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REDEEMER



# Welcome

## Call to Worship

*based on Psalm 96: 1-6*

*Leader* Sing to the LORD a new song;  
sing to the LORD, all the earth.

*People* **Sing to the LORD, praise his name;  
proclaim his salvation day after day.  
Declare his glory among the nations,  
his marvelous deeds among all peoples.**

*Leader* For great is the LORD and most worthy of praise;

*All* **He is to be feared above all gods  
For all the gods of the nations are idols,  
but the LORD made the heavens.  
Splendor and majesty are before him;  
strength and glory are in his sanctuary.**

# Opening Hymn

*“Blessed Assurance”*

*All*

**Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!  
O what a foretaste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,  
Born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.**

**This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Savior all the day long;  
This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Savior all the day long.**

**Perfect submission, perfect delight,  
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;  
Angels descending bring from above  
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.**

**This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Savior all the day long;  
This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Savior all the day long.**

**Perfect submission, all is at rest;  
I in my Savior am happy and blest,  
Watching and waiting, looking above,  
Filled with his goodness, lost in his love.**

**This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Savior all the day long;  
This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Savior all the day long.**

**This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Savior all the day long;  
This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Savior all the day long.**

*words: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820-1915; music: Phoebe P. Knapp, 1839-1909*

# Prayer of Confession

*based on Exodus 15:1-18*

*Leader* We confess that we doubt your justice.

*People* **We say we want evil punished,  
but when you punish evil we call you hateful.**

*Leader* We confess that we ignore the evil in our own hearts.

*People* **We are quick to point out the evil in others,  
but we ignore the ways we scorn you and love the darkness.**

*Leader* Save us from the evil and false gods we embrace!

*People* **O Lord our savior king, have mercy on us and rescue us from evil!**

# Assurance of Pardon in the Gospel

*based on Romans 5:8; Exodus 15:13, 18; Psalm 30:11-12*

*Leader* God demonstrates his own love for us in this:  
while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

*People* **He has turned our wailing into dancing,  
He has clothed us in joy.**

*Leader* Our hearts will sing your praises and not be silent.

*People* **LORD our God, we will praise you forever!**

*Leader* In your unfailing love  
you will lead the people you have redeemed.

*People* **In your strength  
you will guide us to your holy dwelling.**

*All* **The LORD reigns for ever and ever!**

# Song in the Gospel

*"Nothing but the Blood"*

*All*

**What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.**

**O precious is the flow, that makes me white as snow;  
No other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus.**

**For my pardon, this I see, nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
For my cleansing this my plea, nothing but the blood of Jesus.**

**O precious is the flow, that makes me white as snow;  
No other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus.**

**Nothing can for sin atone, nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
Naught of good that I have done, nothing but the blood of Jesus.**

**O precious is the flow, that makes me white as snow;  
No other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus.**

**This is all my hope and peace, nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
This is all my righteousness, nothing but the blood of Jesus.**

**O precious is the flow, that makes me white as snow;  
No other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus.**

**Now by this I'll overcome, nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
Now by this I'll reach my home, nothing but the blood of Jesus.**

**O precious is the flow, that makes me white as snow;  
No other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus.**

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No other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus.**

*Robert Lowry, 1876*

# Song in the Gospel

*“Before the Throne of God Above”*

*All*

**Before the throne of God above, I have a strong and perfect plea,  
A great High Priest whose name is “Love,” whoever lives and pleads for me.  
My name is graven on his hands, my name is written on his heart;  
I know that while in heav’n he stands, no tongue can bid me thence depart,  
No tongue can bid me thence depart.**

**When Satan tempts me to despair, and tells me of the guilt within,  
Upward I look and see him there, who made an end to all my sin.  
Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free;  
For God, the Just, is satisfied to look on him and pardon me,  
To look on him and pardon me.**

**Behold him there! The risen Lamb, my perfect, spotless Righteousness,  
The great unchangeable I Am, the King of glory and of grace!  
One with himself, I cannot die, my soul is purchased by his blood;  
My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ, my Savior and my God,  
With Christ, my Savior and my God.**

**One with himself, I cannot die, my soul is purchased by his blood;  
My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ, my Savior and my God,  
With Christ, my Savior and my God.**

*words: Charitie L. Bancroft, 1863; music: Vikki Cook, 1997*

## Prayer of Dependence

## Offering of Gifts and Service



# Offertory

*"My Everything"*

*Leader*

**To earn my love from you,  
I put faith in what I do, I guess that proves,  
That I barely know you;  
On your cross I see,  
That someone had to bleed; it wasn't me;  
I desperately need you.**

**Holy Spirit, descend into my heart,  
And pull it towards my Father;  
Be my bread, be my light, be the only thing that's true and doesn't change;  
To the One who bore my shame: be my everything.**

**I find it beautiful,  
The hands that shaped the skies designed my soul;  
I don't deserve you,  
So take what's left of me;  
Your grace is all I have, and all I need,  
So I'm falling to my knees (praying).**

