



Redeemer

Presbyterian Church

When Jesus saw his mother
and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby,
he said to his mother, “Woman, behold, your son!”
Then he said to the disciple, “Behold, your mother!”
And from that hour the disciple took her to his own home.
—John 19:26-27

The Lord’s Service
July 11, 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

Order of Worship

Call to Worship Nehemiah 9:5b

Rev. Dale Van Dyke

†**Opening Hymn** #302 “Come, Christians, Join to Sing”

†**Invocation**

Psalm 124:8

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

People: Who made heaven and earth.

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*) “Thy Strong Word”

Tune: Ebenezer

God the Father, Light-creator,

To Thee laud and honor be.

To Thee, Light of Light begotten,

Praise be sung eternally.

Holy Spirit, light revealer,

Glory, glory be to Thee.

Mortals, angels, now and ever

Praise the holy Trinity!

Confession of Sin

Romans 5:8; Hebrews 4:16; Psalm 25:4-7, 11

Pastor: “God shows his love for us that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.” “Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.”

All: Make me to know your ways, O LORD; teach me your paths.

Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all the day long. Remember your mercy, O

LORD, and your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.

Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according

to your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of your goodness,

O LORD! For your name’s sake, O LORD, pardon my guilt, for it is great.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Ephesians 2:4-5

Pastor: But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ. 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, be at peace, know that your sins are forgiven.

†**Hymn of Assurance** #455 “And Can It Be That I Should Gain” vv. 1, 3-5

†**Prayer for Illumination** Elder Dirk Van Til

Old Testament Reading Psalm 84:1-12

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

Epistle Reading 1 John 4:7-12

Forbes Husted

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

Prayers of Intercession and the Lord’s Prayer

Elder Dirk Van Til

Giving of God’s Tithes and Our Offering

Please sign and pass the fellowship pads at this time.

†**Doxology** (*in song*)

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.

†**Sermon Text Reading** John 19:25-28

Rev. Dale Van Dyke

Pastor: This is the Gospel of our Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon “Love in a Time of Crisis”

Prayer of Application

†**Sermon Hymn** #609 “Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me?”

(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 Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was 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 will 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.**

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.

Psalms 118:1

Pastor: It is truly right to give you thanks and praise, eternal and ever blessed God, Lord 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. Your wisdom is seen in all your works; your grace and truth are revealed in Jesus Christ, your Son; your power and presence are given to us through your Holy Spirit. Therefore, with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, and with the church on earth, we magnify your glorious Name, evermore praising you and singing:

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 #304 “I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say”

#279 “Christ Jesus Lay in Death’s Strong Bands”

Prayer after Communion (*in unison*)

Eternal God, you love us, have chosen us, and redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ, whose body was broken and whose blood was shed for us. Grant that we may go into the world, in the strength of your Spirit, to serve you and others through 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.

†Benediction

†Benediction Response “Three-fold Amen”



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Sermon Notes

Points to Ponder

The women who played a supportive role during Jesus' public ministry (Mk 15:41) were now present at the time of his death. There is some question as to whether John mentions three or four women here in his list. Those who favor the number three take the sister of Jesus' mother to be Mary, the wife of Cleopas. Compare also the lists of women given by Matthew (27:56) and Mark (15:40). Various attempts at harmonization have proved interesting, but inconclusive.

Mary's presence at the foot of the cross leads one to recall the words of prophecy spoken by the aged Simeon, "And a sword will pierce your own soul too" (Lk 2:35). The suffering Savior now turns his attention to the woman who gave him birth. He saw "the disciple whom he loved" (i.e., John) standing next to her and committed Mary to John's care. Jesus' use of the [Greek] word "gunai" to address Mary was a special reminder that her parental role had to yield to another, higher relationship with Jesus. Jesus was her Savior too. She must also look to him in faith for the forgiveness of her sins.

What love and concern our Lord shows during the last moments of his life! In spite of the agony of body and soul on the cross, he thinks of his mother's needs and sees to it that they are taken care of. It is assumed that Joseph, Mary's husband, had already died. The question as to whether Mary bore other children remains open for debate. However, Jesus finds a willing "son" in John, who immediately took Mary in.

It is notable that from this time on, Jesus' mother recedes into the background. She is mentioned only once more in the sacred record (Ac 1:14). It was not her sorrow and suffering which worked our redemption. Jesus alone did all that was necessary to complete the work of our salvation as we shall soon see.

—Richard Balge, *Sermon Studies on the Gospels*

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Prayer Requests

FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY AT REDEEMER...

Health / Healing

- Gayle Peterson - still hospitalized at Munson.
- Julie Gregory - safe and healthy pregnancy.

Other Concerns

- 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); Cummings (Guadalajara); Nellie Vos (France); Newsomes (RUF at MSU); and the mission work in Burma.

Other Concerns

- Gerry Forrester (Gayle's mother) - recovering from cancer surgery.
- Eleanor Kaarre (Mary Doran's mother) - cancer.

FOR CHURCHES IN OUR PRESBYTERY...

- Good Shepherd, Valparaiso, IN - Pray for: Wisdom for Session leading the congregation into the future, Ken Coppage grieving the loss of his wife of over 55 years, success and participation in our "Summer Wednesdays" community outreach, the Marshall family in continuing health & financial needs, Duane Stocker with continuing health concerns, and a greater vision for evangelism and outreach.
- Redeemer Presbyterian, Traverse City, MI - Pray for: an additional elder and deacon, faithful witness in the heart of the city, Gayle Peterson - in Cardio-Care after 6 months in ICU with a long way to go before going home, and that visitors would be ministered to through authentic "Word and Sacrament" worship & the warmth of a very loving congregation. Praise for: the many visitors we are receiving in our new location.
- TE Satoshi Kawachi - Pray for: provision of divine appointments and the needed 13% of monthly pledges this fall so we can move to Quebec this winter. Praise for additional support bringing us back to 87%.

Announcements

After Today's Service...

- Please join us outside for light refreshments and fellowship.
- If you would like the elders to pray for you, they are available after the service in the Library (the small room next to the chancel).

Next Sunday, July 18

Pastor Millward will continue preaching through the book of Romans. The text will be Romans 3:21-31.

Hymns: #297 "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"
#524 "Thy Works, Not Mine, O Christ"
Insert "In Christ Alone"
#508 "Jesus Lover of My Soul"
#501 "Just As I Am, without One Plea"

Saturday, July 31, 11:00am – All Ladies are invited to a **Baby Shower** for Julie Gregory. Please RSVP on the sheet in the narthex.

Sunday, July 25 will be our **quarterly benevolence offering**.

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

Resources for your spiritual growth - the Daily Lectionary Readings, Calendars, and Table Talk magazine for the month of July are available in the narthex.

Church Financial Update

YTD through June 30, 2010

Budget.....	\$69,600
Actual Expenses.....	\$73,449
Actual Income	\$83,198

The Session (Pastor and Elders)

Rev. Daniel Millward, Pastor	922-7270
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Jerry DeVries	938-2317
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Sunday School is not held during the summer but will resume in the fall.

Worship: Sundays 10:15 a.m.