

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 Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 6, 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

Mr. Heath Robinson

Meditation and Preparation for Worship

“Here then is my theme: the only hope of liberation for a helpless, resisting caterpillar in a ring of fire is deliverance from above. Someone must reach down into the ring and take us out. This rescue is what brings us from the orphan state into that of the son or daughter. This is not mere supporting grace, but transforming grace.”

-Rose Marie Miller, *from fear to freedom* (p. 5)

Scripture for Memorization

Revelation 22:1-5 (ESV)

22:1 “Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb ² through the middle of the street of the city; also, on either side of the river, the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit each month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. ³ No longer will there be anything accursed, but the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him. ⁴ They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. ⁵ And night will be no more. They will need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.”

God's Supremacy

*Call to Worship

Rev. Jeff Weir

Psalm 48:1-2, 10-14

Minister: "Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised in the city of our God! His holy mountain, beautiful in elevation, is the joy of all the earth, Mount Zion, in the far north, the city of the great King.

**All: As your name, O God, so your praise reaches to the ends of the earth.
Your right hand is filled with righteousness.**

Minister: Let Mount Zion be glad! Let the daughters of Judah rejoice because of your judgments! Walk about Zion, go around her, number her towers, consider well her ramparts, go through her citadels, that you may tell the next generation that this is God, our God forever and ever. He will guide us forever."

*Song of Adoration

Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah

1. Hallelujah, praise Jehovah,
O my soul, Jehovah praise;
I will sing the glorious praises
Of my God through all my days.
Put no confidence in princes,
Nor for help on man depend;
He shall die, to dust returning,
And his purposes shall end.

2. Happy is the man that chooses
Israel's God to be his aid;
He is blest whose hope of blessing
On the Lord his God is stayed.
Heaven and earth the Lord created,
Seas and all that they contain;
He delivers from oppression,
Righteousness He will maintain.

3. Food He daily gives the hungry,
Sets the mourning prisoner free,
Raises those bowed down with anguish,
Makes the sightless eyes to see,
Well Jehovah loves the righteous,
And the stranger He befriends,
Helps the fatherless and widow,
Judgment on the wicked sends.

4. Hallelujah, praise Jehovah,
O my soul, Jehovah praise;
I will sing the glorious praises
Of my God through all my days.
Over all God reigns forever,
Through all ages He is King;
Unto Him, thy God, O Zion,
Joyful hallelujahs sing.

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God's Supremacy

*Prayer of Invocation

Rev. Jeff Weir

*Affirmation of Faith

Rev. Jeff Weir

The Westminster Shorter Catechism Q/A #43 & 44

Minister: What is the preface to the Ten Commandments?

All: **The preface to the Ten Commandments is in these words, *I am the Lord thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.***

Minister: What does the preface to the Ten Commandments teach us?

All: **The preface to the Ten Commandments teaches us, that because God is the Lord, and our God, and Redeemer, therefore we are bound to keep all his commandments.**

*Doxology

Doxology

Old Hundredth

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.

Words: Thomas Ken, 1709
Music: Louis Bourgeois's *Genevan Psalter*, 1551

God's Renewal

The Law of God

Mr. Heath Robinson

Deuteronomy 5:6-7

Leader: ““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.’”

Corporate Confession of Sin

**All: Heavenly Father, save me entirely from sin.
When it tempts me may I be deaf unto its voice.
Let me no longer live like a slave to sin,
but walk in the freedom won for me by Jesus.
Have mercy on my unbelief,
on my corrupt and wandering heart.
When Your blessings come I begin to idolize them,
and set my affection on some beloved object—
children, friends, wealth, honor.
Cleanse this spiritual adultery and give me chastity;
close my heart to all but You.
My covenant God, all Your promises in Christ Jesus
are “yes” and “amen”, and all shall be fulfilled.
You have spoken them, and they shall be done,
commanded, and they shall come to pass.
Yet I have often doubted You.
I have lived at times as if there were no God.
Teach me to believe that everything You do is for my good.
Help me to leave my concerns in Your hands,
for You have power over evil,
and bring from it an infinite progression of good,
until Your purposes are fulfilled.
Draw me to Your glorious presence. And cleanse my sin. Amen.**

Silent Confession

God's Renewal

Song of Renewal

He Rescued Me

I never wanted to follow Jesus.
I never wanted to follow Jesus.
I never wanted to follow Jesus.
He rescued me, he rescued me.
No turning back, no turning back.
No turning back, no turning back.

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Assurance of Pardon and Comfort

Rev. Jeff Weir

Romans 5:8

Minister: *For all who have confessed their sins and have fled to Christ for mercy, hear this word of assurance: "but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us."*

God's Grace

Song of Assurance

Lead Me to the Rock

Convinced as a sinner, to Jesus I come,
Informed by the gospel, for such there is room;
O'erwhelmed with sorrow, for sin will I cry;
Lead me to the Rock that is higher than I.

Blessed be Jesus, for answering prayer,
And raising my soul from the pit of despair;
In ev'ry new trial, to him will I cry,
Lead me to the Rock that is higher than I.

When sorely afflicted, and ready to faint,
Before my Redeemer, I'll spread my complaint;
'Midst storms and distresses, my soul shall rely.
On Jesus, the Rock that is higher than I.

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*Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 11:2-16

Mr. Keenan Swain

Reader: The Word of the Lord!

