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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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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).

Prayer Topic: our church and mission, deacons

• <u>Monday</u>

That God would prepare us to be his ambassadors, welcoming to those who visit and reaching out to friends and neighbors and those in need; for healthy marriages and families.

• <u>Tuesday</u>

For our deacons: Chris, Foy, and Jeff. Wisdom for them as they get set up and seek to help us use our gifts in service to our church and community.

• <u>Wednesday</u>

For authentic community, healthy small groups, deep friendships.

• <u>Thursday</u>

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Physical and material needs of the body; that we would see opportunities to love and serve the destitute, ill, imprisoned, orphaned, and widowed.

- <u>Friday</u> That we would grow in prayer; for God to bless our corporate worship.
- <u>Saturday</u>
 Sabbath rest. Discernment, perspective, faith, and contentment.

If you wish to connect with us, please fill out the section below and place it in the offering basket.

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: ______

Announcements

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 at 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: Praise the LORD!

People: I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

Leader: Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them.

People: Full of splendor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures forever.

-Psalm 89.5-7

Opening Hymn | **Call Upon Him** Words and music by Rachael Lampa, Sandra McCracken and Trillia Newbell

Call upon Him, call upon Him, There is power in the Name Call upon Him, call upon Him, There is power in the Name

When I don't have the words When the spirit hurts When my sorrow's too deep to understand Will You hear my voice saying "Speak, oh Lord Mighty God, Healing King, take my hand?"

Call upon Him, call upon Him, There is power in the Name Call upon Him, call upon Him, There is power in the Name

And in the night, I pray When I feel afraid When there is no friend that I can see Can You hold me safe? *Can You break these chains?* Prince of Peace, Father, please, set me free

Call upon Him, call upon Him, There is freedom in the Name Call upon Him, call upon Him, There is freedom in the Name

Call upon Him, call upon Him, There is healing in the Name Call upon Him, call upon Him, There is healing in the Name There is power in the Name There is freedom in the Name

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

Leader: Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. 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 | O God Beyond All Praising Words by Michael Perry (1982), music by Gustav Holst (1918)

O God beyond all praising, we worship you today And sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay; For we can only wonder at every gift you send, At blessings without number and mercies without end: We lift our hearts before you and wait upon your word, We honor and adore you, our great and mighty Lord.

Then hear, O gracious Savior, accept the love we bring, That we who know your favor may serve you as our King; And whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill, We'll triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless you still: To marvel at your beauty and glory in your ways, And make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise.

One More Hymn and the Offering | In the Hours

Words by Helen L. Parmelee alt by Kevin Twit, Music by Kevin Twit (2007)

In the hours of pain and sorrow, When the world brings no relief, When the eye is dim and heavy, And the heart oppressed with grief, While blessings flee, Savior Lord we trust in Thee! While blessings flee, Savior Lord we trust in Thee!

When the snares of death surround us, Pride, ambition, love of ease, Mammon with her false allurements, Words that flatter, smiles that please. Then ere we yield, Savior Lord be Thou our shield. Then ere we yield, Savior Lord be Thou our shield.

When forsaken in distress, Poor despised and tempest-tossed, With no anchor here to stay us, Drifting, sail and rudder lost, Then save us Thou, who trod this earth with weary brow. Then save us Thou, who trod this earth with weary brow.

Thou the hated and forsaken, Thou the bearer of the cross, Crowned of thorns and mocked and smitten, Counting earthly gain but loss. When scorned are we, we joy to be the more like Thee. When scorned are we, we joy to be the more like Thee

Thou the Father's best beloved, Thou the throned and sceptered King, Who but Thee should we adoring, All our prayers and praises bring? So blessed are we, Savior Lord in loving Thee. So blessed are we, Savior Lord in loving Thee. So blessed are we, Savior Lord in loving Thee. So blessed are we, Savior Lord in loving Thee.

Benediction & Dismissal

Leader: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

People: Amen!

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 | Did Christ Over Sinners Weep?

