



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

September 15, 2024

The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost Day

In Preparation



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

PRELUDE

Stephen Burnaman

Chorale Prelude on 'Ein Feste Burg' — Peter Pindar Stearns (1931-2016)

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;
Our helper he amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;
His craft and pow'r are great; and armed with cruel hate,
On earth is not his equal.

WORDS OF PREPARATION

Isaiah 50:4-10

The Lord God has given me the tongue of those who are taught, that I may know how to sustain with a word him who is weary. Morning by morning he awakens; he awakens my ear to hear as those who are taught. The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious; I turned not backward. I gave my back to those who strike, and my cheeks to those who pull out the beard; I hid not my face from disgrace and spitting. But the Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame. He who indicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who is my adversary? Let him come near to me. Behold, the Lord God helps me; who will declare me guilty? Behold, all of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up. Who among you fears the Lord and obeys the voice of his servant? Let him who walks in darkness and has no light trust in the name of the Lord and rely on his God.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Lord Jesus Christ, our support and defense in every need, continue to preserve your church in safety, govern her by your goodness, and bless her with your peace; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The Service of Entrance



CHORAL INTROIT

A Mighty Fortress — Martin Luther (1483-1546)

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❖ HYMN OF ENTRANCE

Martin Luther, 1529

EIN' FESTE BURG

Martin Luther, 1529



1. A might - y for - tress is our God, a bul - wark nev - er
 2. Did we in our own strength con - fide, our striv - ing would be
 3. And though this world, with dev - ils filled, should threat - en to un -
 4. That Word a - bove all earth - ly pow'rs, no thanks to them, a -



fail - ing; our help - er he a - mid the flood of
 los - ing; were not the right man on our side, the
 do us, we will not fear, for God hath willed his
 bid - eth; the Spir - it and the gifts are ours through



mor - tal ills pre - vail - ing. For still our an - cient foe
 man of God's own choos - ing. Dost ask who that may be?
 truth to tri - umph through us. The prince of dark - ness grim,
 him who with us sid - eth. Let goods and kin - dred go,



doth seek to work us woe; his craft and pow'r are great;
 Christ Je - sus, it is he, Lord Sab - a - oth his name,
 we trem - ble not for him; his rage we can en - dure,
 this mor - tal life al - so; the bod - y they may kill:



and armed with cru - el hate, on earth is not his e - qual.
 from age to age the same, and he must win the bat - tle.
 for lo! his doom is sure; one lit - tle word shall fell him.
 God's truth a - bid - eth still; his king - dom is for - ev - er.

Minister: Bless the LORD O my soul,
People: And all that is within me bless his holy name!
 Minister: Bless the LORD O my soul,
People: And forget not all his benefits.
 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

Trisagion HOLY GOD, HOLY AND MIGHTY Alexander Archangelsky, 1846-1924

Ho - - - ly God, ho - ly and might - y,
 ho - ly im - mor - tal One, have mer - cy up - on us.

Minister: Hear what the LORD our God says, “The LORD our God, the LORD is one. You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. These words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise.”

Minister: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

People: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

DECLARATION OF ABSOLUTION

Minister: Hear the Word of the Gospel: “Christ has died for our sins and been raised for our justification.” All you who repent of your sin and trust in the Lord Jesus Christ for your salvation, rejoice and be glad and give glory to the Lord who has taken away all of your sins in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

❖ Minister: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: the Maker of heaven and earth.

Minister: O Lord, open our lips,

People: and our mouth will declare your praise.

❖ THE GLORIA AND HYMN OF GRATITUDE

2nd cent.

GLORIA PATRI

Henry W. Greatorex, 1851

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

Lazarus Spengler, 1479-1534

DURCH ADAM'S FALL IST GANZ VERDERBT

Anonymous, Wittenberg, 1529

1. All man-kind fell in A-dam's fall, one com - mon sin in - fects us all;
2. From hearts de - praved, to e - vil prone, flow thoughts and deeds of sin a - lone;
3. As by one man all man-kind fell and, born in sin, was doomed to hell,
from sire to son the bane de - scends, and o - ver all the curse im - pends.
God's im-age smeared, the dark-ened soul seeks not nor finds its heav'n - ly goal.
so by one man, who took our place, we all re - ceived the gift of grace.
Through hu - man - kind cor - rup - tion creeps and them in dread-ful bond - age keeps;
But Christ, the sec - ond A - dam, came to bear our sin and woe and shame,
We thank you, Christ; new life is ours, new light, new hope, new strength, new pow'rs:
in guilt they draw the in - fant breath and reap its fruits of woe and death.
to be our life, our light, our way, our on - ly hope, our on - ly stay.
this grace our ev - 'ry way at - tend un - til we reach our jour - ney's end.

