

Welcome

Call to Worship

based on Ephesians 5:14

Leader Wake up, sleeper,
rise from the dead,
and Christ will shine on you.

Opening Hymn

"Jesus I Come to Thee"

All **Out of my bondage, sorrow and night, Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come;
Into thy freedom, gladness and light, Jesus, I come to thee.
Out of my sickness and into thy health,
Out of my want and into thy wealth,
Out of my sin and into thyself,
Jesus, I come to thee.
Jesus, I come to thee.**

**Out of my shameful failure and loss, Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come;
Into the glorious gain of thy cross, Jesus, I come to thee.
Out of earth's sorrows and into thy balm,
Out of life's storms and into thy calm,
Out of distress into jubilant psalm,
Jesus, I come to thee.
Jesus, I come to thee.**

**Out of unrest and arrogant pride, Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come;
Into thy blessed will to abide, Jesus, I come to thee.
Out of the depths of ruin untold,
Into the peace of thy sheltering fold,
Ever thy glorious face to behold,
Jesus, I come to thee.
Jesus, I come to thee.**

words: William T. Sleeper, 1887; music: Nathan Partain, 2000

Prayer of Confession

based on 1 Peter 1:24; Galatians 5:1; 2 Corinthians 3:17

Leader Our glory is like the grass and flowers:
It grows for a moment,
then quickly fades and withers,
or is cut down.

All **We seek our own glory;
We look to draw attention to ourselves.
Our thoughts constantly come back to us:
We subtly make everything about how it relates to us.**

Leader We have been set free in Christ for freedom.
And where the Spirit of the Lord is,
there is freedom.

All **Freedom becomes our cover for autonomy:
We want to do what we want to do.
We hate power over us,
but we love power in us.**

Leader Lord, our hearts are turned in on themselves,
and we put ourselves at the center.

All **Father, have mercy on us.
Turn us away from ourselves and toward you
in the glorious freedom of the gospel.**

Assurance of Pardon in the Gospel

based on John 1:14; 8:50; 12:27-28; Acts 7:55; Philipians 2:7-8; 3:21; Revelation 1:16

Leader Jesus is the glorious one,
in the presence of the Father,
whose brightness outshines a million suns.

All **Yet he did not seek his own glory when he came.
He emptied himself
and took on the form of a servant.**

Leader He humbled himself to the point of death,
even death on a cross!

All **The cross was the hour of his glory
when he saved sinners
and showed the mercy and justice of God.**

Leader Jesus has been raised in a glorious body,
and stands in glory at the right hand of his Father.

All **We have heard, we have seen, we have tasted his glory,
the glory of the one and only Son,
who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.**

Song in the Gospel

"I am One of Those"

All

I am one of those, at the table not invited,
And, to all here at the feast, it's very plain;
I cannot hide in etiquette or conversation,
But Christ himself sent word to me and so I came.

I am one of those who was dead and fully buried,
And I still bear every stigma of decay;
There is no way I can cover what I've been through,
'Cause when Jesus called, I came fresh from the grave.

Though the world may number me among the foolish,
I think Jesus Christ is all I need to know,
Jesus suffered and paid blood to buy the lowest of the low.
Hallelujah! Amen! That's me! Yes, I am one of those!

I am one of those, who was a leper and contagious,
The deformities and scars I have today;
Yet while I was vile with sickness, Jesus loved me,
And he healed, restored, and, through and through, remade.

I am one of those who was doomed to death in prison,
And I've done more evil things than I could say;
Jesus broke inside and there unlocked my shackles,
And, to set me free, he died and took my place.

Though the world may number me among the foolish,
I think Jesus Christ is all I need to know,
Jesus suffered and paid blood to buy the lowest of the low.
Hallelujah! Amen! That's me! Yes, I am one of those!

I am one of those, who was hard to love and ugly,
Self-righteous critical religion was my stain.
So I ran to Christ to wash and be discovered;
Jesus called me out and he covered up my shame.

