

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 contact me reg	garding:
☐ Learning	nore about Redeemer
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□ Exploring	Christianity and questions about faith
☐ Getting in	volved with a community group
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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.

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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: global and local missions

Monday

Richey and Keli Goodrich (India): for Richey's preaching and teaching; for all paperwork and citizenship issues to be worked out so they can return to the field; for the Spirit to draw to Christ many of the unreached Jat people living in India—only 0.02% of these 9 million people are Christian.

<u>Tuesday</u>

Robert and Debbie Hale: translation work in French-speaking Africa.

Wednesday

Nate Hill, John Tyler High School Young Life; Mentoring Alliance (includes Mentoring Alliance Summer Camps, Mentoring Alliance After School, & Mentor Connect)

• <u>Thursday</u>

Rev. Robbie Mills, currently serving with the MTW Western Hub (helping Texas churches with cross-cultural mission), as well as with Third Millennium Ministries (providing free Bible curriculum to immigrant churches and leaders).

<u>Friday</u>

Promise Academy's financial and prayer support; Highway 80 Rescue Mission; PATH; Crisis Pregnancy Center.

Saturday

Pray that unity will grow among the churches in our city so we may care for people, evangelize, and make disciples.

Announcements

Financial Update:

	Giving	Expensesl	Difference
June	\$17,518	\$20,799	-\$3,281
YTD	\$181,546	\$189,116	-\$7,570

Young Adults' Taco Night:

Open for any and all young adults (20s-30s) to come hang out and eat some tacos! Join us at the Pillsburys' (113 Mockingbird Ln, Tyler, TX) on August 4 starting at 6:30 pm.

Church Retreat:

Save the date! October 25-27 will be our church-wide retreat. Join us!

Sunday Morning and Mid-Week Prayer Meetings:

We now 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 7:00 am on Fridays. They are studying the Minor Prophets. Contact Konrad Kern (714-658-4972) for information.
- The women's group is studying Galatians on Friday mornings. Contact Patti Babin (361-215-0065) for information.

Greeting and Opening Prayer

Call To Worship

Leader: My heart is steadfast, O God!

People: I will sing and make melody with all my being!

Leader: Awake, O harp and lyre! **People:** *I will awake the dawn!*

Leader: I will give thanks to you, O LORD, among the peoples;

People: I will sing praises to you among the nations.

Leader: For your steadfast love is great above the heavens;

People: Your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.

—Psalm 108.1-4

Opening Hymn | 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.

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

Leader: Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son 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 | Rock of Ages (When the Day Seems Long)

Words by Sandra McCracken; Music by Kevin Twit, 2005

Rock of Ages, when the day seems long from this labor and this heartache, I have come. The skies will wear out, but you remain the same, Rock of Ages, I praise your name. Rock of Ages, you have brought me near, You have poured out your life-blood, your love, your tears, To make this stone heart come alive again, Rock of Ages, forgive my sin.

Rock of Ages, Rock of Ages! Bind your children until the kingdom comes. Rock of Ages, your will be done.

Rock of Ages, when in want or rest, my desperate need for such a Savior I confess; Pull these idols out from my heart's embrace. Rock of Ages, I need your grace. Rock of Ages, broken scorned for me. Who am I that you would die to make me free? To give me glory, you took the death and pain. Rock of Ages, my Offering.

Rock of Ages, "It is done!" you cried. The curtain's torn and I see justice satisfied. Now write your mercy, on my heart and hands. Rock of ages, in faith I stand. Rock of Ages, my great hope secure. Your promise holds just like an anchor to my soul. Bind your children with cords of love and grace. Rock of Ages, we give you praise.

One More Hymn and the Offering | Pearly Gates Words by Fredrick A. Blom (1917), Music by Clint Wells and Brian T. Murphy (2004)

Love divine so great and wondrous, Deep and mighty, pure, sublime, Coming from the heart of Jesus. Just the same through tests of time!

> He the pearly gates will open, So that I may enter in; For he purchased my redemption And forgave me all my sin.

Like a dove when hunted, frightened, As a wounded fawn was I; Brokenhearted, yet He healed me. He will heed the sinner's cry.

Love divine so great and wondrous! All my sins he then forgave! I will sing his praise forever, For His blood, His power to save.

In life's eventide, at twilight, At His door I'll knock and wait; By the precious love of Jesus, I shall enter heaven's gate.

Benediction & Dismissal

Leader: Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.

-2 Thessalonians 2.16-17

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 | Come to the Waters

Words by James Montgomery Boice; music by Paul S. Jones, 2008

Come to the waters, whoever is thirsty; Drink from the Fountain that never runs dry. Jesus, the Living One, offers you mercy, Life more abundant in boundless supply.

