



Redeemer

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Holiness is often seen as a rather metallic idea, perhaps tinged with hypocrisy or a ‘holier than thou’ atmosphere. By contrast Scripture teaches that holiness puts back into our lives the attractiveness of personal character for which humans were originally created but which has been so badly marred. Thus the Bible speaks about the beauty of holiness. Since there is an infinite beauty in God, when he makes us his personal possession reflections of the beauty of his holiness begin to appear in us too.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Taken from Revelation 19

Leader: Hallelujah! Salvation and glory and power belong to our God,
for his judgments are true and just. Praise our God,
all you his servants, you who fear him, small and great.

**People: Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns.
Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory.**



WELCOME TO REDEEMER!

We're glad to have you joining us in worship today. If you'd like to know more about Redeemer, including ways to get involved, please scan the QR code and let us know.

We have a hearing loop. Please switch your hearing aid to T-coil.



ADORING GOD IN SONG

Living Hope

How great the chasm that lay between us
How high the mountain I could not climb
In desperation, I turned to heaven
And spoke Your name into the night
Then through the darkness, Your loving kindness
Tore through the shadows of my soul
The work is finished, the end is written
Jesus Christ, my living hope

Who could imagine so great a mercy?
What heart could fathom such boundless grace?
The God of ages stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame
The cross has spoken, I am forgiven
The King of Kings calls me His own
Beautiful Savior, I'm Yours forever
Jesus Christ, my living hope

Chorus:

Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free
Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me
You have broken every chain
There's salvation in Your name
Jesus Christ, my living hope
(Repeat Chorus)

Then came the morning that sealed the promise
Your buried body began to breathe
Out of the silence, the Roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me
Then came the morning that sealed the promise
Your buried body began to breathe
Out of the silence, the Roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me
Jesus, Yours is the victory

Chorus 2x

Jesus Christ, my living hope
Oh God, You are my living hope

Living Hope
Brian Johnson, Phil Wickham
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/ Sing My Songs

'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

TRINITY HYMNAL #679

'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus,
Just to take Him at His word;
Just to rest upon His promise;
Just to know, "Thus saith the Lord."

I'm so glad I learned to trust Thee,
Precious Jesus, Savior, Friend;
And I know that Thou art with me,
Wilt be with me to the end!
(Chorus 2x)

Chorus

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him!
How I've proved Him o'er and o'er!
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus!
O for grace to trust Him more!

O how sweet to trust in Jesus,
Just to trust His cleansing blood;
Just in simple faith to plunge me
'Neath the healing, cleansing flood!
(Chorus)

Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus,
Just from sin and self to cease;
Just from Jesus simply taking
Life and rest, and joy and peace.
(Chorus)



PARENTS AND NURSING MOMS:

We have a "wiggle room" in the back of the Sanctuary. While not soundproof, it does offer you a little extra room to move around. If you are a nursing mom in need of a quiet place on Sunday mornings, the "wiggle room" and infant nursery are available options. We also have a nursing mother's room, changing tables and changing supplies available on the lower level. Head downstairs and look for our nursery coordinator by the check-in area. She will be happy to answer any questions and help you get settled.

CONFESSION OF FAITH

from the Heidelberg Catechism, Question 1

Leader: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

**People: That I am not my own,
but belong—
body and soul,
in life and in death—
to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ.
He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood,
and has delivered me from the tyranny of the devil.
He also watches over me in such a way
that not a hair can fall from my head
without the will of my Father in heaven;
in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.
Because I belong to him,
Christ, by his Holy Spirit,
also assures me of eternal life
and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready
from now on to live for him.**

CONFESSION OF SIN & ASSURANCE

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

TITUS 3:4-7

But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

DEACON'S PRAYER

JAMES RUSHING

MISSION MOMENT

SAFE FAMILIES

Doxology

TRINITY HYMNAL #731

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

GREET ONE ANOTHER

MINISTRY OF WORD & PRAYER

Reading of Scripture

1 THESSALONIANS 4:1-8

PAGE 1257 IN THE PEW BIBLE

Prayer for the Kingdom of God on Earth

SEAN SCOTT

HOW CAN WE GIVE TO THE CHURCH?

There are several ways to give to the church. You can drop a check or cash in the offering plate as it is passed. You can mail a check, bring it by the church office, or leave it in our outside mailbox. You can also give online through your Breeze account or on our website. Online you can give by credit card or Bank ACH. Questions? Contact the church office, office@redeemerpca.net

SONG OF PREPARATION

Thy Mercy, My God

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!**

(Repeat bold)

*Thy Mercy My God Is the
Theme of My Song
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CHILDREN'S CHURCH:

Children ages 4 through Kindergarten are invited to attend Children's Church during the song of preparation. This is a great opportunity for them to prepare for participation in the full worship service as well as practice the different elements of worship.

RESPONSE AND BLESSING

Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken

Jesus, I my cross have taken,
All to leave and follow Thee.
Destitute, despised, forsaken,
Thou from hence my all shalt be.
Perish every fond ambition,
All I've sought or hoped or known;
Yet how rich is my condition,
God and heaven are still my own.