Though the world may number me among the foolish,
I think Jesus Christ is all I need to know,
Jesus suffered and paid blood to buy the lowest of the low.
Hallelujah! Amen! That's me! Yes, I am one of those!

Nathan Partain, 2009

Song in the Gospel

“My Hope is Built on Nothing Less”

All

**My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.**

**On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.
All other ground is sinking sand.**

**When darkness veils his lovely face,
I rest upon unchanging grace;
In every rough and stormy gale,
My anchor holds within the veil.**

**On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.
All other ground is sinking sand.**

**His oath, his covenant, his blood
Support me in the whelming flood;
When all around my soul gives way,
He then is all my Hope and Stay.**

**On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.
All other ground is sinking sand.**

**When I shall launch in worlds unseen,
O may I then be found in him;
Dressed in his righteousness alone,
Faultless to stand before the throne.**

**On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.
All other ground is sinking sand.**

words: Edward Mote 1834, music: William Bradbury 1863

Prayer of Dependence

Offering of Gifts and Service

Membership

1st Service

Justin and Angelique Staley

2nd Service

Kayla Harrison

Steve Henke

Chris and Caris Miller

Jennifer Muldoon

Abby Plough

Tyler Ramsland

Phil and Stephanie Shaughnessy

Jenna Tippmann

Rebecca Whitt Warrick

Elizabeth Williams

Dylan and Chloe Zyrowski

Membership Vows

Leader

1. Do you acknowledge yourself to be a sinner in the sight of God, justly deserving his displeasure and without hope save in his sovereign mercy?
2. Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and rest upon him alone for salvation as he is offered in the gospel?
3. Do you now resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as becomes the followers of Christ?
4. Do you promise to support the church in its worship and work to the best of your ability?
5. Do you submit yourself to the government and discipline of the church and promise to study its purity and peace?

Children's Worship is a time for children to worship through song, Bible stories, and response (art or story play). 4 year old-Kindergarten Children's Worship is on a break for the summer, but 3s will be meeting through June. 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 18:1-27

Reader

¹ Now Jethro, the priest of Midian and father-in-law of Moses, heard of everything God had done for Moses and for his people Israel, and how the LORD had brought Israel out of Egypt.

² Earlier, Moses had sent his wife, Zipporah, and his two sons back to Jethro, who had taken them in. ³ (Moses' first son was named Gershom, for Moses had said when the boy was born, "I have been a foreigner in a foreign land.") ⁴ His second son was named Eliezer, for Moses had said, "The God of my ancestors was my helper; he rescued me from the sword of Pharaoh.")

⁵ Jethro, Moses' father-in-law, together with Moses' sons and wife, came to him in the wilderness, where he was camped near the mountain of God. ⁶ Jethro had sent word to him, "I, your father-in-law Jethro, am coming to you with your wife and her two sons."

⁷ So Moses went out to meet his father-in-law and bowed down and kissed him. They greeted each other and then went into the tent. ⁸ Moses told his father-in-law about everything the LORD had done to Pharaoh and the Egyptians for Israel's sake and about all the hardships they had met along the way and how the LORD had saved them.

⁹ Jethro was delighted to hear about all the good things the LORD had done for Israel in rescuing them from the hand of the Egyptians. ¹⁰ He said, "Praise be to the LORD, who rescued you from the hand of the Egyptians and of Pharaoh, and who rescued the people from the hand of the Egyptians. ¹¹ Now I know that the LORD is greater than all other gods, for he did this to those who had treated Israel arrogantly." ¹² Then Jethro, Moses' father-in-law, brought a burnt offering and other sacrifices to God, and Aaron came with all the elders of Israel to eat a meal with Moses' father-in-law in the presence of God.

¹³ The next day Moses took his seat to serve as judge for the people, and they stood around him from morning till evening. ¹⁴ When his father-in-law saw all that Moses was doing for the people, he said, "What is this you are doing for the people? Why do you alone sit as judge, while all these people stand around you from morning till evening?"

