

The Order of Celebration and Worship of God

All Saints' Day November 1, 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: After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice,

People: "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

Leader: And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying,

People: "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Leader: Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" I said to him, "Sir, you know." And he said to me, "These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple;

People: And he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence.

Leader: They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore;

People: The sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat.

Leader: For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd,

People: And he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

-Revelation 7:9-17

Opening Hymn | All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Words and music by Edward Perronet, 1779

All hail the power of Jesus' Name! Let angels prostrate fall; Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all. Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all.

Crown him, ye martyrs of your God, who from his altar call; Extol the Stem of Jesse's rod, and crown him Lord of all. Extol the Stem of Jesse's rod, and crown him Lord of all. Ye seed of Israel's chosen race, ye ransomed of the fall, Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all. Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.

Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe, on this terrestrial ball, To him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all. To him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all.

O that with yonder sacred throng, we at his feet may fall; We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all. We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all.

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

Leader: Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting.

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 | Satisfied

Words by Clara T. Williams, 1875; Music by Karl Digerness, 1997

All my life long I had panted for a drink from some cool spring That I hoped would quench the burning of the thirst I felt within Hallelujah! He has found me, the One my soul so long has craved! Jesus satisfies all my longings, through his blood I now am saved.

Feeding on the filth around me, 'till my strength was almost gone Longed my soul for something better, only still to hunger on Hallelujah! He has found me, the One my soul so long has craved! Jesus satisfies all my longings, through his blood I now am saved.

Poor I was and sought for riches, something that would satisfy But the dust I gathered 'round me only mocked my soul's sad cry Hallelujah! He has found me, the One my soul so long has craved! Jesus satisfies all my longings, through his blood I now am saved.

Well of water ever springing, Bread of Life so rich and free Untold wealth that never faileth, my Redeemer is to me Hallelujah! He has found me, the One my soul so long has craved! Jesus satisfies all my longings, through his blood I now am saved.

Confession of Sin and Assurance of Pardon

People: Eternal God, in every age

you have raised up men and women to live and die in faith.

Forgive our indifference to your will.

You have commanded us to speak, but we have been silent.

You have called us to do what is just, but we have been fearful.

Have mercy on us, your faithless servants.

Keep before us faithful people for us to follow

so that, by the power of your Holy Spirit,

we may grow in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ,

to the praise of your holy name. Amen.

Please take a moment for silent confession.

Leader: You are no longer strangers and aliens,

but you are citizens with the saints

and also members of the household of God,

built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets,

with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord;

in whom you also are built together spiritually

into a dwelling place for God.

People: Thanks be to God!

—Ephesians 2.19-22

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 | I John 3.1-3

[1] See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. [2] Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. [3] And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

Hymn of Worship | For All the Saints

Words by William Walsham How (1864), music by Christopher Miner (1997)

Bread of the world For all the saints who from their labors rest, Who thee by faith before the world confessed, Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blessed. Alleluia, Allelu.

Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might; Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight; Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light. Alleluia, Allelu.

O may thy soldiers, faithful, true and bold, Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old, And win with them the victor's crown of gold. Alleluia, Allelu.

The golden evening brightens in the west; Soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest; Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest. Alleluia, Allelu.

But lo! There breaks a yet more glorious day; The saints triumphant rise in bright array; The King of glory passes on his way. Alleluia, Allelu.

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host, Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Psalm | Psalm34.1-10, 22

Leader: I will bless the LORD at all times;

People: His praise shall continually be in my mouth. **Leader:** My soul makes its boast in the LORD; **People:** Let the humble hear and be glad.

Leader: Oh, magnify the LORD with me,

People: And let us exalt his name together!

Leader: I sought the LORD, and he answered me **People:** And delivered me from all my fears. **Leader:** Those who look to him are radiant, **People:** And their faces shall never be ashamed.

Leader: This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him

People: And saved him out of all his troubles. **Leader:** The angel of the LORD encamps

People: Around those who fear him, and delivers them.

Leader: Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! **People:** Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!

Leader: Oh, fear the LORD, you his saints, **People:** For those who fear him have no lack! **Leader:** The young lions suffer want and hunger; **People:** But those who seek the LORD lack no good thing.

Leader: The LORD redeems the life of his servants;

People: None of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

Ministry of the Word | What Is It?

Rev. Benjamin Wheeler

Sermon Text | Exodus 16

- [1] They set out from Elim, and all the congregation of the people of Israel came to the wilderness of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after they had departed from the land of Egypt. [2] And the whole congregation of the people of Israel grumbled against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness, [3] and the people of Israel said to them, "Would that we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the meat pots and ate bread to the full, for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."
- [4] Then the LORD said to Moses, "Behold, I am about to rain bread from heaven for you, and the people shall go out and gather a day's portion every day, that I may test them, whether they will walk in my law or not. [5] On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather daily." [6] So Moses and Aaron said to all the people of Israel, "At evening you shall know that it was the LORD who brought you out of the land of Egypt, [7] and in the morning you shall see the glory of the LORD, because he has heard your grumbling against the LORD. For what are we, that you grumble against us?" [8] And Moses said, "When the LORD gives you in the evening meat to eat and in the morning bread to the full, because the LORD has heard your grumbling that you grumble against him—what are we? Your grumbling is not against us but against the LORD."
- [9] Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the people of Israel, 'Come near before the LORD, for he has heard your grumbling." [10] And as soon as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the people of Israel, they looked toward the wilderness, and behold, the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. [11] And the LORD said to Moses, [12] "I have heard the grumbling of the people of Israel. Say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall be filled with bread. Then you shall know that I am the LORD your God."

