



**REDEEMER**  
TRAVERSE CITY

**So I exhort the elders among you,  
as a fellow elder and a witness of the sufferings of Christ,  
as well as a partaker in the glory that is going to be revealed.**

**— 1 Peter 5:1**

**The Lord's Service  
September 2, 2018**

## ***Why Come to Sunday School?***

This month, like many churches, we come back from our summer hiatus and begin again our Sunday School ministry. It should be a good year, and I'd like to invite you to a committed participation. It is not always easy to get up earlier (especially in the "dark" months), yet there is great value in participating.

### **1. Continual Learning is part of the Christian life**

To follow Christ is to be his disciple. To be a disciple is to be a lifelong learner. Conversion is just the beginning of our Christian life and discipleship. When Paul was in Ephesus, he taught the disciples *for hours a day for a two year period* (Acts 19:8-10). That is a lot of teaching! Clearly our Father wants us to continually grow in our knowledge and understanding of his word. He doesn't want us to be a mile wide but only an inch deep. We don't want to be like the Christians that the author to Hebrews had to rebuke saying "for though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the basic principles of the oracles of God. You need milk, not solid food" (Heb 5:12). Sunday School offers an easy opportunity, sponsored by the church, to learn more about God's word and how it relates to our lives.

### **2. Sunday School is a good use of the Lord's Day**

Often Christians complain that we don't have time to study theology, go deep in God's word, etc. And it is true that during the week, life can be very hectic indeed. But God has given us one day to be set apart for him for our refreshment and growth as disciples. What better use of time on Sunday than to give an extra hour that is devoted to studying the word with brothers and sisters?

### **3. Promotes Fellowship with others in the church**

This is a side benefit of Sunday school. We are there to learn, but we learn together. There is give and take, there is discussion, there is coffee, and there is fellowship before and after. It's another small way to be with God's people and get to know each other.

### **4. Promotes adult and children interaction and friendships in the church**

Sunday School teachers who work with our children become part of that "great cloud of witnesses" that Hebrews speaks of. Our children need examples of the faith from other men and women who have been walking with the Lord for a long time. Sunday School is one small way that we as a congregation fulfill the vow that we made to parents to "assist them" in the Christian nurture of their children.

What's keeping you from coming? Why not start this year?

# The Lord's Service

September 2, 2018

## Welcome and Announcements

## Prelude

## Silent Prayer of Preparation

### Call to Worship

Pastor Scott Korljan

Psalm 95:6-7a

Oh come, let us worship and bow down;  
let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!  
For he is our God,  
and we are the people of his pasture,  
and the sheep of his hand.

† **Opening Hymn** #295 "Crown Him with Many Crowns"  
#296 "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name! (**Vs. 1 only**)

### † Invocation

Psalm 124:8

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

People: **who made heaven and earth.**

Pastor: Let us pray.

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## † 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** #342 “Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation” (Vs. 5 only)

**Laud and honor to the Father, laud and honor to the Son,  
laud and honor to the Spirit, ever Three and ever One,  
One in might, and One in glory, while unending ages run.**

## Confession of Sin

Isaiah 53:6

All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way;  
and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

**Almighty and merciful God, like your people of old, we too have erred and strayed  
from your ways like lost sheep. We confess that we have longed too much for the  
comforts of this world. We have loved the gifts more than the giver, and have lived  
our glory instead of yours. In your mercy, open our eyes to the true hope that  
you have given us, help us to see that all the things we think will satisfy us in this  
world are only shadows, but you are substance; that they are shifting, but you are  
anchor. We plead your forgiveness on the merits of Jesus Christ. Accept his worthiness  
for our unworthiness, his sinlessness for our transgressions, his fullness for  
our emptiness, his glory for our shame, his righteousness for our dead works, his  
death for our life. Amen.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

John 10:14-15

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.

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# † Hymn of Assurance “Mercies Anew”

*V1, V2, Chorus, V3, Chorus, V3*

1. Eve - ry morn - ing that breaks, there are mer - cies a - new; eve - ry  
 2. When I've fall - en and strayed, there were mer - cies a - new, for You  
 3. When the storms swirl and rage, there are mer - cies a - new; in af -

breath that I take is Your faith - ful - ness proved. And at the  
 sought me in love, and my heart You pur - sued. In the  
 flic - tion and pain, You will car - ry me through. And at the

end of each day, when my la - bors are through, I will sing of Your  
 face of my sin, Lord, You nev - er with - drew, so I'll sing of Your  
 end of my days, when Your throne fills my view, I will sing of Your

*last time end* *Chorus*

mer - cies a - new. And Your mer - cies, they will nev - er end;  
 mer - cies a - new.  
 mer - cies a - new.

for ten thou - sand years they'll re - main; and when this world's beau - ty  
*to verse 3*

has passed a - way, Your mer - cies will be un - changed.