¹⁵ Moses answered him, "Because the people come to me to seek God's will. ¹⁶ Whenever they have a dispute, it is brought to me, and I decide between the parties and inform them of God's decrees and instructions."

¹⁷ Moses' father-in-law replied, "What you are doing is not good. ¹⁸ You and these people who come to you will only wear yourselves out. The work is too heavy for you; you cannot handle it alone. ¹⁹ Listen now to me and I will give you some advice, and may God be with you. You must be the people's representative before God and bring their disputes to him. ²⁰ Teach them his decrees and instructions, and show them the way they are to live and how they are to behave. ²¹ But select capable men from all the people—men who fear God, trustworthy men who hate dishonest gain—and appoint them as officials over thousands, hundreds, fifties and tens. ²² Have them serve as judges for the people at all times, but have them bring every difficult case to you; the simple cases they can decide themselves. That will make your load lighter, because they will share it with you. ²³ If you do this and God so commands, you will be able to stand the strain, and all these people will go home satisfied."

²⁴ Moses listened to his father-in-law and did everything he said. ²⁵ He chose capable men from all Israel and made them leaders of the people, officials over thousands, hundreds, fifties and tens. ²⁶ They served as judges for the people at all times. The difficult cases they brought to Moses, but the simple ones they decided themselves.

²⁷ Then Moses sent his father-in-law on his way, and Jethro returned to his own country.

Reader
People

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

Sermon

Charles Anderson
In Praise of Institutions

Community Group Questions

1) What do Moses and Jethro focus on in their conversation in Exodus 18:8-11? How does that fit into the storyline of Exodus (look at Exodus 9:13-16)? How does that fit into the larger storyline of Scripture (see, for example, Revelation 5:9-13)? How can the pattern of Moses telling Israel's story (especially 18:8) set a pattern for us telling our story?

2) Many of us have experienced hurt from institutions and structures that misuse power or seem to serve themselves rather than people. But how can a lack of institutions and structures actually be hurtful to us? What does the experience of Moses and the Israelites in Exodus 18:13-18 teach us?

3) How is the grace of the gospel related to institutions and structures for God's people? Put another way, what's the relationship in Exodus 18 between the focus of verses 1-12 and the focus of verses 13-27?

4) How can you lean into the importance of institutions in God's plan for his people? What's one way that you can apply this passage in your attitudes and practice?

Children's Question:

What is Moses's job in this chapter (read Exodus 18:15-16 and 19-20)? How does his job relate to God? How does his job relate to the Israelites? How does Moses' job help us think about Jesus' job and how we trust Jesus?

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 am Trusting Thee"

Ensemble

I am trusting thee, thee, Lord Jesus,
Trusting only thee;
Trusting thee for full, full salvation,
Great and free, great and free,
Trusting only thee.

I am trusting thee, thee for cleansing
In the crimson flood;
Trusting thee to make, make me holy
By thy blood, by thy blood,
Trusting only thee.

I am trusting thee, thee to guide me;
Thou alone shall lead;
Thou provide and tend every day and hour
All I need, all I need,
Trusting only thee.

I am trusting thee, thee, Lord Jesus,
Never let me fall;
I am trusting thee, thee forever
And for all, and for all,
Trusting only thee.

words: Frances R. Havergal, 1874; music: Nathan Partain, 2003

Song of Celebration

“Your Labor is Not in Vain”

Ensemble

Your labor is not in vain,
Though the ground underneath you is cursed and stained.
Your planting and reaping are never the same,
But your labor is not in vain.

Your labor is not unknown,
though the rocks they cry out and the sea it may groan.
The place of your toil may not seem like a home,
but your labor is not unknown.

I am with you, I am with you.
I am with you, I am with you.
For I have called you, called you by name.
Your labor is not in vain.

The vineyards you plant will bear fruit,
the fields will sing out and rejoice with the truth,
for all that is old will at last be made new:
the vineyards you plant will bear fruit.

I am with you, I am with you.
I am with you, I am with you.
For I have called you, called you by name.
Your labor is not in vain.

