in thy strength, safe in thy keep - ing
 and our King of love, Je - sus our righ - teous - ness, our sure foun -
 in thy name we go," yet from our hearts a song of tri - umph
 thee through end - less days. When pass - ing through the gates of pearl - y



ten - der, we rest on thee, and in thy name we go.
 da - tion, our Prince of glo - ry and our King of love.
 peal - ing, "We rest on thee, and in thy name we go."
 splen - dor, vic - tors, we rest with thee through end - less days.

❖ 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 OLD HUNDREDTH L. Bourgeois' *Genevan Psalter*, 1551



Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all crea - tures here be - low;
praise him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

❖ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Minister: Blessed be your name, O Most High God, forever and ever. You have delivered us from the power of darkness. You have brought us into your kingdom. All that we are and all that we have belongs to you. Prosper these gifts and bless the service we render to others through Jesus 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!

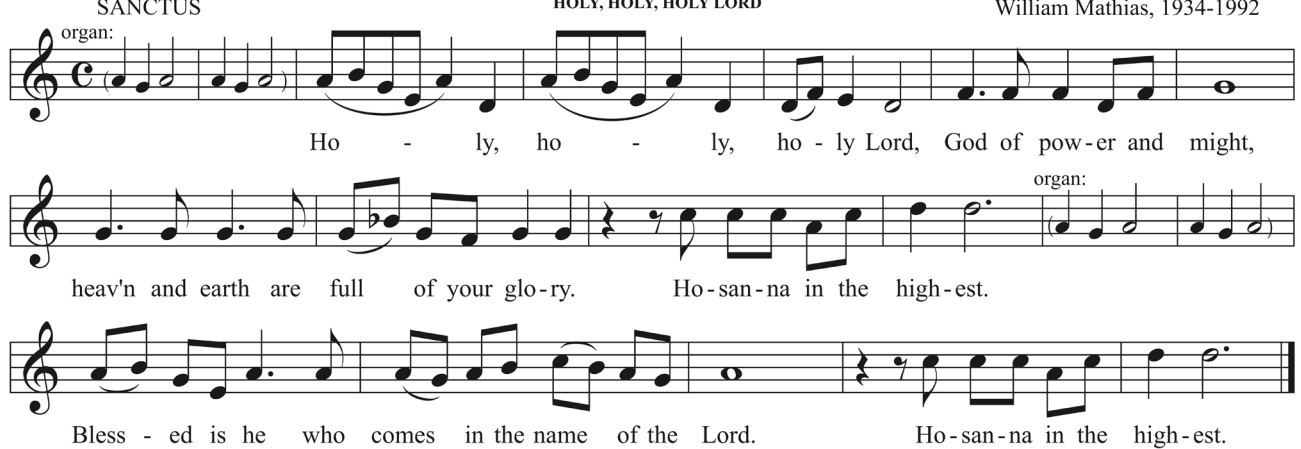
People: **We lift them up to the Lord!**

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, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of 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.
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." (2 Cor. 11:23-24)

Johann Heermann, 1630

HERZLIEBSTER JESU

Johann Crüger, 1640



1. Ah, ho - ly Je - sus, how hast thou of - fend - ed,
2. *Who was the guilt - y who brought this up - on thee?*
3. Lo, the Good Shep - herd for the sheep is of - fered;
4. *For me, kind Je - sus, was thine in - car - na - tion,*
5. There - fore, kind Je - sus, since I can - not pay thee,



that man to judge thee hath in hate pre - tend - ed? By foes de
A - las, my trea - son, Je - sus, hath un - done thee. 'Twas I, Lor
the slave hath sin - ned, and the Son hath suf - fered: for man's a
thy mor - tal sor - row, and thy life's ob - la - tion: thy death of
I do a - dore thee, and will ev - er pray thee, think on thy



rid - ed, by thine own re - ject - ed, O most af - flict - ed.
Je - sus, I it was de - nied thee: I cru - ci - fied thee.
tone - ment, while he noth - ing heed - eth, God in - ter - ced - eth.
an - guish and thy bit - ter pas - sion, for my sal - va - tion.
pit - y and thy love un - swerv - ing, not my de - serv - ing.

