

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

THE DIVINE SERVICE

April 21, 2024

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

In Preparation



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

PRELUDE Michael Phillips

Prelude on "St. Columba" - Healey Willan (1880-1968)

The King of love my shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never. I nothing lack if I am his, and he is mine forever.

Prelude on "Aberystwyth" - Healey Willan

Jesus, lover of my soul, let me to thy bosom fly, While the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high: Hide me, O my Savior, hide, till the storm of life is past; Safe into the haven guide, O receive my soul at last!

WORDS OF PREPARATION

1 John 3:1-7

By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.

By this we shall know that we are of the truth and reassure our heart before him; for whenever our heart condemns us, God is greater than our heart, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God; and whatever we ask we receive from him, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. Whoever keeps his commandments abides in God, and God in him. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit whom he has given us.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, merciful Father, since you hace 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

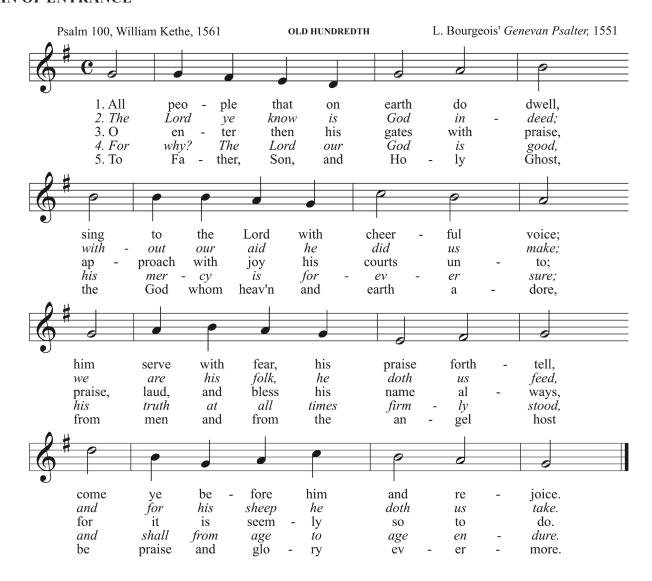


CHORAL INTROIT

Our Lord Is Risen Again Today - Samuel Scheidt (1587-1654)

Our Lord is risen again today, Alleluia! The powers of sin and death to slay, Alleluia!

HYMN OF ENTRANCE



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.

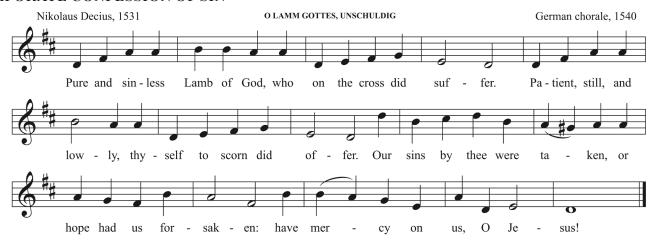
People: Amen.

Minister: Let us pray.

PRAYER OF ADORATION

... world without end. Amen.

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN



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.

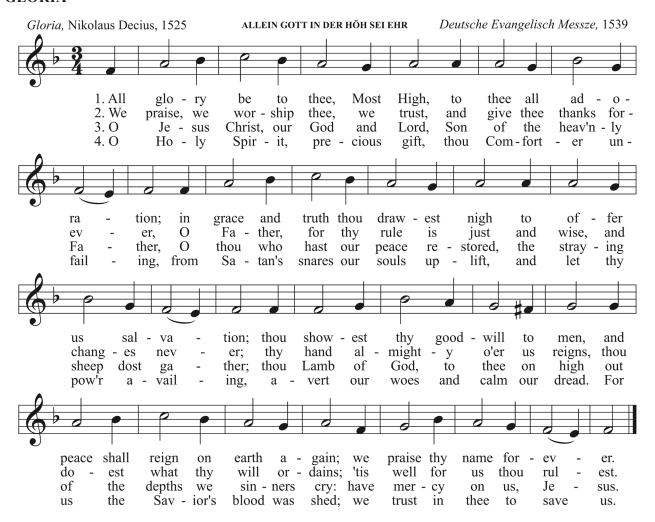
Minister: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

People: the Maker of heaven and earth.