The houses you labored to build,
will finally with laughter and joy be filled.
The serpent that hurts and destroys shall be killed,
and all that is broken be healed.

I am with you, I am with you.
I am with you, I am with you.
For I have called you, called you by name.
Your labor is not in vain.

Wendell Kimbrough, Isaac Wardell, and Paul Zach, 2018

Life as Worship

Valediction

based on Psalm 107

Leader Has the LORD redeemed you? Then speak out!
Tell others he has redeemed you from your enemies.
Some of you wandered in the wilderness,
lost and homeless,
hungry and thirsty,
your life ebbing away.

All **“LORD, help!” we cried in our trouble,
and he rescued us from our distress.**

Leader Some of you sat in darkness and deepest gloom,
imprisoned in iron chains of misery.
You had rebelled against the words of God,
scorning the counsel of the Most High.
So he humbled you with heavy labor;
you fell, and no one was there to help you.

All **“LORD, help!” we cried in our trouble,
and he rescued us from our distress.**

Leader Some of you became fools through your rebellious heart
and were in dark depression from your depravity.
Your appetite hated the thought of food,
and you approached death’s door.

All **“LORD, help!” we cried in our trouble,
and he rescued us from our distress.**

Leader He led you on a good path,
to a safe place where you could live.
Out from darkness and deepest gloom;
he snapped your chains.
and cut apart your bars of iron.
He sent out his word and healed you,
snatching you from the door of death.

All **Let us praise the LORD for his great love
and for the wonderful things he has done for us.**

Departing Hymn

"I Will Sing of My Redeemer"

All

**I will sing of my Redeemer,
And his wondrous love to me;
On the cruel cross, he suffered,
From the curse to set me free.**

**I will tell the wondrous story,
How my lost estate to save,
In his boundless love and mercy,
He the ransom freely gave.**

**Sing, oh sing, of my Redeemer, with his blood, he purchased me.
On the cross, he sealed my pardon, paid the debt and made me free.**

**I will praise my dear Redeemer,
His triumphant power I'll tell,
How the victory he giveth,
Over sin and death and hell.**

**Sing, oh sing, of my Redeemer, with his blood, he purchased me.
On the cross, he sealed my pardon, paid the debt and made me free.**

**I will sing of my Redeemer,
And his heav'nly love to me;
He from death to life hath brought me,
Son of God with him to be.**

**Sing, oh sing, of my Redeemer, with his blood, he purchased me.
On the cross, he sealed my pardon, paid the debt and made me free.**

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On the cross, he sealed my pardon, paid the debt and made me free.**

words: Phillip Bliss, 1976; music: Luke Morton, 2005

Benediction



We'd like to introduce you to Dan Barber, our newest candidate for the office of Elder at Redeemer.

Dan and April, his wife of thirteen years, live near the State Fairgrounds in the Meridian Kessler neighborhood with their two young children, Chloe and Danny, spending lots of their favorite family time reading, watching movies and playing games, and traveling together. Discerning God's call to Redeemer quickly after their first visit, the Barbers have been a part of the Redeemer family for the past five years.

You may know Dan from his teaching CT&T classes on Daniel and Romans. Dan and April have also led a community group for the past three years.

Dan is a Solutions Architect for NetApp, a data management company headquartered in Sunnyvale, California. As a national resource for the company, his primary focus is assisting local account teams, assessing customer requirements, and training industry partners.

When asked to tell us a little bit about himself, Dan listed some titles he proudly bears:

- Son of God and image-bearer. Imitator of Jesus Christ.
- Husband. Father. Brother and son.
- Author. Amateur woodworker.
- Life-long learner and teacher.

His passions include loving people, constantly creating, enabling learning, and resting well.

Candidates for church officers (Elder and Deacon) are nominated by the congregation. They then receive leadership training, including on the Westminster Confession, our denomination's doctrinal statement. They are mentored by an elder and then, finally, take written exams and are interviewed by the Session. Dan has gone through this process, and we are excited to present him to you as a candidate for ruling elder. When we asked him why he felt called into this role, he answered with this:

"I have always been passionate about shepherding others, since that has been a big part of my own story. After graduating from Covenant Seminary, God laid on my heart a deeper passion to teach and lead in a church context, even more than leading Bible studies or teaching education classes (both of which I love). I have a burden for our church and the Church universal, imperfect though she is, and her calling to be salt and light to the world."

