

Redeemer

Presbyterian Church

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but he who is coming after me is mightier than I,
whose sandals I am not worthy to carry.
He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.
—Matthew 3:11**

**The Lord’s Service
March 5, 2017**

Welcome!

If you are **visiting our church** today, we welcome you to our worship service and Christian community. Please be sure to fill out the Visitor Pad with your name and contact information when it is passed to you. This will help us serve you better. Please join us in the Fellowship Hall in the lower level for coffee and refreshments after the service. Our facility is equipped with a **hearing assistance system**. Please ask one of the Deacons for a receiver.

Staffed Nursery Available - for infant to 4 years old. Please see a Deacon or Greeters for directions to the Nursery.

The order of service we use at Redeemer is both biblical and gospel orientated. Every week through our liturgy we cycle through the wonderful truths of the Gospel in what can be summarized as the 5 C's - Call, Cleansing, Consecration, Communion, Commission.

God Calls us into His Presence: Worship begins with God's invitation to worship. As sinners, we can only come as the result of his gracious invitation. We respond to his call by entering his presence with singing (Psalm 100)!

God Cleanses us from our Sin: Having entered his majestic presence, we are confronted with our own sinfulness and unworthiness. We confess our sin together, and receive God's assurance of forgiveness because of Christ.

God Consecrates us to His Service: God consecrates us through the reading of Scripture and the preaching of the Word. We offer prayer, offerings, and songs of praise.

God Communes with us: God affirms his relationship with us by inviting us to commune with him at his table.

God Commissions us into the World: God sends us out into the world with his blessing that we might be salt and light, living for his glory in a watching world.

More information about our church can be found on our website:
“www.redeemertraversecity.org”

The Lord's Service

March 5, 2017

Greeting and Announcements

Prelude (*Silent Preparation for Worship*)

Order of Worship

Call to Worship Psalm 96:7-9

Pastor Scott Korljan

Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples,
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength!
Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;
bring an offering, and come into his courts!
Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness;
tremble before him, all the earth!

†**Opening Hymn** #100 “Holy, Holy, Holy!”

†**Invocation** Psalm 124:8

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: who made heaven and earth.

Let us pray.

†**The Greeting** 2 Thessalonians 1:2; 2 Corinthians 13:14

Grace to you and peace from God the Father, and the Son,
and the Holy Spirit.

Amen

†**Response** #76 “Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven” (**Verse 5 only**)

Angels, help us to adore him;
you behold him face to face;
sun and moon, bow down before him,
dwellers all in time and space,
praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him,
praise with us the God of Grace.

Confession of Sin Exodus 20:1-6

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. “You shall have no other gods before me. “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.

Almighty and most merciful Father, we are thankful that your mercy is higher than the heavens, wider than our wanderings, deeper than all our sin. Forgive our careless attitudes toward your purposes, our refusal to relieve the suffering of others, our envy of those who have more than we have, our obsession with creating a life of constant pleasure, our indifference to the treasures of heaven, our neglect of your wise and gracious law. Help us to change our way of life so that we may desire what is good, love what you love, and do what you command, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness Romans 5:1

Hear the good News!

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

†**Hymn of Assurance** “Not in Me”

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Prayers of Intercession and the Lord’s Prayer

Elder Fred Janke

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 40:1-5

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

Giving God Our Offerings

If you are seated on the center aisle, please pass the red Visitor Pad for all visitors to sign.

