

Redeemer

Presbyterian Church

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and whoever hates his life in this world
will keep it for eternal life.
—John 12:24-25

The Lord's Service
March 14, 2010

Welcome!

If you are **visiting our church** today, we welcome you to our worship service and Christian community. Please be sure to fill out the fellowship pad with your name and contact information when it is passed to you. This will help us serve you better. We promise to keep this information confidential and only use it for personal contact with you and your family. Please join us in the fellowship hall in the lower level for coffee and refreshments after the service. Note: Since many of our families with small children sit near the back of the church, visitors may wish to sit closer to the front to avoid any possible distractions during the worship service. Any mothers who would like assistance with young children may take them to the nursery during the Hymn of Assurance and pick them up during the sermon hymn.

If you are unfamiliar with **our form of worship**, please feel free to speak with the pastor or one of the elders. We would be glad to help you understand the biblical rationale for why we worship the way we do. In the narthex, we have a booklet available that provides an introduction to our church. You may also visit our website for other helpful information: www.redeemertraversecity.org.

The **Lord's Supper** is observed every Sunday as the culmination of our worship service. We invite to the Lord's Table all those who are baptized disciples of Jesus Christ, under the authority of Christ and His body, the Church. By eating the bread and wine with us as a visitor, you are acknowledging to the elders of this local church that you are in covenant with God as an active member of a congregation in which the Gospel is faithfully confessed, taught, and believed. You also acknowledge that you are a sinner, without hope except in the sovereign mercy of God, and that you are trusting in Jesus Christ alone for salvation. Non-communing children are welcome to come forward with their parents and will be acknowledged by the pastor. If you have any doubt about your participation, please speak to one of the elders or the pastor before or after the service. Note: The inner ring of cups in each communion tray contains non-alcoholic wine; the outer rings contain wine.

Silent Preparation for Worship
Prelude - "Jesus Paid It All" Choir

Order of Worship

Call to Worship 1 Chronicles 16:23, 25a

Pastor Dan Millward

†**Opening Hymn** #535 "O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus"

†**Invocation**

Revelation 15:3-4

Pastor: Great and amazing are your deeds, O Lord God the Almighty!

People: Just and true are your ways, O King of the nations!

Pastor: Who will not fear, O Lord, and glorify your name? For you alone are holy;

People: All nations will come and worship you, for your righteous acts have been revealed."

Pastor: Let us pray.

†**The Greeting**

2 Thessalonians 1:2; 2 Corinthians 13:14

Pastor: Grace to you and peace from God the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

†**Response** (*in song*) #115 "All Creatures of Our God and King"

v. 5

**Let all things their Creator bless,
and worship Him in humbleness.**

O praise Him, alleluia!

Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,

and praise the Spirit, three in one,

O praise Him, O praise Him.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Confession of Sin

Deuteronomy 6:5; Leviticus 19:18

Pastor: Our covenant God reveals His will in these two verses: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might." "You shall not take vengeance, nor bear any grudge against the sons of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself; I am the Lord." God's law clearly reveals that we are accountable to Him. We do not live up to the perfect standard of His righteousness. Therefore, with one voice, let us confess our sins to Him.

All: Gracious heavenly Father, we have heard Your word and are grieved by our sinfulness. We have not loved or served You as we should, but instead often ignore Your covenant with us. We have not always honored and revered Your name, but instead have abused it. We have also disregarded Your word and do not always listen and learn it. Nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves. Instead, we often behave selfishly and unkindly. For these and all our sins, we ask for mercy, grace, and pardon.

Declaration of Forgiveness

1 John 1:12; Philippians 1:6

Pastor: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ, He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. Do you believe that Jesus Christ, by His perfect life, sacrificial death, and glorious resurrection, has atoned for your sins and satisfied the wrath of God toward you?

People: We do.

Pastor: In the name of Christ and by the authority of His Word I declare to you that your sins are forgiven. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

†**Hymn of Assurance** #524 “Thy Works, Not Mine, O Christ”

†**Prayer for Illumination**

Dirk Van Til

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 53:10-12

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

Epistle Reading Hebrews 12:1-13

Bill Morrison

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

Prayers of Intercession and the Lord’s Prayer

Pastor Dan Millward

Giving of God’s Tithes and Our Offering

Please sign and pass the fellowship pads at this time. Also complete the RSVP form for the Wednesday Family Night Meal and Study and place it in the offering plate.

†**Doxology** (*in song*)

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.

†**Sermon Text Reading** John 12:20-26

Pastor: This is the Gospel of Our Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon Suffering's Perfect Result, Part 4: "The Fruit of Salvation"

Prayer of Application

†**Sermon Hymn** "Power of the Cross"

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(Please be seated after singing the hymn.)

