



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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**October 29, 2023**

*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 \_\_\_\_\_

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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:* \_\_\_\_\_

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

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# Announcements

## Women's Fellowship:

Ladies, please join us Monday, October 30 at 6:00 pm at the Travis household (19078 Pinedale Circle, Flint, TX) for a night of Frito pie and learning to crochet! Materials will be provided or you can bring a project you may already be working on. Hope to see you there!

## 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 over breakfast, 7:00 am on Fridays. They are studying 1 Corinthians. Contact Konrad Kern (714-658-4972).
- The women's group is studying 1 Corinthians on Friday mornings. Contact Patti Babin (361-215-0065) for information.

# Greeting and Opening Prayer

## Call To Worship

**Leader:** It is good to give thanks to the LORD,

**People:** *To sing praises to your name, O Most High;*

**Leader:** To declare your steadfast love in the morning,

**People:** *And your faithfulness by night,*

**Leader:** To the music of the lute and the harp,

**People:** *To the melody of the lyre.*

**Leader:** For you, O LORD, have made me glad by your work;

**People:** *At the works of your hands I sing for joy.*

—Psalm 92.1-4

## Opening Hymn | Come, Christians Join to Sing

*Words by Christian Bateman, 1843*

*Come, Christians, join to sing, Alleluia! Amen!*

*Loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia! Amen!*

*Let all, with heart and voice, before his throne rejoice;*

*Praise is his gracious choice. Alleluia! Amen!*

*Come, lift your hearts on high, Alleluia! Amen!*

*Let praises fill the sky; Alleluia! Amen!*

*He is our Guide and Friend; to us he'll condescend;*

*His love shall never end. Alleluia! Amen!*

*Praise yet our Christ again, Alleluia! Amen!*

*Life shall not end the strain; Alleluia! Amen!*

*On heaven's blissful shore, his goodness we'll adore,*

*Singing forevermore, "Alleluia! Amen!"*

## Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

**Leader:** Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever 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 | 10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

Words and music by Jonas Myrin and Matt Redmond, 2012

*Bless the Lord, oh my soul, oh my soul, worship His holy name.  
Sing like never before, oh my soul, I'll worship Your holy name.*

*The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning; it's time to sing Your song again.  
Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me, let me be singing when the evening comes.*

*You're rich in love, and You're slow to anger. Your name is great, and Your heart is kind.  
For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing; ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.*

*And on that day when my strength is failing, the end draws near, and my time has come;  
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending: ten thousand years and then forevermore!*

## 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:** Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever.

**People:** *Amen!*

—Romans 11.33,36

**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 | We Will Feast in the House of Zion

*Words and Music by Sandra McCracken, 2015*

*We will feast in the house of Zion  
We will sing with our hearts restored  
He has done great things, we will say together  
We will feast and weep no more!*

*We will not be burned by the fire  
He is the LORD our God  
We are not consumed by the flood  
Upheld, protected, gathered up.*

*In the dark of night, before the dawn  
My soul be not afraid  
For the promised morning, oh how long?  
Oh God of Jacob, be my strength.*

*Every vow we've broken and betrayed  
You are the Faithful one  
And from the garden to the grave  
Bind us together, bring shalom.*

## Concluding Prayer

## Confession of Sin and Assurance of Pardon

**People:** *God of grace, we confess that we have elevated the things of this world above you. We have made idols of possessions and people and used your name for causes that are not consistent with you and your purposes. We have permitted our schedules to come first and have not taken the time to worship you. We have not always honored those who guided us in life. We have participated in systems that take life instead of give it. We have been unfaithful in our covenant relationships. We have yearned for, and sometimes taken, that which is not ours, and we have misrepresented others' intentions. Forgive us, O God, for the many ways we fall short of your glory. Help us to learn to live together according to your ways through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.*

Please take a moment for silent confession.

**Leader:** Seek the LORD while he may be found; call upon him while he is near;  
let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts;  
let him return to the LORD, that he may have compassion on him,  
and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

—Isaiah 55:6-7

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

## Words of Instruction and Sign of God's Covenant in Baptism

### Profession of Faith

### Vow of Membership

As an applicant for admission into the Church of God by Baptism, which is a sign and seal of our engrafting into Christ, and of our engagement to be the Lord's, the Session has examined and approved Elijah Cannon, who is cordially welcomed into the fellowship of the household of faith.

