

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

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Love People
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The Order of Celebration and Worship of God

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Christ the King Sunday: November 23, 2025

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).

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We offer online and mobile giving options. Our desire is to make the giving process as simple as possible! Please follow the instructions below to get started:

For Online Giving:

- 1. Go to redeemertyler.com and click "Give Online" in the upper right corner.
- 2. This will take you to our Church Center page where you click "Give" in the upper right corner.
- 3. Fill out the amount you wish to give and other requested information.
- 4. You will have the option to create an account and set up recurring donations via their secure site.

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- 1. Download the "Church Center App" on your smart phone.
- 2. Open the app and create a user account.
- 3. Fill out the amount you wish to give and other requested information.
- 4. You will be able to set up recurring donations if you prefer.



Prayer Suggestions:

Topic: our pastor and elders (Ben, John, Robert, & Kent):

- Monday
 - Spiritual health and protection, relationships with spouse and children
- <u>Tuesday</u>
- Integrity, emotional strength, communication skill
- Wednesday
 - Faith, finances, friendships
- <u>Thursday</u>
 - For their spouses, vision, and unity
- <u>Friday</u>
 - Passion for ministry, Sabbath rest, discernment
- Saturday
 - Perspective, faith, contentment

Announcements

Redeemer's 10 Year Anniversary Celebration:

Please join us as we celebrate 10 years as a church family! We will gather at The Listening Lounge (130 Shelley Dr) on December 6 for a night of good food and great rejoicing. The cocktail hour will begin at 5:30 pm and dinner will be at 6:30. Semi-formal attire is kindly requested.

Sunday Morning and Mid-Week Prayer Meetings:

We have two weekly opportunities for prayer: Sunday mornings before service at 9:30 am and every Wednesday from 11:00 am-11:30 am at Ben Wheeler's house (3314 Pollard Drive, Tyler, TX). Please join us!

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 at 7:00 am on Fridays. They are studying Ecclesiastes. Contact Konrad Kern (714-658-4972) for information.
- The women's group is studying Colossians on Friday mornings. Contact Patti Babin (361-215-0065) for information.

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Greeting and Opening Prayer

Call To Worship

Leader: Our soul waits for the LORD; **People:** He is our help and our shield. **Leader:** For our heart is glad in him, **People:** Because we trust in his holy name.

Leader: Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us,

People: Even as we hope in you.

-Psalm 33.20-22

Opening Hymn | Brightest and Best of the Sons of the Morning

Words by Reginald Heber (1811), music by William Walker (1820)

Brightest and best of the sons of the morning, Dawn on our darkness and lend us your aid; Star of the East, the horizon adorning, Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

Hail the blest morn, see the great mediator Down from the regions of glory descend. Shepherds go worship the babe in the manger Lo, for His guard the bright angels attend

Cold on his cradle the dewdrops are shining, Low lies his head with the beasts of the stall; Angels adore him in slumber reclining, Maker and Monarch, and Saviour of all.

Say, shall we yield him, in costly devotion, Odors of Edom and off'rings divine, Gems of the mountain and pearls of the ocean, Myrrh from the forests or gold from the mine?

Vainly we offer each ample oblation, Vainly with gifts would his favor secure; Richer by far is the heart's adoration, Dearer to God are the prayers of the poor.

Low at his feet we in humble prostration, Lose all our sorrow and trouble and strife; There we receive his divine consolation, Flowing afresh from the fountain of life.

He is our friend in the midst of temptation, Faithful supporter, whose love cannot fail; Rock of our refuge, and hope of salvation, Light to direct us through death's gloomy vail.

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

Leader: Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and foever.

People: Amen.

All Singing: 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.

Leader: Praise the Lord!

People: The Name of the Lord be praised!

Hymn of Worship | Let All Things Now Living

Words by Katherine Davis (1939), traditional Welsh melody

Let all things now living,
A song of thanksgiving,
To God the Creator triumphantly raise,
Who fashioned and made us,
Protected and stayed us,
Who guides us and leads to the end of our days.
His banners are o'er us,
His light goes before us,
A pillar of fire shining forth in the night,
Till shadows have vanished
And darkness is banished,
As forward we travel from light into light.