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## Prayers of Intercession and the Lord's Prayer     Pastor Chris Stevens

### Scripture Reading

Ezekiel 34:1-4; Jeremiah 23:1-4; Acts 20:17-32

This is the Word of the Lord!

**Thanks be to God!**

### Giving God Our Offerings

#### † 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

1 Peter 5:1-5

So I exhort the elders among you, as a fellow elder and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, as well as a partaker in the glory that is going to be revealed: <sup>2</sup> shepherd the flock of God that is among you, exercising oversight, not under compulsion, but willingly, as God would have you; not for shameful gain, but eagerly; <sup>3</sup> not domineering over those in your charge, but being examples to the flock. <sup>4</sup> And when the chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the unfading crown of glory. <sup>5</sup> Likewise, you who are younger, be subject to the elders. Clothe yourselves, all of you, with humility toward one another, for "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble."

This is the Word of the Lord!

**Thanks be to God!**

**Sermon**     "The Ministry of Shepherding in the Church"     Pastor Scott Korljan

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## Sermon Notes

### Questions for discussion:

1. Why is shepherding such an important ministry in the church?
2. How can I encourage the Elders in this ministry?

## Prayer of Application

† **Sermon Hymn** #457 “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” (Vs. 3 only)

O to grace how great a debtor daily I’m constrained to be;  
let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wand’ring heart to thee.  
Prone to wander—Lord, I feel it—prone to leave the God I love:  
here’s my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for they courts above.

## 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.

### 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.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic\* church, (\*universal)**

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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 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. 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

**Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts. Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts.  
The whole earth is full of his glory, the whole earth is full of his glory,  
the whole earth is full of his glory. Holy is the Lord.**

## Words of Institution and Breaking of the Bread

### Music for Meditation

### Prayer after Communion

Loving God, we thank you that you have fed us in this Sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet in your eternal kingdom. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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# Post Communion Hymn "By Faith"



1. By faith we see the hand of God in the light of cre - a - tion's grand de -  
 2. By faith our fa - thers roamed the earth with the pow'r of His prom - ise in their  
 3. By faith the pro - phets saw a day when the longed - for Mes - si - ah would ap -  
 4. By faith the church was called to go in the pow'r of the Spir - it to the  
 5. By faith this moun - tain shall be moved and the pow'r of the gos - pel shall pre -



sign, in the lives of those who prove His faith - ful - ness,  
 hearts, of a ho - ly cit - y built by God's own hand,  
 pear with the pow'r to break the chains of sin and death  
 lost to de - liv - er cap - tives and to preach good news  
 vail, for we know in Christ all things are pos - si - ble

[1.3. | 2.4.5. Refrain



who walk by faith and not by sight. } We will stand as chil - dren of the  
 a place where peace and jus - tice reign. } earth.  
 and rise tri - um - phant from the grave. } name.  
 in ev - 'ry cor - ner of the  
 for all who call up - on His



prom - ise; We will fix our eyes on Him, our soul's re - ward. Till the race is fin - ished and the



work is done, we'll walk by faith and not by sight.

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† **Benediction**

† **Benediction Response**

**Amen, Amen, Amen**

**Postlude**

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## Prayer Requests

### Redeemer Family:

- Maggie Carins as she recovers from a stroke.
- Howard Long for strength and recovery.
- Jean VanDyk (mother of Dave), doctors continue to work with her determining some of the root health problems.
- David Delgado, for healing as he continues through the trials of chemotherapy.
- Kathy Van Til as she continues to recover.
- Kimberly Close (sister of Katina Gibson) for God's mercy in her struggles.
- Paul Mann (Maggie's son-in-law) for God to reveal Himself to him.
- Ann Nelson (Christi Throop's daughter-in-law) for healing and strength as she undergoes treatment for cancer.
- Joyce Weise at home recovering from back surgery. Pray for healing & rest.
- Beth Nussdorfer as her father died and healing for health challenges.

### Churches in our Presbytery:

**University Reformed, East Lansing, Michigan:** Please pray for Neil Quinn and his family as they continue to plant Good Shepherd in Kalamazoo.