Holy Communion

Invitation to the Lord's Table

All who are communicant members in good standing in any evangelical Christian church, or those who have been approved by the Session, may participate in the Lord's Supper. (Note about Communion wine: the outer rings contain wine; the inner rings contain non-alcoholic wine.)

Affirmation of Faith Heidelberg Catechism #1

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

That I, with body and soul,

both in life and death,

am not my own,

but belong unto my faithful Savior Jesus Christ,

who with his precious blood

has fully satisfied for all my sins,

and delivered me from all the power of the devil,

and so preserves me

that without the will of my heavenly Father

not a hair can fall from my head;

indeed, that everything must fit his purpose

for my salvation,

therefore by his Holy Spirit,

He also assures me of eternal life

and makes me heartily willing and ready,

always, to live for him.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Consecration

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Ruth 2:4

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts!

Lamentations 3:41

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

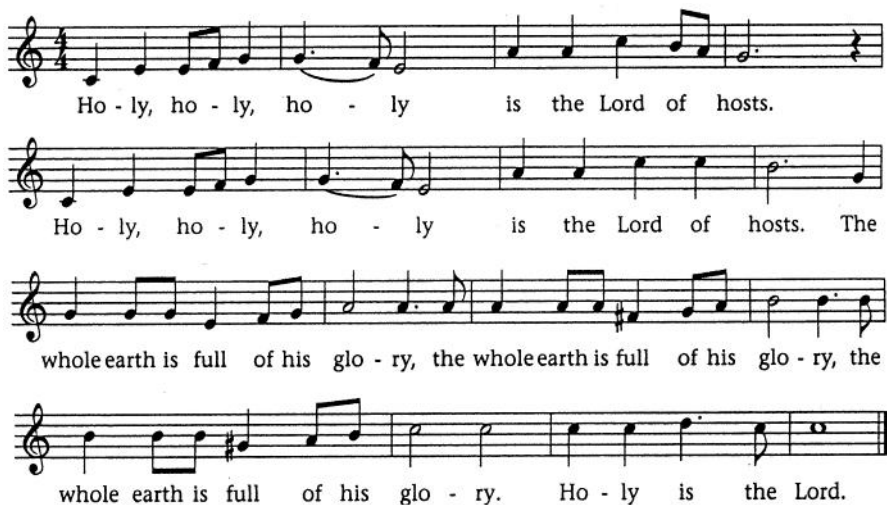
People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Psalm 118:1

Pastor: It is right and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to You, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. As we set apart these common elements of bread and wine for holy use, we ask You to bless them and use them to strengthen and edify Your people. For by water and the Holy Spirit You have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth Your glory in all the world. Therefore, we praise You, joining our voices with choirs of angels and with the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of Your name:

Sanctus (*in song*)

Isaiah 6:3



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts. The

whole earth is full of his glo - ry, the whole earth is full of his glo - ry, the

whole earth is full of his glo - ry. Ho - ly is the Lord.

Words of Institution & Breaking of the Bread

Communion Hymns #425 “Bread of the World in Mercy Broken”
#157 “None Other Lamb, None Other Name”
#193 “Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence”

Prayer after Communion (*in unison*)

Heavenly Father, we thank you that you have fed us in this Sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet in your eternal kingdom. Send us out in the power of your Spirit, to live and work to your praise and glory, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

†Nunc Dimittis “Song of Simeon”

Luke 2:29-30

Now may your ser - vant, Lord, ac - cord - ing to your word,
de - part in ex - ul - ta - tion. My peace shall be se - rene,
for now my eyes have seen your won - der - ful sal - va - tion.

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line in the treble clef and a piano accompaniment in the bass clef. The lyrics are placed below the vocal line. The first system covers the first two lines of text, the second system covers the next two lines, and the third system covers the final line. The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody.

†Benediction

†Benediction Response “Three-fold Amen”



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Sermon Notes

John 12:20–26 (ESV) — **20** Now among those who went up to worship at the feast were some Greeks. **21** So these came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” **22** Philip went and told Andrew; Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. **23** And Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. **24** Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. **25** Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. **26** If anyone serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there will my servant be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him.