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." (2 Cor.11:25)

Thomas Kelly, 1769-1855

BRYN CALFARIA

William Owen, 1813-93



1. Look, ye saints, the sight is glo - rious; see the Man of Sor - rows
 2. Crown the Sav - ior! An - gels, crown him! Rich the tro - phies Je - sus
 3. Sin - ners in de - ri - sion crowned him, mock - ing thus the Sav - ior's



now! From the fight re - turned vic - to - rious, ev - 'ry knee to him shall
 brings; on the seat of pow'r en - throne him; while the vault of heav - en
 claim; saints and an - gels crowd a - round him, own his ti - tle, praise his



bow.
 rings. Crown him! Crown him! Crown him! Crown him! Crown him! Crown him!
 name.



Crowns be - come the vic - tor's brow. Crowns be - come the vic - tor's brow.
 Crown the Sav - ior King of kings. Crown the Sav - ior King of kings.
 Spread a - broad the vic - tor's fame. Spread a - broad the vic - tor's fame.

❖ BENEDICTION

❖ DEPARTING HYMN

Thomas Kelly, 1769-1855

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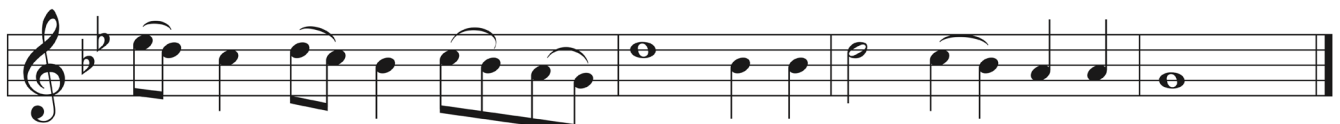
4. Hark, those bursts of ac - cla - ma - tion! Hark, those loud tri - umphant



chords! Je - sus takes the high - est sta - tion; oh, what joy the sight af -



fords! Crown him! Crown him! Crown him! Crown him! Crown him! Crown him!



King of kings and Lord of lords! King of kings and Lord of lords!

LESSONS

Psalm 80:7-19

Restore us again, O God of hosts;
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be whole.
You have brought a vine out of Egypt;
you have cast out the nations and planted it.
You made room for it,
and when it had taken root, it filled the land.
The hills were covered with the shadow of it,
and the boughs thereof were like the mighty cedar trees.
It stretched out its branches to the sea
and its boughs to the river.
Why have you broken down its hedge,
so that all those who go by pluck off its grapes?
The wild boar out of the wood roots it up,
and the wild beasts of the field devour it.
Turn again, O God of hosts, look down from heaven;
behold, and visit this vine,
And the place of the vineyard that your right hand has planted,
and the branch that you made so strong for yourself.
As for those who burn it with fire and cut it down,
let them perish at the rebuke of your countenance.
Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand
and upon the son of man, whom you made so strong for yourself.
And so we will not turn back from you;
O let us live, and we shall call upon your Name.
Restore us again, O Lord God of hosts;
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be whole.

Philippians 3:4b-14

If anyone else thinks he has reason for confidence in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith—that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

Matthew 21:33-46

“Hear another parable. There was a master of a house who planted a vineyard and put a fence around it and dug a winepress in it and built a tower and leased it to tenants, and went into another country. When the season for fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to get his fruit. And the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other servants, more than the first. And they did the same to them. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and have his inheritance.’ And they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?” They said to him, “He will put those wretches to a miserable death and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons.”

Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the Scriptures:

“‘The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;
this was the Lord’s doing,
and it is marvelous in our eyes’?”

Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people producing its fruits. And the one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and when it falls on anyone, it will crush him.”

When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they perceived that he was speaking about them. And although they were seeking to arrest him, they feared the crowds, because they held him to be a prophet.

Sermon Lesson—1 Samuel 4:1b-11, 19-22

Now Israel went out to battle against the Philistines. They encamped at Ebenezer, and the Philistines encamped at Aphek. ²The Philistines drew up in line against Israel, and when the battle spread, Israel was defeated before the Philistines, who killed about four thousand men on the field of battle. ³And when the people came to the camp, the elders of Israel said, “Why has the LORD defeated us today before the Philistines? Let us bring the ark of the covenant of the LORD here from Shiloh, that it may come among us and save us from the power of our enemies.” ⁴So the people sent to Shiloh and brought from there the ark of the covenant of the LORD of hosts, who is enthroned on the cherubim. And the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, were there with the ark of the covenant of God.

⁵As soon as the ark of the covenant of the LORD came into the camp, all Israel gave a mighty shout, so that the earth resounded. ⁶And when the Philistines heard the noise of the shouting, they said, “What does this great shouting in the camp of the Hebrews mean?” And when they learned that the ark of the LORD had come to the camp, ⁷the Philistines were afraid, for they said, “A god has come into the camp.” And they said, “Woe to us! For nothing like this has happened before. ⁸Woe to us! Who can deliver us from the power of these mighty gods? These are the gods who struck the Egyptians with every sort of plague in the wilderness. ⁹Take courage, and be men, O Philistines, lest you become slaves to the Hebrews as they have been to you; be men and fight.”

