



## The Order of Celebration and Worship of God

*The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

October 11, 2020

*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.*

### Opening Prayer

#### Greeting and Call To Worship

**Leader:** Sing a new song to the Lord,  
who has worked wonders,  
whose right hand and holy arm have brought salvation.

**People:** *The Lord has made known salvation;  
has shown justice to the nations;  
has remembered truth and love for the house of Israel.*

**Leader:** All the ends of the earth have seen  
the salvation of our God.

**People:** *Shout to the Lord, all the earth,  
sing out your joy.*

**Leader:** Sing psalms to the Lord with the harp,  
with the sound of music.

**People:** *With trumpets and the sound of the horn  
acclaim the King, the Lord.*

—based on Psalm 98:1-6

#### Opening Hymn | Arise My Soul, Arise

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

*A rise, 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:** Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**People:** Amen.

**All Singing:** *Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

**Leader:** Praise the Lord!

**People:** *The Name of the Lord be praised!*

## **Hymn of Worship | How Firm a Foundation**

Words from Rippon's Selection of Hymns (1787), traditional American melody

*How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in his excellent Word!  
What more can he say than to you he has said, to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?*

*"Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed; for I am your God, and will still give you aid;  
I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand, upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.*

*"When through the deep waters I call you to go, the rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;  
for I will be with you, your troubles to bless, and sanctify to you your deepest distress.*

*"When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie, my grace, all-sufficient, shall be your supply;  
the flame shall not hurt you; I only design, your dross to consume and your gold to refine.*

*"The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose, I will not, I will not desert to his foes;  
that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no never, no never forsake."*

## **Confession of Sin and Assurance of Pardon**

**People:** *Most gracious and most merciful God,  
we confess to you and to one another that time after time  
we have entered your presence with countless prayers  
but with hearts that have been closed to your grace.  
We have lifted our hands to you in praise,  
but our feet have still walked in the ways of evil.  
We have rehearsed your commandments  
but have refused to see your face in the needs of our neighbor.  
We pray, Lord, that you forgive our lack of faith  
and pardon our acts of injustice.  
Grant us the healing that comes from your presence  
and the cleansing of your all-powerful Word,  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.*

Please take a moment for silent confession.

**Leader:** I will cleanse them from all the guilt of their sin against me,  
and I will forgive all the guilt of their sin and rebellion against me.

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

—Jeremiah 33.8

## **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 4.1-9**

[1] Therefore, my brothers, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm thus in the Lord, my beloved.

[2] I entreat Euodia and I entreat Syntyche to agree in the Lord. [3] Yes, I ask you also, true companion, help these women, who have labored side by side with me in the gospel together with Clement and the rest of my fellow workers, whose names are in the book of life.

[4] Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. [5] Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; [6] do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and

supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. [7] And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

[8] Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. [9] What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

## **Hymn of Worship | Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me**

*Words by Edward Hopper, 1871; music by Isaac Wardell and Joseph Pensak*

*Jesus, Savior, pilot me  
Over life's tempestuous sea;  
Unknown waves before me roll,  
Hiding rock and treacherous shoal.  
Chart and compass come from Thee;  
Savior, pilot me.*

*Though the sea be smooth and bright,  
Sparkling with the stars of night,  
And my ship's path be ablaze  
With the light of halcyon days,  
Still I know my need of Thee;  
Savior, pilot me.*

*As a mother stills her child,  
Thou canst hush the ocean wild;  
Boisterous waves obey Thy will,  
When Thou sayest to them, "Be still!"  
Wondrous Sovereign of the sea,  
Savior, pilot me.*

*When at last I near the shore,  
And the fearful breakers roar  
'Twi'x me and the peaceful rest,  
Then, while leaning on Thy breast,  
May I hear Thee say to me,  
"I will pilot thee."*

