



REDEEMER
TRAVERSE CITY

Tell those who are invited,
“See, I have prepared my dinner,
my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered,
and everything is ready.
Come to the wedding feast.”

Matthew 22:4

The Lord's Service
February 24, 2019

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.

More information about our church can be found on our website:

"www.redeemertraversecity.org"

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Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Silent Prayer of Preparation

Call to Worship

Pastor Chris Stevens

Revelation 3:6; Psalm 66:5

He who has an ear,
let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.
Come and see what God has done:
he is awesome in his deeds toward the children of man.

† = Stand if able **Bold Words** = Congregation

† First Opening Hymn #2 “O Worship the King” (Vss. 1 & 5 only)

1. O wor - ship the King all - glo - rious a - bove, O grate - ful - ly
 2. O tell of his might, O sing of his grace, whose robe is the
 3. The earth with its store of won - ders un - told, Al - might - y, your
 4. Your boun - ti - ful care what tongue can re - cite? It breathes in the

sing his pow'r and his love; our shield and De - fend - er, the
 light, whose can - o - py space. His char - iots of wrath the deep
 pow'r has found - ed of old; has 'stab - lished it fast by a
 air; it shines in the light; it streams from the hills; it de -

An - cient of Days, pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor and gird - ed with praise
 thun - der - clouds form, and dark is his path on the wings of the storm
 change-less de - cree, and round it has cast, like a man - tle, the sea.
 scends to the plain; and sweet - ly dis - tils in the dew and the rain.

5. Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
 in you do we trust, nor find you to fail;
 your mercies how tender, how firm to the end,
 our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!
6. O measureless Might! Ineffable Love!
 While angels delight to hymn you above,
 the humbler creation, though feeble their lays,
 with true adoration shall lisp to your praise.

† Second Opening Hymn "Come, People of the Risen King"



1. Come, peo - ple of the ris - en King, who de - light to bring Him praise. Come all, and tune your
 Come, those whose joy is morn - ing sun, and those weep - ing through the night. Come, those who tell of
 Come, young and old from ev - 'ry land, men and wo - men of the faith. Come, those with full or



hearts to sing to the Morn - ing Star of grace. From the shift - ing sha - dows of the earth we will
 bat - tles won, and those strug - gling in the fight. For His per - fect love will nev - er change, and His
 emp - ty hands; find the rich - es of His grace. O - ver all the world His peo - ple sing; shore to



lift our eyes to Him, where stead - y arms of mer - cy reach to — gath - er child - ren in.
 mer - cies nev - er cease, but fol - low us through all our days with the cer - tain hope of peace. } Re -
 shore we hear them call the Truth that cries through ev - 'ry age: "Our — God is all in all."



joice! Re-joice! Let ev-'ry tongue re-joice! One heart, one voice; oh, Church of Christ rejoice

† 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

Ephesians 1:1-2

To all the saints who are in Traverse City and are faithful in Christ Jesus. Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen

† Response #7 “From All That Dwell below the Skies” (Vs. 1 only)

**From all that dwell below the skies
let the Creator’s praise arise;
let the Redeemer’s name be sung
through every land, by every tongue.**

Confession of Sin

Matthew 6:31-34

Therefore do not be anxious, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you. Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.

To the one who has spread out the heavens and controls all things by your mighty benevolent hand. You tell us to rely on you and keep you as our highest aim. But we are anxious, we are self-focused, and we are arrogant. We place ourselves at the center of the universe. Lord God, forgive us and put before our hearts and minds the gift of Christ. Remind us that Christ laid down all glory and honor to die on the cross to redeem us from the darkness of sin so that we can enjoy your marvelous light. Remove fear and anxiety from our hearts and minds. May you be our highest treasure and we be satisfied in your hands. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Jeremiah 33:8

“I will cleanse them from all the guilt of their sin against me, and I will forgive all the guilt of their sin and rebellion against me.”

† **Hymn of Assurance** #253 “There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood”

(Vss. 1-3, & 5 only)

Prayers of Intercession and the Lord’s Prayer

Reverend Scott Korljan

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 5:1-7, Romans 11:22-24

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**

Matthew 21:23—22:14

²³ And when he entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came up to him as he was teaching, and said, “By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?” ²⁴ Jesus answered them, “I also will ask you one question, and if you tell me the answer, then I also will tell you by what authority I do these things. ²⁵ The baptism of John, from where did it come? From heaven or from man?” And they discussed it among themselves, saying, “If we say, ‘From heaven,’ he will say to us, ‘Why then did you not believe him?’ ²⁶ But if we say, ‘From man,’ we are afraid of the crowd, for they all hold that John was a prophet.” ²⁷ So they answered Jesus, “We do not know.” And he said to them, “Neither will I tell you by what authority I do these things.

