

Redeemer

Presbyterian Church

Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

—Matthew 5:3

The Lord's Service
April 30, 2017

Welcome To Redeemer!

We are a church that exists to glorify God by making disciples, living in community, and doing good to all. 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 so we can 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”

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Greeting and Announcements

Prelude (*Silent Preparation for Worship*)

Order of Worship

Call to Worship Psalm 34:1-2; 8

Pastor Scott Korljan

I will bless the LORD at all times;

his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

My soul makes its boast in the LORD;

let the humble hear and be glad.

Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!

Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!

†**Opening Hymn** #302 “Come, Christians, Join to Sing”

†**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** #263 “Lift High the Cross” (**Verse 5 only**)

**Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim,
till all the world adore his sacred name.**

**For thy blest cross which doth for us atone,
creation's praises rise before thy throne.**

**Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim,
till all the world adore his sacred name.**

Confession of Sin Exodus 20:1-2; 16

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 not bear false witness against your neighbor.”

Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess to you that we are, by ourselves, apart from your grace, sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against you by thought, word and deed. Although you are a God of truth who loves truth, we have not preserved and promoted truth in our lives, families, and communities. We have spoken deceitfully. We have twisted the truth to make ourselves look better in front of others. We have not used the truth to build up our neighbor, but to tear them down. Have mercy on us and for Jesus’ sake grant us forgiveness of all our sins; and by your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of you and of your will and obedience to your Word, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness John 3:16-17; 1 Peter 3:18

Now lift up your heads and hear the good news: “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.” To those who repent and believe in the merits of Christ alone for salvation, I declare according to the command of God, that you are released in heaven from all your sins, “for Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God.”

†**Hymn of Assurance** #524 “Thy Works, Not Mine, O Christ”

Prayers of Intercession and the Lord’s Prayer

Elder Fred Janke

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 61:1-3; 66:1-2

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 5:1-10

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Sermon “The Blessings of the King”

Pastor Scott Korljan

Prayer of Application

†Sermon Hymn #521 “My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less” (Vs. 1 & 4 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 9). 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 Heidelberg Catechism Question and Answer #1

What is your only comfort in life and death?

**That I, with body and soul, both in life and death, am not my own,
but belong unto my faithful Savior Jesus Christ,
who with his precious blood has fully satisfied for all my sins,
and delivered me from all the power of the devil,
and so preserves me that without the will of my heavenly Father
not a hair can fall from my head;
indeed, that everything must fit his purpose for my salvation,
therefore by his Holy Spirit he also assures me of eternal life
and makes me heartily willing and ready, always, to live for him.**

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 and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise for you are holy, O God of majesty, and blessed is Jesus Christ, your Son. He took upon himself the weight of our sin and carried the burden of our guilt. He shared our life in every way, and though tempted, was sinless to the end. As we come now to the supper which he gave to us, we ask for the blessing of the Holy Spirit, that the bread that we break and the cup that we bless would be a participation in the body and blood of our Lord. And now, with the angels, and all the company of heaven, 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

#295 “Crown Him with Many Crowns”

“How Deep the Father’s Love for Us”

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“The Lord is My Salvation”

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Prayer after Communion

We thank you Father for the hope this meal gives us. We thank you for the testimony that Christ has died for us, but also that he will return and we will celebrate this supper with him in heaven. Now may this meal enable us to increase in faith, persevere in hope, and grow up in love. Send us out from this place by your Spirit, our ears open to your Word, our minds alert to the calling you give us, our hearts full of love for your coming kingdom, our voices confessing the name of Jesus, our Lord and our God.

†Dismissal “O Church Arise” (Verse 3 only)

Come, see the cross where love and mercy meet,

As the Son of God is stricken:

Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet,

For the Conqueror has risen!

And as the stone is rolled away,

And Christ emerges from the grave,

This vict’ry march continues till the day

Ev’ry eye and heart shall see Him.

†Benediction

†Benediction Response “Three-fold Amen”

Postlude



Sermon Text
Matthew 5:1-10

Seeing the crowds, he went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him.

