



REDEEMER
TRAVERSE CITY

O Jerusalem, Jerusalem,
the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it!
How often would I have gathered your children together
as a hen gathers her brood under her wings,
and you were not willing!

—Matthew 23:37

The Lord's Service
March 10, 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 Scott Korljan

Psalm 95:1-3

Oh come, let us sing to the Lord;
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
For the Lord is a great God,
and a great King above all gods.

† = Stand if able

Bold Words = Congregation

† Opening Hymn #38 “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

1. Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
 2. Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing and si - lent as light,
 3. Great Fa - ther of glo - ry, pure Fa - ther of light,

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
 nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;
 thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
 all praise we would ren - der; O help us to see

al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise.
 thy clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee!

† 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

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” (Vs. 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

Luke 18:9-14

He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and treated others with contempt: “Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, prayed thus: ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get.’ But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, ‘God, be merciful to me, a sinner!’ I tell you, this man went down to his house justified, rather than the other. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted.”

Heavenly Father, forgive us. Forgive us for the sins that we remember, and the sins we have forgotten. Forgive our many failures in the face of temptation, and those times when we have been stubborn in the face of correction. Forgive the times we have been proud of our own achievements and those when we have failed to boast in your works. Forgive the harsh judgments we have made of others, and the leniency we have shown ourselves. Forgive the lies we have told to others, and the truths we have avoided. Forgive our hypocrisy, saying one thing and doing another. Forgive us the pain we have caused others and the indulgence we have shown ourselves. For the sake of Jesus, have mercy on us and make us whole. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Romans 3:21-24

But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus.

† Hymn of Assurance "Oh the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus"

1. Oh the deep, deep love of Je - sus, vast, un -
 deep, deep love of Je - sus! Spread His
 deep, deep love of Je - sus, far sur -
 meas - ured, bound - less, free, roll - ing as a might - y
 praise from shore to shore, how He came to pay our
 pass - ing all the rest! It's an o - cean full of
 o - cean in its full - ness o - ver me. Un - der -
 ran - som through the sav - ing cross He bore; how He
 bless - ing in the midst of ev - ery test. Oh the
 neath me, all a - round me is the cur - rent of Your
 watch - es o'er His loved ones, those He died to make His
 deep, deep love of Je - sus, might - y Sav - ior, pre - cious
 love, lead - ing on - ward, lead - ing home - ward to Your
 own; how for them He's in - ter - ced - ing, plead - ing
 Friend! You will bring us home to glo - ry, where Your
 glo - rious rest a - bove. Oh the
 now be - fore the throne.
 love will nev - er end.
 deep, deep love! All I need and trust is the
 deep, deep love of Je - sus.

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 5:18-24; Ezekiel 33:11

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 23

Then Jesus said to the crowds and to his disciples, ²“The scribes and the Pharisees sit on Moses' seat, ³so do and observe whatever they tell you, but not the works they do. For they preach, but do not practice.⁴ They tie up heavy burdens, hard to bear, and lay them on people's shoulders, but they themselves are not willing to move them with their finger. ⁵They do all their deeds to be seen by others. For they make their phylacteries broad and their fringes long, ⁶and they love the place of honor at feasts and the best seats in the synagogues ⁷and greetings in the market-places and being called rabbi by others. ⁸But you are not to be called rabbi, for you have one teacher, and you are all brothers. ⁹And call no man your father on earth, for you have one Father, who is in heaven. ¹⁰Neither be called instructors, for you have one instructor, the Christ. ¹¹The greatest among you shall be your servant. ¹²Whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and whoever humbles himself will be exalted.

¹³“But woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you shut the kingdom of heaven in people's faces. For you neither enter yourselves nor allow those who would enter to go in. ¹⁵Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you travel across sea and land to make a single proselyte, and when he becomes a proselyte, you make him twice as much a child of hell as yourselves.

¹⁶“Woe to you, blind guides, who say, ‘If anyone swears by the temple, it is nothing, but if anyone swears by the gold of the temple, he is bound by his oath.’ ¹⁷You blind fools! For which is greater, the gold or the temple that has made the gold sacred?