²⁸ “What do you think? A man had two sons. And he went to the first and said, ‘Son, go and work in the vineyard today.’ ²⁹ And he answered, ‘I will not,’ but afterward he changed his mind and went. ³⁰ And he went to the other son and said the same. And he answered, ‘I go, sir,’ but did not go. ³¹ Which of the two did the will of his father?” They said, “The first.” Jesus said to them, “Truly, I say to you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes go into the kingdom of God before you. ³² For John came to you in the way of righteousness, and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him. And even when you saw it, you did not afterward change your minds and believe him.

³³ “Hear another parable. There was a master of a house who planted a vineyard and put a fence around it and dug a winepress in it and built a tower and leased it to tenants, and went into another country. ³⁴ When the season for fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to get his fruit. ³⁵ And the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. ³⁶ Again he sent other servants, more than the first. And they did the same to them. ³⁷ Finally he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ ³⁸ But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and have his inheritance.’ ³⁹ And they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. ⁴⁰ When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?” ⁴¹ They said to him, “He will put those wretches to a miserable death and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons.”

⁴² Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the Scriptures:

“The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;
this was the Lord's doing,
and it is marvelous in our eyes’?”

⁴³ Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people producing its fruits. ⁴⁴ And the one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and when it falls on anyone, it will crush him.”

⁴⁵ When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they perceived that he was speaking about them. ⁴⁶ And although they were seeking to arrest him, they feared the crowds, because they held him to be a prophet.

And again Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying, ² “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son, ³ and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding feast, but they would not come.

⁴ Again he sent other servants, saying, ‘Tell those who are invited, “See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast.”’ ⁵ But they paid no attention and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, ⁶ while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. ⁷ The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. ⁸ Then he said to his servants, ‘The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. ⁹ Go therefore to the main roads and invite to the wedding feast as many as you find.’ ¹⁰ And those servants went out into the roads and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good. So the wedding hall was filled with guests.

¹¹ “But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment. ¹² And he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?’ And he was speechless. ¹³ Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot and cast him into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ ¹⁴ For many are called, but few are chosen.”

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Thanks be to God!

Sermon “God’s Patient Severity and Rich Generosity”

Pastor Chris Stevens

Sermon Notes:

Questions for Discussion:

1. What are three ephemeral things I wrongly desire more than the wedding feast of the Lamb?
2. What are three blessings I take for granted and do not return gratitude to God?
3. What helps me repent of sin and turn to enjoy the triune God?

Prayer of Application

† **Sermon Hymn** #460 “Amazing Grace!” (Vss. 2 & 5 only)

‘Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

And when this flesh and heart shall fail, and mortal life shall cease,
I shall possess within the veil a life of joy and peace.

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 Individual Prayers for Communion on Page 15.)

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.

Psalms 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 “O Lord, My Rock and My Redeemer”

1. O Lord, my Rock and my Re - deem er, great - est trea - sure of my long - ing
 2. O Lord, my Rock and my Re - deem er, strong de - fend - er of my wea - ry
 3. O Lord, my Rock and my Re - deem er, gra - cious Sa - vior of my ru - ined

soul, my God, like You there is no oth - er. True de - light is found in You a -
 heart, my sword to fight the cruel de - ceiv - er, and my shield a - gainst his hate -
 life, my guilt and cross laid on Your shoul - ders, in my place You suf - fered, bled, and

lone. Your grace, a well too deep to fath - om; Your
 darts, my song when en - e - mies sur - round me, my
 died. You rose, the grave and death are conquered. You

love ex - ceeds the heav - ens' reach; Your truth, a fount of per - fect
 hope when tides of sor - row rise, my joy when tri - als are a -
 broke my bonds of sin and shame. O Lord, my Rock and my Re -

wis - dom, my high - est good, and my un - end - ing need.
 bound - ing, Your faith - ful - ness, my ref - uge in the night.
 deem - er, may all my days bring glo - ry to Your Name.