Minister: O Lord, open our lips,

People: and our mouth will declare your praise.

* THE GLORIA



The Service of the Word

THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

Acts 4:1-12 Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

Psalm 23

People: Thanks be to God!

THE CHORAL PSALTER

The Lord Is My Shepherd – Howard Goodall (1958-) Anna Blauw, mezzo-soprano

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want; He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: He leadeth me beside the still waters.

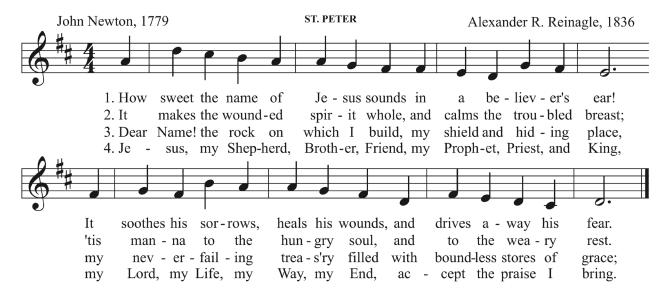
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: For you are with me, you will comfort me.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: And I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

THE GOSPEL LESSON John 10:11-18

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

OUR RESPONSE



- 5. Weak is the effort of my heart, And cold my warmest thought; But when I see thee as thou art, I'll praise thee as I ought.
- 6. Till then I would thy love proclaim With every fleeting breath; And may the music of thy name Refresh my soul in death.

WELCOME

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

The Service of Ordination

INTRODUCTION Rev. Eric Landry, moderator

QUESTIONS AND VOWS OF OFFICER INSTALLATION

Rick Mealer, Andrew Waller; Ruling Elders Kelly Baker, Aaron Rhinehart; Deacons

Do you believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, as originally given, to be the inerrant Word of God, the only infallible rule of faith and practice? Do you?

Do you sincerely receive and adopt the *Confession of Faith* and the *Catechisms* of this Church, as containing the system of doctrine taught in the Holy Scriptures; and do you further promise that if at any time you find yourself out of accord with any of the fundamentals of this system of doctrine, you will, on your own initiative, make known to your Session the change which has taken place in your views since the assumption of this ordination vow? Do you?

Do you approve of the form of government and discipline of the Presbyterian Church in America, in conformity with the general principles of biblical polity? Do you?

Do you accept the offices of ruling elder and deacon in this church, and promise faithfully to perform all the duties thereof, and to endeavor by the grace of God to adorn the profession of the Gospel in your life, and to set a worthy example before the church of which God has made you an officer? Do you?

Do you promise subjection to your brethren in the Lord? Do you?

Do you promise to strive for the purity, peace, unity and edification of the Church? Do you?

QUESTION TO THE CONGREGATION

Do you, the members of this church, acknowledge and receive these brothers as ruling elders and deacons, and do you promise to yield them all that honor, encouragement and obedience in the Lord to which their offices, according to the Word of God and the Constitution of this Church, entitle them? Do you? **We do.**

PRAYER OF INSTALLATION AND THANKSGIVING

Ruling Elder Randy Scott

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.

