

# Welcome

## Call to Worship

*based on Psalm 63:1-5*

- Leader* Children whose hearts now hunger for God,  
you live in a desert.
- All* Your jobs have left you dissatisfied.  
**My soul thirsts for you. My body longs for you.**
- Leader* Your relationships have left you lonely.  
*All* **My soul thirsts for you. My body longs for you.**
- Leader* Your money and success have only given you desire for more,  
and fear of less.  
*All* **My soul thirsts for you. My body longs for you.**
- Leader* Everything you consume only gives a moment of relief  
before the emptiness returns.  
*All* **My soul thirsts for you. My body longs for you.**
- Leader* Your best and highest experiences are quickly mere memories.  
*All* **My soul thirsts for you. My body longs for you.**
- Leader* You live in a dry and weary land where there is no water.
- All* **Let us seek him in his sanctuary  
beholding his power and glory.  
For his love is better than life.**
- Leader* Your soul will be satisfied as with the richest of foods.
- All* **With singing lips my mouth will praise him.**

# Opening Hymn

*"Psalm 136"*

*All*

The Lord is all that's good.  
He is the Power of powers.  
He is the Beauty of beauties.  
He is the Fear of fears.  
He alone is the Author of wonders.  
His thoughts are like the universe;  
His care spread the earth on the water.  
He's the truth of the day. He's the hope through the night.

His love endures forever. He is steadfast. He is faithful.  
His love endures forever. He is a fortress. He is more than able  
To make us stand pure in his sight.

He crushed the head of death,  
Delivered us from the reach of his hand.  
With his mighty arm, he made us a path,  
A way through the deep, we walk on dry land.  
While Pharaoh is damned to darkness,  
He guides us through the wilderness.  
He breaks every scepter, makes low every name.  
In us, he has planted his kingdom, his flame.

His love endures forever. He is steadfast. He is faithful.  
His love endures forever. He is a fortress. He is more than able  
To make us like stars in the night.

He never forgets our weakness.  
He spares us from the enemy.  
He strengthens our soul with the breath of his mouth.  
Give thanks to the Lord of heaven. Cry out!

His love endures forever. He is steadfast. He is faithful.  
His love endures forever. He is a fortress. He is more than able.

His love endures forever. He is steadfast. He is faithful.  
His love endures forever. He is a fortress. He is more than able  
To raise us from death unto life.

*Nathan Partain, 2001*

# Prayer of Confession

- Leader* Our Father loves us and remembers us,  
with our names engraved on the Son's hands.
- People* **Dear God, sometimes we forget you are there,  
and ignore you altogether.**
- Leader* The Spirit has poured out his goodness over us.
- People* **Dear God, sometimes we are greedy,  
and forget to thank you;**
- Leader* Jesus denied himself and took up his cross to save sinners.
- People* **Dear God, sometimes we think only about ourselves,  
and treat others badly.**
- All* **Please forgive us, and help us to remember you,  
to thank you for all things, and to love you always.  
For Jesus's sake, amen.**

# Assurance of Pardon in the Gospel

*based on Hosea 11:1-4; Isaiah 49:13, 15*

- Leader* Your God says,  
"When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son.  
It was I who taught my people to walk, taking them by the arms;  
But they did not realize it was I who healed them."
- All* **You have led us with cords of kindness, with ties of love.  
LORD, you have been like one who lifts a child to your cheek,  
and you have bent down to feed us.**
- Leader* Your God asks,  
"Can a mother forget the baby at her breast  
and have no compassion on the child she has borne?"
- All* **"Though she may forget, I will not forget you!"**
- Leader* Shout for joy, you heavens; Rejoice, you earth;  
Burst into song, you mountains!
- All* **For the LORD comforts his people  
and will have compassion on his afflicted ones.**

## Song in the Gospel

*“Jesus is Mine”*

*All*

**Fade, fade, each earthly joy: Jesus is mine! Break every tender tie: Jesus is mine!  
Dark is this wilderness, Earth has no resting place,  
Jesus alone can bless: Jesus is mine!**

**Tempt not my soul away: Jesus is mine! Here would I ever stay: Jesus is mine!  
Perishing things of clay, born for but one brief day,  
Pass from my heart away: Jesus is mine!**

**All that my soul has tried left but a dismal void;  
Jesus has satisfied: Jesus is mine!**

*words: Jane C. Bonar, 1843; music: Nathan Partain, 2003*

## Song in the Gospel

*“I Love the Lord with All my Heart”*

*All*

**I love the Lord with all my heart, his blessings never end,  
Like water rolling from a fount, his Spirit is within.**

**I love the Lord, he first loved me, before his name, I knew  
His life, his death, for me his blood, healed my deserved wounds.  
I love the Lord though troubles tempt, my heart to doubt his will.  
I wrestle with my wayward mind, until my soul is still.**

