



**REDEEMER**  
TRAVERSE CITY

**Nevertheless, I am continually with you;  
you hold my right hand.**

**Psalm 73:23**

**The Lord's Service  
December 30, 2018**

## 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 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.

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More information about our church can be found on our website:  
"[www.redeemertraversecity.org](http://www.redeemertraversecity.org)"

# The Lord's Service

December 30, 2018

## Welcome and Announcements

## Prelude

## Silent Prayer of Preparation

## Call to Worship

Pastor Chris Stevens

Isaiah 2:3

“Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,  
to the house of the God of Jacob,  
that he may teach us his ways  
and that we may walk in his paths.”

## † Opening Hymn #115 “All Creatures of Our God and King”

## † Invocation

Psalm 124:8

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

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

Pastor: Let us pray.

## † The Greeting

Jude 1b-2

“To those who are called, beloved in God the Father and kept for Jesus Christ:  
May Mercy, peace, and love be multiplied to you.”

**Amen**

† **Response #218:5 “Angels, from the Realms of Glory” (Vs. 5 only)**

**All creation, join in praising God the Father, Spirit, Son;  
evermore your voices raising to th’eternal Three in One:  
Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the newborn King.**

**Confession of Sin**

The Ten Commandments: Deuteronomy 5:5-21

While I stood between the Lord and you at that time, to declare to you the word of the Lord. For you were afraid because of the fire, and you did not go up into the mountain. He said:

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 on 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 fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

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.

Observe the Sabbath day, to keep it holy, as the Lord your God commanded you. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God. On it you shall not do any work, you or your son or your daughter or your male servant or your female servant, or your ox or your donkey or any of your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates, that your male servant and your female servant may rest as well as you. You shall remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the Lord your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm. Therefore the Lord your God commanded you to keep the Sabbath day.

Honor your father and your mother, as the Lord your God commanded you, that your days may be long, and that it may go well with you in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

You shall not murder.

And you shall not commit adultery.

And you shall not steal.

And you shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

And you shall not covet your neighbor's wife. And you shall not desire your neighbor's house, his field, or his male servant, or his female servant, his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's.

**Heavenly Father, we are sinful, and you are holy. We hear difficult words in your Law that establish a standard of perfection. We confess we have offended you in thought, word and deed by failing to conform to its perfect commands; we fail in what we have done, and what we have left undone. There is nothing in us that gives us reason for hope, for where we thought we were well, we are sick in soul. Our hearts are filled with the love of the world; our minds are dark and are assailed by doubts; our wills are too often given to selfishness and our bodies to laziness and unrighteousness. By sinning against our neighbors, we have sinned against you, in whose image they were created.**

## **Declaration of Forgiveness**

Isaiah 44:22

“I have blotted out your transgressions like a cloud and your sins like mist; return to me, for I have redeemed you.”

## † Hymn of Assurance “Not in Me”

No list of sins I have not done, no list of virtues I pursue,  
no list of those I am not like can earn myself a place with You.  
O God! be merciful to me—I am a sinner through and through!  
My only hope of righteousness is not in me, but only You.

No humble dress, no fervent prayer, no lifted hands, no tearful song,  
no recitation of the truth can justify a single wrong.  
My righteousness is Jesus’ life, my debt was paid by Jesus’ death,  
my weary load was borne by Him and He alone can give me rest.

No separation from the world, no work I do, no gift I give,  
can cleanse my conscience, cleanse my hands; I cannot cause my soul to live.  
But Jesus died and rose again—the pow’r of death is overthrown!  
My God is merciful to me and merciful in Christ alone.

## Prayers of Intercession and the Lord’s Prayer

Pastor Scott Korljan

### Scripture Reading

Ecclesiastes 8:14-17, 1 John 2:15-17

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

Psalm 73

A Psalm of Asaph. Truly God is good to Israel, to those who are pure in heart.  
<sup>2</sup> But as for me, my feet had almost stumbled, my steps had nearly slipped. <sup>3</sup> For  
I was envious of the arrogant when I saw the prosperity of the wicked.

