

Explanation of Sanctuary Art

Bulletin Cover and Installations

In Exodus 13:21, God leads his people with a cloud by day. To illustrate this, artists from Redeemer have made many charcoal drawings and collaged in collaboration to create this cloud in the window. Charcoal is made in a similar fashion to the ashes used in our Ash Wednesday service. In our ashes we take the palms from last Palm Sunday and burn them to create the ash that makes up the cross drawn onto each forehead.

This use of liturgical symbols, colors, smells, and signs is not simply decorative but also gets into the thread of our lives and years.

Signs are reused and reshaped to remind us that God is working out his plan in us and at Redeemer. The mobiles from Advent are now filled with the curly (formerly pink) ribbons that now suggest clouds of God leading us through Lent by his Spirit and breath.

~~Liturgical Arts Team

Banners

During the Exodus, God led his people with a pillar of fire by night. The vestments, made to image this pillar, were made from lint to help us remember our mortality. Besides being highly flammable, lint's ontogeny calls to mind the motif found in Genesis 3:19 and Ecclesiastes 3:20: "All are from the dust, and to dust all return."

~~Moriah Miller and Lauren McElhaney

Circular Hanging Forms

Nick Dodge

Communion Set

Noelle Hoover



Welcome

Call to Worship

based on Psalm 93

Leader

The Lord reigns, he is robed in majesty;
the Lord is robed in majesty and armed with strength;
indeed, the world is established, firm and secure.
Your throne was established long ago;
you are from all eternity.

People

The seas have lifted up, Lord, the seas have lifted up their voice; the seas have lifted up their pounding waves.

Leader

But mightier than the thunder of the great waters, mightier than the breakers of the sea—the Lord on high is mighty.

All

Your statutes, Lord, stand firm; holiness adorns your house for endless days.

Opening Hymn

"Come Ye Sinners"

All Come, ye sinners, poor and wretched, weak and wounded, sick and sore;
Jesus, ready, stands to save you, full of pity, joined with pow'r.
He is able, he is able, he is willing, doubt no more.

Come, ye thirsty, come and welcome, God's free bounty glorify; True belief and true repentance, ev'ry grace that brings you nigh. Without money, without money, come to Jesus Christ and buy.

Come, ye weary, heavy-laden, bruised and broken by the fall; If you tarry till you're better, you will never come at all. Not the righteous, not the righteous, sinners Jesus came to call.

Let not conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream; All the fitness he requires is to feel your need of him. This he gives you, this he gives you; 'Tis the Spirit's rising beam.

Lo! the incarnate God, ascended, pleads the merit of his blood; Venture on him, venture wholly, let no other trust intrude. None but Jesus, none but Jesus can do helpless sinners good.

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Prayer of Confession

Leader

Father, you made heaven and earth and filled them with your splendor. You then intimately formed us and gave us the privelege of tending your beauty. We betrayed you and you came after us, pursued us, and saved us at the cost of your own son and his suffering. You have been faithful to us throughout all ages and every day of our lives.

All But we are not loyal to you.

We are far more concerned with the opinions of others, though they change with the fashions.

We are embarrassed to love you radically.

We are self-conscious and inhibited, catering to a non-existent audience of judges, and striving to feel okay with our own self image,

We sacrifice a life of being in step with your Spirit on the altar of fickle mortals.

Leader The fear of man has bound us up, and our growth in you is stunted.

All

Jesus, we choose you.

Give us the courage to forsake all others.

Give us the joy of living with an undivided heart.

Give us such a profound intimacy with you,

that all other opinions are of no consequence.

Leader Jesus, you died that we would be entirely yours again.

All Set us free from ourselves
and complete the work you have begun,
that we might enjoy you
and show forth your beauty,
as your cherished ones.

Leader In your power,

All Amen.

Assurance of Pardon in the Gospel

based on Psalm 103:8-18

Leader

The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love.

He will not always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger forever;

He does not treat us as our sins deserve, or repay us according to our iniquities.

All

For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him;

As far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us.

Leader

As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear him; For he knows how we are formed, he remembers that we are dust.

The life of mortals is like grass, they flourish like a flower of the field; The wind blows over it and it is gone, and its place remembers it no more.

All

But from everlasting to everlasting the Lord's love is with those who fear him, and his righteousness with their children's children—with those who keep his covenant.

Song in the Gospel

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

All
Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning, our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy! All the saints adore thee, Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, Who wert and art and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee, Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see, Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee, Perfect in pow'r, in love and purity.

Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

words: Reginald Heber, 1826; music: John B. Dykes, 1860; Public Domain

Song in the Gospel

"The Lord is my Joy"

All

(All)The Lord is my joy, the Lord is my joy,
When all that I have is lost, I find
The Lord is my joy.