The Service of the Word



THE CHORAL PSALTER

Psalm 96:1-2, 13

A New Song — James MacMillan (1959-)

O sing unto the Lord, unto the Lord a new song,
Sing unto the Lord all the whole earth.
Sing unto the Lord, and praise his Name,
be telling of his salvation from day to day.

O sing unto the Lord, unto the Lord a new song,
sing unto the Lord all the whole earth.

For he cometh to judge the earth,
and with righteousness to judge the world
and the people with his truth.

O sing unto the Lord, unto the Lord a new song;
Sing unto the Lord all the whole earth!

THE EPISTLE LESSON

James 3:1-12

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 9:14-29

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise be to you, O Christ!

❖ OUR RESPONSE

Andrew of Crete, c. 660-732

GUTE BAUME BRINGEN

Praxis Pietatis Melica, 1668



1. Chris - tian, dost thou see them on the ho - ly ground,
 2. Chris - tian, dost thou feel them, how they work with - in,
 3. Chris - tian, dost thou hear them, how they speak thee fair:
 4. Well I know thy trou - ble, O my ser - vant true,



how the pow'rs of dark - ness com - pass thee a - round?
 striv - ing, tempt - ing, lur - ing, goad - ing in - to sin?
 al - ways fast and vi - gil, al - ways watch and prayer?
 thou art ver - y wear - y, I was wear - y too;



Chris - tian, up and smite them, count - ing gain but loss;
 Chris - tian, nev - er trem - ble, nev - er be down - cast;
 Chris - tian, an - swer bold - ly, "While I breathe, I pray,"
 but that toil shall make thee some day all mine own,



smite them by the mer - it of the ho - ly cross.
 gird thee for the bat - tle, watch and pray and fast.
 peace shall fol - low bat - tle, night shall end in day.
 and the end of sor - row shall be near my throne.

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 12:1-25

Minister: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

❖ PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

MORNING SERMON

Rev. Eric Landry

Samuel's Surprising Sermon

1 Samuel 12:1-25



Redeemer's Worship: Why We Do What We Do

“Lord, have mercy upon us.”

The Bible is filled with striking images of people and angels who are brought to the end of themselves in the presence of God: they fall down as if dead, they cover themselves, and they cry out in fear and terror. For humans, this reaction isn't just because the Creator is so much greater than his creatures; it's because sinners cannot stand to be in the presence of a holy God.

Recognizing this, we spend time at the very beginning of our service honestly dealing with sin. We are **called to confession** by singing together a version of the “Kyrie Eleison,” an ancient prayer, which means “Lord, have mercy.” Then, the pastor reads

the **Law** as a way for us to evaluate our lives according to God's word. After a moment of silent reflection, we say a unison prayer of **confession**. This part of the service concludes with the pastor raising his hands and pronouncing the **absolution** in the Triune name of God.

We are forgiven because Jesus, who “knew no sin,” suffered the punishment of sin by dying on the cross so that “in him we might become the righteousness of God” (2 Cor. 5:21). Knowing this, we are free to worship God in peace.

◆ **Call to Confession**

A sung version of an ancient Christian prayer, “Lord, have mercy upon us.”

◆ **Confession**

Said together as a church, we acknowledge not just the specific things we have done wrong but even our heart's motivations that need to be changed.

◆ **Law**

Passages chosen from both the Old and New Testaments that reveal our obligation to God.

◆ **Absolution**

A declaration of the forgiveness of sins in the name of the Triune God and by the authority of Christ (John 20:23).

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: 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

Charitie L. de Chenez, 1841-1923

DUNEDIN

Vernon Griffiths, 1894-1985



1. Be - fore the throne of God a - bove I have a
 2. My name is grav - en on his hands, my name is
 3. When Sa - tan tempts me to de - spair, and tells me
 4. Be - cause the sin - less Sav - ior died, my sin - ful



strong, a per - fect plea: a great High Priest, whose name is
 writ - ten on his heart; I know that while in heav'n he
 of the guilt with - in, up - ward I look, and see him
 soul is count - ed free; for God, the just, is sat - is -



Love, who ev - er lives and pleads for me.
 stands no tongue can bid me thence de - part.
 there who made an end of all my sin.
 fied to look on him and par - don me.