†**Doxology**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

†**Sermon Text Reading** Matthew 3:1-12

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Sermon “Repentance is Required To Enter The Kingdom of God”

Pastor Scott Korljan

Prayer of Application

†**Sermon Hymn** #254 “Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed” (**Vs. 1 & 5 only**)

Please be seated after singing the hymn

Holy Communion

Invitation to the Lord’s Table

We warmly welcome to the table all who trust in Jesus Christ for their salvation, have been baptized and have publicly professed their faith as members of any evangelical Christian church. We encourage families to come forward together, but ask that young children not partake of the elements until they have met with their Elders to make a profession of their faith. We encourage those not participating to spend this time reflecting on the prayers (Page 16). We hope these prayers will be helpful to you as you consider your relationship to Jesus Christ and His people, the church. ***Please note that the ‘purple’ cups in each communion tray contain non-alcoholic wine; the ‘clear’ cups contain wine.***

Affirmation of Faith The Apostles’ Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended into hell.**

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic* church, (*universal)
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Consecration

The Lord be with you. Ruth 2:4

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts! Lamentations 3:41

We lift them up to the Lord!

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. Psalm 118:1

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks, for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and forever. Gracious God, as we come to your table, we ask that you pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these your gifts of bread and wine, that the bread that we break and the cup that we bless would be used to strengthen and edify your people. And now, with the angels, and all the company of heaven, and with the church on earth, we magnify your glorious Name, evermore praising you and singing:

Sanctus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts. The

whole earth is full of his glo - ry, the whole earth is full of his glo - ry, the

whole earth is full of his glo - ry. Ho - ly is the Lord.

Words of Institution and Breaking of the Bread

Communion Hymns

- #523 “My Hope Is in the Lord” (Vs. 1, 3 & 4 only)
“Behold the Lamb” Bulletin Pg. 11
“O Great God” Bulletin Pg. 13
#55 “To God Be the Glory”

Prayer after Communion

We give thanks to you almighty God, that you have refreshed us at your table by granting us the presence of your Son, Jesus Christ. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world in courage and peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

†Dismissal “What Grace is Mine” (Verse 2 only) Bulletin Pg. 15

What grace is mine, to know His breath alive in me;
beneath His wings my weary soul may soar.
All fear can flee for death’s dark night is overcome;
My Savior lives and reigns forevermore.
So I will go where ever He is calling me;
I lose my life to find my life in Him.
I give my all to gain the hope that never dies;
I bow my heart, take up my cross, and follow Him.

†Benediction

†Benediction Response “Three-fold Amen”

Postlude



Sermon Text
Matthew 3:1-11

In those days John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea, ²“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.” ³For this is he who was spoken of by the prophet Isaiah when he said,

“The voice of one crying in the wilderness:
‘Prepare the way of the Lord;
make his paths straight.’”

⁴Now John wore a garment of camel's hair and a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. ⁵Then Jerusalem and all Judea and all the region about the Jordan were going out to him, ⁶and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. ⁷But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to his baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? ⁸Bear fruit in keeping with repentance. ⁹And do not presume to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our father,’ for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children for Abraham. ¹⁰Even now the axe is laid to the root of the trees. Every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

¹¹“I baptize you with water for repentance, but he who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹²His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and gather his wheat into the barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

NOTES

Hymn of Assurance

“Not in Me”

F/C C Dm/C C F/C C Am Gsus4 G G7

1.No list of sins I have not done, no list of vir - tues I pur - sue, no list of
 2.No hum-ble dress, no fer - vent prayer, no lift - ed hands, no tear - ful song, no re - ci -
 3.No se - pa - ra - tion from the world, no work I do, no gift I give, can cleanse my

C F G Am F C/G G C C/E

those I am not like can earn my - self a place with You. O God! be
 ta - tion of the truth can jus - ti - fy a sin - gle wrong. My righ - teous -
 con - science, cleanse my hands; I can - not cause my soul to live. But Je - sus

G F/G C C/E G F/G C C/E

mer - ci - ful to me - I am a sin - ner through and through! My on - ly
 ness is Je - sus' life, my debt was paid by Je - sus' death, my wear - y
 died and rose a - gain - the pow'r of death is o - ver - thrown! My God is

G F/G Am F C/G G C

hope of righ - teous - ness is not in me, but on - ly You.
 load was borne by Him and He a - lone can give me rest.
 mer - ci - ful to me and mer - ci - ful in Christ a - lone.

