



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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*Tenth Sunday after Pentecost:*  
**July 28, 2024**

*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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## 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 [redeemert Tyler.com](http://redeemert Tyler.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: 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

## Financial Update:

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

## Men's Pub Night:

Come hang out with some fellas from church Wednesday, July 31 from 7-9 pm at True Vine on the Square (110 N College Ave #102). Bring a friend!

## 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:** Praise the LORD!

**People:** *I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart,*

**Leader:** In the company of the upright,

**People:** *In the congregation.*

**Leader:** Great are the works of the LORD,

**People:** *Studied by all who delight in them.*

**Leader:** Full of splendor and majesty is his work,

**People:** *And his righteousness endures forever.*

—Psalm 111.1-3

## Opening Hymn | Thy Mercy My God

Words by John Stocker (1776), music by Sandra McCracken (2001)

*Thy mercy, my God, is the theme of my song,  
The joy of my heart. and the boast of my tongue;  
Thy free grace alone, from the first to the last,  
Hath won my affections, and bound my soul fast.*

*Without Thy sweet mercy I could not live here;  
Sin would reduce me to utter despair;  
But, through Thy free goodness, my spirits revive,  
And He that first made me still keeps me alive.*

*Thy mercy is more than a match for my heart,  
Which wonders to feel its own hardness depart;  
Dissolved by Thy goodness, I fall to the ground,  
And weep to the praise of the mercy I've found.*

*Great Father of mercies, Thy goodness I own,  
And the covenant love of Thy crucified Son;  
All praise to the Spirit, Whose whisper divine  
Seals mercy, and pardon, and righteousness mine.  
All praise to the Spirit, Whose whisper divine  
Seals mercy, and pardon, and righteousness mine.*

## Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

**Leader:** O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; 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 | Before the Throne of God Above

*Words by Charitie Lees Bancroft, 1860; Music by Vikki Cook, 1997*

*Before the throne of God above, I have a strong and perfect plea:  
A great High Priest, whose name is Love, who ever lives and pleads for me.  
My name is graven on His hands, my name is written on His heart;  
I know that while in heaven He stands, no tongue can bid me thence depart  
No tongue can bid me thence depart.*

*When Satan tempts me to despair, and tells me of the guilt within,  
Upward I look, and see Him there, who made an end of all my sin.  
Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free;  
For God the just is satisfied to look on Him and pardon me  
To look on Him and pardon me.*

*Behold Him there, the Risen Lamb, my perfect, spotless righteousness,  
The great unchangeable I am, the King of glory and of grace!  
One with Himself I cannot die, my soul is purchased by His blood  
My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ, my Savior and my God  
With Christ, my Savior and my God!*

## One More Hymn and the Offering | Come Then, Lord Jesus

*Words by Horatius Bonar (1808-1889), Music by Katy Bowser and Kenny Hutson (2007)*

*The Church has waited long, her absent Lord to see  
And still in loneliness she waits, a friendless stranger she  
Age after age has gone, sun after sun has set  
And still, in weeds of widowhood, she weeps a mourner yet*

*Come then, Lord Jesus, come  
Come then, Lord Jesus  
Come then, Lord Jesus, come  
Come, come, come.*

*The serpent's brood increase, the powers of hell grow bold  
The conflict thickens, faith is low, and love is waxing cold  
How long, O Lord our God, holy and true and good  
Wilt thou not judge Thy suffering Church, her sighs and tears and blood?*

*We long to hear thy voice, to see Thee face to face  
To share Thy crown and glory then, as now we share thy grace  
Should not the loving bride, the absent Bridegroom mourn?  
Should she not wear the weeds of grief, until her Lord return?*

*The whole creation groans, and wait to hear that voice  
That shall restore her comeliness, and make her wastes rejoice  
Come, Lord, and wipe away, the curse, the sin, the stain  
And make this blighted world of ours, thine own fair world again.*

## Benediction & Dismissal

**Leader:** Now to him who is able to strengthen you according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages but has now been disclosed and through the prophetic writings has been made known to all nations, according to the command of the eternal God, to bring about the obedience of faith—to the only wise God be glory forevermore through Jesus Christ!

**People:** *Amen!*

—Romans 16.25-27

**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 | Beautiful, Scandalous Night

*Steve Hindalong, Derry Dougherty*

*Go on up to the mountain of mercy  
To the crimson perpetual tide  
Kneel down on the shore  
Be thirsty no more  
Go under and be purified*

*Follow Christ to the holy mountain  
Sinner sorry and wrecked by the fall  
Cleanse your heart and your soul  
In the fountain that flowed  
For you and for me and for all*

*At the wonderful, tragic, mysterious tree  
On that beautiful scandalous night you and me  
Were atoned by His blood and forever washed white  
On that beautiful, scandalous night*

*On the hillside, you were delivered  
At the foot of the cross justified  
And Your spirit restored  
By the river that poured  
From our blessed Savior's side*

## 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:** Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful.

—Hebrews 10.19-23

**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 11.1-15

[1] In the spring of the year, the time when kings go out to battle, David sent Joab, and his servants with him, and all Israel. And they ravaged the Ammonites and besieged Rabbah. But David remained at Jerusalem.