**Holy Spirit, descend into my life,  
And shape me like my Father;  
Be my bread, be my light, be the only thing that's true and doesn't change;  
To the One who bore my shame: be my everything.**

**I know now,  
The weight of all I've done but I have,  
Hope now;  
You claimed me as your son so can you,  
Show me how,  
To live a life devoted to your love, your love.**

**Holy Spirit, you saved me from myself,  
So I can know my Father;  
You're my bread, You're my light, You're the only thing that's true and doesn't change;  
To the One who washed my stains: you're my everything.**

*Luke Livingston, 2019*

*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.*

# Scripture

*Exodus 15:1-18*

*Reader*

<sup>1</sup> Then Moses and the Israelites sang this song to the Lord:

“I will sing to the Lord, for he is highly exalted.

Both horse and driver he has hurled into the sea.

<sup>2</sup> “The Lord is my strength and my defense; he has become my salvation.

He is my God, and I will praise him, my father’s God, and I will exalt him.

<sup>3</sup> The Lord is a warrior; the Lord is his name.

<sup>4</sup> Pharaoh’s chariots and his army he has hurled into the sea.

The best of Pharaoh’s officers are drowned in the Red Sea.

<sup>5</sup> The deep waters have covered them; they sank to the depths like a stone.

<sup>6</sup> Your right hand, Lord, was majestic in power.

Your right hand, Lord, shattered the enemy.

<sup>7</sup> “In the greatness of your majesty you threw down those who opposed you.

You unleashed your burning anger; it consumed them like stubble.

<sup>8</sup> By the blast of your nostrils the waters piled up.

The surging waters stood up like a wall; the deep waters congealed in the heart of the sea.

<sup>9</sup> The enemy boasted, ‘I will pursue, I will overtake them.

I will divide the spoils; I will gorge myself on them.

I will draw my sword and my hand will destroy them.’

<sup>10</sup> But you blew with your breath, and the sea covered them.

They sank like lead in the mighty waters.

<sup>11</sup> Who among the gods is like you, Lord?

Who is like you—majestic in holiness,

awesome in glory, working wonders?

<sup>12</sup> “You stretch out your right hand, and the earth swallows your enemies.

<sup>13</sup> In your unfailing love you will lead the people you have redeemed.

In your strength you will guide them to your holy dwelling.

<sup>14</sup> The nations will hear and tremble; anguish will grip the people of Philistia.

<sup>15</sup> The chiefs of Edom will be terrified, the leaders of Moab will be seized with trembling, the people of Canaan will melt away; <sup>16</sup> terror and dread will fall on them.

By the power of your arm they will be as still as a stone—

until your people pass by, Lord, until the people you bought pass by.

<sup>17</sup> You will bring them in and plant them on the mountain of your inheritance—

the place, Lord, you made for your dwelling, the sanctuary, Lord, your hands established.

<sup>18</sup> “The Lord reigns for ever and ever.”

*Reader*

This is the Word of the Lord.

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

# Sermon

*Ben Reed*

**The God Who Slays Evil**

## Notes

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## Community Group Questions

*1) As we mature in our faith we grow more and more aware of the sin - the evil - in our own hearts, but we also grow more and more aware of the depths of God's grace for us on the cross. Still we struggle with wanting to recognize the evil in our own hearts. Why do you think you personally have difficulty in recognizing evil in your own heart - and even calling it evil? If you feel comfortable, share about this in the group.*

*2) As we grow in understanding of how much grace we have received, our hearts should overflow more and more with joy and celebration. What keeps you from being joyful and celebrating exuberantly in worship of our savior?*

*What does it look like to apply the gospel to those things blocking your joy and celebration? Take some time to pray for each other.*

### *Children's Question*

*Do you know how much Jesus loves you? He loves you so much that you will spend your entire lives trying to understand just how much he loves you. It is amazing! And because of that, we should be so joyful and excited to praise him. What are some ways that you can show how excited you are that Jesus loves you? Your parents might have a hard time showing as much joy and excitement as you. (Some adults get boring, but you don't have to when you grow up.) How can you help your parents be more comfortable signing, dancing, and doing other things to show how excited they are that Jesus loves them?*

# 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

*“Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus”*

*Ensemble*

’Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus,  
And to take him at his Word;  
Just to rest upon his promise,  
And to know, “Thus says the Lord!”

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;  
And in simple faith to plunge me  
’Neath the healing, cleansing flood!

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!

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.

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!

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.

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!

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!

*words: Louisa M. R. Stead, 1882; music: William J. Kirkpatrick*

# Song of Celebration

*“Come, Ye Sinners”*

*Ensemble*

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded, sick and sore;  
Jesus, ready, stands to save you, full of pity, love, and power.

Come ye thirsty, come, and welcome, God’s free bounty glorify;  
True belief and true repentance, every grace that brings you nigh.