1. Do you acknowledge yourself to be a sinner in the sight of God, justly deserving His displeasure, and without hope save in His sovereign mercy?
2. Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and rest upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel?
3. Do you now resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as becomes a follower of Christ?
4. Do you promise to support the Church in its worship and work to the best of your ability?
5. Do you submit yourself to the government and discipline of the Church, and promise to study its purity and peace?

### The Baptism

Elijah Cannon

### 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.

## Gospel Reading | Matthew 22.34-46

[34] But when the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together. [35] And one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. [36] "Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?" [37] And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. [38] This is the great and first commandment. [39] And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. [40] On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets."

[41] Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them a question, [42] saying, "What do you think about the Christ? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." [43] He said to them, "How is it then that David, in the Spirit, calls him Lord, saying,

[44] "'The Lord said to my Lord,  
"Sit at my right hand,  
until I put your enemies under your feet"?"

[45] If then David calls him Lord, how is he his son?" [46] And no one was able to answer him a word, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

## 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*

## 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.

## Psalm | Psalm 1

**Leader:** Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked,  
**People:** *Nor stands in the way of sinners,*  
**Leader:** Nor sits in the seat of scoffers;  
**People:** *But his delight is in the law of the LORD,*  
**Leader:** And on his law he meditates day and night.

**People:** *He is like a tree*  
**Leader:** Planted by streams of water  
**People:** *That yields its fruit in its season,*  
**Leader:** And its leaf does not wither.  
**People:** *In all that he does, he prospers.*  
**Leader:** The wicked are not so,  
**People:** *But are like chaff that the wind drives away.*

**Leader:** Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,  
**People:** *Nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;*  
**Leader:** For the LORD knows the way of the righteous,  
**People:** *But the way of the wicked will perish.*

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

**Sermon Text | Leviticus 9**

[1] On the eighth day Moses called Aaron and his sons and the elders of Israel, [2] and he said to Aaron, "Take for yourself a bull calf for a sin offering and a ram for a burnt offering, both without blemish, and offer them before the LORD. [3] And say to the people of Israel, 'Take a male goat for a sin offering, and a calf and a lamb, both a year old without blemish, for a burnt offering, [4] and an ox and a ram for peace offerings, to sacrifice before the LORD, and a grain offering mixed with oil, for today the LORD will appear to you.'" [5] And they brought what Moses commanded in front of the tent of meeting, and all the congregation drew near and stood before the LORD. [6] And Moses said, "This is the thing that the LORD commanded you to do, that the glory of the LORD may appear to you." [7] Then Moses said to Aaron, "Draw near to the altar and offer your sin offering and your burnt offering and make atonement for yourself and for the people, and bring the offering of the people and make atonement for them, as the LORD has commanded."

[8] So Aaron drew near to the altar and killed the calf of the sin offering, which was for himself. [9] And the sons of Aaron presented the blood to him, and he dipped his finger in the blood and put it on the horns of the altar and poured out the blood at the base of the altar. [10] But the fat and the kidneys and the long lobe of the liver from the sin offering he burned on the altar, as the LORD commanded Moses. [11] The flesh and the skin he burned up with fire outside the camp.

[12] Then he killed the burnt offering, and Aaron's sons handed him the blood, and he threw it against the sides of the altar. [13] And they handed the burnt offering to him, piece by piece, and the head, and he burned them on the altar. [14] And he washed the entrails and the legs and burned them with the burnt offering on the altar.

[15] Then he presented the people's offering and took the goat of the sin offering that was for the people and killed it and offered it as a sin offering, like the first one. [16] And he presented the burnt offering and offered it according to the rule. [17] And he presented the grain offering, took a handful of it, and burned it on the altar, besides the burnt offering of the morning.

[18] Then he killed the ox and the ram, the sacrifice of peace offerings for the people. And Aaron's sons handed him the blood, and he threw it against the sides of the altar. [19] But the fat pieces of the ox and of the ram, the fat tail and that which covers the entrails and the kidneys and the long lobe of the liver—[20] they put the fat pieces on the breasts, and he burned the fat pieces on the altar, [21] but the breasts and the right thigh Aaron waved for a wave offering before the LORD, as Moses commanded.

[22] Then Aaron lifted up his hands toward the people and blessed them, and he came down from offering the sin offering and the burnt offering and the peace offerings. [23] And Moses and

Aaron went into the tent of meeting, and when they came out they blessed the people, and the glory of the LORD appeared to all the people. [24] And fire came out from before the LORD and consumed the burnt offering and the pieces of fat on the altar, and when all the people saw it, they shouted and fell on their faces.

**Sermon Notes**