**Christ the King, Hastings, Michigan:** Praise for new families that are visiting our congregation.

**Reverend Walter Lorenz:** Please pray for guidance and leadership in various committees during our Presbytery meeting to be held this upcoming weekend

### Financials

Year to Date	<u>July 31, 2017</u>	<u>July 31, 2018</u>	<u>2018 Budget</u>	<u>Over (Under) Budget</u>
Total Giving + Rentals:	\$167,648	\$177,180	\$181,562	(\$4,382)
Total Expenses:	\$165,278	\$170,083		

### **Want to receive Redeemer email notifications & reminders?**

Contact the Church office at:

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Website: [www.redeemertraversecity.org](http://www.redeemertraversecity.org)

Redeemer Facebook (Redeemer PCATC)

## Announcements

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

**Sunday School Begins Next Week** - Begins for all ages on September 9<sup>th</sup> (next Sunday). K -8<sup>th</sup> grade will be using Great Commission Publications material focused on teaching our children key biblical truth and how it all holds together. 9-12<sup>th</sup> will be working through R.C. Sprouls "Essential Truths of the Christian Faith." Adult Sunday school will begin with a class taught by Pastor Scott called "Understanding Reformed Theology: The Joy of Calvinism." The class will focus on explaining and defending the five points of Calvinism, working through confessional statements, biblical exegesis of key passages, and practical implications for Christian living. Important practical and theological questions such as "Do I have free will?" "What does the Bible teach about Election?" "Can I have assurance of salvation?" "How do I grow in my love for God?" will all be addressed over the course of the class.

**Detroit Project Offering** - Next Sunday

**Candy Catechism** - Catechism question of the month, 86) What is faith in Jesus Christ?

**Ladies Fall Bible Study** - Begins Monday 9/17 (7 pm) and Thursday 9/20 (9:30 am)! All ladies are invited to join in a 10 week study using the guide *The Lamb of God: Seeing Jesus in Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy*, by Nancy Guthrie. Books are on the book table in the Narthex (suggested donation \$8, checks payable to Angie Van Dyk). Questions? See Heidi VanTil.

**Save the Date!** - All ladies are invited to share dinner and listen to a guest speaker on **strengthening our marriages** Friday night October 5 in the Fellowship Hall.

**Community Group Fall Kick Off:** Sign up sheets will be available next Sunday in the Narthex or you can contact the office.

**Congregational Meeting:** September 9<sup>th</sup> after service. Please plan to attend.

### This week at Redeemer:

**Men's Study** - Thursday, 7:30 am

*(Sacred Bond, Covenant Theology Explored* led by Pastor Chris)

**Prayer Gathering** - Thursday, 12 noon

**Single MOMM Event** - Saturday, 4:30 to 7 pm

# September 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 Worship Service 10:15 am	3 <b>Labor Day</b>	4	5	6 Men's Study 7:30 am Prayer Gathering 12 Noon	7	8 Single MOMM Event
9 Sunday School, 9 am Worship Service 10:15 am Congregational Meeting	10	11 Prayer Quilt Ministry 1:30 pm	12	13 Men's Study 7:30 am Prayer Gathering 12 Noon Husted Small Group, 6:30 pm	14 Presbytery Meeting	15 Presbytery Meeting
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30 Sunday School, 9 am Worship Service 10:15 am Potluck!						

**Serving Today:**

**Communion Set Up:**

Ron & Cindy Sabotka

**Greeting:**

Les & Mary Leone, Carol DeVries

**Music Ministry:**

Connie Van Til

**Nursery:**

Ashby Mizell

**Refreshments:**

Judy Conant

**Sound Board:**

Ralph Kott

**Serving on Sunday, September 9:**

**Communion Set Up:**

Les & Mary Leone

**Greeting:**

Les & Mary Leone, Carol DeVries

**Music Ministry:**

Connie Van Til

**Nursery:**

Megan Stevens

**Refreshments:**

Sarah Racine

**Sound Board:**

Gavin Weber



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*1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> time visitor?*

*Have a Prayer need?*

*Want to be on our weekly newsletter?*

*Want more info about ministry or service at Redeemer?*

*Please fill out and place in the Offering plate.*

*Thank You!*

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Best Contact  
(Call/Text): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about us:

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1<sup>st</sup> Time Guest: \_\_\_\_

2<sup>nd</sup> Time Guest: \_\_\_\_

Regular Attendee: \_\_\_\_

Member: \_\_\_\_



*If you would like to be prayed for  
please fill out and place in the  
Offering Plate*

**Prayer Requests:**

Share with Prayer Team: \_\_\_\_

Private: \_\_\_\_

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**Send me information about :**

Becoming a Christian

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Serving on a Team

Small Groups

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**The Session (Pastors and Elders)**

Rev. Scott Korljan, Pastor  
Rev. Chris Stevens, Associate Pastor  
Buzz Bauers  
Fred Janke  
Chris Millward  
Bill Morrison  
Fred Weber  
David Schafer (Emeritus)

**The Deacons**

Jerry DeVries  
Bob Israel  
Tim Schramm II  
Dave VanDyk

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**Sunday School: 9 AM**

**Worship Service: 10:15 AM**

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