5. Behold him there! The Risen Lamb!
 My perfect, spotless righteousness,
 The great unchangeable I AM,
 The King of Glory and of Grace!

6. At one with him, I cannot die,
 My soul is purchased by his blood;
 My life is hid with Christ on high,
 With Christ, my Savior and my God.

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❖ 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

TALLIS CANON

Thomas Tallis, c. 1567



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.

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)

Martin Luther, 1524

CHRIST LAG IN TODESBANDEN

Geystliche gesangk Buchleyn, Wittenberg, 1524



1. Christ Je - sus lay in death's strong bands, for our of - fens - es giv - en;
2. No son of man could con - quer death, such mis - chief sin had wrought us,
3. But Je - sus Christ, God's on - ly Son, to our low state de - scend - ed,



but now at God's right hand he stands and brings us life from heav - en;
for in - no - cence dwelt not on earth, and there - fore death had brought us
the cause of death he has un - done, his pow'r for - ev - er end - ed,



there - fore let us joy - ful be and sing to God right
in - to thrall - dom from of old and ev - er grew more
ru - ined all his right and claim and left him noth - ing



thank - ful - ly loud songs of hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah!
strong and bold and kept us in his bond - age. Hal - le - lu - jah!
but the name, his sting is lost for - ev - er. Hal - le - lu - jah!

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)

Martin Luther, 1524

CHRIST LAG IN TODESBANDEN

Geystliche gesangk Buchleyn, Wittenberg, 1524



4. It was a strange and dread - ful strife when life and death con - tend - ed;
5. Here the true Pas - chal Lamb we see, whom God so free - ly gave us.
6. So let us keep the fes - ti - val where - to our Lord in - vites us;



the vic - to - ry re - mained with life, the reign of death was end - ed;
He died on the ac - cur - sed tree so strong his love to save us.
Christ is him - self the joy of all, the sun that warms and lights us.



Ho - ly Scrip - ture plain - ly says that death is swal - lowed
See, his blood now marks our door; faith points to it, death
By his grace he doth im - part, e - ter - nal sun - shine



up by death, its sting is lost for - ev - er. Hal - le - lu - jah!
pass - es o'er, and Sa - tan can - not harm us. Hal - le - lu - jah!
to the heart; the night of sin is end - ed. Hal - le - lu - jah!

❖ BENEDICTION

❖ DEPARTING HYMN

Martin Luther, 1524

CHRIST LAG IN TODESBANDEN

Geystliche gesangk Buchleyn, Wittenberg, 1524



7. Then let us feast this joy - ful day on Christ, the Bread of heav - en;



the Word of grace hath purged a - way the old and e - vil leav - en.



Christ a - lone our souls will feed, he is our meat and



drink in - deed; faith lives up - on no oth - er. Hal - le - lu - jah!

LESSONS

Psalm 96

- ¹O sing unto the Lord a new song;
sing unto the Lord, all the whole earth.
- ²Sing unto the Lord and praise his Name;
tell of his salvation from day to day.
- ³Declare his honor to the nations,
and his wonders to all peoples.
- ⁴For the Lord is great, and highly to be praised;
he is more to be feared than all gods.
- ⁵As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols;
but it is the Lord who made the heavens.
- ⁶Glory and majesty are before him;
power and honor are in his sanctuary.
- ⁷Ascribe unto the Lord, O you families of the peoples,
ascribe unto the Lord worship and power.
- ⁸Ascribe unto the Lord the honor due unto his Name;
bring offerings and come into his courts.
- ⁹O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness;
let the whole earth stand in awe of him.
- ¹⁰Tell it out among the nations, "The Lord is King;
it is he who has made the world so firm that it cannot be moved; he shall judge the peoples righteously."
- ¹¹Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad;
let the sea make a noise, and all that is therein.
- ¹²Let the field be joyful, and all that is in it;
then shall all the trees of the wood rejoice ¹³before the Lord.
For he comes, for he comes to judge the earth,
and with righteousness to judge the world, and the peoples with his truth.