The Lord is my strength, the Lord is my strength, When I am too weak to go on, I find The Lord is my strength.

My all in all is he, my healing King, My Master tends to me, for him, my soul shall sing.

The Lord is my rock, the Lord is my rock, When all I have faith in fails, I find The Lord is my rock.

The Lord is my delight, the Lord is my delight, Above all the joys of life, I find The Lord is my delight.

My all in all is he, my breath, my song. In him, I have everything; to him, my soul belongs.

Women I wait, and wait upon you, to come for me in rescue.

Give strength, my heart is failing, yet still, my lips will praise you. (Repeat)

Men
 And with his wings he covers me, he keeps his watch while I'm asleep,
 I offer all my plans and dreams, I give my savior everything.
 And with his wings he covers me, he keeps his watch while I'm asleep,
 I offer all my plans and dreams.

All You who gave your only son, I dare not doubt your steadfast love. Come, I beg you take my life, if I am yours then all is right.

You who gave your only son, I dare not doubt your steadfast love. Come, I beg you take my life, if I am yours then all is right.

My all in all is he, my dearest friend. I put my trust in him; on him, my soul depends.

Nathan Partain, 2008

Offering of Gifts and Service

Offertory

Scripture

Exodus 2:23-3:10

Reader

- ²³ During that long period, the king of Egypt died. The Israelites groaned in their slavery and cried out, and their cry for help because of their slavery went up to God. ²⁴ God heard their groaning and he remembered his covenant with Abraham, with Isaac and with Jacob. ²⁵ So God looked on the Israelites and was concerned about them.
- ³⁻¹ Now Moses was tending the flock of Jethro his father-in-law, the priest of Midian, and he led the flock to the far side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. ² There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in flames of fire from within a bush. Moses saw that though the bush was on fire it did not burn up. ³ So Moses thought, "I will go over and see this strange sight—why the bush does not burn up."
- ⁴ When the Lord saw that he had gone over to look, God called to him from within the bush, "Moses! Moses!"

And Moses said, "Here I am."

- ⁵ "Do not come any closer," God said. "Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy ground." ⁶ Then he said, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob." At this, Moses hid his face, because he was afraid to look at God.
- ⁷ The Lord said, "I have indeed seen the misery of my people in Egypt. I have heard them crying out because of their slave drivers, and I am concerned about their suffering. ⁸ So I have come down to rescue them from the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land into a good and spacious land, a land flowing with milk and honey—the home of the Canaanites, Hittites, Amorites, Perizzites, Hivites and Jebusites. ⁹ And now the cry of the Israelites has reached me, and I have seen the way the Egyptians are oppressing them. ¹⁰ So now, go. I am sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people the Israelites out of Egypt."

Reader People This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Charles Anderson When God Comes Down

Children's Worship is for ages 3 through kindergarten and is a time for children to worship through song, Bible stories, and response (art or story play). Children will return to the sanctuary before communion, and parents can pick them up at that time. Visitors are welcome, and parents are always invited to attend with their children.

Community Group Questions

1) Where in the passage does it say that God sees? What does it mean that he sees? How can God show that he sees our situation? What difference does it make that God sees? As we are being changed into the image of Jesus, by the Spirit, we take on his character and ways. How, then, are we called to see? What difference does it make when someone sees your situation and is concerned? 2) According to Exodus 3:8, who will bring the Israelites out of Egypt? What about according to 3:10? What do we learn from this juxtaposition? Look at 2 Corinthians 7:5-7. What does that likewise tell us about how God works? How should this shape our faith and expectation of God to be at work? 3) The first characteristic of God expressed in this passage is his holiness, which makes Moses hide his face (3:5-6). How does God's holiness make him rightly unapproachable? How does (and doesn't) the cross re-shape the picture?

Children's Questions

How many times does it say in Exodus 2:23-3:10 that God sees? What does he see? How is that supposed to make Moses and the Israelites feel? How can it encourage you that God sees you?

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Call to Communion and Prayer

Guidelines for the Reception of Communion

Redeemer welcomes all Christians who are willing to forsake their sin and trust in Jesus Christ for salvation and who are members of congregations which proclaim the gospel to receive Communion with us. We will be coming forward for the distribution of Communion. Please eat the bread privately, and then drink the cup together with us after everyone has returned to their seats. Clear cups (located in the interior rings) contain grape juice. Red cups (exterior ring of tray) contain wine. Children who have been interviewed by the elders are able to partake of Communion.

The ministry of prayer is one of the ways we live together as a community of believers and seekers. During Communion, members of our prayer team are available at the front of the sanctuary. It would be our privilege to pray with you as we walk together through the joys and struggles of life. We also encourage you to pray with one another in the pews during this time of movement in our service.

