

Visitors

We want to welcome you to the church and introduce ourselves to you! We also have some information available if you'd like to know more about Redeemer. After worship, please come to the Welcome Table so we can meet you!

Please also take a moment to fill out the form on the inside back cover of this bulletin and drop it in the offering box.

To Parents

During corporate worship, God meets with His people in a special way. We believe, because of the promises of God, that our children are as much a part of the church as everyone else, and that they should participate in worship along with their families as much as they are able.

Nurseries

We have nurseries available during the worship service for infants and toddlers ages 3 months to 3 years.

Children in Worship

We understand the challenges of getting children accustomed to being in the service the whole time. We want to assist you in helping your children learn to participate in worship in a meaningful way.

During the sermon, children age 4 through the end of kindergarten may attend ***Training in the Pews*** children's worship. Volunteers will escort children and return them after the sermon.

Sermon time binders are available for children before the sermon at the back of the auditorium.

We completely understand that, generally speaking, kids tend to be a bit noisy and squirmy. Please know that it is something we expect, and that there is no reason to feel embarrassed if your children have some trouble adjusting to corporate worship. We've all experienced the blessed struggle of training our children to participate in worship, so if yours are still in the process, you're certainly not alone!

We do not at all believe that we get to have worship on our own terms, but on God's terms. God welcomes your children into this service of worship, squirminess and all, and so do we.

Redeemer's Vision

Redeemer Presbyterian Church is a missional *community* moved by the *grace* of the *Redeemer*, Jesus Christ, to *worship* and *know* God and to *love* and *serve* our *neighbors* in *Temple* and *beyond*.

Redeemer Presbyterian Church is affiliated with the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA).

For more information about Redeemer Church, visit www.redeemerprestemple.org.

For more information about the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA), visit www.pcanet.org.

Book Table: The books found here are designed to assist you in understanding the Christian life and to encourage your spiritual growth. To purchase a book or CD, please place your money in the envelope labeled "Book \$". Please make all checks payable to Redeemer Presbyterian Church.

As you find your seat, please move toward the center of your section, leaving the aisle seats for those coming in after you.

Thanks.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

February 4, 2018

10:00 a.m.

In consideration of other worshippers, please program all communication devices to silent or vibrate mode.

Parents, our nursery is available for infants and toddlers ages 3 months to 3 years. Turn left out of the auditorium and down the hall immediately to the left. The nurseries are located up the stairs at the end of the hall. Ask a greeter if you need directions. Babies and toddlers are also welcome in the worship service.

Children age 4 through the end of kindergarten may attend *Training in the Pews* during the sermon.

Sermon time binders are available for children before the sermon at the back of the auditorium.

Bibles are available on the table in the hallway for your use during the service.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. David Rapp

Meditation and Preparation for Worship

“If Christian orthodoxy turns the joy of the gospel into sour legalism, then it is not really orthodox, nor is it the apostolic proclamation. The great mark of the church is in the message it proclaims: the gospel of salvation from sin and eternal death through the cross and the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who alone is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. A preacher proclaiming the gospel in a market-place does not fulfill the New Testament description of the church, however. . . . There must be a community of believers showing the root of faith in the fruit of love. Jesus promised to build his assembly, his community, giving new form to the people of God (Mt. 16:18). He said that his name must be confessed before men, and he made baptism the sign of discipleship (Mt. 28:19). Those who say that church membership is not necessary, or even that it is unbiblical, fail to grasp what the New Testament teaches about the church and the administration of the sacraments. . . . Baptism is recognized as the mark of membership in Christ’s community In baptism we are numbered among the children of God, receiving the name of our Father, written, as it were, on our foreheads (Mt. 28:19; Rev. 14:1). To be sure, the washing of God’s regenerating grace is accomplished by the water of the Spirit, not that of the font, but the outward sign functions precisely because it is outward; it is the Lord’s visible seal of his invisible grace.”

-Edmund Clowney, *The Church* (pp. 103-04)

God's Supremacy

*Call to Worship

Rev. David Rapp

Psalm 103:1-4, 22

Minister: Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

All: Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits,

Minister: who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, . . .

All: Bless the LORD, all his works, in all places of his dominion.

Bless the LORD, O my soul!

*Song of Adoration Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

Lauda Anima

1. Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
To His feet your tribute bring.
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
Who like me His praise should sing?
Praise Him, praise Him,
praise Him, praise Him,
Praise the everlasting King.

2. Praise Him for His grace and favor
To our fathers in distress.
Praise Him still the same forever,
Slow to chide, and swift to bless.
Praise Him, praise Him,
praise Him, praise Him,
Glorious in His faithfulness.