James 3:1-12

¹Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. ²For we all stumble in many ways. And if anyone does not stumble in what he says, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle his whole body. ³If we put bits into the mouths of horses so that they obey us, we guide their whole bodies as well. ⁴Look at the ships also: though they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. ⁵So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great things. How great a forest is set ablaze by such a small fire! ⁶And the tongue is a fire, a world of unrighteousness. The tongue is set among our members, staining the whole body, setting on fire the entire course of life, and set on fire by hell. ⁷For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by mankind, ⁸but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. ⁹With it we bless our Lord and Father, and with it we curse people who are made in the likeness of God. ¹⁰From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers, these things ought not to be so. ¹¹Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and salt water? ¹²Can a fig tree, my brothers, bear olives, or a grapevine produce figs? Neither can a salt pond yield fresh water.

Mark 9:14-29

When they came to the disciples, they saw a great crowd around them, and scribes arguing with them. ¹⁵ And immediately all the crowd, when they saw him, were greatly amazed and ran up to him and greeted him. ¹⁶ And he asked them, "What are you arguing about with them?" ¹⁷ And someone from the crowd answered him, "Teacher, I brought my son to you, for he has a spirit that makes him mute. ¹⁸ And whenever it seizes him, it throws him down, and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid. So I asked your disciples to cast it out, and they were not able." ¹⁹ And he answered them, "O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him to me." ²⁰ And they brought the boy to him. And when the spirit saw him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. ²¹ And Jesus asked his father, "How long has this been happening to him?" And he said, "From childhood. ²² And it has often cast him into fire and into water, to destroy him. But if you can do anything, have compassion on us and help us." ²³ And Jesus said to him, " 'If you can'! All things are possible for one who believes." ²⁴ Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, "I believe; help my unbelief!" ²⁵ And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, "You mute and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him and never enter him again." ²⁶ And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse, so that most of them said, "He is dead." ²⁷ But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. ²⁸ And when he had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?" ²⁹ And he said to them, "This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer."

1 Samuel 12:1-25

¹ Samuel said to all Israel, "Behold, I have obeyed your voice in all that you have said to me and have made a king over you. ² And now, behold, the king walks before you, and I am old and gray; and behold, my sons are with you. I have walked before you from my youth until this day. ³ Here I am; testify against me before the Lord and before his anointed. Whose ox have I taken? Or whose donkey have I taken? Or whom have I defrauded? Whom have I oppressed? Or from whose hand have I taken a bribe to blind my eyes with it? Testify against me and I will restore it to you." ⁴ They said, "You have not defrauded us or oppressed us or taken anything from any man's hand." ⁵ And he said to them, "The Lord is witness against you, and his anointed is witness this day, that you have not found anything in my hand." And they said, "He is witness." ⁶ And Samuel said to the people, "The Lord is witness, who appointed Moses and Aaron and brought your fathers up out of the land of Egypt. ⁷ Now therefore stand still that I may plead with you before the Lord concerning all the righteous deeds of the Lord that he performed for you and for your fathers. ⁸ When Jacob went into Egypt, and the Egyptians oppressed them, then your fathers cried out to the Lord and the Lord sent Moses and Aaron, who brought your fathers out of Egypt and made them dwell in this place. ⁹ But they forgot the Lord their God. And he sold them into the hand of Sisera, commander of the army of Hazor, and into the hand of the Philistines, and into the hand of the king of Moab. And they fought against them. ¹⁰ And they cried out to the Lord and said, 'We have sinned, because we have forsaken the Lord and have served the Baals and the Ashtaroth. But now deliver us out of the hand of our enemies, that we may serve you.' ¹¹ And the Lord sent Jerubbaal and Barak and Jephthah and Samuel and delivered you out of the hand of your enemies on every side, and you lived in safety. ¹² And when you saw that Nahash the king of the Ammonites came against you, you said to me, 'No, but a king shall reign over us,' when the Lord your God was your king. ¹³ And now behold the king whom you have chosen, for whom you have asked; behold, the Lord has set a king over you. ¹⁴ If you will fear the Lord and serve him and obey his voice and not rebel against the commandment of the Lord, and if both you and the king who reigns over you will follow the Lord your God, it will be well. ¹⁵ But if you will not obey the voice of the Lord, but rebel against the commandment of the Lord, then the hand of the Lord will be against you and your king. ¹⁶ Now therefore stand still and see this great thing that the Lord will do before your eyes. ¹⁷ Is it not wheat harvest today? I will call upon the Lord, that he may send thunder and rain. And you shall know and see that your wickedness is great, which you have done in the sight of the Lord, in asking for yourselves a king." ¹⁸ So Samuel called upon the Lord, and the Lord sent thunder and rain that day, and all the people greatly feared the Lord and Samuel. ¹⁹ And all the people said to Samuel, "Pray for your servants to the Lord your God, that we may not die, for we have added to all our sins this evil, to ask for ourselves a king." ²⁰ And Samuel said to the people, "Do not be afraid; you have done all this evil. Yet do not turn aside from following the Lord, but serve the Lord with all your heart. ²¹ And do not turn aside after empty things that cannot profit or deliver, for they are empty. ²² For the Lord will not forsake his people, for his great name's sake, because it has pleased the Lord to make you a people for himself. ²³ Moreover, as for me, far be it from me that I should sin against the Lord by ceasing to pray for you, and I will instruct you in the good and the right way. ²⁴ Only fear the Lord and serve him faithfully with all your heart. For consider what great things he has done for you. ²⁵ But if you still do wickedly, you shall be swept away, both you and your king."