<sup>4</sup> For they have no pangs until death; their bodies are fat and sleek. <sup>5</sup> They are not in trouble as others are; they are not stricken like the rest of mankind. <sup>6</sup> Therefore pride is their necklace; violence covers them as a garment. <sup>7</sup> Their eyes swell out through fatness; their hearts overflow with follies. <sup>8</sup> They scoff and speak with malice; loftily they threaten oppression. <sup>9</sup> They set their mouths against the heavens, and their tongue struts through the earth. <sup>10</sup> Therefore his people turn back to them, and find no fault in them. <sup>11</sup> And they say, "How can God know? Is there knowledge in the Most High? <sup>12</sup> Behold, these are the wicked; always at ease, they increase in riches. <sup>13</sup> All in vain have I kept my heart clean and washed my hands in innocence. <sup>14</sup> For all the day long I have been stricken and rebuked every morning. <sup>15</sup> If I had said, "I will speak thus," I would have betrayed the generation of your children.

<sup>16</sup> But when I thought how to understand this, it seemed to me a wearisome task, <sup>17</sup> until I went into the sanctuary of God; then I discerned their end.

<sup>18</sup> Truly you set them in slippery places; you make them fall to ruin. <sup>19</sup> How they are destroyed in a moment, swept away utterly by terrors! <sup>20</sup> Like a dream when one awakes, O Lord, when you rouse yourself, you despise them as phantoms.

<sup>21</sup> When my soul was embittered, when I was pricked in heart, <sup>22</sup> I was brutish and ignorant; I was like a beast toward you.

<sup>23</sup> Nevertheless, I am continually with you; you hold my right hand. <sup>24</sup> You guide me with your counsel, and afterward you will receive me to glory. <sup>25</sup> Whom have I in heaven but you? And there is nothing on earth that I desire besides you. <sup>26</sup> My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.

<sup>27</sup> For behold, those who are far from you shall perish; you put an end to everyone who is unfaithful to you. <sup>28</sup> But for me it is good to be near God; I have made the Lord God my refuge, that I may tell of all your works.

This is the Word of the Lord!

**Thanks be to God!**

**Sermon** "Soul Battle: From Dejection to Doxology"

## **Sermon Notes:**

### **Questions for Discussion:**

1. How was my soul discontent and dissatisfied in 2018?
2. Am I open to being satisfied each day with God's love?
3. How will my eyes be opened to see God's glory?

## Prayer of Application

### † Sermon Hymn #32 “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” (Verse 1 only)

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;  
there is no shadow of turning with thee;  
thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;  
as thou hast been thou forever wilt be.  
Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see:  
all I have needed thy hand hath provided—  
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

## 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 Philippians 2:5-11

Christ Jesus,  
Though he was in the form of God,  
Did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped,  
But emptied himself,  
Taking the form of a slave,  
being born in human likeness.  
And being found in human form  
He humbled himself  
And became obedient to the point of death—

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Even death on a cross.  
Therefore God also highly exalted him  
And gave him the name that is above every name,  
So that at the name of Jesus  
Every knee should bow,  
In heaven and on earth and under the earth,  
And every tongue should confess the glory of God:  
Jesus Christ is Lord! 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**

## **Prayer after Communion**

Gracious God, you love us, have chosen us, and redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ, who took on flesh and dwelt among us, and who gave His life willingly for our salvation. Give us joy in His coming, and greater hope in His coming again. Until that day, help us by your Holy Spirit to go into this world to love and serve you and others in His name, and for His glory. Amen.

## **† Post Communion Hymn #310 “Rejoice, the Lord is King”**

Rejoice the Lord is King; your Lord and King adore!  
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore.  
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Jesus the Savior reigns, the God of truth and love;  
when he has purged our stains, he took his seat above.  
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

His kingdom cannot fail, he rules o’er earth and heav’n;  
the keys of death and hell are to our Jesus giv’n.  
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

He sits at God’s right hand till all his foes submit  
and bow to his command, and fall beneath his feet.  
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Rejoice in glorious hope! Our Lord, the Judge, shall come,  
and take his servants up to their eternal home.  
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

## **† Benediction**

## **† Benediction Response**

**Amen, Amen, Amen**

## **Postlude**

## Prayer Requests

### Redeemer Family:

- Laura Millward for a good doctors report and healing.
- Dale Millward, homebound.
- Maggie Carins, she is making progress, but longs for visitors.
- Judy (CJ's mother) for strength and peace.
- David Delgado, for healing as he continues through the trials of chemotherapy.
- John & Kathy Van Til recovery, strength and a return to good health.
- 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.