Come to the River that flows through the city, Forth from the throne of the Father and Son. Jesus the Savior says, "Come and drink deeply." Drink from the pure, inexhaustible One.

Come to the Fountain without any money; Buy what is given without any cost. Jesus, the gracious One, welcomes the weary; Jesus, the selfless One, died for the lost.

Come to the Well of unmerited favor; Stretch out your hand; fill your cup to the brim. Jesus is such a compassionate Savior. Draw from the grace that flows freely from him.

Come to the Savior, the God of salvation. God has provided an end to sin's strife. Why will you suffer the Law's condemnation? Take the free gift of the water of life.

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. Amen.

Please take a moment for silent confession.

Leader: Gracious is the LORD, and righteous;

our God is merciful.

The LORD preserves the simple;

when I was brought low, he saved me.

Return, O my soul, to your rest;

for the LORD has dealt bountifully with you.

—Psalm 116.5-7

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 | 2 Samuel 7.1-14a

[1] Now when the king lived in his house and the LORD had given him rest from all his surrounding enemies, [2] the king said to Nathan the prophet, "See now, I dwell in a house of cedar, but the ark of God dwells in a tent." [3] And Nathan said to the king, "Go, do all that is in your heart, for the LORD is with you."

[4] But that same night the word of the LORD came to Nathan, [5] "Go and tell my servant David, 'Thus says the LORD: Would you build me a house to dwell in? [6] I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent for my dwelling. [7] In all places where I have moved with all the people of Israel, did I speak a word with any of the judges of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, "Why have you not built me a house of cedar?" [8] Now, therefore, thus you shall say to my servant David, 'Thus says the LORD of hosts, I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep, that you should be prince over my people Israel. [9] And I have been with you wherever you went and have cut off all your enemies from before you. And I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. [10] And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may dwell in their own place and be disturbed no more. And violent men shall afflict them no more, as formerly, [11] from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel. And I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover, the LORD declares to you that the LORD will make you a house. [12] When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your fathers, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. [13] He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. [14] I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a son.

Hymn of Worship | Abide With Me

Words by Henry Lyte, 1847; Music by Justin Smith

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide, The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide, When other helpers fail and comforts flee, Help of the helpless, abide with me.

I need Thy presence every passing hour, What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's pow'r? Who, like Thyself, my guide and stay can be? Through cloud and sunshine, abide with me.

I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless; Ills have no weight, tears lose their bitterness; Where is thy sting, death? Where, grave, thy victory? I triumph still, Lord, abide with me.

Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes; Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies; Heav'n's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee; In life, in death, Lord, abide with me.

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.

Psalm | Psalm 89.20-37

Leader: I have found David, my servant; **People:** With my holy oil I have anointed him,

Leader: So that my hand shall be established with him;

People: My arm also shall strengthen him.
Leader: The enemy shall not outwit him;
People: The wicked shall not humble him.
Leader: I will crush his foes before him
People: And strike down those who hate him.

Leader: My faithfulness and my steadfast love shall be with him,

People: And in my name shall his horn be exalted.

Leader: I will set his hand on the sea **People:** And his right hand on the rivers.

Leader: He shall cry to me, 'You are my Father, People: My God, and the Rock of my salvation.'
Leader: And I will make him the firstborn,
People: The highest of the kings of the earth.

Leader: My steadfast love I will keep for him forever,

People: And my covenant will stand firm for him. **Leader:** I will establish his offspring forever **People:** And his throne as the days of the heavens.

Leader: If his children forsake my law

People: And do not walk according to my rules,

Leader: If they violate my statutes

People: And do not keep my commandments,

Leader: Then I will punish their transgression with the rod

People: And their iniquity with stripes,

Leader: But I will not remove from him my steadfast love

People: Or be false to my faithfulness. **Leader:** I will not violate my covenant

People: Or alter the word that went forth from my lips. **Leader:** Once for all I have sworn by my holiness;

People: I will not lie to David.

Leader: His offspring shall endure forever, **People:** His throne as long as the sun before me.

Leader: Like the moon it shall be established forever,

People: A faithful witness in the skies."

^{*}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).

Sermon Text | Mark 6.30-34, 53-56

[30] The apostles returned to Jesus and told him all that they had done and taught. [31] And he said to them, "Come away by yourselves to a desolate place and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. [32] And they went away in the boat to a desolate place by themselves. [33] Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they ran there on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. [34] When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. And he began to teach them many things.

[53] When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored to the shore. [54] And when they got out of the boat, the people immediately recognized him [55] and ran about the whole region and began to bring the sick people on their beds to wherever they heard he was. [56] And wherever he came, in villages, cities, or countryside, they laid the sick in the marketplaces and implored him that they might touch even the fringe of his garment. And as many as touched it were made well.

Leader: The gospel of the Lord. **People:** *Praise be to you, O Christ.*