3. Frail as summer's flower we flourish
Blows the wind and it is gone
But while mortals rise and perish
God endures unchanging on
Praise Him, praise Him,
praise Him, praise Him,
Praise the high eternal One

4. Father-like He tends and spares us;
Well our feeble frame He knows.
In His hands He gently bears us,
Rescues us from all our foes.
Praise Him, praise Him,
praise Him, praise Him,
Widely as His mercy goes.

5. 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.

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God's Supremacy

*Prayer of Invocation

Rev. David Rapp

*Affirmation of Faith

Dr. Jason Smith

The Westminster Shorter Catechism Q/A #39

Leader: What is the duty which God requires of man?

All: The duty which God requires of man, is obedience to his revealed will.

*Doxology

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation (v. 2)

Regent Square

All that dedicated city,
dearly loved of God on high,
in exultant jubilation
pours perpetual melody;
God the One in Three adoring
in glad hymns eternally.

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God's Renewal

The Law of God

Mr. Jeff White

Exodus 20:1-2, 12

Leader: “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. . . .
“Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the
land that the LORD your God is giving you.”

Corporate Confession of Sin

**All: O King and Father, your Son died and was raised up in power.
Now enable us to die to our sin in repentance
so that we may rise to new life in him.
We confess to you that we have not honored our fathers and mothers.
As children, we disobey our parents.
As young people, we disrespect our parents.
In many ways, we have distanced ourselves from our parents.
We have disregarded the authorities you have placed over us,
and have declared our independence from you.
Often the well of our patience and mercy
is most dry and empty toward those who brought us into this world.
We have placed our parents on a pedestal
and have expected of them the perfection in love, care, and behavior,
that can only be found in our Heavenly Father.
Awaken our hearts to your forgiving mercy and love toward us,
that our relationships would be transformed by grace.
Let us see more of Jesus, the only perfect Son,
whose obedience alone secures our place in your family. Amen.**

Silent Confession

God's Renewal

Song of Renewal

Thy Mercy, My God

1. Thy mercy, my God, is the theme of my song,
The joy of my heart, and the boast of my tongue;
Thy free grace alone, from the first to the last,
Hath won my affections, and bound my soul fast.

2. Without Thy sweet mercy I could not live here;
Sin would reduce me to utter despair;
But, through Thy free goodness, my spirits revive,
And He that first made me still keeps me alive.

3. Thy mercy is more than a match for my heart,
Which wonders to feel its own hardness depart;
Dissolved by Thy goodness, I fall to the ground,
And weep to the praise of the mercy I've found.

4. Great Father of mercies, Thy goodness I own,
And the covenant love of Thy crucified Son;
All praise to the Spirit, Whose whisper divine
Seals mercy, and pardon, and righteousness mine.
All praise to the Spirit, Whose whisper divine
Seals mercy, and pardon, and righteousness mine.

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Assurance of Pardon and Comfort

Rev. David Rapp

Psalm 103:11-14

Minister: *For all who have confessed their sins and have fled to Christ for mercy, hear this word of assurance: "For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us. As a father shows compassion to his children, so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him. For he knows our frame; he remembers that we are dust."*

God's Grace

*Song of Assurance

His Love Can Never Fail

1. I do not ask to see the way
My feet will have to tread;
But only that my soul may feed
Upon the living Bread.
'Tis better far that I should walk
By faith close to His side;
I may not know the way I go,
But oh, I know my Guide.

Chorus:

His love can never fail,
His love can never fail,
My soul is satisfied
to know His love can never fail.
My soul is satisfied
to know His love can never fail.

2. And if my feet would go astray,
They cannot, for I know
That Jesus guides my falt'ring steps,
As joyfully I go.
And though I may not see His face,
My faith is strong and clear,
That in each hour of sore distress
My Savior will be near.

(Repeat chorus)

3. I will not fear, though darkness come
Abroad o'er all the land,
If I may only feel the touch
Of His own loving hand.
And though I tremble when I think
How weak I am, and frail,
My soul is satisfied to know
His love can never fail.

(Repeat chorus)

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*Scripture Reading

Mr. Richard Handel

1 Corinthians 6:12-20

Reader: The Word of the Lord!

People: **Thanks be to God!**

God's Grace

Receiving of Members

*Paul and Susan Hicks
Joycelynn Young*

Membership Vows

1. Do you acknowledge yourselves to be sinners in the sight of God, justly deserving His displeasure, and without hope save in His sovereign mercy?
2. Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and rest upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel?
3. Do you now resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as becomes the followers of Christ?
4. Do you promise to support the Church in its worship and work to the best of your ability?
5. Do you submit yourselves to the government and discipline of the Church, and promise to study its purity and peace?

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. David Rapp

*The Greeting of Peace

Rev. David Rapp

Minister: Let the peace of Christ dwell in your hearts. To this peace we are called as members of a single body. The peace of Christ be with you!

People: And also with you!