**All I want is you, all my springs in you,  
All my strength and good, all my drink and food,  
All I want is you.**

**All my hope is you, all my joy is you,  
All I've sought and searched, in heaven and on earth,  
All I want is you. All I want is you.**

**I love the Lord with all my heart, his presence I adore  
I want to linger in this place, and worship evermore  
I love the Lord and I will sing, I lift my hands and voice.  
My heart now brims with thankfulness, in his love, I rejoice.**

**All I want is you, all my springs in you,  
All my strength and good, all my drink and food,  
All I want is you.**

**All my hope is you, all my joy is you,  
All I've sought and searched, in heaven and on earth,  
All I want is you. All I want is you.**

**I love the Lord with all my heart, his blessings never end,  
Each morning as I search them out,  
His beauty's new again.**

*Nathan Partain, 2015*

# Prayer of Dependence

## Offering of Gifts and Service

### Offertory

*“By the Sea of Crystal”*

*Ensemble*

By the sea of crystal, saints in glory stand,  
Myriads in number, drawn from every land,  
Robed in white apparel, washed in Jesus' blood,  
They now reign in Heaven with the Lamb of God.

Out of tribulation, death and Satan's hand,  
They have been translated at the Lord's command.  
In their hands they're holding palms of victory;  
Hark! the jubilant chorus shouts triumphantly:

“Unto God Almighty, sitting on the throne,  
And the Lamb, victorious, be the praise alone,  
God has wrought salvation, He did wondrous things,  
Who shall not extol Thee, holy King of kings?”

*words: William Kuipers, 1932; music: Nathan Partain, 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 16:2-32*

*Reader*

<sup>2</sup> In the desert the whole community grumbled against Moses and Aaron. <sup>3</sup> The Israelites said to them, “If only we had died by the Lord’s hand in Egypt! There we sat around pots of meat and ate all the food we wanted, but you have brought us out into this desert to starve this entire assembly to death.”

<sup>4</sup> Then the Lord said to Moses, “I will rain down bread from heaven for you. The people are to go out each day and gather enough for that day. In this way I will test them and see whether they will follow my instructions. <sup>5</sup> On the sixth day they are to prepare what they bring in, and that is to be twice as much as they gather on the other days.”

<sup>6</sup> So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, “In the evening you will know that it was the Lord who brought you out of Egypt, <sup>7</sup> and in the morning you will see the glory of the Lord, because he has heard your grumbling against him. Who are we, that you should grumble against us?” <sup>8</sup> Moses also said, “You will know that it was the Lord when he gives you meat to eat in the evening and all the bread you want in the morning, because he has heard your grumbling against him. Who are we? You are not grumbling against us, but against the Lord.”

<sup>9</sup> Then Moses told Aaron, “Say to the entire Israelite community, ‘Come before the Lord, for he has heard your grumbling.’”

<sup>10</sup> While Aaron was speaking to the whole Israelite community, they looked toward the desert, and there was the glory of the Lord appearing in the cloud.

<sup>11</sup> The Lord said to Moses, <sup>12</sup> “I have heard the grumbling of the Israelites. Tell them, ‘At twilight you will eat meat, and in the morning you will be filled with bread. Then you will know that I am the Lord your God.’”

<sup>13</sup> That evening quail came and covered the camp, and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. <sup>14</sup> When the dew was gone, thin flakes like frost on the ground appeared on the desert floor. <sup>15</sup> When the Israelites saw it, they said to each other, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was.

Moses said to them, “It is the bread the Lord has given you to eat. <sup>16</sup> This is what the Lord has commanded: ‘Everyone is to gather as much as they need. Take an omer for each person you have in your tent.’”

<sup>17</sup> The Israelites did as they were told; some gathered much, some little. <sup>18</sup> And when they measured it by the omer, the one who gathered much did not have too much, and the one who gathered little did not have too little. Everyone had gathered just as much as they needed.

<sup>19</sup> Then Moses said to them, “No one is to keep any of it until morning.”

<sup>20</sup> However, some of them paid no attention to Moses; they kept part of it until morning, but it was full of maggots and began to smell. So Moses was angry with them.