† Benediction

† Benediction Response “May the Peace of God” (Verse 1 only)

May the Peace of God our Heav'nly Father, and the grace of Christ the risen Son,
and the fellowship of God the Spirit keep our hearts and minds within His love,
And to Him be praise for His glorious reign,
from the depths of earth to the heights of Heav'n;
We declare the name of the Lamb once slain—
Christ Eternal the King of Kings!

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:

- Laura Millward, praise for a good doctors report and healing.
- Dale Millward, homebound.
- Maggie Carins as she continues to gain strength.
- Carol Smith (Beth Nussdorfer mother), for healing.
- Judy (CJ's mother), for strength and peace.
- David Delgado and his girlfriend Sharon who are both facing cancer.
- John VanTil, recovery from repeated shoulder surgery.
- 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, praise for her good response to medications.
- Dave Racine (Roger's father), for healing & strength; and for peace & confidence for his wife Barb. And for God to make Himself known to them both.

Churches in our Presbytery:

First Presbyterian, Bad Axe, Michigan: Praise for the ordination of our pastor, Scott McDermand and for his smooth transition to Michigan.

Confex (Mwai) Makhaira: Pray for us to raise financial support and for a less difficult transition to Malawi and smoother settling down.

Financials

Year to Date	<u>Jan. 31, 2018</u>	<u>Jan. 31, 2019</u>	<u>2019 Budget</u>	<u>Over (Under) Budget</u>
Total Giving + Rentals:	\$ 21,460	\$ 20,564	\$28,992	(\$8,428)
Total Expenses:	\$ 24,356	\$ 26,031		

Want to receive Redeemer email notifications & reminders?

Contact the Church office at:

Email: redemertc@gmail.com

Phone: 231-946-1700

Website: 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 - For all ages starts at 9 am

Candy Catechism - February question: 3) What do the scriptures principally teach?

Potluck! - Today after our worship service.

Redeemer Choir - Our Redeemer choir is beginning to prepare music for the Easter season. Please contact Connie VanTil (cgvantil@gmail.com) if you would like to join us in making music to praise our great God! We would love to have more male voices! Practice dates: Sunday, March 10, 17, & 24 (after worship service) & Wednesday March 13th at 6:30 pm.

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

Right to Life Prayer Service - Redeemer will host this prayer service on Monday, March 4th from 7 to 8 pm. All are welcome to attend.

Weekly Ladies Bible Study - in Romans begins March 7, 9:30–11am and March 11, 7-8:30 pm! Books are on the back table (suggested donation, \$10 can go in the box next to the books). We'll cover Romans 1 (studies 1-3) for the first week. If childcare is desired for the morning study, please see Heidi VanTil. All ladies are invited to learn and grow with us!

Single MOMM Event - On March 9th, Redeemer will again host the Single MOMM event night. Sign up sheets are in the Narthex. This is a great way to support and recognize the single moms in our area!

Men's Conference - March 15 (Friday evening) and March 16 (Saturday morning) from 8 am to 12 pm.

This week at Redeemer:

Potluck - Today, after worship

Men's Study - Thursday, 7:30 am

Prayer Gathering - Thursday, 12 noon

Husted Small Group - Thursday, 6:30 pm

February 2019

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
24	25	26	27	28		
Sunday School 9am Worship Service 10:15 am Potluck!				Men's Study 7:30 am Prayer Gathering 12 pm Husted Small Group 6:30 pm		

March 2019

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Serving Today:

Communion Set Up:

Brent & Kate Boerema

Greeting:

Todd & Katina Gibson, Vern & McKinzie Robinson

Music Ministry:

Connie VanTil

Nursery:

Heidi VanTil

Refreshments:

Potluck!

Sound Board:

Ralph Kott

Serving on Sunday, March 3rd:

Communion Set Up:

Ralph & Teresa Kott

Greeting:

Barb Weber, Darryl & Susan Johnson

Music Ministry:

Connie VanTil

Nursery:

Ashby Mizell

Refreshments:

Christina Apol

Sound Board:

Gavin Weber

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REDEEMER
TRAVERSE CITY

1st or 2nd 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: _____

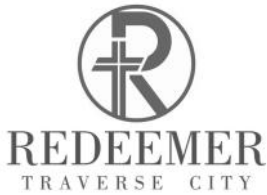
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1st Time Guest: ____

2nd 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: ____

Send me information about :

Becoming a Christian

Baptism

Membership

Serving on a Team

Small Groups

Other

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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