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Redeemer Presbyterian Church exists to see our city renewed by the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Love God Love People Love Tyler The Order of Celebration and Worship of God

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Day of Pentecost June 5, 2022 To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to all who will come—this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Welcome to Redeemer!

We are thankful you are with us today and pray you will find this church a place of vibrant worship, authentic community, and love for God and neighbor.

Our gatherings focus on the Triune God— Father, Son, and Spirit— and his redeeming work in our world. We will pray to him, sing his praises, hear his word taught, and participate in Holy Communion.

Our worship is a blend of ancient and modern, seeking to benefit from the Lord's work in his Church throughout time. We invite you to join right in, even if this is new to you, and walk these well-worn paths with us!

We love when whole families are able to participate, but we do have trained and screened volunteers available in Redeemer Kids for those who need it (ages 5 and under).

Name ______ Phone ______ Email _____ Address

Please contact me regarding:

- □ Learning more about Redeemer
- □ Receiving email updates from the church
- □ Exploring Christianity and questions about faith
- Getting involved with a community group

I would like prayer about: _____

Other questions or comments: ______

Prayer Suggestions:

Topic: needs of our city.

• <u>Monday</u>

That God's kingdom would come and His will be done in our city, specifically in our schools.

• <u>Tuesday</u>

That God's kingdom would come and His will be done in our city, specifically in city, state, and local government, and justice systems.

Wednesday

That God's kingdom would come and His will be done in our city, specifically in local law enforcement, emergency response personnel, and hospitals.

• <u>Thursday</u>

That God's kingdom would come and His will be done in our city, specifically amongst our immigrant, economically disadvantaged, and minority populations. (See Deuteronomy 10.17-19.)

• <u>Friday</u>

That God's kingdom would come and His will be done in our city, specifically for a unity within our churches and between our churches in the cause of Christ.

• <u>Saturday</u>

That God's kingdom would come and His will be done in our city, specifically that the gospel would be proclaimed throughout our city's churches.

Announcements

Sabbatical Fund:

If you wish to give money to support the Wheelers' stipend for the summer, you may do so at any time by simply designating your giving "Sabbatical Fund". Robert Hale can answer any questions you may have about how to do so.

Small Group Meetings:

Small groups are an important part of our ministry at Redeemer. They offer opportunities to deepen relationships and to love, serve, and pray for one another and our city. If you are interested in joining a group, please email Ben Wheeler: ben@redeemertyler.com.

Bible and Book Studies:

- Men's study meets over breakfast, 7:00 am on Fridays. They are studying the Gospel of Luke. Contact Konrad Kern (714-658-4972).
- The women's group is studying Acts on Friday mornings. Contact Patti Babin (361-215-0065) for information.

Greeting and Opening Prayer

Call To Worship

Leader: Yet he saved them for his name's sake, that he might make known his mighty power. **People:** He rebuked the Red Sea, and it became dry, Leader: And he led them through the deep as through a desert. **People:** So he saved them from the hand of the foe and redeemed them from the power of the enemy.

-Psalm 106.8-10

Opening Hymn | All Creatures of our God and King Words by St. Francis of Assisi, 1225; Music from Jesuit hymnal, 1623

All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing: Alleluia, alleluia! Thou burning sun with golden beam, thou silver moon with softer gleam, O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia alleluia!

O rushing wind that art so strong, ye clouds that sail in heaven along, O praise Him, alleluia! O rising morn in praise rejoice; ye lights of evening find a voice: O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

All you who are of tender heart, forgiving others, take your part; Sing praises, alleluia! All you who pain and sorrow bear, praise God and on him cast your care; O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless, and worship him in humbleness, O praise him, alleluia! *Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, Three in One:* O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

Leader: Almighty God, on this day you opened the way of eternal life to every race and nation by the promised gift of your Holy Spirit: Shed abroad this gift throughout the world by the preaching of the Gospel, that it may reach to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **People:** *Amen.*

All Singing: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

Leader: Praise the Lord! People: The Name of the Lord be praised!

Hymn of Worship | Come, Holy Spirit, Come Words and music by Arthur J. Hart (1759), music by Hiram Ring (2011)

Come, Holy Spirit, come; Let thy bright beams arise; Dispel the darkness from our minds, and open all our eyes.

Cheer our desponding hearts, Thou heavenly Paraclete; Give us to lie with humble hope at our Redeemer's feet.

Revive our drooping faith; Our doubts and fears remove; And kindle in our breasts the flames of never-dying love.

Convince us of our sin; Then lead to Jesus' blood, And to our wond'ring view, reveal the secret love of God.

'Tis thine to cleanse the heart, To sanctify the soul, To pour fresh life in ev'ry part, and new create the whole.

Dwell, therefore, in our hearts; Our minds from bondage free; Then we shall know and praise and love; The Father, Son, and Thee.

One More Hymn and the Offering | There is a Redeemer

Words and Music by Melody and Keith Green (1982)

There is a redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son, Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.

Jesus my redeemer, Name above all names, Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Oh, for sinners slain.

> Thank you, oh my Father, For giving us Your Son, And leaving Your Spirit 'Til the work on Earth is done.

When I stand in Glory, I will see His face, And there I'll serve my King forever, In that Holy Place.