Prayers

Prayer for Guidance to Truth

God, I don't know how I feel about what I have heard today but I want to trust that you are good, that you are loving, and that you are just. I want to know if you are the true God. If you are there, would you guide my soul to the truest truth. I don't want to be tricked or believe a lie. I don't want to believe in something just to make me feel better. Please God, lead me to the truth.

Prayer of Belief and Repentance

Jesus, I believe that you are who you say you are: the Son of God and the savior of broken people like me. I need forgiveness. I need to be made new and to start over again. I now turn away from all I have been doing. I turn away from my self-centered life. I turn my whole heart toward you. I believe that when you were crucified, you took all of my evil and somehow you gave me all of your beauty. I invite your Holy Spirit to live in me. I do not want to live for myself any more. I want you to lead my life. I want to know you and to receive your love for me. Please teach me and protect me and guide me. I am yours. I ask these things in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Prayer of Doubt and Faith

God, I don't really believe all of this, but there is a part of my heart that knows there is truth and goodness here. I am confused by the fact that there are so many things that I don't understand or that make me angry about you. There are also so many things that fill my heart with hope and many things that draw me to you, and I want to put my trust in you. God, you say I can come to you and ask for anything, so if you are real, please give me the faith I need to believe. Give me the desire to continue to seek after you. Keep my heart from self-deception. Protect me from any evil misleading or binding spirits. Calm my fears. Soften my cynicism. Be patient with me, and if you are God, please don't let me go, but instead let me know that you are real. I have a little faith, help me in my doubt.

Song of Celebration

"A Lovely Wait"

Ensemble

I've seen great beauty in the starlit sky,
In the sweep of music, in my lover's eyes
But it has no weight apart from you.
I've sought for comfort, and I've scrounged for rest,
And I've searched for someway I could be content,
But the land is wanton, without you.

I've known man's glory, just how it lasts,
With its fading flower and its withering grass
Cause There's nothing living, without you
I found innocence was stained, all the gold was lead,
I drank the ocean but I thirst again.
Cause the heart is restless without you.

So, I eat the dust, I wear the ash I bear the hunger, I keep the fast It's a lovely wait, to be with you. I cry out in losses and I wait through wars, But I know my Portion, my great Reward It's a lovely wait, to be with you.

I'm across from Canaan I'm looking in,
At the beautiful splendor of the Promised land
But I will not enter, without you.
There is no affection, there is no feast,
There is no pleasure, there is no peace,
No, there is no heaven, without you.

So, I eat the dust, I wear the ash I bear the hunger, I keep the fast It's a lovely wait, to be with you. I cry out in losses and I wait through wars, But I know my Portion, my great Reward It's a lovely wait, to be with you.

Nathan Partain, 2015

Song of Celebration

"We are Not Overcome"

Ensemble

Flesh will fail and bones will break; theives will steal, the earth will shake, Night will fall, the light will fade; The Lord will give and take away:

Because of God's great Love, we are not overcome! Because of God's great Love, we are not overcome!

Put no trust in the earth, in the sod you stand upon. Flowers fade into dust; The Lord will make a place for us.

Because of God's great Love, we are not overcome! Because of God's great Love, we are not overcome!

Have no fear for your life, Turn your cheek! Turn your cheek! Bear the yoke of love and death; The Lord will give all life and breath.

Because of God's great Love, we are not overcome! Because of God's great Love, we are not overcome!

Robert Heiskell and Isaac Wardell , 2013

Serving Spotlight

Prayer Ministry

Valediction

based on Isaiah 42:14-17

Leader Dear children, hear the passion of your Father for you:

"For a long time I have kept silent,
I have been quiet and held myself back.
But now, like a woman in childbirth,
I cry out, I gasp and pant.
I will lay waste the mountains and hills
and dry up all their vegetation;
I will turn rivers into islands
and dry up the pools.
I will lead the blind by ways they have not known,
along unfamiliar paths I will guide them;
I will turn the darkness into light before them
and make the stumbling places smooth.

All of these promises he will accomplish for us; because he will not let us go.

Leader

But those who live their lives for man made hopes, who say to human methods of security, 'You are my trust,'

They shall wince and pull back, they will be utterly terrified at their error.

Departing Hymn

"Hold Thou my Hand"

All
Hold thou my hand; so weak I am, and helpless,
I dare not take one step without thy aid;
Hold thou my hand; for then, O loving Savior,
No dread of ill shall make my soul afraid.

Hold thou my hand, and closer, draw me closer, To thy dear self, my hope, my joy, my all; Hold thou my hand, lest haply I should wander, And, missing thee, my trembling feet should fall.

Hold thou my hand; the way is dark before me, Without the sunlight of thy face divine; But when by faith, I catch its radiant glory, What heights of joy, what rapturous songs are mine!

