

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).

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Please	cont	act me regarding:
		Learning more about Redeemer
		Receiving email updates from the church
		Exploring Christianity and questions about faith
		Getting involved with a community group
would	like	prayer about:
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Instructions for Online Tithing:

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.

For Mobile Giving:

- 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: needs of our city.

- Monday
 - 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.
- Thursday
 - 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.)
- Friday
 - 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

Men's Campout:

Mark your calendars! The Men's Campout is scheduled for April 10-12 at Bob Sandlin State Park. Please RSVP to Chris Gilmore (512-351-1427).

Building Committee:

The Session has formed a Building Committee to begin preparing for when we eventually outgrow the Realtor Center. Committee members are John Orbaugh, Chris Gilmore, Stacee Priddy, Bennie and Patti Babin, Brenda Orbaugh, Tyler Forehand, and Bridgette Booth. Please remember that there is an established Building Fund that you can direct gifts to as preparation for the future. However, please keep in mind that Building Fund support should not take giving away from your regular tithes and offerings.

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 A Summary of Christian Doctrine by Louis Berkhof. Contact Konrad Kern (714-658-4972) for information.
- The women's group is studying Romans on Friday mornings. Contact Patti Babin (361-215-0065) for information.
- Women's evening Bible study every Thursday at 6 pm. Contact Abby Plott (205-530-4222) for meeting location information.

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Greeting and Opening Prayer

Call To Worship

Leader: Oh come, let us worship and bow down; **People:** Let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!

Leader: For he is our God,

People: And we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

Leader: Today, if you hear his voice, **People:** *Do not harden your hearts*

-Psalm 95.6-8a

Opening Hymn | Come Ye Sinners, Poor and Wretched

Words by Joseph Hart, 1759; music by Matthew S. Smith, 2000

Come, ye sinners, poor and wretched, weak and wounded, sick and sore; Jesus, ready, stands to save you, full of pity, joined with power. He is able, He is able; He is willing; doubt no more.

Come ye needy, come, and welcome, God's free bounty glorify; True belief and true repentance, every grace that brings you nigh. Without money, without money come to Jesus Christ and buy.

Come, ye weary, heavy laden, bruised and broken by the fall; If you tarry 'til you're better, you will never come at all. Not the righteous, not the righteous; sinners Jesus came to call.

Let not conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream; All the fitness He requires is to feel your need of Him. This He gives you, this He gives you, 'tis the Spirit's rising beam.

Lo! The Incarnate God, ascended; pleads the merit of His blood. Venture on Him, venture wholly; let no other trust intrude. None but Jesus, none but Jesus can do helpless sinners good.

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

Leader: Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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 | The Sands of Time are Sinking

Words by Anne Cousin (1857), based on Letters of Samuel Rutherford. Traditional Folk Tune, Arranged by Philip Palmertree (2001)

The sands of time are sinking, The dawn of heaven breaks; The summer morn I've sighed for— The fair, sweet morn awakes: Dark, dark had been the midnight, But dayspring is at hand, And glory, glory dwelleth In Emmanuel's land.

The king there in His beauty, Without a veil is seen: It were a well-spent journey, Though seven deaths lay between: The Lamb with His fair army, Doth on Mount Zion stand, And glory, glory dwelleth In Emmanuel's land

O Christ, He is the fountain, The deep, sweet well of love! The streams on earth I've tasted, More deep I'll drink above: There to an ocean fullness, His mercy doth expand, And glory, glory dwelleth In Emmanuel's land.

The bride eyes not her garment, But her dear Bridegroom's face; I will not gaze at glory, But on my King of grace. Not at the crown He giveth, But on His pierced hand; The Lamb is all the glory Of Emmanuel's land.

O, I am my Beloved's, And my Beloved is mine! He brings a poor vile sinner, Into His house of wine I stand upon His merit— I know no other stand, Not e'en where glory dwelleth In Emmanuel's land. He has made us a kingdom and priests to God To reign with the Son

Is He worthy? Is He worthy? Of all blessing and honor and glory Is He worthy? Is He worthy? Is He worthy of this?

He is! Is He worthy? Is He worthy? He is! He is!

One More Hymn and the Offering | My Jesus, I Love Thee

Words by William Featherstone (1864), Music by Adoniram Gordon (1880)

My Jesus, I love thee, I know thou art mine; For thee all the follies of sin I resign; My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art thou; If ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

I love thee because thou hast first loved me And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree; I love thee for wearing the thorns on thy brow; If ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

I'll love thee in life, I will love thee in death, And praise thee as long as thou lendest me breath, And say when the deathdew lies cold on my brow: If ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

In mansions of glory and endless delight,
I'll ever adore thee in heaven so bright;
I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow:
If ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

Benediction & Dismissal

Leader: Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.