Communion Hymn (Page 1 of 2)

“Behold The Lamb”

Thoughtful (♩ = 72)

Fadd9/A G/B C Dm7 C/E G C/E Fadd9 C/G G7sus G7

1. Be - hold the Lamb who bears our sins a - way, slain for us - and we re - mem - ber
 2. The bo - dy of our Sav - iour Je - sus Christ, torn for you - eat and re - mem - ber;
 3. The blood that clean - ses ev - ery stain of sin, shed for you - drink and re - mem - ber
 4. And so with thank - ful - ness and faith we rise to re - spond - and to re - mem - ber

5 Fadd9/A G/B C Dm7 C/E G C/E Fadd9 G7sus G7 C C/E

the pro - mise made that all who come in faith find for - give - ness at the cross. So we
 The wounds that heal, the death that brings us life paid the price to make us one. So we
 He drained death's cup that all may en - ter in to re - ceive the life of God. So we
 our call to fol - low in the steps of Christ as His bo - dy here on earth. As we

9 Fadd9 C/E Fma7 Gadd9 C/E Fadd9 C/E Fadd9 G C/E Fadd9

share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sac - ri - fice as a sign of our
 share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sac - ri - fice as a sign of our
 share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sac - ri - fice as a sign of our
 share in His suf - fer - ing, we pro - claim Christ will come a - gain! And we'll join in the

Communion (Page 2 of 2)

“Behold The Lamb”

14 C/E Fma⁷ G⁷/sus G⁷ Fadd⁹/A Fma⁷ G⁷ Cadd⁹

bonds of peace a - round the tab - le of the King.
bonds of love a - round the tab - le of the King.
bonds of grace a - round the tab - le of the King.
feast of heaven a - round the tab - le of the King.

17 F^{6/9} Cadd⁹ F^{6/9} last time Cadd⁹

last time Cadd⁹

Communion (Page 1 of 2)

“O Great God”

♩ = 72

C F/G C Dm C/E F

O great God of high-est heav'n, oc-cu - py my low - ly heart. Own it
 (2.) blind - ed by my sin, had no ears to hear Your voice, did not

6 C F/G C Dm Gsus G C G

all and reign su - preme. Con-quer ev - ery reb - el pow'r. Let no
 know Your love with - in, had no taste for heav - en's joys. Then Your

10 Am G/F C G Am7 F Gsus G

vice or sin re-main that re - sists Your ho - ly war. You have
 Spir - it gave me life, o - pened up Your Word to me, through the

14 F2/A G/B C C/E F Gsus G

loved and pur - chased me, make me Yours for - ev - - er -
 gos - pel of Your Son gave me end - less hope and

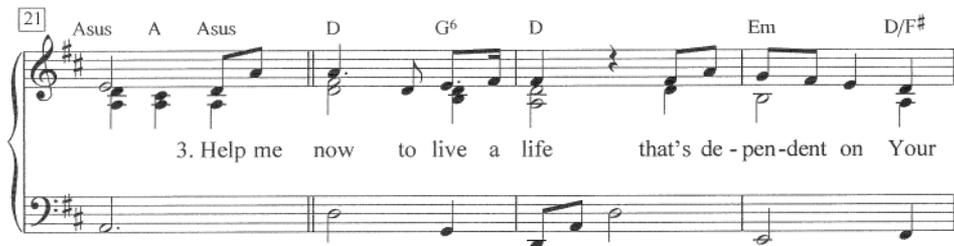
17 1. C G Am7 Dm Gsus G F/G 2. C G

more. 2. I was peace.