DECLARATION OF THE MODERATOR

Rev. Eric Landry

I now pronounce and declare that Rick Mealer, Andrew Waller, Kelly Baker, and Aaron Rhinehart have been regularly elected, ordained and installed as ruling elders and deacons in this church, agreeable to the Word of God, and according to the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church in America; and that as such they are entitled to all encouragement, honor and obedience in the Lord: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

INTERLUDE

Minister: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

MORNING SERMON Rev. Eric Landry

A Living Hope
1 Peter 1:3-12

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

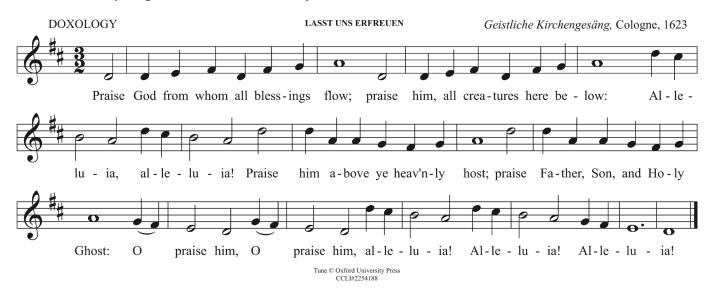
Minister: The earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof;

People: the world, and they that dwell therein.

HYMN OF GRATITUDE TO GOD



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



PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Minister: We love you, O Lord, our rock and our redeemer. We present you with these gifts, which came first from

your hand, as part of our sacrifice of praise. Use them, O God, for your glory and our good. In the name

of Jesus, 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!

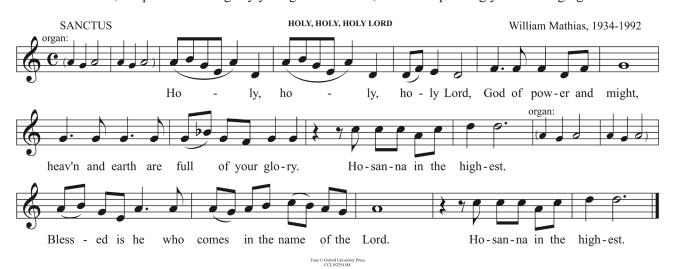
People: It is good and violated do so!

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:

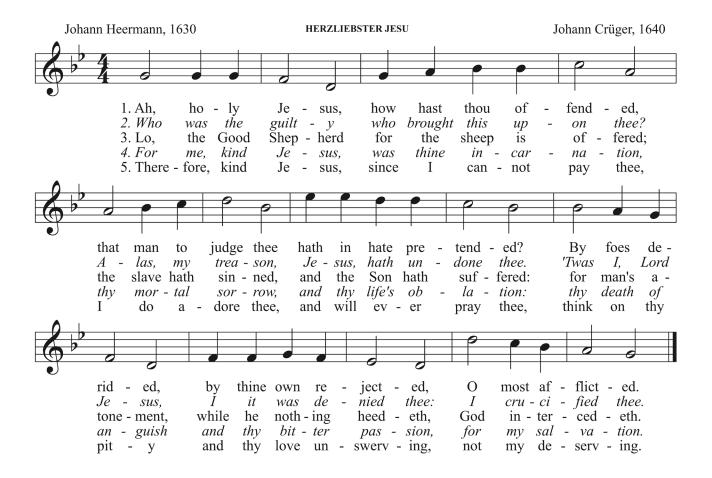


INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

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

Psalm 23

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:

he leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:

for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies:

thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:

and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

Acts 4:1-12

And as they were speaking to the people, the priests and the captain of the temple and the Sadducees came upon them, greatly annoyed because they were teaching the people and proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection from the dead. And they arrested them and put them in custody until the next day, for it was already evening. But many of those who had heard the word believed, and the number of the men came to about five thousand.

On the next day their rulers and elders and scribes gathered together in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest and Caiaphas and John and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. And when they had set them in the midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, if we are being examined today concerning a good deed done to a crippled man, by what means this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead—by him this man is standing before you well. This Jesus is the stone that was rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."

John 10:11-18

"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life that I may take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father."

Sermon Lesson—1 Peter 1:3-12

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, ⁵who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, ⁷so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. ⁸Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, ⁹obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

¹⁰Concerning this salvation, the prophets who prophesied about the grace that was to be yours searched and inquired carefully, ¹¹inquiring what person or time the Spirit of Christ in them was indicating when he predicted the sufferings of Christ and the subsequent glories. ¹²It was revealed to them that they were serving not themselves but you, in the things that have now been announced to you through those who preached the good news to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven, things into which angels long to look.



FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sun, Apr 21 8:4	45 & 11:15 a.m.	The Divine Service, Rev. Eric Landry preaching
	_	Ordination and Installation of New Officers, in both services
	10:15 a.m.	School of Discipleship, classes for all ages in Calvin Hall, nursery care
	6:00 p.m.	Evening at Redeemer, Adult Study, Youth Group, Children's Choirs, nursery care
Mon, Apr 22	7:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study, (via Zoom) study of Hebrews, contact Tami White
Thu, Apr 25	9:30 a.m.	Redeemer Theological Academy, Room 206, contact Marcus Serven
Fri, Apr 26	7:30 p.m.	AoA Presents: Holbrook Organ Series, David Hurd, recitalist
Sat, Apr 27	8:00 a.m.	Ladies Pray for One Another Breakfast, la Madeleine in Sunset Valley
		FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
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		School of Discipleship, classes for all ages in Calvin Hall, nursery care
	6:00 p.m.	Evening at Redeemer, Adult Study, Youth Group, Children's Choirs, nursery care
Mon, Apr 29	7:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study, (via Zoom) study of Hebrews, contact Tami White
Thu, May 2	9:30 a.m.	Redeemer Theological Academy, Room 206, contact Marcus Serven
	10:00 a.m.	Journey of Motherhood, Library, child care provided, contact Alaina Torrey
May 3-4	7:30 p.m.	AoA Presents: Mozart Requiem, visit artsonalexander.org for details and tickets
Sun, May 5	6:00 p.m.	Hymn Sing, led by our Children's Choirs, all are welcome
Tue, May 7	6:00 p.m.	Session Meeting, Calvin Hall
Thu, May 9	7:00 p.m.	Ascension Service, Covenant Hall
Sun, May 12	_	Graduate Recognition Sunday, email Carol Waller to be added to the list
Sun, May 19	5:30 p.m.	Pentecost Feast, stay tuned for details to come!
Jun 3-6	_	Redeemer Arts Camp, registration closed; contact Carol Waller to volunteer
Sun, Jun 9	_	School of Discipleship, summer session begins

Officer Nominations Now Open

The Session asks you to prayerfully consider nominating qualified men to serve Redeemer as new elders and deacons. Officer nominations will be accepted from April 1-30, 2024. Nomination forms are available in the narthex and on our website: Redeemerpres.org/officernominations

Ascension Day Service

On the church calendar, Thursday, May 9, is the Feast of the Ascension. We will gather for worship at 7:00 that evening to celebrate Jesus Christ as ascended Lord—Prophet, Priest, and King. Please join us if you are able for the Divine Service, with the Redeemer Choir singing and the Eucharist celebrated.

April Missions Spotlight

This month we are praying for Mission Possible, a nonprofit located in East Austin that is dedicated to ministering to our unhoused and impoverished neighbors. Please scan for details!



Deacons Spring Work Day

The deacons are trying something new this year. Similar to how we've all gathered in previous years to prepare the church grounds in the spring, they would like to help you at your home. If you have any home projects that you just haven't been able to get to, they may be able to help!

While they acknowledge their limitations in doing any "extreme" home repairs in just one day, they would like to offer whatever help they can in your home.

We are aiming for a workday of May 11, and in order to sort through the "jobs" and find sufficient crews to complete them, we are asking for submissions for the workday to be sent in by April 21.

You can let the deacons know how they can help by sending an email to Chris Price: chrisprice10@yahoo.com. Also contact Chris if you are available to lend a hand for these projects.

Send Us Info on Graduates!

We will be recognizing and praying for our graduates on Sunday, May 12, in both services. Please send your name, school, degree or program completed, and any future plans to Carol Waller: cwaller@redeemerpres.org.

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