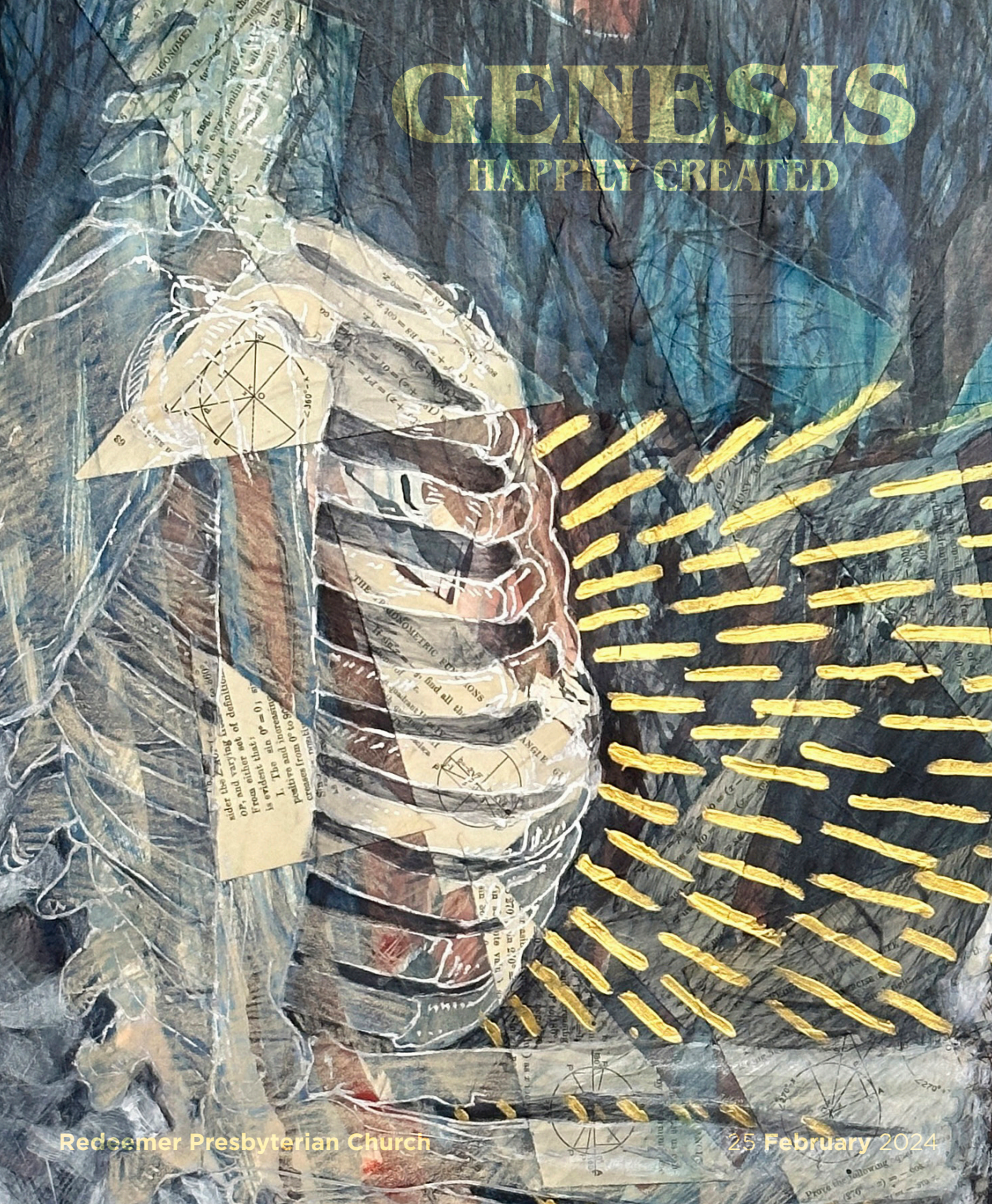


# GENESIS

## HAPPILY CREATED



## Cover Art

Barb Knuckles, 2024

## Back Wall

Esther Gray and Katie Ito, *Sacred Lineage, Holy Dependance II*, 2023, acrylic on clay, baskets, and lace