“Communion Hymn” (Page 2 of 2)

“O Great God”

21 Asus A Asus D G⁶ D Em D/F[#]



3. Help me now to live a life that's de-pen-dent on Your

25 G D/A G⁶ D/F[#]



grace. Keep my heart and guard my soul from the

28 Em Asus A D A Bm A/G D A



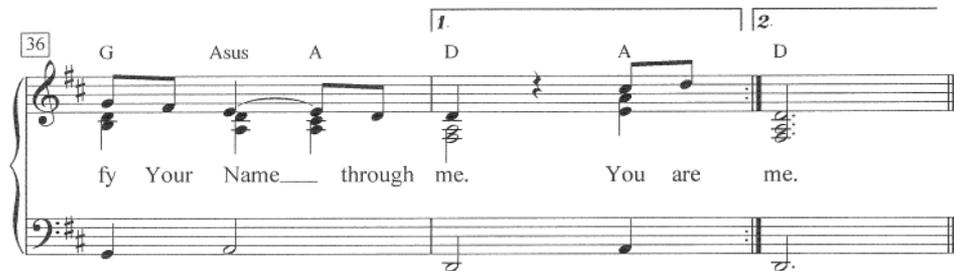
e-vils that I face. You are wor - thy to be praised with my

32 Bm⁷ G Asus A G²/B A/C[#] D D/F[#]



ev-ery thought and deed. O great God of high-est heav'n, glo-ri -

36 G Asus A D A D



fy Your Name through me. You are me.

Dismissal

“What Grace is Mine” (Verse 2 only)

Thoughtful (♩ = 52)

F/G C C⁷ F Dm C/G Am⁷

1. What grace is mine, that He who dwells in end-less light called through the night to find my dis-tant
 2. What grace is mine, to know His breath a-live in me; be-neath His wings my wea-ry soul may

Dm⁷ G⁷ C/EF C/G C G/B Am F Em⁷Am⁷ Dm⁷ Dm⁷/G

soul. And from His scars poured mer-cy that would plead for me that I might live and in His Name be
 soar. All fear can flee for death's dark night is o-ver-come; My Sav-ior lives and reigns for - ev - er-

Refrain

C F/C C Dm/G C/E F Em⁷ Am⁷ F G⁷Am⁷C/G F C/E Dm⁷ G⁷

known more. } So I will go where ev-er He is call-ing me; I lose my life to find my life in Him. I give my

C C⁷ F Em⁷ Am⁷ F Fm/D C/G Dm/G C F/C C

all to gain the hope that nev-er dies; I bow my heart, take up my cross, and fol-low Him.

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Individual Prayers for Communion

Prayer for Those Searching for the Truth

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth and the life. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

Prayer of Belief

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared to hope. I repent of my sins of self-ruling and self-saving. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross and offering forgiveness and new life. Thank you that my sin and rebellion are Yours, and Your righteous, perfect, and obedient life is mine through faith in You. Knowing that you died on the cross and have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive and rest upon you alone as my Savior and Lord. I now resolve in humble reliance on the Holy Spirit and through the power of the gospel graciously working in my life to walk in manner pleasing to You. Amen.

Prayer for those struggling with Sin

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in You the fulfillment of all my need, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on You, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking to You, the pioneer and perfecter of my faith. Amen.

Prayer Requests

Redeemer Family:

- Homebound: Dale Millward, June Rusch and Reva Sharp
- Kimberly Close, sister of Katina Gibson, who is struggling with physical, emotional and spiritual difficulties. Pray that God's love and comfort would meet her in this season of need.

Ministers, Missionaries, and Mission Churches:

Etiennes (Haiti), Millwards (Redeemer Detroit church plant), Reverend Brent Meyers (Spain) and all missionaries and their families.

Churches in our Presbytery:

Good Shepherd, Valparaiso, Indiana - Pray for Luke & Amanda McAuley and their children (members of Good Shepherd) who are presently serving as missionaries in Kenya. They are in a very difficult situation at this time because of the doctors' and nurses' strike in Kenya. Pray that an agreement may be reached and that Kijabe Hospital where Luke works will not close. Pray for Luke and Amanda to remain strong. Praise God that our elder, Bruce Hrivnak, had a very successful ablation surgery for his heart arrhythmia and Bruce's heart is now stable and he is not on any heart medications at this time. Pray for our church as decisions will be made in the near future regarding our building expansion project and how to proceed since the project will cost more than was earlier estimated. Pray that God's will be made clear.

