

Scripture for Prayer and Meditation (*The Preparation*) Ephesians 1:7-10; Colossians 3:12-14

*** Passing of the Peace**

MINISTER: May the peace of Christ be with you!

PEOPLE: **And also with you.**

*** Chiming of the Bells** (*The Summons*)

(The church began ringing the bells in AD400 to Summon God’s people to prayer and worship.)

The Lord Calls Us to Worship

*** Call to Worship**

Psalm 145:8-10

MINISTER: The Lord is gracious and merciful,

CONGREGATION: slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

MINISTER: The Lord is good to all, and his mercy is over all that he has made.

CONGREGATION: All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord, and all your saints shall bless you!

*** Hymn of Adoration** “*All Creatures of Our God and King*”

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*** Prayer of Adoration**

The Lord Cleanses Us from Sin

Reading from the Law of God & Corporate Confession of Sin Ten Commandments

MINISTER: And God spoke all these words, saying, “I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.”

1. You shall have no other gods before me.

PEOPLE: **2. You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.**

MINISTER: 3. You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain, for the Lord will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.

PEOPLE: **4. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.**

MINISTER: 5. Honor your father and your mother that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

PEOPLE: **6. You shall not murder.**

MINISTER: 7. You shall not commit adultery.

PEOPLE: **8. You shall not steal.**

MINISTER: 9. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

PEOPLE: **10. You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor’s.**

ALL: **The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul; the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple.**

Silent and Private Confession of Sin

Assurance of God’s Pardoning Grace Colossians 1:13-14

“He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.”

FINANCIAL SUMMARY Q1 2018			
Budgeted Expense	\$198,528	LAST WEEK’S ATTENDANCE	
Actual Expense	\$159,761	Worship	331
Residual	\$38,767	Sunday School	95
Budgeted Donations	\$171,027	Visitors (5 or less visits)	4
Actual Donations	\$169,028		
Balance	(\$2,000)	\$36,767	2018 YTD NET

Volunteer Schedule

Next Week’s Volunteer Reminder: May 13, 2018

Children’s Worship	Mark & Lisa Trigsted
9:00 am Sunday School	Jennifer Nessel, Kim Wheeler
10:30 am Worship Service- Nursery	
Infants	Marilyn Van Pelt, Susan Ray, Angela Nessel
Toddlers	Lisa Touchstone, Autumn Floyd
2’s	Kristin Bell, Norm Heersink
3’s	Andrea & Jocelyn Belonga
Floater	Kayleb Blaede
Greeter	Terri Lytle, Jeff & Jill Miller, Madison Wilkinson
Visitor Follow-up	Howard & Marilyn Van Pelt
Monitor	Chris Bangma, Mark Dickson
Sanctuary Helper	3 rd /4 th graders

Elders

David Ray (Clerk)
Lee Hall
Mike Lovelace
David Bell

Deacons

Jared Page (Chairman)
Mark Dickson
Richie Floyd
Curtis Blagburn
Ian Grey

Announcements

Hearing impaired devices are available at the sound booth at the back of the sanctuary.
Redeemer Church is not an "open carry" facility.

1. **MEN'S BREAKFAST:** We are postponing our May 5th breakfast to May 12th. Please consider supporting the Hope Women's Center RunBabyRun event on the 5th and mark your calendars for breakfast on the 12th.
2. **MOTHER'S DAY REDEEMER KIDS CRAFT EVENT:** All Redeemer children ages 4 and up are invited to join us today, Sunday, May 6th following worship for a pizza lunch and crafting time to make a few handmade gifts for Moms, Grandmothers, or other special women in their lives. All supplies will be provided. Any adult volunteers (Dads too!) that can stay to help with the crafting time are also welcome! We will meet in Room 101, and conclude our activities at 1:30 p.m.
3. **RETIREMENT HOME MINISTRY:** There will be NO worship service next Sunday at the Village of Stonebridge.
4. **NEXT SUNDAY'S SERMON:** Rev. Jordan Stone will preach on Luke 8:4-21.

* The Great Thanksgiving (*The Sursum Corda*)

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 right to give him thanks and praise.**

MINISTER: It is right and good and a joyful thing, always and everywhere, to give thanks unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Your glorious Name; evermore praising You, and saying:

PEOPLE: **Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts: Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Glory be to Thee, O Lord Most High**

* Hymn of Praise: "*It Is Well with My Soul*"

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All children ages 4 through 1st grade will be dismissed for Children's Worship during the first stanza. If you are visiting for the first time today, please accompany your child to the back where you will meet their teacher.

* Reading from the Gospel

Ephesians 1:7-9

"In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ."

MINISTER: This is the gospel of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Praise be to you, O Christ.**

The Lord Consecrates Us by His Word

* Scripture Reading

Luke 7:36-8:3 (pg. 864)

MINISTER: What do we know about God's Word?

PEOPLE: **The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the Word of the Lord stands forever.**

* Prayer for the Ministry of the Word

Sermon "*A Lesson on Forgiveness*"

Rev. Derek Tu

Hymn of Response and Giving of Offerings “Jesus Paid It All”

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Please pass the registration pad down your row so that we have a record of your attendance today. To receive weekly email updates about events and ministries please include your email address.

* Affirming our Common Faith

WSC 105

MINISTER: What do we pray for in the fifth petition?

PEOPLE: In the fifth petition, which is, “And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors,” we pray that God, for Christ's sake, would freely pardon all our sins; which we are the rather encouraged to ask, because by his grace we are enabled from the heart to forgive others.

* Prayers for the People of God

* The Lord's Prayer

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

The Lord Communes with Us at His Table

Words of Institution

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

God's people will be coming forward to the Table today. You will be released row by row beginning at the front of the sanctuary. Grape juice is light in color and wine is dark. All those who trust in Christ alone for their salvation, are baptized, and belong to a Bible believing church are invited to partake of the Lord's Supper together, feeding on the grace of God by faith. If you have not put your trust in Christ alone, please allow the elements to pass you by and take this opportunity to meditate on the meaning of the Gospel.

A Word to Parents: Baptized children are invited to the table after they have made a profession of faith and have been received as communing members by the Session of the church to which their parents belong.

Distribution of Bread “He Will Hold Me Fast”

Adult Choir

Words by Ada Habershon & Matt Merker

Music by Matt Merker

He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast; For my Savior loves, me so, He will hold me fast. When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast; When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast. I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path; For my love is often cold; He must hold me fast. He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast; For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast. Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast; Precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast. He'll not let my soul be lost; His promises shall last; Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast. For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast; Justice has been satisfied; He will hold me fast Raised with Him to endless life He will hold me fast Till our faith is turned to sight When he comes at last! He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast; For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast. He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast; For my Savior loves me so! He will hold me fast. He will hold me fast.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Father, we thank you that in this holy meal you powerfully remind us of the precious death of Christ, spiritually feed us with his body and blood, and lovingly assure us of your love and acceptance of us. Send us out into the world as people of the cross, bearers of the good news of your salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Lord Commissions Us to Serve

*Hymn of Thanksgiving “Gloria Patri”

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Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

* Benediction (The Blessing)

Through the benediction we are commissioned by God to go forth as his ambassadors to advance his Kingdom in this world. We stretch forth our hands during the benediction to symbolize the reception of this blessing. Psalm 63:4; 119:48; 134:2; 1Timothy 2:8

* Congregational Response: “Amen, Amen, Amen”

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An elder will be standing at the front of the sanctuary following the service if you would like to speak to someone about the gospel or share a prayer request.

** The congregation stands, if able.*

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