Let the world despise and leave me,
They have left my Savior too.
Human hearts and looks deceive me,
Thou art not like them untrue.
Oh while thou dost smile upon me,
God of wisdom, love and might;
Foes may hate and friends disown me,
Show Thy face and all is bright.

Man may trouble and distress me,
'Twill but drive me to Thy breast.
Life with trials hard may press me,
Heaven will bring me sweeter rest.
Oh 'tis not in grief to harm me,
While Thy love is left to me;
Oh 'twere not in joy to charm me,
Were that joy unmixed with Thee.

Go then earthly fame and treasure,
Come disaster, scorn and pain.
In Thy service pain is pleasure,
With Thy favor loss is gain.
I have called Thee, Abba Father,
I have stayed my heart on Thee.
Storms may howl and clouds may gather,
All must work for good to me.

Soul then know thy full salvation,
Rise o'er sin and fear and care.
Joy to find in every station,
Something still to do or bear.
Think what Spirit dwells within thee,
Think what Father's smiles are thine.
Think that Jesus died to win thee,
Child of heaven, canst thou repine?

Haste thee on from grace to glory,
Armed by faith and winged by prayer.
Heaven's eternal day's before thee,
God's own hand shall guide thee there.
Soon shall close thy earthly mission,
Soon shall pass thy pilgrim days.
Hope shall change to glad fruition,
Faith to sight and prayer to praise.

BENEDICTION

Student Ministry Small Group Night: Tonight, 7-8 p.m.

Join us tonight for youth small groups at Redeemer. The plan will simply be to catch up with one another, hear what is going on in each others' lives, and pray together. We could use some parental help to make these small group nights happen, so if sticking around to serve as a chaperone (you don't need to lead the discussion) sounds interesting to you, please let Garrett know. Questions? Reach out to Garrett.

Prayer Meeting, Thursday, October 26

In October, we will offer a set time of prayer to pray for each other, the church, and the world. We will gather from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursday, October 26, in Room 8 (beside the church office). Have a question? Contact Silas Rodriguez, silasr325@gmail.com, or Mike Newkirk, newkirk.mike@gmail.com.

5th & 6th Grade Picnic, Sunday, October 29

5th and 6th graders are invited to bring their lunch and stay after church until 1:30 p.m., on Sunday, October 29. We will enjoy time to eat, fellowship, and play games. Lunch must be nut-free. Questions? Reach out to Anne Larsen, spencer_anne@yahoo.com, or Claire Anderson, clairefarthing@gmail.com.

Women's Paint Class, Wednesday, November 8

Join us for a fun evening at Tamera Clay's Studio on Wednesday, November 8 from 6 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. Tamera will provide all the supplies, aprons, and a lesson. You will leave with your own canvas. You are welcome to bring snacks, beverages, and dessert to share. The cost for this event is \$25 per person, space is limited to 20 women. Visit our website to register, www.redeempca.com/upcoming-events.

Letters to Missionaries, now through November 12

Consider taking the time to write a quick note to one or more of our foreign missionaries. It can be short or long and can include Bible verses or encouraging thoughts. Children can draw pictures. Please place your letters in the basket on the foyer table by Sunday, November 13. (There are blank Christmas cards available on the table.) If you have any questions, please call Geneva Britt at 919-345-0430.

Interested in serving with our Children's Ministry?

We have several openings including Children's Church Helpers, Substitute Sunday School Teachers, and Nursery Volunteers. If you want to learn more, reach out to Anna Baughman, childrensministry@redeempca.net, or Claire Anderson, childrensministry2@redeempca.net

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday

- Sunday School, 9 a.m.
- Worship, 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary
- Student Ministry Small Groups, 7 p.m., Redeemer

Monday

- Moms in Prayer, 9:15 a.m., 242 Room, at Redeemer
- Women's Bible Study, 7:00 p.m., virtual and 242 Room, at Redeemer
- Men's Bible Study, 7:30 p.m., Lower Level, B011, at Redeemer

Tuesday

- Children's Ministry Team Meeting, 7 p.m., Room 2.

Wednesday

- Women's Bible Study, 9:45 a.m., 242 Room, at Redeemer
- Student Ministry Large Group, 6:45 p.m., 242 Room, at Redeemer
- Men's Wednesday Evening Bible Study, 7:00 p.m., Room 6, at Redeemer

Thursday

- Prayer Meeting, 7 p.m., Room 8, at Redeemer
- Music Team Practice, 7:30 p.m., at Redeemer

Friday

- Men's Friday Morning Bible Study, 7:00 a.m., virtual and at Redeemer

UPCOMING EVENTS

- October 29: **5th & 6th Grade Picnic**
- November 4: **Men's Breakfast**
- November 4: **CPR Training**
- November 8: **Women's Painting Class**
- November 11: **Men's Hike**
- November 15: **Student Ministry Friendsgiving**
- November 23: **Turkey Bowl**
- December 16: **Christmas Dinner**
- February 2: **Matt Papa Concert at Redeemer**

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OUR MISSIONARIES & MINISTRY PARTNERS

We desire to see the life-changing power of the Gospel of Jesus Christ declared and displayed locally and globally. Therefore, we partner with like-minded people committed to the same mission supporting them personally, prayerfully and financially. We consider them part of our Redeemer family.

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