[2] It happened, late one afternoon, when David arose from his couch and was walking on the roof of the king's house, that he saw from the roof a woman bathing; and the woman was very beautiful. [3] And David sent and inquired about the woman. And one said, "Is not this Bathsheba, the daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite?" [4] So David sent messengers and took her, and she came to him, and he lay with her. (Now she had been purifying herself from her uncleanness.) Then she returned to her house. [5] And the woman conceived, and she sent and told David, "I am pregnant."

[6] So David sent word to Joab, "Send me Uriah the Hittite." And Joab sent Uriah to David. [7] When Uriah came to him, David asked how Joab was doing and how the people were doing and how the war was going. [8] Then David said to Uriah, "Go down to your house and wash your feet." And Uriah went out of the king's house, and there followed him a present from the king. [9] But Uriah slept at the door of the king's house with all the servants of his lord, and did not go down to his house. [10] When they told David, "Uriah did not go down to his house," David said to Uriah, "Have you not come from a journey? Why did you not go down to your house?" [11] Uriah said to David, "The ark and Israel and Judah dwell in booths, and my lord Joab and the servants of my lord are camping in the open field. Shall I then go to my house, to eat and to drink and to lie with my wife? As you live, and as your soul lives, I will not do this thing." [12] Then David said to Uriah, "Remain here today also, and tomorrow I will send you back." So Uriah remained in Jerusalem that day and the next. [13] And David invited him, and he ate in his presence and drank, so that he made him drunk. And in the evening he went out to lie on his couch with the servants of his lord, but he did not go down to his house.

[14] In the morning David wrote a letter to Joab and sent it by the hand of Uriah. [15] In the letter he wrote, "Set Uriah in the forefront of the hardest fighting, and then draw back from him, that he may be struck down, and die."

## Hymn of Worship | Great is Thy Faithfulness

*Words by Thomas O Chisholm, 1923*

*Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father; There is no shadow of turning with thee;  
Thou changest not; thy compassions, they fail not. As thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.*

*Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see; All I have needed, thy hand hath provided.  
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!*

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## 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 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 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.

*Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above,  
Join with all nature in manifold witness, to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.*

*Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!*

## Psalm | Psalm 14

**Leader:** The fool says in his heart, "There is no God."

**People:** *They are corrupt, they do abominable deeds;*

**Leader:** There is none who does good.

**People:** *The LORD looks down from heaven on the children of man,*

**Leader:** To see if there are any who understand,

**People:** *Who seek after God.*

**Leader:** They have all turned aside; together they have become corrupt;

**People:** *There is none who does good, not even one.*

**Leader:** Have they no knowledge, all the evildoers

**People:** *Who eat up my people as they eat bread*

**Leader:** And do not call upon the LORD?

**People:** *There they are in great terror,*

**Leader:** For God is with the generation of the righteous.

**People:** *You would shame the plans of the poor,*

**Leader:** But the LORD is his refuge.

**People:** *Oh, that salvation for Israel would come out of Zion!*

**Leader:** When the LORD restores the fortunes of his people,

**People:** *Let Jacob rejoice, let Israel be glad.*

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

**Sermon Text | Mark 6.30-52**

[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. [35] And when it grew late, his disciples came to him and said, "This is a desolate place, and the hour is now late. [36] Send them away to go into the surrounding countryside and villages and buy themselves something to eat." [37] But he answered them, "You give them something to eat." And they said to him, "Shall we go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread and give it to them to eat?" [38] And he said to them, "How many loaves do you have? Go and see." And when they had found out, they said, "Five, and two fish." [39] Then he commanded them all to sit down in groups on the green grass. [40] So they sat down in groups, by hundreds and by fifties. [41] And taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples to set before the people. And he divided the two fish among them all. [42] And they all ate and were satisfied. [43] And they took up twelve baskets full of broken pieces and of the fish. [44] And those who ate the loaves were five thousand men.

[45] Immediately he made his disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, to Bethsaida, while he dismissed the crowd. [46] And after he had taken leave of them, he went up on the mountain to pray. [47] And when evening came, the boat was out on the sea, and he was alone on the land. [48] And he saw that they were making headway painfully, for the wind was against them. And about the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. He meant to pass by them, [49] but when they saw him walking on the sea they thought it was a ghost, and cried out, [50] for they all saw him and were terrified. But immediately he spoke to them and said, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid." [51] And he got into the boat with them, and the wind ceased. And they were utterly astounded, [52] for they did not understand about the loaves, but their hearts were hardened.

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

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