His law he enforces;
The stars in their courses
And sun in its orbit obediently shine;
The hills and the mountains,
The rivers and fountains,
The deeps of the ocean proclaim him divine.
We too should be voicing
Our love and rejoicing;
With glad adoration a song let us raise,
Till all things now living
Unite in thanksgiving:
To God in the highest, hosanna and praise!

One More Hymn and the Offering | Hail to the Lord's Anointed

Words by James Montgomery (1821, alt. S. McCracken), music by Sandra McCracken (2012)

Hail to the Lord's anointed, great David's greater Son! Hail in the time appointed, His reign on earth begun! His reign on earth begun!

He comes to break oppression, to set the captive free; To take away transgression and rule in equity. (Chorus)

He comes with comfort speedy to those who suffer wrong; To help the poor and needy, and bid the weak be strong.

To give them songs for sighing, their darkness turn to light, Whose souls, condemned and dying, are precious in His sight. (Chorus)

He shall come down like showers upon the fruitful earth; Love, joy, and hope, like flowers, spring in His path to birth.

Kings shall fall down before Him, and gold and incense bring; All nations shall adore Him, His praise all people sing. (Chorus)

The tide of time shall never His covenant remove. His Name shall stand forever, that Name to us is Love. (Chorus)

Benediction & Dismissal

Leader: Now to him who is able to strengthen you according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages but has now been disclosed and through the prophetic writings has been made known to all nations, according to the command of the eternal God, to bring about the obedience of faith—to the only wise God be glory forevermore through Jesus Christ!

-Romans 16.25-27

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 & dairy-free bread is available on the serving tray.

Communion Hymn | Cling to the Crucified

Words by Horatius Bonar, 1845; music by Kevin Twit, 2007

Cling to the Mighty One, Cling in thy grief. Cling to the Holy One, He gives relief. Cling to the Gracious One, Cling in thy pain. Cling to the Faithful One, He will sustain!

> Cling to the crucified, Jesus the Lamb who died. Cling to the crucified, Jesus the King. Cling to the crucified, Jesus the Lamb who died. Cling to the crucified, Jesus the King!

Cling to the Living One, Cling in thy woe. Cling to the Loving One, Through all below. Cling to the Pardoning One, He speaketh peace. Cling to the Healing One, Anguish will cease.

Cling to the Bleeding One, Cling to His side. Cling to the Rising One, In Him abide. Cling to the Coming One, Hope shall arise. Cling to the Reigning One, Joy lights thine eyes!

Concluding Prayer

Confession of Sin and Assurance of Pardon

People: Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer. We confess that it is still all too easy for us to sacrifice our convictions for convenience, your standards for status, your principles for promotion, your absolutes for our ambition, our souls for shallow and unsatisfying success. How easily we are seduced by power, prestige, pleasure, or possessions—seduced into violating our integrity or harming our fellowship with you. From earth's fullest bliss we turn to you again, unfulfilled. Forgive us our half-hearted devotion and our double-minded spirit. In the name of him who refused to save himself we pray. Amen.

Please take a moment for silent confession.

Leader: Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful.

—Hebrews 10.19-23

People: Thanks be to God!

The Sign of God's Covenant in Baptism

God's Covenant Promises

For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself. And I will establish my covenant between me and you and your offspring after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your house.

-Acts 2:39: Gen. 17:7: Acts 16:31

Prayer

Parental Vows

- -Do you acknowledge your child's need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ, and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?
- -Do you claim God's covenant promises in their behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for their salvation, as you do for your own?
- -Do you now unreservedly dedicate your children to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before them a godly example, that you will pray with and for them, that you will teach them the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

Congregational Vows

-Do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting these parents in the Christian nurture of this child?

The Baptism

Felicity Lynn Forehand

Concluding Prayer

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 23.1-6

[1] "Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture!" declares the LORD. [2] Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who care for my people: "You have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. Behold, I will attend to you for your evil deeds, declares the LORD. [3] Then I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. [4] I will set shepherds over them who will care for them, and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall any be missing, declares the LORD.