—1 Thessalonians 5.23-24

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 | Is He Worthy?

Lyrics @Junkbox Music, Capitol Cmg Genesis, Vamos Publishing

Do you feel the world is broken? (We do)
Do you feel the shadows deepen? (We do)
But do you know that all the dark won't
Stop the light from getting through? (We do)
Do you wish that you could see it all made new? (We do)
Is all creation groaning? (It is)
Is a new creation coming? (It is)
Is the glory of the Lord to be the light within our midst? (It is)
Is it good that we remind ourselves of this? (It is)

Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?
Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?
The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave
He was David's root and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave

Is He worthy? Is He worthy? Of all blessing and honor and glory Is He worthy of this? He is

Does the Father truly love us? (He does)
Does the Spirit move among us? (He does)
And does Jesus, our Messiah hold forever those He loves? (He does)
Does our God intend to dwell again with us? (He does)

Is anyone worthy?Is anyone whole?
Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?
The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave
He is David's root and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave
From every people and tribe
Every nation and tongue

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Concluding Prayer

Confession of Sin and Assurance of Pardon

People: Almighty and merciful God, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare those who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to the world in Christ Jesus, our Lord. And grant, O merciful God, for his sake, that we may live a holy, just, and humble life to the glory of your holy name.

Please take a moment for silent confession.

Leader: For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

-John 3.16-17

People: Thanks be to God!

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 | Isaiah 43.16-21

[16] Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, [17] who brings forth chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: [18] "Remember not the former things, nor consider the things of old. [19] Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. [20] The wild beasts will honor me. the jackals and the ostriches, for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert. to give drink to my chosen people, [21] the people whom I formed for myself that they might declare my praise.

Hymn of Worship | Christ is Mine Forevermore

Jonny Robinson and Rich Thompson

Mine are days that God has numbered I was made to walk with Him Yet I look for worldly treasure and forsake the King of Kings But mine is hope in my Redeemer though I fall, His love is sure For Christ has paid for every failing I am His forevermore

Mine are tears in times of sorrow darkness not yet understood Through the valley I must travel where I see no earthly good But mine is peace that flows from heaven and the strength in times of need I know my pain will not be wasted Christ completes His work in me

Mine are days here as a stranger pilgrim on a narrow way One with Christ I will encounter harm and hatred for His name But mine is armor for this battle strong enough to last the war And He has said He will deliver safely to the golden shore

And mine are keys to Zion city where beside the King I walk For there my heart has found its treasure Christ is mine forevermore

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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.

Come rejoice now, O my soul for His love is my reward
Fear is gone and hope is sure Christ is mine forevermore
And mine are keys to Zion city where beside the King I walk
For there my heart has found its treasure Christ is mine forevermore
Christ is mine forevermore
Christ is mine forevermore

The Psalm | Psalm 126

Leader: When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion,

People: We were like those who dream.

Leader: Then our mouth was filled with laughter,

People: And our tongue with shouts of joy; **Leader:** Then they said among the nations,

People: "The LORD has done great things for them." **Leader:** The LORD has done great things for us;

People: We are glad.

Leader: Restore our fortunes, O LORD, People: Like streams in the Negeb!
Leader: Those who sow in tears
People: Shall reap with shouts of joy!
Leader: He who goes out weeping,
People: Bearing the seed for sowing,

Leader: Shall come home with shouts of joy,

People: Bringing his sheaves with him.

^{*}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 | The Rider on a White Horse

Rev. Benjamin Wheeler

Sermon Text | Revelation 19.11-21

[11] Then I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse! The one sitting on it is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he judges and makes war. [12] His eyes are like a flame of fire, and on his head are many diadems, and he has a name written that no one knows but himself. [13] He is clothed in a robe dipped in blood, and the name by which he is called is The Word of God. [14] And the armies of heaven, arrayed in fine linen, white and pure, were following him on white horses. [15] From his mouth comes a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations, and he will rule them with a rod of iron. He will tread the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God the Almighty. [16] On his robe and on his thigh he has a name written, King of kings and Lord of lords.

[17] Then I saw an angel standing in the sun, and with a loud voice he called to all the birds that fly directly overhead, "Come, gather for the great supper of God, [18] to eat the flesh of kings, the flesh of captains, the flesh of mighty men, the flesh of horses and their riders, and the flesh of all men, both free and slave, both small and great." [19] And I saw the beast and the kings of the earth with their armies gathered to make war against him who was sitting on the horse and against his army. [20] And the beast was captured, and with it the false prophet who in its presence had done the signs by which he deceived those who had received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped its image. These two were thrown alive into the lake of fire that burns with sulfur. [21] And the rest were slain by the sword that came from the mouth of him who was sitting on the horse, and all the birds were gorged with their flesh.

Sermon Notes