¹⁸And you say, ‘If anyone swears by the altar, it is nothing, but if anyone swears by the gift that is on the altar, he is bound by his oath.’ ¹⁹You blind men! For which is greater, the gift or the altar that makes the gift sacred? ²⁰So whoever swears by the altar swears by it and by everything on it. ²¹And whoever swears by the temple swears by it and by him who dwells in it. ²²And whoever swears by heaven swears by the throne of God and by him who sits upon it.

²³“Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you tithe mint and dill and cumin, and have neglected the weightier matters of the law: justice and mercy and faithfulness. These you ought to have done, without neglecting the others. ²⁴You blind guides, straining out a gnat and swallowing a camel!

²⁵“Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you clean the outside of the cup and the plate, but inside they are full of greed and self-indulgence. ²⁶You blind Pharisee! First clean the inside of the cup and the plate, that the outside also may be clean.

²⁷“Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you are like whitewashed tombs, which outwardly appear beautiful, but within are full of dead people’s bones and all uncleanness. ²⁸So you also outwardly appear righteous to others, but within you are full of hypocrisy and lawlessness.

²⁹“Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you build the tombs of the prophets and decorate the monuments of the righteous,³⁰ saying, ‘If we had lived in the days of our fathers, we would not have taken part with them in shedding the blood of the prophets.’ ³¹Thus you witness against yourselves that you are sons of those who murdered the prophets. ³²Fill up, then, the measure of your fathers. ³³You serpents, you brood of vipers, how are you to escape being sentenced to hell?³⁴ Therefore I send you prophets and wise men and scribes, some of whom you will kill and crucify, and some you will flog in your synagogues and persecute from town to town, ³⁵so that on you may come all the righteous blood shed on earth, from the blood of righteous Abel to the blood of Zechariah the son of Barachiah, whom you murdered between the sanctuary and the altar. ³⁶Truly, I say to you, all these things will come upon this generation.

³⁷“O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! ³⁸See, your house is left to you desolate. ³⁹For I tell you, you will not see me again, until you say, ‘Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.’”

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

Sermon “Very Religious and Yet Very Far From God”

Pastor Scott Korljan

Sermon Notes:

Questions for Discussion:

1. How do we know if we are following “blind guides” that will lead us out of the kingdom of heaven?
2. Of the different ways Jesus denounces hypocritical religion, where am I most challenged? How does the Pharisee in me most reveal itself? Where do I strain at a gnat and swallow a camel?
3. Do I believe that Jesus offers mercy, forgiveness, and full welcome to someone like me?

Prayer of Application

† Sermon Hymn “Beneath the Cross of Jesus” (Vss. 1 & 3 only)

Beneath the cross of Jesus I find a place to stand,
and wonder at such mercy that calls me as I am.
For hands that should discard me hold wounds which tell me come.
Beneath the cross of Jesus my unworthy soul is won.
Beneath the cross of Jesus, the path before the crown,
we follow in his footsteps where promised hope is found.
How great the joy before us to be his perfect bride.
Beneath the cross of Jesus, we will gladly live our lives.

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.

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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 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

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.

† Post Communion Hymn #94 'How Firm a Foundation' (Vss. 1-4 & 6 only)

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1. How firm a foun - da - tion, you saints of the Lord, is laid for your
 2. "Fear not, I am with you, O be not dis-mayed; for I am your
 3. "When through the deep wa - ters I call you to go, the riv - ers of
 4. "When through fi - ery tri - als your path - way shall lie, my grace, all - suf -

G D7 G F D/F# Em Am7 C

faith in his ex - cel - lent Word! What more can he say than to
 God, and will still give you aid; I'll strength - en you, help you, and
 sor - row shall not o - ver - flow; for I will be with you, your
 fi - cient, shall be your sup - ply; the flame shall not hurt you; I

G D G C G D7 G 7

you he has said, to you who for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?
 cause you to stand, up - held by my righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand.
 trou - bles to bless, and sanc - ti - fy to you your deep - est dis - tress.
 on - ly de - sign your dross to con - sume and your gold to re - fine.

5. "E'en down to old age all my people shall prove
 my sovereign, eternal, unchangeable love;
 and when hoary hairs shall their temples adorn,
 like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne.

