



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

*Love God  
Love People  
Love Tyler*

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*Tenth Sunday after Pentecost:  
August 17, 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).

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

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

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- 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: \_\_\_\_\_

## 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](http://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: 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.
- Tuesday  
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)
- Thursday  
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).
- Friday  
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

## Fellowship Meal:

Join us after the service for a fellowship meal!

## Church Retreat 2025:

Time to sign up! Our next church-wide retreat is October 17-19. This is a great opportunity to deepen relationships and enjoy God’s creation together. Use the QR code to sign up and reserve your spot at this special event. There are multiple room options and scholarships are available, so please do not let financial reasons keep you from joining us. Contact Abby Plot with any questions or for assistance in signing up.



## 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 Colossians 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.

# Greeting and Opening Prayer

## Call To Worship

**Leader:** Praise the LORD!

**People:** *For it is good to sing praises to our God;*

**Leader:** For it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.

**People:** *The LORD builds up Jerusalem;*

**Leader:** He gathers the outcasts of Israel.

**People:** *He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.*

**Leader:** He determines the number of the stars;

**People:** *He gives to all of them their names.*

**Leader:** Great is our Lord, and abundant in power;

**People:** *His understanding is beyond measure.*

**Leader:** The LORD lifts up the humble;

**People:** *He casts the wicked to the ground.*

—Psalm 147:1-6

## Opening Hymn | Melt My Soul to Love

*Words by Joseph Swaim (1761-1796); music by Benj Pocta and Brian T. Murphy, 2006.*

*Hark! From the cross a gracious voice, salutes my ravished ears;  
Rejoice, thou ransomed souls, rejoice! And dry those falling tears!*

*Amazed, I turn, grown strangely bold; this wondrous thing to see;  
And there the dying Lord behold, stretched on the bloody tree.*

*“Sinner,” He cried, “behold the head, this thorny wreath entwines;  
Look on those wounded hands and read thy name in crimson lines.”*

*The power, the sweetness of that voice my stony heart does move;  
Makes me in Christ my Lord rejoice and melts my soul to love.  
And melts my soul to love. And melts my soul to love!*

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

**Leader:** Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son 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 | Fairest Lord Jesus

Anonymous

Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature,  
Son of God and Son of Man,  
Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor,  
Thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands,  
Robed in the blooming garb of spring;  
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer,  
Who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight,  
And all the twinkling starry host;  
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer,  
Than all the angels heaven can boast.

Beautiful Savior! Lord of all the nations!  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Glory and honor, praise, adoration,  
Now and forevermore be thine.

One More Hymn and the Offering | On Jordan’s Stormy Banks I Stand

Words by Samuel Sennett, 1787; music by Christopher Miner, 1997

On Jordan’s stormy banks I stand, and cast a wishful eye  
To Canaan’s fair and happy land, where my possessions lie.

All o’er those wide extended plains, shines one eternal day;  
There God the Son forever reigns, and scatters night away.

I am bound (I am bound), I am bound (I am bound)  
I am bound for promised land;  
I am bound (I am bound), I am bound (I am bound)  
I am bound for promised land.

No chilling winds nor poisonous breath can reach that healthful shore;  
Sickness, sorrow, pain and death, are felt and feared no more.

When shall I reach that happy place, and be forever blessed?  
When shall I see my Father’s face, and in His bosom rest?

Benediction & Dismissal

**Leader:** May our sons in their youth  
be like plants full grown,  
our daughters like corner pillars  
cut for the structure of a palace;  
may our granaries be full,  
providing all kinds of produce;  
may our sheep bring forth thousands  
and ten thousands in our fields;  
may our cattle be heavy with young,  
suffering no mishap or failure in bearing;  
may there be no cry of distress in our streets!  
Blessed are the people to whom such blessings fall!  
Blessed are the people whose God is the LORD!

