



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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*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. 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 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
August	\$27,091	\$20,493	\$6,598
YTD	\$225,095	\$233,493	-\$8,843

Men's Pub Night:

Join the guys at True Vine on the Square September 25 at 7:00 pm. Bring a friend!

Church Retreat:

The time has come to sign up for our church-wide retreat! We will be staying at Timberline Baptist Camp & Conference Center (15363 FM 849 Lindale, TX 75771) on October 25-27 (Arrive Friday afternoon and leave Sunday after church service). There will be motel-style rooms with single or double occupancy options. Prices are as follows: single \$145 and double \$135 (a dorm rate of \$95 may be available if enough people sign up). Cost is per person and includes lodging and five meals. We don't want cost to be the reason you are unable to attend! Please get with an elder or deacon to discuss options. You can sign up with the QR code below or through our sign-up sheet located in the foyer.

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@redeemert Tyler.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.

Church Retreat Sign-up QR Code:



Greeting and Opening Prayer

Call To Worship

Leader: I bow down toward your holy temple

People: *And give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness,*

Leader: For you have exalted above all things

People: *Your name and your word.*

Leader: On the day I called, you answered me;

People: *My strength of soul you increased.*

—Psalm 138.2-3

Opening Hymn | Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Words by Joachim Neander, 1680

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!

O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!

All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near, join me in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,

Shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!

Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been, granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee!

Surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee;

Ponder anew what the Almighty will do, if with his love he befriend thee!

Praise to the Lord, who with marvelous wisdom hath made thee,

Decked thee with health, and with loving hand guided and stayed thee.

How oft in grief hath not he brought thee relief, spreading his wings to o'ershade thee!

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!

All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him.

Let the amen sound from his people again; gladly fore'er we adore him.

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, 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 | 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 | The Lord's Prayer (All Yours)

Words and music by Bryan Fowler, Jacob Sooter, Matt Maher (2022)

VERSE

Father let your kingdom come

Father let your will be done

On earth as in heaven, right here in my heart

Father let your kingdom come

Father let your will be done

On earth as it is in heaven, right here in my heart

CHORUS

Give us this day our daily bread

Forgive us, forgive us

As we forgive the ones who sinned

Against us, forgive them

And lead us not into temptation

But de-liv-er us from the evil one

Let your kingdom come

BRIDGE

It's Yours, It's Yours

All Yours, All Yours

The kingdom, the power

The glory are Yours

It's Yours, It's Yours

All Yours, All Yours

Forever and ever

The Kingdom is Yours

Benediction & Dismissal

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

People: *Amen!*

—based on Philippians 4.7

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: For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

—Ephesians 2.8-10

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 | Proverbs 31.10-31

- [10] An excellent wife who can find? She is far more precious than jewels.
[11] The heart of her husband trusts in her, and he will have no lack of gain.
[12] She does him good, and not harm, all the days of her life.
[13] She seeks wool and flax, and works with willing hands.
[14] She is like the ships of the merchant; she brings her food from afar.
[15] She rises while it is yet night and provides food for her household and portions for her maidens.
[16] She considers a field and buys it; with the fruit of her hands she plants a vineyard.
[17] She dresses herself with strength and makes her arms strong.
[18] She perceives that her merchandise is profitable. Her lamp does not go out at night.
[19] She puts her hands to the distaff, and her hands hold the spindle.
[20] She opens her hand to the poor and reaches out her hands to the needy.
[21] She is not afraid of snow for her household, for all her household are clothed in scarlet.
[22] She makes bed coverings for herself; her clothing is fine linen and purple.
[23] Her husband is known in the gates when he sits among the elders of the land.
[24] She makes linen garments and sells them; she delivers sashes to the merchant.
[25] Strength and dignity are her clothing, and she laughs at the time to come.
[26] She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue.
[27] She looks well to the ways of her household and does not eat the bread of idleness.
[28] Her children rise up and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her:
[29] "Many women have done excellently, but you surpass them all."
[30] Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the LORD is to be praised.
[31] Give her of the fruit of her hands, and let her works praise her in the gates.