6. "The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,
 I will not, I will not desert to his foes;
 that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
 I'll never, no never, no never forsake."

† Benediction

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

May the Peace which passes understanding,
and this grace which makes us what we are,
And this fellowship of His communion make us one in spirit and in heart.
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!

Prayer Requests

Redeemer Family:

- Laura Millward, praise for a good doctors report and healing.
- Dale Millward, homebound.
- Maggie Carins, to be comforted as she wrestles with physical complications.
- Carol Smith, praise for continued recovery.
- Judy (CJ's mother), for strength and peace.
- David Delgado and his girlfriend Sharon who are both facing cancer.
- John VanTil, for strength and healing.
- 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:

Providence, Ft. Wayne, Indiana: Praise for recent baptisms of covenant children. Pray for fidelity to God's Word, for the session to shepherd with wisdom & love and for the Lord's direction as we begin to make plans for our future.

Christ the King, Hastings, Michigan: Praise for the chance to be part of the Great Lakes Presbytery. Pray for our efforts to reach out to Barry County and to bring new families into our congregation.

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:

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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 - March question: 14) What is sin?

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: today after worship, Sunday March 17, & 24 after worship & 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?

Ladies Bible Study in Romans - Thursdays 9:30-11 am or Mondays 7-8:30 pm. All ladies are invited to learn and grow with us!

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

Save the date, ladies! - Spring Tea/Baby Shower Saturday May 4, 10 am-12 pm—more details to come

This week at Redeemer:

Choir Practice - Today, after worship

Stevens Small Group - Today, after worship

Ladies Bible Study - Monday, 7 pm

Choir Practice - Wednesday, 6:30 pm

Men's Study - Thursday, 7:30 am

Ladies Study - Thursday, 9:30 am

Prayer Gathering - Thursday, 12 noon

Husted Small Group - Thursday, 6:30 pm

Men's Conference - Friday 6 pm and Saturday 8 am

March 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
10 Sunday School 9am Worship Service 10:15 am Choir Practice Stevens Small Group	11 Ladies Bible Study, 7 pm	12	13 Choir practices, 6:30 pm	14 Men's Study 7:30 am Ladies Study, 9:30 am Prayer Gathering 12 pm Husted Small Group 6:30 pm	15 Men's Conference, 6 pm	16 Men's Conference, 8 am to 12 pm
17 Sunday School 9am Worship Service 10:15 am Choir Practice vonDrehle Small Group	18 Ladies Bible Study, 7 pm	19	20 Wednesday night studies 5:45 pm, food & childcare provided	21 Men's Study 7:30 am Ladies Study, 9:30 am Prayer Gathering 12 pm Bauers Small Group 6:30 pm	22	23
24 Sunday School 9am Worship Service 10:15 am Choir Practice Stevens Small Group	25 Ladies Bible Study, 7 pm	26	27	28 Men's Study 7:30 am No Ladies Bible Study Prayer Gathering 12 pm Missions Meeting, 4 pm Husted Small Group, 6:30 pm	29	30
31 Sunday School 9am Worship Service 10:15 am Potluck!						

Serving Today:

Communion Set Up:

Barb Weber / Kate Empie

Greeting:

Barb Weber, Darryl & Susan Johnson

Music Ministry:

Connie VanTil

Nursery:

Megan Stevens

Refreshments:

Barb Husted

Sound Board:

CJ Weber

Serving on Sunday, March 17th:

Communion Set Up:

Kit Hinz

Greeting:

Barb Weber, Darryl & Susan Johnson

Music Ministry:

Connie VanTil

Nursery:

Chris Schultz

Refreshments:

Carol DeVries

Sound Board:

Dave Smith

Music Copy License Number: 2539700



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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: _____

How did you hear about us:

1st Time Guest: ____

2nd Time Guest: ____

Regular Attendee: ____

Member: ____



RSVP Card

For Men's Conference

"Gaining the Whole World"

March 15-16

Conference Schedule:

Dinner Fri. 6-8pm

Nolan's Fri. 9-late

Breakfast Sat. 8-9am

Conference Sat. 9am-12pm

Please use this card to invite your neighbors and friends. For more info. see our calendar at:
redeemertraversecity.org/events



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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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