



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

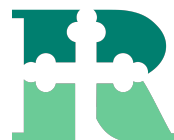
*Love God  
Love People  
Love Tyler*

## The Order of Celebration and Worship of God

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*Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost  
September 25, 2022*

*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 \_\_\_\_\_

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: \_\_\_\_\_

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Other questions or comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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Prayer Topic: needs of our city.

- Monday  
That God's kingdom would come and His will be done in our city, specifically in our schools.
- Tuesday  
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.
- Saturday  
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

## Fellowship Meal:

There will be a fellowship meal today following the church service. 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 at [ben@redeemertyler.com](mailto:ben@redeemertyler.com).

## Bible and Book Studies:

- Men's study meets over breakfast, 7:00 am on Fridays. They are studying the Gospel of Luke. Contact Konrad Kern (714-658-4972).
- The women's group is studying Acts on Friday mornings. Contact Patti Babin (361-215-0065) for information.

# Greeting and Opening Prayer

## Call To Worship

**Leader:** Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings,

**People:** *Ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.*

**Leader:** Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;

**People:** *Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.*

—Psalm 29.1-2

## Opening Hymn | Arise, My Soul, Arise

Words by John Newton (1742), Music by Kevin Twit (1996)

*Arise, my soul, arise, shake off your guilty fears;  
The bleeding sacrifice, in my behalf appears;  
Before the throne my Surety stands, Before the throne my Surety stands,  
My name is written on His hands.*

*Arise (arise), arise (arise), arise  
Arise, my soul, arise.  
Arise (arise), arise (arise), arise  
Arise, my soul, arise.  
Shake off your guilty fears and rise*

*He ever lives above, for me to intercede;  
His all redeeming love, His precious blood, to plead;  
His blood atoned for every race, His blood atoned for every race,  
And sprinkles now the throne of grace.*

*Five bleeding wounds He bears, received on Calvary;  
They pour effectual prayers, they strongly plead for me:  
"Forgive him, O forgive," they cry, "Forgive him, O forgive," they cry,  
"Nor let that ransomed sinner die!"*

*The Father hears Him pray, His dear anointed One;  
He cannot turn away the presence of His Son;  
The Spirit answers to the blood, The Spirit answers to the blood  
And tells me I am born of God.*

*My God is reconciled; His pardoning voice I hear;  
He owns me for His child; I can no longer fear  
With confidence I now draw nigh, With confidence I now draw nigh,  
And "Father, Abba, Father," cry.*

## Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

**Leader:** O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

**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 | Wonderful, Merciful Savior

Words and Music by Dawn Rodgers and Eric Wyse (1989)

*Wonderful, merciful Savior  
Precious Redeemer and Friend  
Who would have thought that a Lamb  
Could rescue the souls of men  
Oh, You rescue the souls of men*

*Counselor, Comforter, Keeper  
Spirit we long to embrace  
You offer hope when our hearts have  
Hopelessly lost our way  
Oh, we've hopelessly lost the way*

*You are the One that we praise  
You are the One we adore  
You give the healing and grace  
Our hearts always hunger for  
Oh, our hearts always hunger for*

*Almighty, infinite Father  
Faithfully loving Your own  
Here in our weakness You find us  
Falling before Your throne  
Oh, we're falling before Your throne*

## One More Hymn and the Offering | There is a Redeemer

Words and Music by Melody and Keith Green (1982)

*There is a redeemer,  
Jesus, God's own Son,  
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah,  
Holy One.*

*Jesus my redeemer,  
Name above all names,  
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah,  
Oh, for sinners slain.*

*Thank you, oh my Father,  
For giving us Your Son,  
And leaving Your Spirit  
'Til the work on Earth is done.*

*When I stand in Glory,  
I will see His face,  
And there I'll serve my King forever,  
In that Holy Place.*

*Thank you, oh my Father,  
For giving us Your Son,  
And leaving Your Spirit  
'Til the work on Earth is done.*

## Benediction & Dismissal

**Leader:** Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, who gave himself for our sins to deliver us from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father, to whom be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

**People:** *Amen!*

—Galatians 1.3-5

**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 free bread is available on the serving tray.

## Communion Hymn | God and Man

*Words and Music by Robert Stamps, 1972*

*O, welcome all ye noble saints of old, as now before your very eyes unfold  
The wonders all so long ago foretold. God and man at table are sat down.*

*Elders, martyrs, all are falling down; prophets, patriarchs are gathering 'round.  
What angels longed to see now man has found: God and man at table are sat down.*

*Who is this who spreads the victory feast? Who is this who makes our warring cease?  
Jesus, Risen Savior, Prince of Peace. God and man at table are sat down.*

*Beggars, lame, and harlots also here; repentant publicans are drawing near.  
Wayward sons come home without a fear. God and man at table are sat down.*

*Worship in the presence of the Lord with joyful songs and hearts in one accord.  
And let our Host at table be adored. God and man at table are sat down.*

*When at last this earth shall pass away, when Jesus and his Bride are one to stay,  
The feast of love is just begun that day. God and man at table are sat down.*

*Here He gives Himself to us as bread. Here as wine we drink the blood He shed.  
Born to die, we eat and live instead God and man at table are sat down;  
God and man at table are sat down.*

## Concluding Prayer

## Confession of Sin and Assurance of Pardon

**People:** *Merciful God, in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world. Although Christ is among us as our peace, we are a people divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a broken world. The profit and pleasures we pursue lay waste the land and pollute the seas. The fears and jealousies that we harbor set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation. We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom, of intellect and reason, and turn them into bonds of oppression. Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us. Set us free to serve you in the world as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ. Amen.*

Please take a moment for silent confession.