### Churches in our Presbytery:

**Tyrone Covenant, Fenton, Michigan:** Please pray for the Session, leadership and congregation of Tyrone Covenant.

**Reverend Elliott Pinegar:** Please pray that the Lord would strengthen and grow his church in 2019. And let us thank the Lord for his dear saints who have passed into glory this past year.

## Financials

	<u>Nov. 30, 2017</u>	<u>Nov. 30, 2018</u>	<u>2018 Budget</u>	<u>Over (Under)</u> <u>Budget</u>
Year to Date				
Total Giving + Rentals:	\$275,028	\$278,677	\$285,307	(\$6,630)
Total Expenses:	\$269,546	\$271,665		

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

Contact the Church office at:

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## Announcements

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

**Sunday School** - On Christmas break. Sunday School for all ages resumes on January 6th.

**Candy Catechism** - 21) Who is the Redeemer of God's elect?

**Men's Study** - Starting Respectable Sins by Jerry Bridges. What sins do we turn a blind eye to even though they sent Christ to the cross?

**Ladies Book Study** - All ladies are encouraged to read Identity Theft: Reclaiming the Truth of who we are in Christ! We'll share conversation twice a month in January/February, beginning January 10, 9:30-11am. Books will be available by the end of December in the narthex (suggested donation \$11). If childcare is desired, please see Heidi VanTil.

**Mercy Ministry** - If you are interested in being more involved in mercy ministry at the church and in the community, please talk to Deacon Dave VanDyk.

**Love INC has transformed into Love Thy Neighbor** - Please see the bulletin board for their exciting news for 2019! Also, there will be an upcoming Pantry Drive in January, more details to follow!

**Budget Deficit** - Going into December, we currently have a \$6,630 deficit in our 2018 Budget. Please consider if you can give joyfully to the work of Redeemer as we bring this year to a close. We are thankful for all the generous giving that has sustained Redeemer for another year, and trust that God's provision will be exactly what we need.

### This week at Redeemer:

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

**Prayer Gathering** - Thursday, 12 noon

**Bauers Small Group** - Thursday, 6:30 pm

# January 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 No Event	3 Men's Study, 7:30 am Prayer Gathering, 12 pm Bauers Small Group 6:30 pm	4	5
6 Sunday School 9am Membership 9am <b>Worship Service</b> 10:15 am vonDrehle Small Group	7	8	9 VanDyk Small Group, 7 pm	10 Men's Study, 7:30am Ladies Study, 9:30 am Prayer Gathering, 12 pm Husted Small Group, 6:30 pm	11	12  Single MOMM 4:30—7 pm
13 Sunday School 9am <b>Worship Service</b> 10:15 am Stevens Small Group	14	15	16 Wednesday night studies 6 pm, food & childcare provided	17 Men's Study, 7:30am Prayer Gathering, 12 pm Bauers Small Group, 6:30 pm	18	19
20 Sunday School 9am <b>Worship Service</b> 10:15 am vonDrehle Small Group	21	22	23	24 Men's Study, 7:30am Ladies Study, 9:30 am Prayer Gathering, 12 pm Husted Small Group, 6:30 pm	25	26
27 Sunday School 9am <b>Worship Service</b> 10:15 am Stevens Small Group <b>Potluck!</b>	28	29	30	31 Men's Study, 7:30 am Prayer Gathering, 12 pm		

**Serving Today:**

**Communion Set Up:**

Brian & Michonne Palmer

**Greeting:**

Brett Schut, Tom & Beth Nussdorfer

**Music Ministry:**

Rick Harkert

**Nursery:**

Chris Schultz

**Refreshments:**

Sarah Racine

**Sound Board:**

Dan Mizell



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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!*

**Serving on Sunday, January 6<sup>th</sup>:**

**Communion Set Up:**

Brent & Kate Boerema

**Greeting:**

Brett Schut, Tom & Beth Nussdorfer

**Music Ministry:**

Connie VanTil

**Nursery:**

Jessica McLennan

**Refreshments:**

Teresa Kott

**Sound Board:**

Austin Birdsey

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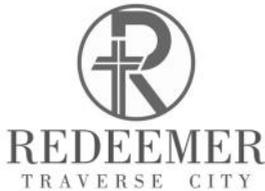
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1<sup>st</sup> Time Guest: \_\_\_\_

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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Scott Korljan, Pastor

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Sunday School: 9 AM

Worship Service: 10:15 AM

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