



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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*Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 20, 2026*

*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.

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:

Instructions for Online Tithing:

We offer online and mobile giving options through our website or the Church Center App. Our desire is to make the giving process as simple as possible! Use the QR code or visit our website to give.



Diaconal Needs:

Have a Need? Our Deacon Team would love to assist you! Get in touch with them by emailing chris_gilmore@zoho.com.

Get Involved! If you would like to receive occasional emails regarding ways to serve our community (meal trains, moving needs, yard work, setting up for church events, giving rides, RUF, Sunday morning volunteers, etc.), email abby@redeemertyler.com to join the email list.

Prayer Suggestions:

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

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

Announcements

Churchwide Retreat:

Join us October 23-25 at Timberline Camp in Lindale. Register today!

Fellowship Meal:

Join us after worship today for a fellowship lunch!

Sunday School:

Join us before worship, September 20th-November 15th. *With Christ in the School of Prayer.*
9:15 am in the Realtor Center Lobby.

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). 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, 7:00 am on Fridays. They are studying Acts. Contact Richard Steenson (972-741-4669) for information.
- Women’s Study, 11:00 am on Fridays. They are studying Titus. Contact Patti Babin (361-215-0065) for information.
- Women’s Study, 6:00 pm every other Tuesday (Next meeting Sept. 29). They are studying Psalms. Contact Abby Plott (205-530-4222) for information.
- *The Meaning of Marriage*, 1st and 3rd Sundays at 6:00 pm. Open to newly married, singles, and marriage veterans! Contact Ben Wheeler (903-805-1809) for information.



Greeting and Opening Prayer

Call to Worship

Leader: The LORD reigns, let the earth rejoice;

People: *Let the many coastlands be glad!*

Leader: Clouds and thick darkness are all around him;

People: *Righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.*

—Psalm 97:1-2

Opening Hymn | All Ye Weary and Distressed

Words by Josiah Conder (1836), Music by Stephen Clemmons and Caroline Lopez (2018)

*Welcome, Welcome! Sinner, here!
Hang not back through shame or fear
Doubt not, nor distrust the call
Mercy is proclaimed to all*

*Welcome to the offered peace
Welcome, prisoner, to release—
Burst thy bonds; be saved; be free
“Rise and come—He calleth thee.”*

*Welcome, weeping penitent
Grace has made thy heart relent
Welcome, long estranged child
God in Christ is reconciled*

*All ye weary and distressed, Welcome to relief and rest!
All is ready: hear the call. There is ample room for all (3x)*

*O the virtue of that price
That redeeming sacrifice!
Come, ye bought, but not with gold
Welcome to the sacred fold!*

*Welcome to the cleansing fount
Springing from the sacred mount
Welcome to the feast divine
Bread of life and living wine*

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

Leader: Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
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 the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

Words by Samuel Trevor Francis; Music by Thomas John Williams (1890)

*O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free
Rolling as a mighty ocean in its fullness over me
Underneath me, all around me, is the current of thy love
Leading onward, leading homeward, to thy glorious rest above*

*O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Spread his praise from shore to shore
How he loveth, ever loveth, changeth never, nevermore
How he watches o'er his loved ones, died to call them all his own
How for them he intercedeth, watcheth o'er them from the throne*

*O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Love of ev'ry love the best
Tis an ocean vast of blessing, tis a haven sweet of rest
O the deep, deep love of Jesus! tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me
And it lifts me up to glory, for it lifts me up to thee*

One More Hymn and the Offering | Lead On, O King Eternal

Words by Ernest Shurtleff (1888), music by Henry Smart (1836)

*Lead on, O King eternal, the day of march has come
Henceforth in fields of conquest, Thy tents shall be our home:
Through days of preparation, Thy grace has made us strong
And now, O King eternal, we lift our battle song*

*Lead on, O King eternal, till sin's fierce war shall cease
And Holiness shall whisper, the sweet amen of peace
For not with swords loud clashing, nor roll of stirring drums
With deeds of love and mercy, the heav'nly kingdom comes*

*Lead on, O King eternal, we follow, not with fears
For gladness breaks like morning, where'er thy face appears
Thy cross is lifted o'er us; we journey in its light:
The crown awaits the conquest; lead on, O God of might*

Benediction & Dismissal

Leader: May the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

—based on Philippians 4.7

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 | Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior

Words by Fanny J. Crosby (1868), music by William H. Doane (1870)

*Pass me not, O gentle Savior
Hear my humble cry
While on others Thou art calling
Do not pass me by*

*Savior, Savior
Hear my humble cry
While on others Thou art calling
Do not pass me by*

*Let me at Thy throne of mercy
Find a sweet relief
Kneeling there in deep contrition
Help my unbelief*

*Trusting only in Thy merit
Would I seek Thy face
Heal my wounded, broken spirit
Save me by Thy grace*

*Thou the spring of all my comfort
More than life to me
Whom have I on earth beside Thee?
Whom in Heav'n but Thee?*

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: I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

—Galatians 2.20

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.