Take today to spend some time chatting with Dan and April, and come prepared to vote at the Congregational Meeting on June 9th at 10am in the Sanctuary.

Last week's interview between Pastor Charles and Dan is available online [redeemindy.org/news/interview]. Email [info@redeemindy.org] with further questions.

Congregational Meeting: June 9 | 10am | Redeemer Sanctuary

Upcoming Events

Today
10:00am

Help welcome our new members!

Membership makes real and practical how we are connected to Jesus by being connected to each other. Come meet and enjoy connecting to Redeemer's newest members in the gym at 10am today over coffee and donuts.

Friday
6-9pm

First Friday at the Harrison Center

Stop by the Harrison Center this Friday, 6-9pm, for the opening of the June art exhibits, including *Ricochet* by Benny Sanders in the Harrison Gallery. Look forward to an artist talk the following Sunday, 6/9, after second service in the Harrison Gallery.

Next Sunday
10:00am

Town Hall Meeting

Join us in the sanctuary between services next Sunday to talk about what's been happening in the life and mission of Redeemer. The main order of business is the congregational vote to elect Dan Barber as elder. This is a great time for discussion as a church family, so please try to come.

June 15

Volunteer at IMAF

The Harrison Center is looking for volunteers for the 18th annual Independent Music + Art Festival (IMAF) on 6/15. IMAF is a day-long festival that celebrates musicians and artists who create original work. Questions, email Pam Allee [pam@harrisoncenter.org]. Sign up at [signup.com/go/fKdBiuP].

June 22
9am-4pm

Redeemer Women, you're invited to our first Saturday Seminary!

On Saturday, 6/22, Indianapolis Theological Seminary President Nicholas Piotrowski will provide Redeemer Women with a day of seminary teaching on the storyline of the Bible. Between 9am and 4pm, we will gather for both lectures and smaller group discussions on how this material impacts our everyday life. Cost will be \$20 and will include a catered lunch. Please register online by 6/18 [redeemindy.org/events/saturdayseminary]. Questions? Email [women@redeemindy.org].

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] or at the table in the foyer. Registration closes 6/18. With questions, email [women@redeemindy.org].

July 29-Aug 2

Kids, Register Now! Gospel Music Camp is coming to Redeemer!

We are excited to announce that Redeemer, as part of the Convertible Project, will bring the Expression Engine Gospel Music Camp to Indy, July 29-August 2. Kids entering 1st through 6th grades will engage from 10am-3:30pm in worship and Bible devotions, along with classes in choir, bucket band, and musicianship, and end the week by performing at the Harrison Center's monthly First Friday. This gospel music camp will replace our previously scheduled VBS. It will be great for helping both the Harrison Center and Redeemer serve the community. Register and find more information online at [redeemindy.org/events/musiccamp]. Scholarships available, spots are limited.

July 29-Aug 2

Redeemer Students: Encounter Indy

High school and middle school students are invited to serve during the Expression Engine Music Camp, 10am-3:30pm, 7/29-8/2, just as they would have done during VBS. Note that the Expression Engine Camp is a five-day camp compared to the four-day VBS we have run in years past. For more information, contact Caroline Fridblom [caroline@redeemindy.org].



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year to date giving:

\$ 730,556.72



Jan-May budget:

\$ 840,829.17

2019 budget:

\$2,016,840.00

Congregational Giving

May 26th.....	\$	17,030.94
May Total	\$	172,646.92
May Budget	\$	168,070.00

Designated Giving

Mercy 2019 Total	\$	5,643.00
Missions Team 2019 Total	\$	19,106.21
Building Team 2019 Total	\$	3,103.14
Church Planting 2019 Total	\$	100.00

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