Hymn of Worship | In the Valley

Tim Charlie's, Johnny Robinson, & Rich Thompson

*When the path that I feared Is the way He has set
And I long to give in and retreat Still to Jesus I hold
As I face every step For the Lord He will give me His peace*

*Bless the Lord! He will give me His peace
Bless the Lord! He will give me His peace
And if I should remain in the valley today
Bless the Lord, He will give me His peace*

*When the road that I tread Fills my heart with despair
And it seems that my grief has no end Still to Jesus I hold
Who will walk with me there And the Lord He will give me His strength*

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 from Redeemer Kids for communion.

*Bless the Lord! He will give me his strength
Bless the Lord! He will give me his strength
And if I should remain in the valley today
Bless the Lord, He will give me His strength*

*On the road that You walked With the weight of the cross
All my pain and my sorrow You held So to you I shall hold
You redeem every loss For my Lord, you have given yourself*

*Bless the Lord! For he gives me Himself
Bless the Lord! For he gives me Himself
And if I should remain in the valley today
Bless the Lord! For He gives me Himself
Bless the Lord! For He gives me Himself*

Psalm | Psalm 1

Leader: Blessed is the man

People: *Who walks not in the counsel of the wicked,*

Leader: *Nor stands in the way of sinners,*

People: *Nor sits in the seat of scoffers;*

Leader: *But his delight is in the law of the LORD,*

People: *And on his law he meditates day and night.*

Leader: *He is like a tree 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).

*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.

Sermon Text | Revelation 3

[1] “And to the angel of the church in Sardis write: ‘The words of him who has the seven spirits of God and the seven stars.

“‘I know your works. You have the reputation of being alive, but you are dead. [2] Wake up, and strengthen what remains and is about to die, for I have not found your works complete in the sight of my God. [3] Remember, then, what you received and heard. Keep it, and repent. If you will not wake up, I will come like a thief, and you will not know at what hour I will come against you. [4] Yet you have still a few names in Sardis, people who have not soiled their garments, and they will walk with me in white, for they are worthy. [5] The one who conquers will be clothed thus in white garments, and I will never blot his name out of the book of life. I will confess his name before my Father and before his angels. [6] He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.’

[7] “And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write: ‘The words of the holy one, the true one, who has the key of David, who opens and no one will shut, who shuts and no one opens.

[8] “‘I know your works. Behold, I have set before you an open door, which no one is able to shut. I know that you have but little power, and yet you have kept my word and have not denied my name. [9] Behold, I will make those of the synagogue of Satan who say that they are Jews and are not, but lie—behold, I will make them come and bow down before your feet, and they will learn that I have loved you. [10] Because you have kept my word about patient endurance, I will keep you from the hour of trial that is coming on the whole world, to try those who dwell on the earth. [11] I am coming soon. Hold fast what you have, so that no one may seize your crown. [12] The one who conquers, I will make him a pillar in the temple of my God. Never shall he go out of it, and I will write on him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, the new Jerusalem, which comes down from my God out of heaven, and my own new name. [13] He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.’

[14] “And to the angel of the church in Laodicea write: ‘The words of the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of God’s creation.

[15] “‘I know your works: you are neither cold nor hot. Would that you were either cold or hot! [16] So, because you are lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I will spit you out of my mouth. [17] For you say, I am rich, I have prospered, and I need nothing, not realizing that you are wretched, pitiable, poor, blind, and naked. [18] I counsel you to buy from me gold refined by fire, so that you may be rich, and white garments so that you may clothe yourself and the shame of your nakedness may not be seen, and salve to anoint your eyes, so that you may see. [19] Those whom I love, I reprove and discipline, so be zealous and repent. [20] Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and eat with him, and he with me. [21] The one who conquers, I will grant him to sit with me on my throne, as I also conquered and sat down with my Father on his throne. [22] He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.’”