Power of the Cross

Unison

1. Oh, to see the dawn of the dark-est day; Christ on the road to
 2. Oh, to see the pain writ-ten on Your face, Bear - ing the awe - some
 3. Now the day-light flees; now the ground be -neath Quakes as its Mak - er
 4. Oh, to see my name writ-ten in the wounds, For thro' Your suf - f'ring

Cal - va - ry; Tried by sin - ful men, torn and beat-en, then
 weight of sin; Ev - 'ry bit - ter tho't, ev - 'ry e - vil deed
 bows His head. Cur - tain torn in two, dead are raised to life;
 I am free. Death is crushed to death, life is mine to live,

Chorus
 Nailed to a cross of wood.
 Crown - ing Your blood - stained brow. 1.-3. This the power of the
 "Fin - ished!" the vic - t'ry cry! 4. This the power of the
 Won thro' Your self - less love!

cross: Christ be - came sin for us; Took the
 cross; Son of God slain for us. What a

(segue)
 blame, bore the wrath; We stand for - giv - en at the cross!
 love, what a cost! We stand for - giv - en at the cross!

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Prayer Requests

FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY AT REDEEMER...

Health / Healing

- Brett Schut - healing of broken elbow.
- Gayle Peterson - remains in ICU at Munson.
- Monica Scott - for a safe, healthy pregnancy.

Other Concerns

- Jim and Linda Candea - mourning the passing of their daughter Tanya.
- Ealy family - passing of Lynn's father.
- Ron Chalfant, Jr. and Lynn Ealy

FOR RELATIVES, FRIENDS, AND OTHERS...

Our Country and Armed Forces

- Men and women in the military and their families.
- President Obama, his advisors, and other national, state, and local leaders.

Ministers, Missionaries, and Mission Churches

- Hershbergers (Bulgaria); Thorntons (Ukraine); Nellie Vos (France); and the mission work in Burma.
- Shawn Newsome and the potential RUF work at MSU.

Other Concerns

- Relief, comfort, and strength for the hundreds of thousands of earthquake victims in Haiti.

FOR CHURCHES IN OUR PRESBYTERY...

- Good Shepherd, Valparaiso, IN - Progress in elder training, grace and wisdom for Session decision making, Martha Coppage who has leukemia, the Marshall family with health needs and financial struggles, a greater vision for evangelism, and success in outreach planned this year.
- Redeemer Presbyterian, Traverse City, MI - Gayle Peterson's full recovery (has been in ICU 90 days with Pancreatitis), and the Candea family mourning the loss of their 35 year old handicapped daughter Tanya. Praise for: great blessing on the benefit dinner for the Peterson family raising over \$10,000, and an amazing membership class made up of a dozen wonderful folks from many different walks of life (Pray for blessing over our time together).
- TE Satoshi Kawachi - Divine appointments as we urgently need to raise additional support for our ministry in Quebec (some churches dropped us due to the field change), and Cally's mother's salvation.

Announcements

After Today's Service...

Please join us in the fellowship hall for some light refreshments.

Next Sunday, March 21

Pastor Dan Millward concludes his four-part series on "Suffering's Perfect Result." Part four is from James 1:1-12 and is entitled, "Endurance."

Hymns: #30 "Our God, Our Help in Ages Past" vv 1-4
#463 "A Debtor to Mercy Alone"
#668 "Who Trusts in God, a Strong Abode"
#168 "I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art"
#457 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Monday, March 22, 7:00pm – The third **membership class** will be held at Pastor Millward's home. (There is not a class tomorrow).

Sunday School for all ages begins at 9:00am. Our **worship service** begins at 10:15am.

Tuesday, March 16, 7:00pm – **Ladies Study** continues at Espresso Bay downtown. All Ladies are welcome.

Wednesday, March 17, 5:30pm – **Family Night Meal & Study**. Please RSVP on the enclosed slip or call the church office by Tuesday morning.

Thursday, April 1, 5:30-7:45pm - **Maundy Thursday Fellowship Meal and Communion Service**. The buffet meal will take place from 5:30-6:30pm, and the Special Communion service will begin at 6:45.

Friday, April 2, 6:45-7:45pm - **Good Friday Tenebrae Service**. "Tenebrae" (meaning darkness) impresses upon the minds and hearts of believers the awful consequence of sin and the magnitude of the Savior's sacrifice.

Thursday Mornings, 7:30am to 8:30am - **Men's Bible Study**.

Resources for your spiritual growth - You will find in the narthex, for the month of March, the Daily Lectionary Readings, Calendars, and Table Talk magazine.

—A Note of Thanks from the Peterson Family—

Gayle, Kyle, and I would like to express our sincerest and deepest gratitude to the entire congregation of Redeemer Presbyterian Church for their selfless service and generous giving to our family at the recent benefit dinner. During these difficult times when God can seem so distant, we have been assured of His presence through the very real outpouring of love and compassion we received from you, His people. Our humble words of gratitude seem so very insignificant, but we have been truly blessed by your support and love, and we thank God for each and every one of you!

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Worship: Sundays 10:15 a.m.