Redeemer Calendar

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sun, Sep 15	8:45 & 11:15 a.m. 10:15 a.m. 12:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	The Divine Service , Rev. Eric Landry preaching Sanctuary model display open , Room 100 School of Discipleship classes , For all ages in Calvin Hall, nursery care Intro to Redeemer , Contact Danny Morgan, lunch provided Evening at Redeemer , Youth Group, Children’s Choirs, Adult Study, and nursery
Wed, Sep 18	6:00 p.m.	Capital Campaign Prayer Meeting , Room 206
Thu, Sep 19	9:30 a.m.	Redeemer Theological Academy , Room 206, contact Rev. Dr. Marcus Serven
Fri, Sep 20	7:30 p.m.	Holbrook Organ Series , Clive Driskell-Smith, free admission
Sat, Sep 21	8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m.	Men’s Monthly Breakfast, North , Contact Mark Nelsen Nursery Workday , Contact Lisal McDonald Youth Pool Party , Contact Nate Esbenshade

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sun, Sep 22	8:45 & 11:15 a.m. 10:15 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	The Divine Service , Rev. Eric Landry preaching Sanctuary model display open , Room 100 School of Discipleship classes , For all ages in Calvin Hall, nursery care Evening at Redeemer , Youth Group, Children’s Choirs, Adult Study, and nursery
Wed, Sep 25	6:00 p.m.	Capital Campaign Prayer Meeting , Room 206
Thu, Sep 26	9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Redeemer Theological Academy , Room 206, contact Rev. Dr. Marcus Serven Journey of Motherhood , Library, child care provided
Fri, Sep 27	7:00 p.m.	Men’s Smoke ‘N Choke , Contact Rick Mealer
Sat, Sep 28	8:00 a.m.	Women’s Pray For One Another Breakfast , Contact Rebecca Loomis
Nov 1-3	—	30th Anniversary Conference & Fall Festival

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Redeemer is turning 30! To help celebrate our 30th anniversary as a church, the Session has invited the Rev. Dr. W. Robert Godfrey to speak at our Anniversary Conference on the subject of the “Past, Present, and Future of Reformed Churches.” The conference will begin with one session on Friday evening, November 1, and conclude with two sessions the morning of Saturday, November 2. We hope you continue the celebration with our Fall Festival that Saturday afternoon and evening. Dr. Godfrey will preach both morning services on Sunday, November 3. More information coming soon!

Prayer Meeting

As we continue to seek the Lord’s will and wisdom for our building project, the Capital Campaign Committee would like you to gather with them and others in the congregation to pray. You are invited to come the library on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 pm, beginning September 11th, for a time of prayer. A prayer guide will be made available to the congregation so that you can pray for the same issues even if you are unable to join the corporate prayer meeting.

September Missions Spotlight Texas StuMo

This month we are featuring and praying for Texas StuMo (Student Mobilization) and the work they are doing on the UT Campus. Please visit the web post or scan this code to learn more.



Nursery Workday

On Saturday, September 21, we will be holding our annual Nursery Workday. This morning work session is to perform a deep cleaning and sanitizing of the nursery area as well as do some “spring” cleaning and organization. We are looking for volunteers to lend a helping hand! If you are interested and available, or want more information, contact Nursery Coordinator Lisal McDonald.

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