

Welcome

Call to Worship

based on John 1:14-18

Leader The Word became human
 and made his home among us.
 He was full of unfailing love and faithfulness.
 We have seen his glory,
 the glory of the Father's one and only Son.

All **From his abundance**
 we have all received one gracious blessing after another.

Leader For the law was given through Moses,
 but God's unfailing love and faithfulness
 came through Jesus Christ.

All **No one has ever seen God.**
 But the unique One, who is himself God,
 is near to the Father's heart.
 He has revealed God to us.

Opening Hymn

"All You Do is Good"

All

**You are full of compassion and abounding in love,
You create things from nothing, call what's not though it was.
You are light with no shadow, with no shifting or change.
You turn weeping to dancing and despair into thanks.**

**You are good and all you do is good.
You are good and all you do is good.
You are good and all you do is good, all you do is good,
All you do is good.**

**You release every captive, cut the shackles from slaves,
Those who hate you, you ransom, give your blood for their shame.
With the bent stem, you're tender, shield the smoldering flame
You bring home the unwanted, call the lost back by name.**

**You are good and all you do is good.
You are good and all you do is good.
You are good and all you do is good, all you do is good,
All you do is good.**

**You lift up, you, you revive, you, you restore, you, you increase, you,
You anoint, you, you fill up, you, you spill out, you, you release, you,
You make grow, you, you bring forth, you, you call out, you, you set free, it's
Who you are. It's who you were. It's who you will always be.**

**Your life is eternal, not in measure but kind.
Running over with healing, inexhaustible might.
You in us, and we in you, the delight in your face.
Resting here we enjoy you, and our joy is your praise.**

**You are good and all you do is good.
You are good and all you do is good.
You are good and all you do is good, all you do is good,
All you do is good.**

Nathan Partain, 2015

Prayer of Confession

based on Romans 7:12; 1 Timothy 1:5; Exodus 20:4-6

Leader Yahweh, our God, Father, Son and Spirit,
You have given us your law as an expression of who you are—
You and your law are holy, righteous, and good.
It is a law of love that should lead to love,
but we confess we have treated the law as a means of life.

All **We obey the law, because we think it will give us life.
We must be good people because we do what's good.
We want to make ourselves acceptable by what we do.**

Leader We confess we have treated the law as a means of death.

All **We avoid your law.
We think it will rob us of satisfaction, and kill what we enjoy.
We're put off by those we think keep the law,
so we run the other way and reject obedience, calling it legalism.
We think love should have no rules,
and we treat your law as a part of the ignorant past.**

Leader LORD, you tell us, "Do not steal."

All **But, we turn the goodness of personal property on its head;
we grasp for our possessions and for our experiences,
and then they rust and fade.
We turn the goodness of a work ethic on its head;
we think we provide for ourselves with our jobs,
and then we race with fear of running out of what we need.
We turn the goodness of personal sovereignty on its head;
we think of our life as ours, not yours,
and then we are not satisfied with what we accomplish.
We have taken the American dream into our souls and found it wanting.
We are robbed of the truth that you will take care of us
because you made us your treasure.
Remind us that you are generous beyond measure,
that in you our cup overflows,
that you are abounding in steadfast love for us.**

Leader LORD, let your law crush us.

All **Show us our sin!**

Leader LORD, let your law point us to Jesus.

All **Show us your salvation!**

Leader LORD, let your law guide us.

All **Show us your ways!**

Assurance of Pardon in the Gospel

based on Romans 8:3-4; Galatians 3:10, 13; 4:4-5; Deuteronomy 6:5; Jeremiah 31:33

- Leader* We were under the law, relying on it to save us.
- All* **But we couldn't keep the law and it had no power to save,
so instead, it stood as curse over us.**
- Leader* God did what the law couldn't do:
He sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law,
- All* **To redeem us from the curse of the law,
by becoming a curse for us.**
- Leader* Jesus so loved his Father
with all his heart, soul, mind, and strength,
- All* **That he gave his life according to his Father's plan
to save those whom the Father had given him.**
- Leader* Jesus so loved his neighbor as himself,
- All* **That he died for us while we were still sinners.**
- Leader* God condemned sin by giving his Son as a sacrifice for our sins,
in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fully met in us,
- All* **Who do not live according to the flesh
but according to the Spirit.
LORD, put your law in our minds
and write it on our hearts!**

Song in the Gospel

"Thou Who Was Rich"