<sup>21</sup> Each morning everyone gathered as much as they needed, and when the sun grew hot, it melted away. <sup>22</sup> On the sixth day, they gathered twice as much—two omers for each person—and the leaders of the community came and reported this to Moses. <sup>23</sup> He said to them, “This is what the Lord commanded: “Tomorrow is to be a day of sabbath rest, a holy sabbath to the Lord. So bake what you want to bake and boil what you want to boil. Save whatever is left and keep it until morning.”

<sup>24</sup> So they saved it until morning, as Moses commanded, and it did not stink or get maggots in it. <sup>25</sup> “Eat it today,” Moses said, “because today is a sabbath to the Lord. You will not find any of it on the ground today. <sup>26</sup> Six days you are to gather it, but on the seventh day, the Sabbath, there will not be any.”

<sup>27</sup> Nevertheless, some of the people went out on the seventh day to gather it, but they found none. <sup>28</sup> Then the Lord said to Moses, “How long will you refuse to keep my commands and my instructions? <sup>29</sup> Bear in mind that the Lord has given you the Sabbath; that is why on the sixth day he gives you bread for two days. Everyone is to stay where they are on the seventh day; no one is to go out.” <sup>30</sup> So the people rested on the seventh day.

<sup>31</sup> The people of Israel called the bread manna. It was white like coriander seed and tasted like wafers made with honey. <sup>32</sup> Moses said, “This is what the Lord has commanded: “Take an omer of manna and keep it for the generations to come, so they can see the bread I gave you to eat in the wilderness when I brought you out of Egypt.”

*John 6:47-51*

<sup>47</sup> Very truly I tell you, the one who believes has eternal life. <sup>48</sup> I am the bread of life. <sup>49</sup> Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, yet they died. <sup>50</sup> But here is the bread that comes down from heaven, which anyone may eat and not die. <sup>51</sup> I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world.”

*Reader*  
*People*

This is the Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## Sermon

*Jeff Nottingham*  
Bread of Life

# Notes

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## Community Group Questions

*Written below are some of Moses's words about the provision of manna, written years later in the story. The truth that God tests his people because he loves them is one of the "good, hard truths" of Scripture.*

- 1) *What is hard to you about this truth?*
- 2) *What is good to you about it?*

*"Remember how the Lord your God led you all the way in the wilderness these forty years, to humble and test you in order to know what was in your heart, whether or not you would keep his commands. He humbled you, causing you to hunger and then feeding you with manna, which neither you nor your ancestors had known, to teach you that man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord. He gave you manna to eat in the wilderness, something your ancestors had never known, to humble and test you so that in the end it might go well with you."*

*Deuteronomy 8:2-3; 16*

*\*Consider looking at verses 4-15 as a group as well.*

*Children's question:*

*It is common to worry about things sometimes. Is there something you have worried about before, maybe even recently? What is something that you know about God that can help you be less worried about that thing?*



# 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

*"I Belong to Jesus"*

*Ensemble*

I belong to Jesus  
I am not my own.  
All I have and all I am  
Shall be his alone.  
I belong to Jesus  
He is Lord and King,  
Reigning in my inmost heart,  
Over everything.

I belong to Jesus  
Blessed, be the thought!  
With his own most precious blood  
Has my soul been bought.  
I belong to Jesus  
He has died for me;  
I am his, and he is mine,  
Through eternity.

I belong to Jesus  
He will keep my soul,  
When the deathly waters dark,  
Round about me roll.  
I belong to Jesus;  
And fore'er I'll stand,  
With my precious Savior there,  
In his glorious land.

*words: M. Fraser; music: Nathan Partain, 2005*

# Song of Celebration

*"I Have Plans for You"*

*Ensemble*

You say, "Lord, Why am I here? Why is this happening? Do you not see?"  
Hear my word, I have named you, I have called you, unto me.

You say, "Lord, how I struggle. How I'm troubled. How long will this last?"  
Hear my word, I have not stopped working, and 'til I am finished, I will not rest.

I have plans for you, I have plans for you, not to harm you, but for you to bless,  
I have plans for you, I have plans for you,  
And nothing can stop me from bringing them to pass.

You say, "Lord, I am so frightened. I am so lonely. I am exposed."  
Hear my word, Lo, I am with you, I will not leave you, wherever you go.

You say, Lord, how I have fallen, I am a failure, I am defeated.  
Hear my word, I am your savior, I am your victor, and I've trampled down death.

I have plans for you, I have plans for you, not to harm you, but for you to bless,  
I have plans for you, I have plans for you,  
And nothing can stop me from bringing them to pass.

You say, "Lord, I am disfigured. I am ruined. I am worthless."  
Hear my word, I have ordained, I have raised, my answer is "yes."