At the parents' discretion, children age 4 through the end of kindergarten may attend Training in the Pews (Children's Worship). Children should meet at the back of the auditorium to be escorted by volunteers to Wendland Hall. After the sermon, volunteers will bring the children to the back of the auditorium, where you may meet them or have them join you in your seats. Sermon time binders are available for children before the sermon at the back of the auditorium. Please return them to the box after the service.

*Scripture Reading (p. 9)

Rev. David Rapp

Prayer of Illumination

Rev. David Rapp

The Sermon

A Commissioned Community
Matthew 28:16-20

Rev. David Rapp

Matthew 28:16-20

¹⁶ Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷ And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted. ¹⁸ And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

Minister: The Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon Notes

Celebration of Holy Communion

Preparation for Communion

This is a time for all of us to seek the Lord. For Christians, Communion (also called The Lord's Supper or The Eucharist, which means "thanksgiving") is a time to meet with their Savior by faith to be strengthened and renewed by Him as they eat bread and drink wine. The Lord's Supper is a joyful celebration in which the family of God together delights in the presence and salvation of their Redeemer King. All baptized Christians who trust in Christ alone as their Savior and Lord, belong to a church that embraces the Gospel, are at peace with their neighbor, and seek strength to live more faithfully to Christ, are invited to participate. If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer and to consider more deeply your relationship to Jesus Christ.

A Word to Parents:

Children are invited to come forward, either to receive communion or a prayer of blessing. To receive communion, a child must have been baptized, publicly professed their faith in Christ, and been formally received as a communing member by the Session (elders) of this church or the governing body of the church to which you belong. If your children will not be receiving communion, please instruct them to come forward with their arms crossed to receive a prayer of blessing. We look forward to welcoming your children to the table and ask that you speak with the pastor when you believe your child is ready to begin the process.

Preparing our Hearts to be Fed

Rev. David Rapp

The Heidelberg Catechism Q/A #81

Minister: Who are to come to the Lord's table?

**All: Those who are displeased with themselves
because of their sins,
but who nevertheless trust
that their sins are pardoned
and that their continuing weakness is covered
by the suffering and death of Christ,
and who also desire more and more
to strengthen their faith
and to lead a better life.**

**Hypocrites and those who are unrepentant, however,
eat and drink judgment on themselves.**

Words of Institution

Rev. David Rapp

Words of Response

Rev. David Rapp

Minister: Let us proclaim the mystery of the faith:

People: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again!

Minister: Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore, let us keep the feast.

Minister: The gifts of God for the people of God. Come, take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on Him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All: Hallelujah!

The Communion

*If you are participating, when you are ready, please join the line coming down the right center aisle. You will make your way past the servers at the front to receive the elements. Then, please return to your seat by way of the left center aisle. If you wish to bring an offering to the Lord, please place it in the box at the back of the room as you return to your seat. **We use wine** in communion and drink from a common cup. Individual cups are available in the trays, with **grape juice in the center ring** which may be requested by those who desire it. A **gluten-free cracker** is available upon request for those unable to eat the bread due to allergies.*

The Offering

“For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich.” 2 Corinthians 8:9 (ESV)

In response to God’s grace to us through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we bring gifts and offerings to the Lord with thanksgiving and joy. Worshipers may place their gifts in the offering box at the back as they return to their seats.

Prayers for Those Not Communing

Because Redeemer is a church that is not only for convinced Christians, but also for people at different stages in their spiritual journey, we gladly extend room for you to process, think, and dialogue. Use the prayers provided below as guides to reflect upon and respond to what God is doing in your life.

Prayer for Those Searching for 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 Christ, 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 thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross, and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and Lord. 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 to me, and run with perseverance the race that you have set before me, looking only to you, the pioneer and perfecter of my faith. Amen.

Prayer of Commitment

Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship in your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with your people, and live in the fullness of your Spirit. Amen.

Communion Song How Deep the Father's Love for Us

1. How deep the Father's love for us,
How vast beyond all measure,
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss—
The Father turns His face away,
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring many sons to glory.

2. Behold the man upon a cross,
My sin upon His shoulders;
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished;
His dying breath has brought me life—
I know that it is finished.

3. I will not boast in anything,
No gifts, no power, no wisdom;
But I will boast in Jesus Christ,
His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward?
I cannot give an answer;
But this I know with all my heart—
His wounds have paid my ransom.

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Communion Song

Satisfied

1. All my life long
I had panted
for a drink from some cool spring
that I hoped would
quench the burning
of the thirst I felt within.

Chorus:

Hallelujah! He has found me,
the One my soul so long has craved!
Jesus satisfies all my longings
through his blood I now am saved.

2. Feeding on the
filth around me
'till my strength was almost gone.
Longed my soul for
something better
only still to hunger on.