² And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:

³ “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴ “Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

⁵ “Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

⁶ “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

⁷ “Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

⁸ “Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

⁹ “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

¹⁰ “Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

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

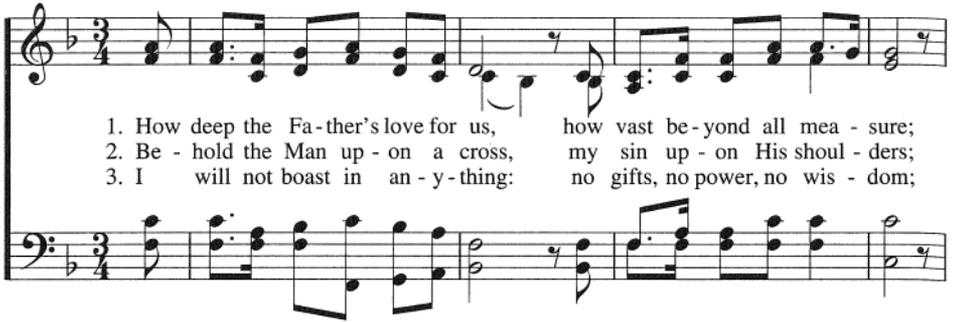
Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared to hope. I repent of my sins of self-ruling and self-saving. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross and offering forgiveness and 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

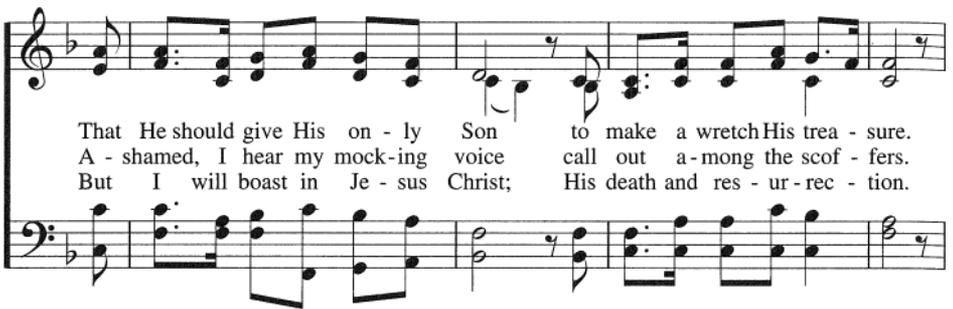
Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in You the fulfillment of all my need, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on You, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking to You, the pioneer and perfecter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

Communion Hymn

“How Deep the Father’s Love for Us”



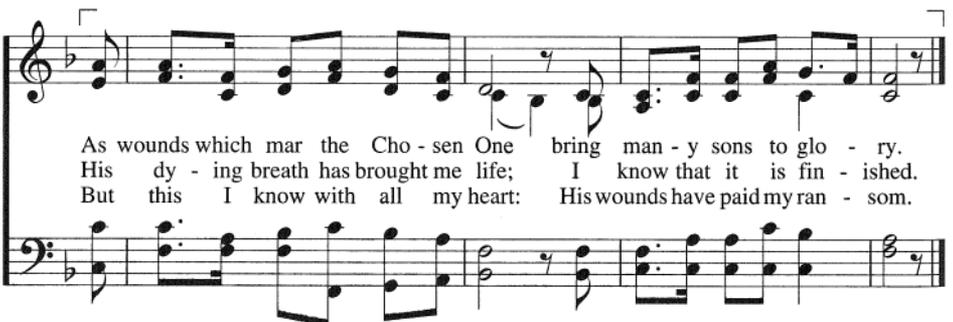
1. How deep the Fa-ther's love for us, how vast be-yond all mea - sure;
2. Be - hold the Man up - on a cross, my sin up - on His shoul - ders;
3. I will not boast in an - y - thing: no gifts, no power, no wis - dom;



That He should give His on - ly Son to make a wretch His trea - sure.
A - shamed, I hear my mock - ing voice call out a - mong the scof - fers.
But I will boast in Je - sus Christ; His death and res - ur - rec - tion.



How great the pain of sear - ing loss; the Fa - ther turns His face a - way
It was my sin that held Him there un - til it was ac - com - plished.
Why should I gain from His re - ward? I can - not give an an - swer.



As wounds which mar the Cho - sen One bring man - y sons to glo - ry.
His dy - ing breath has brought me life; I know that it is fin - ished.
But this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ran - som.

Communion Hymn

“The Lord is My Salvation”

Words and Music by Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty,
Nathan Nockles and Jonas Myrin

Steadily (♩ = 69)

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1. The grace of God has reached for me, And pulled me from the rag - ing sea.
2. I will not fear when dark - ness falls, His strength will help me scale these walls.
3. My hope is hid - den in the Lord, He flow'rs each pro - mise of His Word.
4. In times of wait - ing, times of need, When I know loss, when I am weak.