People: **Thanks be to God!**

God's Grace

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Jeff Weir

Silent Prayers of Thanksgiving and Petition

The Lord's Prayer

**All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name.
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever.
Amen.**

*The Greeting of Peace

Rev. Jeff Weir

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. Way Rutherford

Prayer of Illumination

Rev. Way Rutherford

The Sermon

Jesus Loves to Exorcise
Mark 5:1-20

Rev. Way Rutherford

Mark 5:1-20

^{5:1} They came to the other side of the sea, to the country of the Gerasenes. ² And when Jesus had stepped out of the boat, immediately there met him out of the tombs a man with an unclean spirit. ³ He lived among the tombs. And no one could bind him anymore, not even with a chain, ⁴ for he had often been bound with shackles and chains, but he wrenched the chains apart, and he broke the shackles in pieces. No one had the strength to subdue him. ⁵ Night and day among the tombs and on the mountains he was always crying out and cutting himself with stones. ⁶ And when he saw Jesus from afar, he ran and fell down before him. ⁷ And crying out with a loud voice, he said, “What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I adjure you by God, do not torment me.” ⁸ For he was saying to him, “Come out of the man, you unclean spirit!” ⁹ And Jesus asked him, “What is your name?” He replied, “My name is Legion, for we are many.” ¹⁰ And he begged him earnestly not to send them out of the country. ¹¹ Now a great herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside, ¹² and they begged him, saying, “Send us to the pigs; let us enter them.” ¹³ So he gave them permission. And the unclean spirits came out and entered the pigs; and the herd, numbering about two thousand, rushed down the steep bank into the sea and drowned in the sea.

¹⁴ The herdsmen fled and told it in the city and in the country. And people came to see what it was that had happened. ¹⁵ And they came to Jesus and saw the demon-possessed man, the one who had had the legion, sitting there, clothed and in his right mind, and they were afraid. ¹⁶ And those who had seen it described to them what had happened to the demon-possessed man and to the pigs. ¹⁷ And they began to beg Jesus to depart from their region. ¹⁸ As he was getting into the boat, the man who had been possessed with demons begged him that he might be with him. ¹⁹ And he did not permit him but said to him, “Go home to your friends and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and how he has had mercy on you.” ²⁰ And he went away and began to proclaim in the Decapolis how much Jesus had done for him, and everyone marveled.

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. Jeff Weir

The Heidelberg Catechism Q/A #12-14

Minister: According to God's righteous judgment we deserve punishment both in this world and forever after: how then can we escape this punishment and return to God's favor?

**All: God requires that his justice be satisfied.
Therefore the claims of his justice
must be paid in full,
either by ourselves or another.**

Minister: Can we pay this debt ourselves?

**All: Certainly not.
Actually, we increase our guilt every day.**

Minister: Can another creature—any at all—pay this debt for us?

**All: No.
To begin with,
God will not punish another creature
for what a human is guilty of.
Besides,
no mere creature can bear the weight
of God's eternal anger against sin
and release others from it.**

Words of Institution

Rev. Jeff Weir

Words of Response

Rev. Jeff Weir

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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1. Come Thou Fount of every blessing
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
Sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,
Mount of God's unchanging love.

2. Here I raise my Ebenezer;
Hither by Thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure,
Safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
Wandering from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger,
Interposed His precious blood.

3. O to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace now like a fetter,
Bind my wandering heart to Thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it,
Seal it for Thy courts above.

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God's Blessing

*Song

On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand

1. On Jordan's stormy banks I stand,
And cast a wishful eye
To Canaan's fair and happy land,
Where my possessions lie.

2. All o'er those wide extended plains,
Shines one eternal day;
There God the Son forever reigns,
And scatters night away.

Chorus:

I am bound (I am bound)
I am bound (I am bound)
I am bound for promised land,
I am bound (I am bound)
I am bound (I am bound)
I am bound for promised land.

3. No chilling winds nor poisonous breath
Can reach that healthful shore;
Sickness, sorrow, pain and death,
Are felt and feared no more.

(Repeat chorus)

4. When shall I reach that happy place,
And be forever blessed?
When shall I see my Father's face,
And in His bosom rest?

(Repeat chorus)

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*Benediction

Rev. Way Rutherford

Romans 15:13

Minister: "May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope."

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.)

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual Expenses</u>	<u>Actual Variance</u>
2018 Jan.-Mar.	\$64,950.14	\$86,436.22	\$85,972.63	(\$21,022.49)
2018 Mar.	\$26,380.33	\$28,812.07	\$27,580.00	(\$1,199.67)
2018 Feb.	\$21,952.61	\$28,812.07	\$30,753.41	(\$8,800.80)

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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

* **Women's Bible Study** - Wednesdays, 6-7:30pm,

Study Guide on book table (\$12) *At Susan Hick's home*

2404 Marlandwood, Temple

* **RSM Social** - THIS Wed. May 9th, 6-7:30pm

Cookout, fellowship, games *Madrid's - 3110 Slough, Temple*

* **Redeemer's Welcome to Summer Party**

@ Lions Junction Water Park! *Free Admission*

Sunday, May 27th - 7:00-10:00pm Invite LOTS of your friends!

* **RYM Middle School Conference - Texas**

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

* **RYM High School Conference - Colorado**

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

* **Men's Retreat** - Sept. 7-9th, 2018

Selah Springs in Brady, TX. *More details on The City*

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