[5] "Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. [6] In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'

Hymn of Worship | Before the Throne of God Above

Words by Charitie Lees Bancroft, 1860; Music by Vikki Cook, 1997

Before the throne of God above, I have a strong and perfect plea: A great High Priest, whose name is Love, who ever lives and pleads for me. My name is graven on His hands, my name is written on His heart; I know that while in heaven He stands, no tongue can bid me thence depart No tongue can bid me thence depart.

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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, 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 from Redeemer Kids for communion.

When Satan tempts me to despair, and tells me of the guilt within, Upward I look, and see Him there, who made an end of all my sin. Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free; For God the just is satisfied to look on Him and pardon me To look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there, the Risen Lamb, my perfect, spotless righteousness, The great unchangeable I am, the King of glory and of grace!

One with Himself I cannot die, my soul is purchased by His blood

My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ, my Savior and my God

With Christ, my Savior and my God!

Psalm | Psalm 46

Leader: God is our refuge and strength, **People:** A very present help in trouble.

Leader: Therefore we will not fear though the earth give way, **People:** Though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,

Leader: Though its waters roar and foam,

People: Though the mountains tremble at its swelling.

Leader: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,

People: The holy habitation of the Most High.

Leader: God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved;

People: God will help her when morning dawns.
Leader: The nations rage, the kingdoms totter;
People: He utters his voice, the earth melts.
Leader: The LORD of hosts is with us;
People: The God of Jacob is our fortress.

Leader: Come, behold the works of the LORD,

People: How he has brought desolations on the earth. **Leader:** He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; **People:** He has been and about two the energy.

People: He breaks the bow and shatters the spear;

Leader: He burns the chariots with fire. **People:** "Be still, and know that I am God. **Leader:** I will be exalted among the nations,

People: *I will be exalted in the earth!"* **Leader.** The LORD of hosts is with us; **People:** *The God of Jacob is our fortress.*

^{*}The term "catholic" here means "universal", not the Roman Catholic Church. It refers to all believers, everywhere and at all times—the whole company of God's redeemed people through the ages.

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

Ministry of the Word | Imitators of Paul and Christ

Rev. Benjamin Wheeler

Sermon Text | 1 Corinthians 10-11.1

[1] For I do not want you to be unaware, brothers, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, [2] and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, [3] and all ate the same spiritual food, [4] and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ. [5] Nevertheless, with most of them God was not pleased, for they were overthrown in the wilderness.

[6] Now these things took place as examples for us, that we might not desire evil as they did. [7] Do not be idolaters as some of them were; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play." [8] We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. [9] We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did and were destroyed by serpents, [10] nor grumble, as some of them did and were destroyed by the Destroyer. [11] Now these things happened to them as an example, but they were written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come. [12] Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall. [13] No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

[14] Therefore, my beloved, flee from idolatry. [15] I speak as to sensible people; judge for yourselves what I say. [16] The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ? [17] Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread. [18] Consider the people of Israel: are not those who eat the sacrifices participants in the altar? [19] What do I imply then? That food offered to idols is anything, or that an idol is anything? [20] No, I imply that what pagans sacrifice they offer to demons and not to God. I do not want you to be participants with demons. [21] You cannot drink the cup of the Lord and the cup of demons. You cannot partake of the table of the Lord and the table of demons. [22] Shall we provoke the Lord to jealousy? Are we stronger than he?

[23] "All things are lawful," but not all things are helpful. "All things are lawful," but not all things build up. [24] Let no one seek his own good, but the good of his neighbor. [25] Eat whatever is sold in the meat market without raising any question on the ground of conscience. [26] For "the earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof." [27] If one of the unbelievers invites you to dinner and you are disposed to go, eat whatever is set before you without raising any question on the ground of conscience. [28] But if someone says to you, "This has been offered in sacrifice," then do not eat it, for the sake of the one who informed you, and for the sake of conscience—[29] I do not mean your conscience, but his. For why should my liberty be determined by someone else's conscience? [30] If I partake with thankfulness, why am I denounced because of that for which I give thanks?

[31] So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God. [32] Give no offense to Jews or to Greeks or to the church of God, [33] just as I try to please everyone in everything I do, not seeking my own advantage, but that of many, that they may be saved.

[1] Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ.

Sermon Notes