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And I am safe on this sol - id ground: The Lord is my sal - va - tion.
I'll see the dawn of the ris - ing sun: The Lord is my sal - va - tion.
When win - ter fades, I know spring will come: The Lord is my sal - va - tion.
I know His grace will re - new these days: The Lord is my sal - va -

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tion. Who is like the Lord our God? Strong to save, faith - ful in love. My

13 F#m E/G# A A/C# DA/C# Bm7 E 1. [to verse] 2. D/A E/A D/A E/A

debt is paid and the vic - tory won: The Lord is my sal - va - tion. tion.

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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.
- Joyce Weise as she recovers from hip replacement surgery.
- For Jessie Van Til and her senior class as they depart May 6 to Vicente Guerrero, Mexico on a Missions Trip.

Ministers, Missionaries, and Mission Churches:

Etiennes in Haiti

Millwards and Reverend Jon Saunders, Redeemer Detroit church plant

Reverend Neil Quinn, Kalamazoo church plant

Reverend Brent Meyers in Spain

and all missionaries and their families.

Churches in our Presbytery:

University Reformed Church, East Lansing, Michigan - **Pray for** the beginnings of the Kalamazoo Church plant, Neil Quinn and his family as they begin the challenging work of planting a church, and the continued peace and purity of URC. **Praise for** a good start to the new year, meeting our budget needs for 2016 and a vibrant growing youth ministry.

Christ the King Church, Hastings, Michigan - We want to thank all of our fellow churches for praying for us in Hastings. We are **praying for** at least two new families to come and worship with us. We are also continuing our building renovations and are **thankful for** the unity of our church as we go through this process. We are **asking for** a great work of God in our town and county.

Reverend Walter Lorenz (Pastor at Large) - Please take at least a few minutes (even now) in giving thanks and **praying for** the pastors, ruling elders, and their wives who serve the churches in our presbytery. I am touched by their devotion to our Lord Jesus and to the people they love and serve (giving great thanks for them and their labors). I am also touched by the struggles they face in life and ministry; so please **pray that** God will protect, sanctify, strengthen, and encourage them. Please **pray for** the continued, and hopefully soon to be completed, construction of a new website for Christ the King Church in Hastings, Michigan. We **give thanks for** assistance from Blake Imeson at University Reformed Church in this endeavor. We pray and hope this will aid us in our outreach efforts as well as the overall life and ministries of the church.

Announcements

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

Next Sunday - Mr. Chris Stevens will preach from Isaiah 55.

Benevolence Offering - Today

Pews available - The balcony will be furnished with new chairs soon and 4 wooden pews are looking for a new home. The pews are structurally sound, but the upholstery is in poor condition. They measure: 8' W x 34" H x 20" D. Assistance can be provided to move the pews to the curb if needed.

Ladies Spring Tea & Baby Shower, May 6th - Don't forget to sign up! The unwrapped gifts received for the baby shower will support the Pregnancy Care Center. See the two sign up sheets in the Narthex; one for attendance & gifts and the other for possible food contributions. The women's ministry is really looking forward to seeing you there!

Recital - Please come and support our Interlochen graduate, Claire Satchwell, as she and her viola group of 12 will be having a final recital on Wednesday, May 17th at 7 PM in the Fine Arts Building at Interlochen.

Financials Through March 31, 2017

Budgeted Expenses: \$78,762

Actual Expenses: \$68,238

*Giving & Rentals: \$63,230

(*Includes \$6,525 in Rental Income)

This week at Redeemer:

Prayer Gathering - Tuesday, 12 Noon

Men's Study - Thursday, 7:30 AM

Ladies Spring Tea & Baby Shower - Saturday, 10 AM

Serving Today:

Communion Set Up: Barb Weber / Kate Empie
Elder: Fred Janke
Greeting: Chris & Nikki Millward, Dave & Angie VanDyk
Music Ministry: Connie Van Til, Miquel Fuentes
Nursery: Lindsay Korljan
Refreshments: Potluck!
Sound Board: Ralph Kott

Serving on Sunday, May 7th:

Communion Set Up: Ralph & Teresa Kott
Elder: Bill Morrison
Greeting: Chris & Nikki Millward, Dave & Angie VanDyk,
Deb Long
Music Ministry: Connie Van Til, Miquel Fuentes
Nursery: Beverly McSauby
Refreshments: Mary Leone
Sound Board: Max Wolfe

Want to receive Redeemer email notifications & reminders?

Contact the Church office at:

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

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