Come, ye weary, heavy laden, lost and ruined by the fall;  
If you tarry ’til you’re better, you will never come at all.

Let not conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream;  
All the fitness he requireth is to feel your need of him.

I will arise and go to Jesus, he will embrace me in his arms;  
In the arms of my dear savior, O, there are ten thousand charms,  
In the arms of my dear savior, O, there are ten thousand charms.

*words: Joseph Hart, 1835; music: trad. American Melody Walker’s Southern Harmony, 1835*

## Life as Worship

# Valediction

*based on Psalm 96: 10-13*

*Leader* Say among the nations, “The LORD reigns.”  
The world is firmly established, it cannot be moved;  
he will judge the peoples with equity.

*People* **Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad;  
let the sea resound, and all that is in it.**

*Leader* Let the fields be jubilant, and everything in them;  
let all the trees of the forest sing for joy.

*All* **Let all creation rejoice before the LORD, for he comes,  
he comes to judge the earth.  
He will judge the world in righteousness  
and the peoples in his faithfulness.**

# Departing Hymn

*“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”*

*All* **What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms;  
What a blessedness, what a peace is mine, leaning on the everlasting arms.**

**Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;  
Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.**

**O how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way, leaning on the everlasting arms;  
O how bright the path grows from day to day, leaning on the everlasting arms.**

**Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;  
Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.**

**What have I to dread, what have I to fear, leaning on the everlasting arms;  
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near, leaning on the everlasting arms.**

**Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;  
Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.**

**Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;  
Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.**

*words Anthony Showalter, Elisha Hoffman, 1887; music Anthony J. Showalter*



# WHO WE ARE

## OUR MISSION

Redeemer exists to connect people to Jesus who is bringing wholeness to the city.

## OUR VALUES

- **TRANSFORMING SAFETY OF THE GOSPEL**

We believe that without the peace that comes from being completely forgiven through faith in Jesus's death and resurrection, there can be no genuine wholeness.

- **LIFE-GIVING AUTHORITY OF SCRIPTURE**

We trust God's unchanging goodness, and yield to his word as our authority in life and in what we do.

- **THOUGHTFUL, EXPECTANT WORSHIP**

We expect to interact with the living God when we are together, knowing that he will be intimately at work in and through each of us.

- **MEANINGFUL RELATIONSHIPS IN COMMUNITY**

We work to relate in the truth that we all have the same life-altering relationship with Jesus, and are connected in that above everything else.

- **CREATING BEAUTY WHERE WE ARE**

We desire to equip people to create beauty where they are, bringing the gospel into every sphere of our lives: our work, school, home, studio, dog walk route, apartment complex, and bus commute.

- **RESPECTFUL EVANGELISM**

We want to share the knowledge of Jesus that we ourselves were given, with all respect and patience as we look for God to be at work in those around us.

- **DESPERATE DEPENDENCE ON JESUS**

We strive to grow in seeking God through prayer and looking to his Holy Spirit to guide and direct what we do in our individual lives and as a whole community.



# Upcoming Events

Tuesday  
7-9pm

## Women, join us for our next 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! Tuesday, 4/30, 7-9pm in the Underground Gallery. Dessert and coffee will be served. Even if you haven't read the book, we'd love for you to come.

Friday  
6-9pm

## First Friday at the Harrison Center

Stop by the Harrison Center this Friday, 6-9pm, for the opening of the May art exhibits, including *Throw Caution* by Quincy Owens in the Harrison Gallery, and *Queen of Hearts* by Redeemer's own Kyle Ragsdale in the Gallery Annex.

May 5  
7:30pm

## Coach Reich is coming to Redeemer!

Indianapolis Theological Seminary is hosting a symposium here at Redeemer with Indianapolis Colts coach, Frank Reich at 7:30pm. His talk is titled "Created to Compete: A Theology of Competition." Reich is a former president of Reformed Theological Seminary in Charlotte, NC. Tickets are \$5 each, and are available online [[indysem.org/news-events](http://indysem.org/news-events)].

May 19  
12:30pm

## New-ish to Redeemer? Join us for lunch!

May 19, after the 11:00 service, join Redeemer staff and other people new to the community in the Speck Gallery for lunch. Newcomer's Lunches are a great opportunity to meet other new people, ask questions, and learn more about Redeemer. All ages are welcome (plus, we'll have supervised play for kids in the gym after we eat). Register online [[redeemindy.org/events/newlunch](http://redeemindy.org/events/newlunch)].

May 22  
6:30-7:30pm

## All-Church Prayer Meeting

Desperate dependence on Jesus—it's a core value for us. Praying together as a church is a great way to live out and grow in that value. It doesn't matter if you've never prayed out loud or with other people before — everyone is invited, and you won't be put on the spot. 5/22, 6:30-7:30 in the Underground Gallery. We'll start and end promptly. Supervised play in the gym available for kids over age 4.

Sundays  
10-10:50am

## Sunday Morning Classes

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](http://redeemindy.org/blog)].



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