## **Psalm | Psalm 106.1-6,19-23**

**Leader:** Praise the LORD!

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,

**People:** *For his steadfast love endures forever!*

**Leader:** Who can utter the mighty deeds of the LORD,

**People:** *Or declare all his praise?*

**Leader:** Blessed are they who observe justice,

**People:** *Who do righteousness at all times!*

**Leader:** Remember me, O LORD, when you show favor to your people;

**People:** *Help me when you save them,*

**Leader:** That I may look upon the prosperity of your chosen ones,

**People:** *That I may rejoice in the gladness of your nation,  
that I may glory with your inheritance.*

**Leader:** Both we and our fathers have sinned;

**People:** *We have committed iniquity; we have done wickedness.*

**Leader:** They made a calf in Horeb

**People:** *And worshiped a metal image.*

**Leader:** They exchanged the glory of God

**People:** *For the image of an ox that eats grass.*

**Leader:** They forgot God, their Savior,

**People:** *Who had done great things in Egypt,*

**Leader:** Wondrous works in the land of Ham,

**People:** *And awesome deeds by the Red Sea.*

**Leader:** Therefore he said he would destroy them—

**People:** *Had not Moses, his chosen one,*

**Leader:** Stood in the breach before him,

**People:** *To turn away his wrath from destroying them.*

## **Ministry of the Word |**

**Rev. Benjamin Wheeler**

## **Sermon Text | Exodus**

## **Sermon Notes**

## Confession of Faith

*I believe that the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who out of nothing created heaven and earth  
and everything in them,  
who still upholds and rules them  
by his eternal counsel and providence,  
is my God and Father  
because of Christ his Son.  
I trust him so much that I do not doubt  
he will provide whatever I need  
for body and soul,  
and he will turn to my good  
whatever adversity he sends me  
in this sad world.  
He is able to do this because he is almighty God;  
he desires to do this because he is a faithful Father.*

—from Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A26

## 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, for ever and ever. Amen.*

## The Holy Communion

(For those watching at home, I encourage you to take this time to watch and pray with us. Remember this all along: Jesus is not more present with us who are gathered than he is with you at home! The Lord's Supper is a sign and seal of his blessing to us, and a great gift, but it does not mean you are missing out on his presence or his blessing. We all participate by faith in Christ whether physically receiving the Supper or not.)

## 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

**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

### Communion Hymn | Dearly We're Bought

Words by Joseph Hart (1712-1768), music by Matthew S. Welch (2004)

*Come raise your thankful voice,  
Ye souls redeemed with blood;  
Leave earth and all its toys,  
And mix no more with mud.*

*Dearly we're bought, highly esteemed;  
Redeemed, with Jesus' blood redeemed  
Dearly we're bought, highly esteemed;  
Redeemed, with Jesus' blood redeemed.*

*With heart, and soul, and mind,  
Exalt redeeming love;  
Leave worldly cares behind,  
And set your minds above.*

*Lift up your ravished eyes,  
And view the glory given;  
All lower things despised,  
Ye citizens of heaven.*

*Be to this world as dead,  
Alive to that to come;  
Our life in Christ is hid,  
Who soon shall call us home.*

## **Concluding Prayer**

### **One More Hymn and the Offering | He Came Down**

*A traditional song from Cameroon, transcribed by John L. Bell (1986)*

*He came down that we may have love;  
He came down that we may have love;  
He came down that we may have love;  
Hallelujah forevermore!*

*He came down that we may have light;  
He came down that we may have light;  
He came down that we may have light;  
Hallelujah forevermore!*

*He came down that we may have peace;  
He came down that we may have peace;  
He came down that we may have peace;  
Hallelujah forevermore!*

*He came down that we may have joy;  
He came down that we may have joy;  
He came down that we may have joy;  
Hallelujah forevermore!*

*He came down that we may have life;  
He came down that we may have life;  
He came down that we may have life;  
Hallelujah forevermore!*

## **Benediction & Dismissal**

**Leader:** The God of peace,  
who brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus,  
the great shepherd of the sheep,  
by the blood of the eternal covenant,  
make you complete in everything good  
so that you may do God's will,  
working among us that which is pleasing in God's sight,  
through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever and ever!

**People:** Amen!

— from Hebrews 13.20-12



# Announcements

## Alpha:

Alpha begins with prayer. Please join us in praying for God to bless our fall Alpha class. Pray for God to bring guests and to bless our fellowship, learning, and discussion. Alpha meets on Tuesdays at 6:30 pm at the Travis's home... make sure to let Ben know if you plan to be there!

## A Beautiful Orthodoxy:

We are resuming this popular Sunday morning class from last spring! All are invited to join us at 9:15. This class focuses on the basics of our beliefs, seeking to understand *and apply* what our confession of faith teaches about God and his gracious work in this world. You could think of this 12 week class as a Greatest Hits of Reformed Theology. We completed 4 weeks in the spring, so we have 8 weeks remaining.

## 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](mailto:ben@redeemertyler.com).

## Monthly Youth Meeting:

All junior high and high school students are invited to join us on the third Sunday of the month for a time of fellowship, dinner, and Bible Study.

## 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 book study is reading *Renovation of the Heart* (Dallas Willard) and discussing it each Friday morning. Contact Patti Babin (361-215-0065) for information.

## 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.