Hold thou my hand, that when I reach the margin,
Of that lone river thou didst cross for me,
A heavenly light may flash along its waters,
And every wave like crystal bright shall be.

Hold thou my hand; so weak I am, and helpless, I dare not take one step without thy aid; I dare not take one step without thy aid.

words: Fanny Crosby, 1879; music: Nathan Partain, 2003

Benediction

PREDEEMER WOMEN DICORDE EAD COFFEE. DESSERT. Community:

Redeemer Women invite you to join them for a Women's OneRead. Grab a copy of *Real* by Catherine Parks, read it, and join us to discuss the book's message on how we can move towards deeper relationships with God and one another. We are excited that Catherine Parks, the author, will be with us to talk and lead the discussion!

We will meet Tuesday, April 30, 7:00–9:00 p.m. in the Underground. Dessert and coffee will be served. Books will be available for purchase (\$10) in the courtyard lobby today and next Sunday, the 24th (while they last!) and on Amazon.

This is also a great night to bring friends, so please reach out and think of who you might be able to bring with you!

Please register yourself and any friends so we can cater correctly. We are looking forward to a great night together!

Register online [redeemindy.org/events/oneread]





Upcoming Events

12:45 pm Everyone is Invited to Lunch in the Gym

Today after 2nd service, come join us for our hospitality lunch in the gym.

Tonight Youth Spring Break Party
6:30-9pm All middle and high schoo

All middle and high school students are invited to join us at the Georges' home, Sunday, 3/24 from 6:30–9pm for a spring break party! Please RSVP online [redeemindy.org/events/springbreak].

Wednesday House Concert: Wendell Kimbrough
7:00pm We're hosting a house concert with W

We're hosting a house concert with Wendell Kimbrough on Wednesday, 3/20 at 7pm! Wendell is a songwriter reimagining the Psalms for emotionally honest modern worship. His songs are marked by strong singable melodies, steeped in the sounds of folk, gospel, and soul music. Wendell serves as artist-in-residence and worship leader at Church of the Apostles in Fairhope, Alabama. For more info contact Nathan Partain [nathan@redeemindy.org].

4/12-13 Interested in membership?

Dig deeper into what it means to be a part of the community here! Join us for Discovering Redeemer, Friday, 4/12 from 6–9pm and Saturday, 4/13 from 9–noon. Register online [redeemindy.org/events/discoveringredeemer].

Sundays Spring Classes
10-10:50am The spring sem

The spring semester of Sunday classes is underway. Classes meet from 10–10:50am, between the two worship services, with classes offered for all ages, including three classes for adults: the book of Daniel in the Speck Gallery, church history in the Underground Gallery, and the creatives class in Kyle Ragsdale's studio. Find more information at the Welcome Table or on the blog [redeemindy.org/blog].









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year to date giving:

\$ 301,922.71

Jan-Mar budget: \$ 504,497.50 2019 budget: \$2,016,840

Congregational Giving

Mar 3rd	\$ 33,928.22
Mar Total	\$ 33,928.22
Mar Budget	\$ 168,070

Designated Giving

Mercy 2019 Total	\$ 3,733.00
Missions Team 2019 Total	\$ 17,066.11
Building Team 2019 Total	\$ 103.14
Church Planting 2019 Total	\$ 100.00



Membership at Redeemer

Membership is meaningful in multiple ways. First, we believe that as Christians, it is a part of our calling to be active and engaged in the Church. When you become a member, you take public vows to confirm your faith in Christ and commit to his Church. These vows submit members to the leadership and discipline of the church. We submit ourselves to accountability just like in marriage, friendship, citizenship, and any other relationship or institution that we enter into.

Membership also allows you certain benefits. Members in good standing are able to vote on church matters. They elect elders, call pastors, and have a say in other church business.

To become a member at Redeemer you must take our Discovering Redeemer class and meet with an elder for an interview. You will take membership vows privately and then publicly before the church. To begin this process, contact Jen Maurer [jen.maurer@redeemindy.org].

Fountain Square Pres

In 2014, Fountain Square Presbyterian Church opened its doors. The first daughter church of Redeemer, Fountain Square ministers to, worships with, and cultivates Christ-centered community in the Fountain Square neighborhood of Indianapolis.

Redeemer Presbyterian Church is part of a church planting movement in Indianapolis and we are earnestly working to fund the planting of another gospel community.

Good to See You Again.

You've been around, but there are so many ways to get plugged in that you're not sure where to start. How about starting here? Give us your name and email, check some boxes, and drop this in the offering plate.

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	Learn More About Redeemer
	Become a Member
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^{*}Go to www.redeemindy.org/ministries for a full list of volunteer opportunities and descriptions.