Words by Henry Lyte, Music by Blake Mundell (2012)

Did Christ over sinners weep, And shall our cheeks be dry? Let floods of penitential grief Burst forth from every eye. Burst forth from every eye. Behold, the Son of God in tears, The angels wondering see. Hast thou no wonder, O my soul? He shed those tears for thee!

He wept that we might weep, Might weep over sin and shame. He wept to show His love for us, And bid us love the same. And bid us love the same.

Then tender be our hearts, Our eyes in sorrow dim. Til every tear from every eye, Be wiped away by Him. Be wiped away by Him.

Concluding Prayer

Confession of Sin and Assurance of Pardon

People: Lord, we have sinned, without considering how much you love us. You see our sins more clearly than we can ourselves. Lord, you know when we are indifferent to your Word, the Bible; how often we forget to pray; the times we come unwillingly to worship; and yet we turn to you when we are in trouble. Lord, you know when we are untruthful and when we think evil of others. You see our anger and unfairness to our friends. You know how hard it is for us to forgive. Forgive us and make us clean, so that we can obey your call to take up your cross and follow you. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Please take a moment for silent confession.

Leader: Be merciful to me, O God, be merciful to me, for in you my soul takes refuge; in the shadow of your wings I will take refuge, till the storms of destruction pass by.
I cry out to God Most High, to God who fulfills his purpose for me.
He will send from heaven and save me; he will put to shame him who tramples on me. Selah God will send out his steadfast love and his faithfulness!

People: Thanks be to God!

—Psalm 57.1-3

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.

Old Testament Reading | Jeremiah 29.1, 4-7

[1] These are the words of the letter that Jeremiah the prophet sent from Jerusalem to the surviving elders of the exiles, and to the priests, the prophets, and all the people, whom Nebuchadnezzar had taken into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon.

[4] "Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: [5] Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat their produce. [6] Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease. [7] But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the LORD on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare.

Hymn of Worship |Be Thou My Vision

Words by Dallan Forgaill, 8th Century

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art Thou my best thought, by day or by night Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word I ever with Thee, and Thou with me, Lord Thou my great Father and I Thy true son; Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise Thou mine inheritance now and always Thou and Thou only, first in my heart High King of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won, May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

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.

—The 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 66.1-11

Leader: Shout for joy to God, all the earth;

People: Sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise!

Leader: Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! So great is your power that your enemies come cringing to you.

People: All the earth worships you and sings praises to you; they sing praises to your name."

Leader: Come and see what God has done: he is awesome in his deeds toward the children of man.

People: He turned the sea into dry land; they passed through the river on foot. There did we rejoice in him,

Leader: Who rules by his might forever, whose eyes keep watch on the nations— let not the rebellious exalt themselves.

People: Bless our God, O peoples; let the sound of his praise be heard,
Leader: Who has kept our soul among the living and has not let our feet slip.
People: For you, O God, have tested us; you have tried us as silver is tried.
Leader: You brought us into the net; you laid a crushing burden on our backs;

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

Sermon Notes

Rev. Benjamin Wheeler

Sermon Text | John 11.1-27

[1] Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. [2] It was Mary who anointed the Lord with ointment and wiped his feet with her hair, whose brother Lazarus was ill. [3] So the sisters sent to him, saying, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." [4] But when Jesus heard it he said, "This illness does not lead to death. It is for the glory of God, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it."

[5] Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. [6] So, when he heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. [7] Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." [8] The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now seeking to stone you, and are you going there again?" [9] Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours in the day? If anyone walks in the day, he does not stumble, because he sees the light of this world. [10] But if anyone walks in the night, he stumbles, because the light is not in him." [11] After saying these things, he said to them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I go to awaken him." [12] The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will recover." [13] Now Jesus had spoken of his death, but they thought that he meant taking rest in sleep. [14] Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus has died, [15] and for your sake I am glad that I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." [16] So Thomas, called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

[17] Now when Jesus came, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. [18] Bethany was near Jerusalem, about two miles off, [19] and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them concerning their brother. [20] So when Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, but Mary remained seated in the house. [21] Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. [22] But even now I know that whatever you ask from God, God will give you." [23] Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." [24] Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." [25] Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, [26] and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?" [27] She said to him, "Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world."