**Leader:** Blessed be the LORD!

For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy.  
The LORD is my strength and my shield;  
in him my heart trusts, and I am helped;  
my heart exults,  
and with my song I give thanks to him.

**People:** *Thanks be to God!*

—Psalm 28.6-7

## 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 32.1-3a, 6-15

[1] The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD in the tenth year of Zedekiah king of Judah, which was the eighteenth year of Nebuchadnezzar. [2] At that time the army of the king of Babylon was besieging Jerusalem, and Jeremiah the prophet was shut up in the court of the guard that was in the palace of the king of Judah. [3] For Zedekiah king of Judah had imprisoned him, saying, "Why do you prophesy and say, 'Thus says the LORD: Behold, I am giving this city into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall capture it.

[6] Jeremiah said, "The word of the LORD came to me: [7] Behold, Hanamel the son of Shallum your uncle will come to you and say, 'Buy my field that is at Anathoth, for the right of redemption by purchase is yours.' [8] Then Hanamel my cousin came to me in the court of the guard, in accordance with the word of the LORD, and said to me, 'Buy my field that is at Anathoth in the land of Benjamin, for the right of possession and redemption is yours; buy it for yourself.' Then I knew that this was the word of the LORD.

[9] "And I bought the field at Anathoth from Hanamel my cousin, and weighed out the money to him, seventeen shekels of silver. [10] I signed the deed, sealed it, got witnesses, and weighed the money on scales. [11] Then I took the sealed deed of purchase, containing the terms and conditions and the open copy. [12] And I gave the deed of purchase to Baruch the son of Neriah son of Mahseiah, in the presence of Hanamel my cousin, in the presence of the witnesses who signed the deed of purchase, and in the presence of all the Judeans who were sitting in the court of the guard. [13] I charged Baruch in their presence, saying, [14] 'Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: Take these deeds, both this sealed deed of purchase and this open deed, and put them in an earthenware vessel, that they may last for a long time. [15] For thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: Houses and fields and vineyards shall again be bought in this land.'

## 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.*

## 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

*continued*

## Confession of Faith

*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.*

—The Apostle's 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 for communion.*

*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.*

## Psalm | Psalm 91.1-6, 14-16

**Leader:** He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.

**People:** *I will say to the LORD, "My refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust."*

**Leader:** For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence.

**People:** *He will cover you with his pinions, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness is a shield and buckler.*

**Leader:** You will not fear the terror of the night, nor the arrow that flies by day,

**People:** *Nor the pestilence that stalks in darkness, nor the destruction that wastes at noonday.*

**Leader:** "Because he holds fast to me in love, I will deliver him; I will protect him, because he knows my name.

**People:** *When he calls to me, I will answer him;*

**Leader:** I will be with him in trouble; I will rescue him and honor him.

**People:** *With long life I will satisfy him and show him my salvation."*

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

Rev. Benjamin Wheeler

**Sermon Text | John 10.22-42**

[22] At that time the Feast of Dedication took place at Jerusalem. It was winter, [23] and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the colonnade of Solomon. [24] So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly." [25] Jesus answered them, "I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name bear witness about me, [26] but you do not believe because you are not among my sheep. [27] My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. [28] I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. [29] My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand. [30] I and the Father are one."

[31] The Jews picked up stones again to stone him. [32] Jesus answered them, "I have shown you many good works from the Father; for which of them are you going to stone me?" [33] The Jews answered him, "It is not for a good work that we are going to stone you but for blasphemy, because you, being a man, make yourself God." [34] Jesus answered them, "Is it not written in your Law, 'I said, you are gods'? [35] If he called them gods to whom the word of God came—and Scripture cannot be broken—[36] do you say of him whom the Father consecrated and sent into the world, 'You are blaspheming,' because I said, 'I am the Son of God'? [37] If I am not doing the works of my Father, then do not believe me; [38] but if I do them, even though you do not believe me, believe the works, that you may know and understand that the Father is in me and I am in the Father." [39] Again they sought to arrest him, but he escaped from their hands.

[40] He went away again across the Jordan to the place where John had been baptizing at first, and there he remained. [41] And many came to him. And they said, "John did no sign, but everything that John said about this man was true." [42] And many believed in him there.