The clay artifacts and fabric that make up this piece, once rendered in the living colors of pink, red, and blue from Advent, have been shrouded in shades of umber and bone-white for Lent. Our bones and our bodies bear the wounds of everyday stresses and the scars of long-time traumas. Much like Advent, Lent gives us the space to explore our humanity under the safety of Christ's loving gaze. The table-like board behind the baskets, implores you to bring all of your frailties to the feet of Christ. Jesus has already blessed the fullness of your longings and your joys. He is not afraid of you.

In Advent, Jesus enters our humanity through his birth. In Lent, Jesus baptizes our suffering through his death.

## Hanging Installation

Nick Dodge, *Tracing Our Roots*, 2023

As Jesus comes in the flesh he is intertwined with a family blood line and their ancestral roots. This piece expresses how truly tangible Jesus' connection to humanity was by blending the ideas of tree roots and blood lines. Much like a tree is rooted to a specific place, Jesus had a specific place where he was born, lived and matured. Much like blood lines show who we are related to, Jesus had a family tree that connected him to real people. The central intertwined light represents how Jesus takes root in history to instill new life. He brings light to the whole of the family tree and is the root from which the tree will give new life to many others.

## Banners

Karyl Boring, *Dwelling as We Wait*, 2023

The patchwork of our dwelling together as God's people is joined piece-by-piece with all those who have lived or will live, past, present and future, eagerly longing for Jesus' Return in Glory. Yet, in all of life, Jesus comes to us to dwell in and through us by his Holy Spirit. In joy and sorrow, in community and in solitude, in conflict and peace, in work and rest, in birth and death, in the light of day and the darkness of night, he is present with us as we wait. What wonder in this glorious, mysterious Truth!

## Columns

Josie Thompson with Maggie Lotz, Merri Goebel, Moriah Taft, Sam Ueltschi, Megan Smith, and Quinton Thompson, 2023

## South Window

Barb Knuckles and the Creatives Class

Good bones. Structural, beautiful, remaining long after human flesh has returned to dust. Living bones shape us, enable movement and breathing, and generate blood. Likewise, God's words are the invisible scaffolding and life of creation. During Lent, we examine the sin-damaged and dead parts of our lives, asking God to breathe life into them just as he resurrected the dried bones in Ezekiel's vision. *(based on Ezekiel 34)*

## Communion Set

Emily Johnston

# Call to Worship

*from Psalm 8*

*Leader* O LORD, our Lord, your majestic name fills the earth!  
Your glory is higher than the heavens.

*All* **You have taught children and infants  
to tell of your strength,  
silencing your enemies  
and all who oppose you.**

*Leader* When I look at the night sky and see the work of your fingers—  
the moon and the stars you set in place—

*All* **What are mere mortals that you should think about them,  
human beings that you should care for them?  
Yet you made them only a little lower than God  
and crowned them with glory and honor.**

*Leader* You gave them charge of everything you made,  
putting all things under their authority—

*All* **The flocks and the herds  
and all the wild animals,  
The birds in the sky, the fish in the sea,  
and everything that swims the ocean currents.  
O LORD, our Lord, your majestic name fills the earth!**

# Opening Hymn

*“Father, Long Before Creation”*

*All*

**Father long before creation  
Thou hadst chosen us in love,  
And that love so deep, so moving,  
Draws us close to Christ above.**

**Still it keeps us, still it keeps us  
Firmly fixed in Christ alone.**

**Though the world may change its fashion,  
Yet our God is e'er the same;  
His compassion and His cov 'nant  
Through all ages will remain.  
God's own children, God's own children  
must forever praise His name.**

**God's compassion is my story,  
Is my boasting all the day;  
Mercy free and never failing  
Moves my will, directs my way.  
God so loved us, God so loved us  
That his only Son He gave.**

**Loving Father now before Thee  
We will ever praise Thy love,  
And our songs will sound unceasing  
‘Til we reach our home above,  
Giving glory, giving glory  
To our God and to the Lamb.  
Giving glory, giving glory  
To our God and to the Lamb.**

*Words from a Chinese Hymn Translated by Francis Jones, Andrew Osenga (c) 2005 The Velvet Eagle Admin. by The Loving Company.*

# Prayer of Adoration

# Prayer of Confession

*based on Genesis 1:26-28; 2:7, 15*

*Leader* The Three-in-One God—Father, Son, and Spirit—declared,  
“Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness.”  
We were made to relate to God.