> Thank you, oh my Father, For giving us Your Son, And leaving Your Spirit, 'Til the work on Earth is done.

Benediction & Dismissal

Leader: Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart, since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God. **People:** *Amen!*

—1 Peter 1.22-23

Leader: Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith: People: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. Leader: Christ, our Passover, has been sacrificed for us. People: Therefore, let us keep the feast. Leader: The gifts of God for the people of God.

The Feast

We serve both red wine and white grape juice. Gluten free bread is available on the serving tray.

Communion Hymn | Come Light Our Hearts

Words and music by Sandra McCracken (2015)

For you, O Lord, our souls in stillness wait For you, O Lord, our souls in stillness wait Truly our hope is in You Truly our hope is in You

O Lord of life, our only hope Your radiance shines On all who look -- to You in the dark Emmanuel come, come light our hearts

For you, O Lord, our souls in stillness wait For you, O Lord, our souls in stillness wait Truly our hope is in You Truly our hope is in You

O Joy above all other loves In you we find more than enough We come as we are, O heal and restore Come light our hearts

Concluding Prayer

Confession of Sin and Assurance of Pardon

People: Most gracious and most merciful God, we confess to you and to one another that time after time we have entered your presence with countless prayers but with hearts that have been closed to your grace. We have lifted our hands to you in praise, but our feet have still walked in the ways of evil. We have rehearsed your commandments but have refused to see your face in the needs of our neighbor. We pray, Lord, that you forgive our lack of faith and pardon our acts of injustice. Grant us the healing that comes from your presence and the cleansing of your all powerful Word, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Please take a moment for silent confession.

Leader: Yet he, being compassionate, atoned for their iniquity and did not destroy them; he restrained his anger often and did not stir up all his wrath. He remembered that they were but flesh, a wind that passes and comes not again.

People: Thanks be to God!

-Psalm 78.38-39

Passing of the Peace

Leader: May the peace of the Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you. **Leader:** Let us offer one another a sign of peace. [1] Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. [2] And as people migrated from the east, they found a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. [3] And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. [4] Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves, lest we be dispersed over the face of the whole earth." [5] And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of man had built. [6] And the LORD said, "Behold, they are one people, and they have all one language, and this is only the beginning of what they will do. And nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. [7] Come, let us go down and there confuse their language, so that they may not understand one another's speech." [8] So the LORD dispersed them from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. [9] Therefore its name was called Babel, because there the LORD confused the language of all the earth. And from there the LORD dispersed them over the face of all the earth.

Hymn of Worship | How Great Thou Art Words by Carl Boberg, 1885, adapted by Stuart Hine, 1920s, Swedish folk melody

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder, consider all the worlds thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, Thy power throughout the universe displayed:

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee: How great thou art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee: How great thou art! How great thou art!

When through the woods and forest glades I wander, and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees, When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur, and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze:

And when I think that God, his Son not sparing, sent him to die, I scarce can take it in, That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, He bled and died to take away my sin.

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation, and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in humble adoration, and there proclaim, My God, how great thou art!

The Holy Communion

Prayer of Dedication

Leader: Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets."

Leader: Lord, have mercy upon us. **People:** Christ, have mercy upon us. Leader: Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Great Thanksgiving

Leader: Lift up your hearts! People: We lift them up to the Lord! Leader: Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God! **People:** It is right to give him thanks and praise! Leader: It is very good and right that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to you, O Holy Lord, Father Almighty, Everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we praise and magnify your glorious name, evermore praising you and saying: People: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the Highest! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the Highest!

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration

Confession of Faith

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds. God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

-Nicene Creed

Prayers of the People, Concluded with the Lord's Prayer

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 and ever. Amen.

This is a great time for parents to go pick up their children for communion.

Psalm | Psalm 104.25-35

Leader: Here is the sea, great and wide, which teems with creatures innumerable, living things both small and great.

People: There go the ships, and Leviathan, which you formed to play in it.

Leader: These all look to you, to give them their food in due season.

People: When you give it to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.

Leader: When you hide your face, they are dismayed; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.

People: When you send forth your Spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the ground.

Leader: May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD rejoice in his works, who looks on the earth and it trembles, who touches the mountains and they smoke!
People: I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being.
Leader: May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice in the LORD.
People: Let sinners be consumed from the earth, and let the wicked be no more!
Leader: Bless the LORD, O my soul!
People: Praise the LORD!

-Parents may take children to Redeemer Kids at this time (nursery: up to 4; worship training: 5 to 2nd grade).

Sermon Notes

Rev. J.B. Wilbanks

Sermon Text | John 2.23-3.15

[23] Now when he was in Jerusalem at the Passover Feast, many believed in his name when they saw the signs that he was doing. [24] But Jesus on his part did not entrust himself to them, because he knew all people [25] and needed no one to bear witness about man, for he himself knew what was in man.

[1] Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. [2] This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him." [3] Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God." [4] Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" [5] Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. [6] That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. [7] Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born again.' [8] The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit."

[9] Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" [10] Jesus answered him, "Are you the teacher of Israel and yet you do not understand these things? [11] Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen, but you do not receive our testimony. [12] If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things? [13] No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. [14] And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, [15] that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.