¹⁰So the Philistines fought, and Israel was defeated, and they fled, every man to his home. And there was a very great slaughter, for thirty thousand foot soldiers of Israel fell. ¹¹And the ark of God was captured, and the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, died.

¹⁹Now his daughter-in-law, the wife of Phinehas, was pregnant, about to give birth. And when she heard the news that the ark of God was captured, and that her father-in-law and her husband were dead, she bowed and gave birth, for her pains came upon her. ²⁰And about the time of her death the women attending her said to her, “Do not be afraid, for you have borne a son.” But she did not answer or pay attention. ²¹And she named the child Ichabod, saying, “The glory has departed from Israel!” because the ark of God had been captured and because of her father-in-law and her husband. ²²And she said, “The glory has departed from Israel, for the ark of God has been captured.”

Redeemer Calendar

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

- Sun, Oct 8** 8:45 & 11:15 a.m. **The Divine Service**, Rev. Eric Landry preaching
10:15 a.m. **School of Discipleship**, classes for all ages in Calvin Hall
6:00 p.m. **Evening at Redeemer**, Adult Study, Youth Group, Children's Choirs, nursery care
- Mon, Oct 9** 7:00 p.m. **Women's Bible Study**, (via Zoom) study of Romans, contact Tami White
Thu, Oct 12 9:30 a.m. **Theology Study Group**, Room 208, contact Marcus Serven
Sat, Oct 14 8:00 a.m. **Men's Breakfast**, Jim's Restaurant at the Y, contact Steven Loomis for info

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

- Sun, Oct 15** 8:45 & 11:15 a.m. **The Divine Service**, Rev. Eric Landry preaching
— **Congregational Meeting**, brief congregational vote immediately after each service
10:15 a.m. **School of Discipleship**, classes for all ages in Calvin Hall
6:00 p.m. **Evening at Redeemer**, Adult Study, Youth Group, Children's Choirs, nursery care
- Mon, Oct 16** 7:00 p.m. **Women's Bible Study**, (via Zoom) study of Romans, contact Tami White
Thu, Oct 19 9:30 a.m. **Theology Study Group**, Room 208, contact Marcus Serven
10:00 a.m. **Journey of Motherhood**, Library, child care provided
Sat, Oct 21 9:00 a.m. **Choir Rehearsal**, Covenant Hall
7:30 a.m. **Men's Breakfast**, Cracker Barrel in Round Rock, contact Mark Nelsen for info
6:00 p.m. **Fall Country Dance**, Covenant Hall
— **South Texas Presbytery**, Christ Church, New Braunfels
Oct 27 & 28 8:00 a.m. **Ladies Pray for One Another Breakfast**, contact Rebecca Loomis
Sat, Oct 28 — **Biblical Theology Workshop for Women**, visit nancyguthrie.com for details
Nov 3 & 4

Congregational Vote: Oct 15

At its September meeting, the RPC Session voted to call a congregational meeting for October 15, to take place immediately after each worship service. The purpose of the meeting is to present Jon Herr and Danny Morgan as candidates for election as Associate Pastors. The elders called these two men in 2022 to serve Redeemer as Assistant Pastors, and after a year of exemplary service among us, the elders are now recommending that you elect each of them to this new role.

For more details, including reflections from Jon and Danny, please see the website post: redeemerpres.org/congregational-meeting/

Fall Country Dance: Oct 21

The fall country dance is back! Join us for a fun evening of family-friendly dancing on Saturday, Oct. 21, starting at 6 p.m. Most of the dances are group folk dances, with a caller to guide us through the steps. No experience is required, and all ages are welcome! Bring a snack to share and a few dollars to put in the hat for our caller.

Missions Spotlight: Christ's Kids

This month we are featuring and praying for Christ's Kids ministry of Peru Mission. Since 2017, Peru Mission has been serving children from underprivileged backgrounds, providing tutoring, medical care, English classes, Bible clubs, and more. Please scan the code to learn more. Let's get all these children sponsored!



Biblical Theology Workshop for Women

We're excited to host author Nancy Guthrie for this fall conference. Invite a friend and register now! Nov. 3 *or* 4, 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

FRIDAY LINK



SATURDAY LINK



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