All

**Thou who wast rich beyond all splendor,
All for love's sake becamest poor;
Thrones for a manger didst surrender,
Sapphire paved courts for stable floor.
Thou who wast rich beyond all splendor,
All for love's sake becamest poor.**

**Thou who are God beyond all praising,
All for love's sake becamest man;
Stooping so low, but sinners raising,
Heav'nward by thine eternal plan.
Thou who are God beyond all praising,
All for love's sake becamest man.**

**Thou who art love beyond all telling,
Savior and King, we worship thee.
Emmanuel, within us dwelling,
Make us what thou wouldst have us be.
Thou who art love beyond all telling,
Savior and King, we worship thee.**

words: Frank Houghton; music: French Carol Melody, arr.: Charles Kitson, 1930

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

Children's Worship is on a break through the rest of the summer, and we're excited to have our littlest Redeemerites join us for worship! Find RedeemerKids worship guides, coloring pages, books, and crayons in the blue cart at the back of the sanctuary to help them stay engaged throughout the service.

Prayer of Dependence

Offering of Gifts and Service

Ministry Spotlight

Redeemer Women Fall Bible Studies

Prayer of Preparation

based on Luke 1:74; 1 Peter 2:9; Psalm 119:45, 68, 165

Leader Who is this who reveals his hidden heart to us?

All **Our Father who rescued us out of our darkness, into his wonderful light.**

Leader He has provided so that you can follow him
without fear,
with true hearts,
in the purpose for which you were made,
before his presence all your days.

All **I will walk about in freedom, my LORD,
for I have sought out answers from your boundaries.
You are good, and what you do is good;
train me through what you have appointed.
Great peace have those who love your law,
and nothing can make them stumble.**

Scripture

Exodus 20:15; Luke 15:11-32; John 10:10

Reader

¹⁵ “You shall not steal.”

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¹¹ Jesus continued: “There was a man who had two sons. ¹² The younger one said to his father, ‘Father, give me my share of the estate.’ So he divided his property between them.

¹³ “Not long after that, the younger son got together all he had, set off for a distant country and there squandered his wealth in wild living. ¹⁴ After he had spent everything, there was a severe famine in that whole country, and he began to be in need. ¹⁵ So he went and hired himself out to a citizen of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed pigs. ¹⁶ He longed to fill his stomach with the pods that the pigs were eating, but no one gave him anything.

¹⁷ “When he came to his senses, he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired servants have food to spare, and here I am starving to death! ¹⁸ I will set out and go back to my father and say to him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. ¹⁹ I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired servants.’ ²⁰ So he got up and went to his father.

“But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him.

²¹ “The son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’

²² “But the father said to his servants, ‘Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. ²³ Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let’s have a feast and celebrate. ²⁴ For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.’ So they began to celebrate.

²⁵ “Meanwhile, the older son was in the field. When he came near the house, he heard music and dancing. ²⁶ So he called one of the servants and asked him what was going on. ²⁷ ‘Your brother has come,’ he replied, ‘and your father has killed the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.’

²⁸ “The older brother became angry and refused to go in. So his father went out and pleaded with him. ²⁹ But he answered his father, ‘Look! All these years I’ve been slaving for you and never disobeyed your orders. Yet you never gave me even a young goat so I could celebrate with my friends. ³⁰ But when this son of yours who has squandered your property with prostitutes comes home, you kill the fattened calf for him!’

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 Won't Let you Go"

Ensemble

In the fight of life, no I won't let you go.
Through the war inside you, I won't let you go.
You can run all night but I won't let you go.
Every place you hide, no I won't let you go.

Before all ages, I have loved you, I engraved you in my hands.
I have saved you, completely paid for you, I will never lose my grasp.

You can spill your pain, but I won't let you go.
You can yell and blame me I won't let you go.
You can shut me out but I won't let you go.
Til your walls come down no I won't let you go.

Before all ages, I have loved you, I engraved you in my hands.
I have saved you, completely paid for you, I will never lose my grasp.

O my Child, I have bound myself to you, You're my joy, my favorite one.
Do not fear, for I will not abandon you, I cannot revoke my love.

You can bear your soul, cause I won't let you go.
Let your heart be known, cause I won't let you go.
You can fold and yield, cause I won't let you go.
How I long to heal you, I won't let you go.

Nathan Partain, 2017

Song of Celebration

“Brighter Stars”

Ensemble

As the fury shakes the branches, so the seed blows with the storm.
As the rain pounds earth with water, so new plants and trees are born.
Lord, you thrive within your children, that your promise not be marred.
Though all hell should close around them, darkness makes for brighter stars.