Redeemer Presbyterian Church, Traverse City, Michigan - Pray for healing and comfort those in our congregation dealing with health issues, our home bound members and for the Single MOMM organization and an upcoming event we are hosting for them. Praise for our dedicated Sunday School teachers and our Women's Ministry Leaders.

Reverend Satoshi Kawachi - Pray for the healing process of Quebec and its Muslim community after the horrendous hate crime at a mosque on 1/29/17; preparation for our return to Quebec after Cally's follow up angiogram exam at Johns Hopkins Hospital, which is postponed due to a case of shingles; Cally's mother who is not doing great—in fact she was taken to the ER after nearly fainting from an erratic heart-rate and BP of 185/150 and was hospitalized for 2 nights in mid Feb.; Cally's ESL teacher certification program at GMU; and Suzi and Sophi's continued studies at JMU and the financial provisions (scholarships) for 2017-2018. Praise for the new supporting churches and individuals added during this HMA, as well as, Satoshi's successful eye surgery for Pterygium on Jan. 31, and his slow but steady healing.

Announcements

Staffed Nursery Available - for infant to 4 years old. Please see a Deacon or Greeters for directions to the Nursery.

Next Sunday - Pastor Scott will preach from Matthew 3:12-17

Detroit Project Offering - Next Sunday

Occasional Choir - For those of you who love to sing it's time to begin preparing music for Easter! There will be a practice immediately after the worship service today. For questions or more information please contact Connie Van Til, cgvantil@gmail.com.

Studies in Theology - Monday, 5:30 PM

Single MOMM Event - Saturday, March 11th at Church of the Living God (on Birmley Road) in Traverse City. We need volunteers to monitor class rooms, clean up and provide food donations. Please review the 'highlighted' needs on the Sign Up sheet (located in the Narthex) to see if there is an area where you can volunteer. If you have questions or need more information, please contact Chris Millward. Let's all work together to make this a great event for the Single MOMM organization!

Paul Tripp Parenting Conference - Redeemer is co-sponsoring a parenting conference with Paul Tripp on March 17th & 18th at New Hope Community Church. To register, go to our webpage (www.redeemertraversecity.org) and click on the 'Parenting Conference' logo (this will take you to the New Hope registration page). Cost is \$15 per individual.

Membership Class - If you are interested in becoming a member or would like more information about Redeemer, there will be a membership class on Saturday, April 1, from 9 AM until 1 PM. Please contact the office (by phone or email) to sign up. Childcare will be available on request.

This week at Redeemer:

Studies in Theology - Monday, 5:30 PM
Prayer Gathering - Tuesday, 12 Noon
2nd Wednesday Work Group - Wednesday, 9 AM
Men's Study - Thursday, 7AM
Ladies Bible Study - Thursday, 10 AM & 7 PM
Single MOMM Dinner Event - Saturday, 4:30 PM

Serving Today:

Communion Set Up: Barb Weber / Kate Empie
Elder: Fred Janke
Greeting: Todd & Katina Gibson, Barb Weber, Kit Hinz
Music Ministry: Connie Van Til, Miquel Fuentes
Refreshments: Carol DeVries
Sound Board: Ralph Kott

Serving Next Sunday, March 12, 2017:

Communion Set Up: Ralph & Teresa Kott
Elder: Bill Morrison
Greeting: Todd & Katina Gibson, Barb Weber, Kit Hinz
Music Ministry: Connie Van Til, Miquel Fuentes
Nursery: Heidi Van Til
Refreshments: Kimberly Whims
Sound Board: Max Wolfe

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Sunday School: 9 AM
Worship Service: 10:15 AM

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