(Repeat chorus)

3. Poor I was and
sought for riches
something that would satisfy.
But the dust I
gathered 'round me
only mocked my soul's sad cry.

(Repeat chorus)

4. Well of water
ever springing
Bread of Life so rich and free.
Untold wealth that
never faileth,
my Redeemer is to me.

(Repeat chorus x 2)

through his blood I now am saved.
through his blood I now am saved.

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God's Blessing

*Song

O Day of Rest and Gladness

1. O day of rest and gladness,
O day of joy and light,
O balm of care and sadness,
Most beautiful, most bright:
On Thee, the high and lowly,
Through ages joined in tune,
Sing holy, holy, holy,
To the great God Triune.

2. On Thee, at the creation,
The light first had its birth;
On Thee, for our salvation,
Christ rose from depths of earth;
On Thee, our Lord, victorious,
The Spirit sent from heav'n,
And thus on Thee, most glorious,
A triple light was giv'n.

3. Thou art a port protected
From storms that round us rise;
A garden intersected
With streams of paradise;
Thou art a cooling fountain
In life's dry dreary sand;
From Thee, like Pisgah's mountain,
We view our promised land.

4. Today on weary nations
The heav'nly manna falls;
To holy convocations
The silver trumpet calls,
Where gospel light is glowing
With pure and radiant beams,
And living water flowing,
With soul-refreshing streams.

5. New graces ever gaining
From this, our day of rest,
We reach the rest remaining
To spirits of the blessed.
To Holy Ghost be praises,
To Father, and to Son;
The church her voice upraises
To Thee, blessed Three in One.

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*Benediction

Rev. David Rapp

Romans 15:5-7

Minister: "May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God."

Postlude

Weekly Prayer Guide

We are praying that God would do mighty, transforming works in our hearts, in our families, in our church, in our city, and in our world. Here are some categories which we use to pray during our corporate worship services. You are encouraged to use this list at home during your private and family worship times to help you join with Redeemer as we together petition our Father, asking that His Kingdom would come in ever greater measure.

Growth in the Gospel of Grace: For spiritual growth as individuals and as a church

Local Mission: Praying for the work of the Gospel in Temple

Global Mission: Praying for God's work around the world

State/Society/World: Praying for civil authorities and Christians' witness in the world

Special Care: Praying for people who are sick or in other need

Vision: Praying for God to build his Church

Prayer Needs

If you would like someone to pray for or with you, please consider the following:

1. We encourage everyone to be a part of a Community Group to build relationships with people who will know you and pray for you.
2. Contact the pastor, David Rapp, or another one of our elders. They would love to talk with you and pray for you. (Contact info on the following page.)

Financial Giving Report

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual Expenses</u>	<u>Actual Variance</u>
2017 Jan.-Dec.	\$339,426.43	\$399,364.08	\$338,699.45	\$726.98
2017 Dec.	\$64,491.50	\$33,280.34	\$24,782.26	\$39,709.24
2017 Nov.	\$19,850.21	\$33,280.34	\$22,500.62	(\$2,650.41)

***Thank you for your faithful and generous giving to Jesus' mission through Redeemer!

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Events and Announcements

What else is happening at Redeemer?

* Get Connected on ***The City*** to find out!!!

redeemerprestemple.onthecity.org/kiosk/92955/signup

* **Redeemer Midweek! Wednesdays - 6-7:30 p.m.**

-Foundations for Ministry Class - Women and Men

David and Jennifer Rapp's home - 4307 Vista Ct.

-RSM (Redeemer Student Ministry)

Middle School and High School. Madrids' home - 3110 Slough

-Redeemer Kids - Nursery thru Elementary

Gary and Linda Rapp's home - 2501 Canyon Cliff Dr.

* **Congregational Vision and Budget Meeting**

TODAY directly after the worship service

* **Community Groups Launch Sunday, Feb. 11th!**

Information and sign-ups in the hallway, on The City, and website

* **Women's Retreat - March 2-4th, Marble Falls, TX**

Sign up now!! More details and RSVP *The City*

* **RYM Middle School Conference - Texas**

June 4-8, 2018 - rymonline.org/mstx

* **RYM High School Conference - Colorado**

June 11-16, 2018 - rymonline.org/hSCO

Would you like to receive email updates from Redeemer?

If so, please contact us at info@redeemerprestemple.org

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Please take a moment to fill out the form below and drop it in the offering box.

Today's Date _____

Mr./Mrs./Ms. (first) _____

(last) _____

Spouse (if applicable) _____

Children	Age
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Home Phone _____

Email: _____

Add to the Redeemer email list? Yes___ No thanks___

Attendance (please circle one)

First Time Guest

Repeat Guest

___ I would like to be contacted to receive more information about Redeemer