I have plans for you, I have plans for you, not to harm you, but for you to bless,  
I have plans for you, I have plans for you,  
And nothing can stop me from bringing them to pass.

And nothing can stop me, I have plans for you.  
And nothing can stop me, I have plans for you.

*Nathan Partain, 2015*

## Life as Worship

# Valediction

*based on Isaiah 55:1-3*

*Leader* “Hey! all you who are thirsty,  
come to the waters;  
and you who have no money,  
come, buy and eat!  
Come, buy wine and milk  
without money and without cost.

*All* **Why should we spend money on what is not bread,  
and our labor on what does not satisfy?**

*Leader* Listen, listen to me, and eat what is good.

*All* **We will delight in the richest of fare.**

*Leader* Give ear and come to me;  
listen, that you may live.

## Departing Hymn

*“I Know that My Redeemer Lives”*

*All*

**I know that my Redeemer lives, Glory Hallelujah!  
What comfort this sweet sentence gives, Glory Hallelujah!**

**Shout on, pray on, we’re gaining ground, Glory Hallelujah!  
The dead’s alive, and the lost is found, Glory Hallelujah!**

**He lives, he lives, who once was dead, Glory Hallelujah!  
He lives, my everlasting Head, Glory Hallelujah!**

**Shout on, pray on, we’re gaining ground, Glory Hallelujah!  
The dead’s alive, and the lost is found, Glory Hallelujah!**

**He lives to crush the fiends of hell; Glory Hallelujah!  
He lives and doth within me dwell; Glory Hallelujah!**

**Shout on, pray on, we’re gaining ground, Glory Hallelujah!  
The dead’s alive, and the lost is found, Glory Hallelujah!**

**He lives to bless me with His love; Glory Hallelujah!  
He lives to plead my cause above; Glory Hallelujah!**

**Shout on, pray on, we’re gaining ground, Glory Hallelujah!  
The dead’s alive, and the lost is found, Glory Hallelujah!**

**Shout on, pray on, we’re gaining ground, Glory Hallelujah!  
The dead’s alive, and the lost is found, Glory Hallelujah!**

*words: Samuel Medley, 1775; music: F. C. Wood, 1850*

## Benediction



# Expression Engine Music Camp

July 29–August 2

Expression Engine Music Camp is a five-day experience full of fun, learning, relationship-building, and creative expression. During this week, kids entering 1st through 6th grades will engage in daily worship and Bible devotions, along with receiving intensive musical instruction in three different classes: vocal coaching in choir, rhythmic training in bucket band, and development of musical skills in musicianship.

In addition to these classes, children get the opportunity to create their own music through collaboration with each other, Redeemer volunteers, and Expression Engine staff.

Lastly, students will give a performance at the Harrison Center’s monthly First Friday, demonstrating their new musical knowledge to show off the amount they have learned in just one week.

This gospel music camp replaces our previously scheduled VBS. We are excited for how this camp will enable us to serve and connect with our community. Total cost for this 5-day camp is \$10 for the first child per family, \$5 for each additional child. Scholarships available. Spots are limited.

## Want to sign up?

Visit [[redeemindy.org/events/musiccamp](https://redeemindy.org/events/musiccamp)]

## Want to volunteer?

Contact Todd Dawkins [[todd@redeemindy.org](mailto:todd@redeemindy.org)]



Questions?  
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# Upcoming Events

*Next Sunday*  
*12:30pm*

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

Next Sunday, 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.

*June 25*  
*6:30pm*

## **Women, come have dinner with us!**

Meet & Eat is for Redeemer women to eat and hang out in a smaller group setting in various homes. Registered women will be contacted about a week before by email with details on which home they are assigned. Sign-up online [[redeemindy.org/events/meetandeat](http://redeemindy.org/events/meetandeat)] or at the table in the foyer. Registration closes 6/18. With questions, email [[women@redeemindy.org](mailto:women@redeemindy.org)].

*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/news](http://redeemindy.org/news)].



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year to date giving:

\$ 665,379.48

Jan-May budget:

\$ 840,829.17

2019 budget:

\$2,016,840.00

## Congregational Giving

May 5th.....	\$	107,365.53
May Total .....	\$	107,365.53
May Budget .....	\$	168,070.00

## Designated Giving

Mercy 2019 Total .....	\$	5,173.00
Missions Team 2019 Total .....	\$	18,560.65
Building Team 2019 Total .....	\$	3,103.14
Church Planting 2019 Total .....	\$	100.00

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