So your servants pressed and tangled, bear your name in every stage,
And your Spirit strives so evil, can't undo what you have made.
Lord, you thrive within your children, that your promise not be marred.
Though all hell should close around them, darkness makes for brighter stars.

Father, how your power increases, only stronger grows our light.
Though we join the death of Jesus, we flow more with Jesus life.

How the prison brings their singing, How attacks drive them to prayer,
So the winds of persecution, spreads your presence like a fire.
Lord, you thrive within your children, that your promise not be marred.
Though all hell should close around them, darkness makes for brighter stars.

Nathan Partain, 2016

Life as Worship

First Friday: Friday, 6-9pm, featuring Expression Engine campers

Redeemer Women: Sign up for Fall Bible Studies now

Valediction

based on Jeremiah 31:11-14

Leader The LORD has redeemed Israel from those too strong for them.
They will come home and sing songs of joy on the heights of Jerusalem.
They will be radiant because of the LORD's good gifts—
the abundant crops of grain, new wine, and olive oil,
and the healthy flocks and herds.
Their life will be like a watered garden,
and all their sorrows will be gone.
The young women will dance for joy,
and the men—old and young—will join in the celebration.

All **He will turn our mourning into joy.
He will comfort us and exchange our sorrow for rejoicing.**

Leader The priests will enjoy abundance,
and my people will feast on my good gifts.
I, the LORD, have spoken!

Departing Hymn

"Amazing Grace"

All **Amazing grace! How sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
Was blind, but now I see.**

**'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed.**

**Through many dangers, toils, and snares,
I have already come;
'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.**

**When we've been there ten thousand years,
Bright, shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise,
Than when we've first begun.**

words: John Newton, 1779; vs. 4: Anonymous, 1829; music: James P. Carrell & David S. Clayton, 1831

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A STUDY ON THE LETTERS OF *john*

Women, register now!

Redeemer Women is excited to introduce the Fall 2019 Bible studies! All groups will study the New Testament letters of 1, 2, and 3 John with slightly different formats at various times and places.

Studies will begin after Labor Day and finish before Christmas. Please sign up online [redeemindy.org/events/123john] or at the table in the courtyard foyer today, August 4, or August 11, or at the Ministry Fair on August 18. Your Bible study leader will contact you by email during the last two weeks of August.

Registration is \$20 and closes August 18. Please email [women@redeemindy.org] with any questions.

Visit [redeemindy.org/events/123john] for a full description of each study offered.

Why \$20?

This fee covers the cost of materials and supplements the cost of childcare. Redeemer covers the majority of childcare costs. Then as a covenant community, we chose to share the cost of childcare among all women so that the cost of childcare isn't too burdensome on any one stage of life. And lastly, experience shows follow-through is better when a small fee is charged!

BUT...we do not want this fee to prevent anyone from participating. If it does for you or someone you know, please contact women@redeemindy.org for scholarship information. Our primary goal is to get as many women studying the Word as possible!

Sunday Afternoon
4:30-6pm
Meridian Kessler

Monday Night
7:00-8:30pm
Butler Tarkington

Tuesday Morning
10:00-11:30am
Meridian Kessler

Wednesday Early
Morning
6:00-7:15am
Redeemer

Wednesday Morning
9:30-11:30am
Redeemer

Thursday Morning
10:00-11:30am
Fall Creek Place

Thursday Lunch
11:45am-1:00pm
Herron Morton

Friday Early Morning
6-7:15am
Mapleton/Fall Creek

Saturday Morning
8-9:30am
Broad Ripple

Upcoming Events

Tonight
4-7pm

VBS Volunteer Training Tonight

If you signed up to volunteer for VBS, there is a mandatory training meeting tonight from 4-7 in the Underground Gallery. Dinner will be provided. If you haven't signed up yet, there's still time! Come to the training meeting and we will get you signed up. For information, email Todd Dawkins [todd@redeemindy.org].

Friday
6-9pm

First Friday at the Harrison Center

Stop by the Harrison Center this Friday, 6-9pm, for the opening of the August art exhibits, including Big Green FoodCon 9, featuring booths in the gym and courtyard covering a broad range of interests including beekeeping, cheese making, oil pulling, restaurant composting, and more. Look forward to an artist talk on 8/11 with Ceramicist Jackie Head, whose exhibit, *This Must be the Place*, will be up in the Harrison Gallery.



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