**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 | All I Have Is Christ**

*Music and words by Jordan Kauflin. © 2008 Sovereign Grace Praise*

*I once was lost in darkest night, Yet thought I knew the way  
The sin that promised joy and life Had led me to the grave  
I had no hope that You would own A rebel to Your will  
And if You had not loved me first, I would refuse You still*

*But as I ran my hell-bound race, Indifferent to the cost  
You looked upon my helpless state, And led me to the cross  
And I beheld God’s love displayed, You suffered in my place  
You bore the wrath reserved for me, Now all I know is grace*

*Hallelujah! All I have is Christ  
Hallelujah! Jesus is my life*

*Now, Lord, I would be Yours alone, And live so all might see  
The strength to follow Your commands Could never come from me  
O Father, use my ransomed life In any way You choose  
And let my song forever be My only boast is You*

**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:** Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

—Matthew 11.28-30

**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 5.1-7**

[1] Let me sing for my beloved  
my love song concerning his vineyard:  
My beloved had a vineyard  
on a very fertile hill.  
[2] He dug it and cleared it of stones,  
and planted it with choice vines;  
he built a watchtower in the midst of it,  
and hewed out a wine vat in it;  
and he looked for it to yield grapes,  
but it yielded wild grapes.

[3] And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem  
and men of Judah,  
judge between me and my vineyard.

[4] What more was there to do for my vineyard,  
that I have not done in it?  
When I looked for it to yield grapes,  
why did it yield wild grapes?

[5] And now I will tell you  
what I will do to my vineyard.  
I will remove its hedge,  
and it shall be devoured;  
I will break down its wall,  
and it shall be trampled down.

[6] I will make it a waste;  
it shall not be pruned or hoed,  
and briers and thorns shall grow up;  
I will also command the clouds  
that they rain no rain upon it.

[7] For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts  
is the house of Israel,  
and the men of Judah  
are his pleasant planting;  
and he looked for justice,  
but behold, bloodshed;  
for righteousness,  
but behold, an outcry!

**Hymn of Worship | All Things New**

*Words by Horatius Bonar (1846), music by Clint Wells (2009)*

*Come, Lord, and tarry not; Bring the long looked for day;  
O why these years of waiting here, These ages of decay?*

*Come, for Thy saints still wait; Daily ascends their sigh;  
The Spirit and the Bride say, “Come”; Does Thou not hear the cry?*

*O come and make all things new! Come and make all things new!  
O come and make all things new! Build up this ruined earth  
Come and make all things new*

*Come, for creation groans, Impatient of Thy stay,  
Worn out with these long years of ill, These ages of delay.*

*Come, for love waxes cold, Its steps are faint and slow;  
Faith now is lost in unbelief, Hope’s lamp burns dim and low.*

**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 from Redeemer Kids for communion.

*\*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.*

The Psalm | Psalm 82

**Leader:** God has taken his place in the divine council;  
**People:** *In the midst of the gods he holds judgment:*  
**Leader:** “How long will you judge unjustly  
**People:** *And show partiality to the wicked?*  
**Leader:** Give justice to the weak and the fatherless;  
**People:** *Maintain the right of the afflicted and the destitute.*  
**Leader:** Rescue the weak and the needy;  
**People:** *Deliver them from the hand of the wicked.”*

**Leader:** They have neither knowledge nor understanding,  
**People:** *They walk about in darkness;*  
**Leader:** All the foundations of the earth are shaken.

**People:** *I said, “You are gods,*  
**Leader:** Sons of the Most High, all of you;  
**People:** *Nevertheless, like men you shall die, and fall like any prince.”*

**Leader:** Arise, O God, judge the earth;  
**People:** *For you shall inherit all the nations!*

Rev. Benjamin Wheeler

Sermon Text | Luke 12.49-56

[49] “I came to cast fire on the earth, and would that it were already kindled! [50] I have a baptism to be baptized with, and how great is my distress until it is accomplished! [51] Do you think that I have come to give peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. [52] For from now on in one house there will be five divided, three against two and two against three. [53] They will be divided, father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.”

[54] He also said to the crowds, “When you see a cloud rising in the west, you say at once, ‘A shower is coming.’ And so it happens. [55] And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, ‘There will be scorching heat,’ and it happens. [56] You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?

**Leader:** The gospel of the Lord.

**People:** *Praise be to you, O Christ.*