[13] In the evening quail came up and covered the camp, and in the morning dew lay around the camp. [14] And when the dew had gone up, there was on the face of the wilderness a fine, flake-like thing, fine as frost on the ground. [15] When the people of Israel saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. And Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat. [16] This is what the LORD has commanded: 'Gather of it, each one of you, as much as he can eat. You shall each take an omer, according to the number of the persons that each of you has in his tent." [17] And the people of Israel did so. They gathered, some more, some less. [18] But when they measured it with an omer, whoever gathered much had nothing left over, and whoever gathered little had no lack. Each of them gathered as much as he could eat. [19] And Moses said to them, "Let no one leave any of it over till the morning." [20] But they did not listen to Moses. Some left part of it till the morning, and it bred worms and stank. And Moses was angry with them. [21] Morning by morning they gathered it, each as much as he could eat; but when the sun grew hot, it melted.

[22] On the sixth day they gathered twice as much bread, two omers each. And when all the leaders of the congregation came and told Moses, [23] he said to them, "This is what the LORD has commanded: 'Tomorrow is a day of solemn rest, a holy Sabbath to the LORD; bake what you will bake and boil what you will boil, and all that is left over lay aside to be kept till the morning." [24] So they laid it aside till the morning, as Moses commanded them, and it did not stink, and there were no worms in it. [25] Moses said, "Eat it today, for today is a Sabbath to the LORD; today you will not find it in the field. [26] Six days you shall gather it, but on the seventh day, which is a Sabbath, there will be none."

[27] On the seventh day some of the people went out to gather, but they found none. [28] And the LORD said to Moses, "How long will you refuse to keep my commandments and my laws? [29] See! The LORD has given you the Sabbath; therefore on the sixth day he gives you bread for two days. Remain each of you in his place; let no one go out of his place on the seventh day." [30] So the people rested on the seventh day.

[31] Now the house of Israel called its name manna. It was like coriander seed, white, and the taste of it was like wafers made with honey. [32] Moses said, "This is what the LORD has commanded: 'Let an omer of it be kept throughout your generations, so that they may see the bread with which I fed you in the wilderness, when I brought you out of the land of Egypt." [33] And Moses said to Aaron, "Take a jar, and put an omer of manna in it, and place it before the LORD to be kept throughout your generations." [34] As the LORD commanded Moses, so Aaron placed it before the testimony to be kept. [35] The people of Israel ate the manna forty years, till they came to a habitable land. They ate the manna till they came to the border of the land of Canaan. [36] (An omer is the tenth part of an ephah.)

Sermon Notes

Confession of Faith

I am called Christian because by faith I am a member of Christ and so I share in his anointing. I am anointed to confess his name, to present myself to him as a living sacrifice of thanks, to strive with a good conscience against sin and the devil in this life, and afterward to reign with Christ over all creation for all eternity. We call him "our Lord" because not with gold or silver, but with his precious blood he has set us free from sin and from the tyranny of the devil, and has bought us, body and soul, to be his very own.

—from Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A's 32, 34

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, 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 | 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

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: May God, who has given us, in the lives of his saints, patterns of holy living and victorious dying, strengthen your faith and devotion and enable you to bear witness to the truth against all adversity.

Announcements

A Beautiful Orthodoxy:

All are are invited to join us at 9:15 Sunday mornings! 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 class as a Greatest Hits of Reformed Theology. We will be meeting until November 22.

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 be with 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!

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.

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 group is studying the gospel of Matthew on Friday mornings. Contact Patti Babin (361-215-0065) for information.

Prayer Suggestions:

Topic: global and local missions

Monday

Richey and Keli Goodrich (India): for Richey's preaching and teaching; for the Spirit to draw to Christ many of the unreached Malay people living in and outside of Australia.

<u>Tuesday</u>

Robert and Debbie Hale: translation work in French-speaking Africa.

Wednesday

Nate Hill, John Tyler High School Young Life; Mentoring Alliance (includes The Gospel Village, Rose City Summer Camps, and The Boys and Girls Club).

• Thursday

Rev. Robbie Mills, Pastor of New City Fellowship, a church working among immigrants in East Dallas. Rev. Jahaziel Cantu, Pastor of El Buen Pastor, a Hispanic church plant in Richardson. Rev. Caleb Dunn with Cristo Rey PCA, a Hispanic church in Dallas.

Friday

Promise Academy's financial and prayer support; Highway 80 Rescue Mission and their work to build a residential facility here in Tyler; PATH, Crisis Pregnancy Center, other ministries in town.

Saturday

Pray that unity will grow among the churches in our city so we may care for people, evangelize, and make disciples.