New Testament Reading | Philippians 1.21-30

[21] For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. [22] If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. [23] I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better. [24] But to remain in the flesh is more necessary on your account. [25] Convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all, for your progress and joy in the faith, [26] so that in me you may have ample cause to glory in Christ Jesus, because of my coming to you again.

[27] Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel, [28] and not frightened in anything by your opponents. This is a clear sign to them of their destruction, but of your salvation, and that from God. [29] For it has been granted to you that for the sake of Christ you should not only believe in him but also suffer for his sake, [30] engaged in the same conflict that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

Hymn of Worship | Be Still My Soul

Words by Katharina Von Schlegel (1752), Music by Jean Sibelius (1899)

*Be still, my soul: the Lord is on thy side
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain
Leave to thy God to order and provide
In every change, He faithful will remain
Be still, my soul: thy best, thy heav’nly Friend
Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end*

*Be still, my soul: thy God doth undertake
To guide the future, as He has the past.
Thy hope, thy confidence let nothing shake
All now mysterious shall be bright at last
Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know
His voice Who ruled them while He dwelt below*

*Be still, my soul: when dearest friends depart
And all is darkened in the vale of tears
Then shalt thou better know His love, His heart
Who comes to soothe thy sorrow and thy fears
Be still, my soul: thy Jesus can repay
From His own fullness all He takes away*

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 | The Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell, the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic* church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

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.

Be still, my soul: the hour is hast’ning on
When we shall be forever with the Lord
When disappointment, grief, and fear are gone
Sorrow forgot, love’s purest joys restored
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past
All safe and blessed we shall meet at last

Be still, my soul: begin the song of praise
On earth believing to Thy Lord on high
Acknowledge Him in all thy words and ways
So shall He view thee with a well-pleased eye
Be still, my soul: the Sun of life divine
Through passing clouds shall but more brightly shine

Psalm | Psalm 145.1-8

Leader: I will extol you, my God and King,
People: And bless your name forever and ever.
Leader: Every day I will bless you
People: And praise your name forever and ever.
Leader: Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,
People: And his greatness is unsearchable.

Leader: One generation shall commend your works to another,
People: And shall declare your mighty acts.
Leader: On the glorious splendor of your majesty,
People: And on your wondrous works, I will meditate.
Leader: They shall speak of the might of your awesome deeds,
People: And I will declare your greatness.
Leader: They shall pour forth the fame of your abundant goodness
People: And shall sing aloud of your righteousness.

Leader: The LORD is gracious and merciful,
People: Slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

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

Sermon Text | 1 Samuel 2.1-11

[1] And Hannah prayed and said,

“My heart exults in the LORD;
my horn is exalted in the LORD.
My mouth derides my enemies,
because I rejoice in your salvation.

[2] “There is none holy like the LORD:
for there is none besides you;
there is no rock like our God.

[3] Talk no more so very proudly,
let not arrogance come from your mouth;
for the LORD is a God of knowledge,
and by him actions are weighed.

[4] The bows of the mighty are broken,
but the feeble bind on strength.

[5] Those who were full have hired themselves out for bread,
but those who were hungry have ceased to hunger.

The barren has borne seven,
but she who has many children is forlorn.

[6] The LORD kills and brings to life;
he brings down to Sheol and raises up.

[7] The LORD makes poor and makes rich;
he brings low and he exalts.

[8] He raises up the poor from the dust;
he lifts the needy from the ash heap

to make them sit with princes
and inherit a seat of honor.

For the pillars of the earth are the LORD’s,
and on them he has set the world.

[9] “He will guard the feet of his faithful ones,
but the wicked shall be cut off in darkness,
for not by might shall a man prevail.

[10] The adversaries of the LORD shall be broken to pieces;
against them he will thunder in heaven.

The LORD will judge the ends of the earth;
he will give strength to his king
and exalt the horn of his anointed.”

Sermon Notes