*All* **We want to mirror who we are, not who God is.**  
**It’s more important to us to be true to ourselves,**  
**What’s real is curating our outer lives**  
**to reflect our inner desires.**  
**It’s nobody’s place to judge me.**

*Leader* God entrusts his work to us, to carry creation on:  
working, subduing, developing what he made.  
We were made to relate to the rest of creation.

*All* **We work to achieve our identity,**  
**instead of working from our identity.**  
**We exploit what God has made to serve our own ends,**  
**treating him and others as means to an end.**

*Leader* In the image of God the Triune God created them,  
male and female he created them.  
We were made to relate to each other.

*All* **We think of ourselves too much, how we come across,**  
**so we spin and curate to make ourselves all right.**  
**We blame-shift, we hide, we turn on each other.**

*Leader* Father God, we are your creatures,  
made from the dust,  
utterly dependent on you for everything.

*All* **Spirit of God, breathe on us again.**

# Assurance of Pardon in the Gospel

*based on Mark 4, 10; Luke 5, 23; John 14, 15; Romans 5, 8; Colossians 1; Hebrews 1; 1 Peter 2*

*Leader* Jesus Christ is not just in the image of God;  
he is the perfect image of God.  
In Christ the invisible God becomes visible.

*All* **The Son shows us exactly every goodness, every quality,  
every virtue, every beauty in the Father.  
When we see Jesus, we see the Father.**

*Leader* Jesus Christ perfectly related to God the Father.

*All* **Jesus loved his Father, he obeyed his Father,  
he believed his Father and entrusted his life  
into his Father's hands at the cross.**

*Leader* Jesus Christ perfectly related to the creation.

*All* **Jesus calmed the storm and directed fishermen  
where to make an amazing catch.  
He came to set creation free from the curse of sin  
and renew its beauty under his lordship.**

*Leader* Jesus Christ perfectly related to other people.

*All* **The Son of Man came to give his life as a ransom for many.  
Here's the greatest love of all—  
Jesus laid down his life not just for his friends,  
but for us, his enemies!**

*Leader* In Christ, the perfect image of God, you receive your identity:  
created by God, children of God.

*All* **Renew us, Spirit, more and more,  
in the image of the Son of God.**

# Song in the Gospel

*"This is My Father's World"*

*All*

**This is my Father's world,  
And to my listening ears  
All nature sings, and round me rings  
The music of the spheres.**

**This is my Father's world:  
I rest me in the thought  
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas;  
His hand the wonders wrought.**

**This is my Father's world,  
The birds their carols raise,  
The morning light, the lily white,  
Declare their maker's praise.**

**This is my Father's world:  
He shines in all that's fair;  
In the rustling grass I hear Him pass;  
He speaks to me everywhere.**

**This is my Father's world,  
O let me ne'er forget  
That though the wrong seems oft so strong.  
God is the ruler yet.**

**This is my Father's world: the battle is not done:  
Jesus Who died shall be satisfied,  
And earth and Heav'n be one.  
Jesus Who died shall be satisfied,  
And earth and Heav'n be one.**

*Maltbie Davenport Babcock*

# Song in the Gospel

*“All Creatures of our God and King”*

*All*

**All creatures of our God and King,  
Lift up your voice and with us sing,  
Alle-luia! Alleluia!**

**Thou burning sun with golden beam,  
Thou silver moon with softer gleam!  
O praise Him, O praise Him,  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Thou rushing wind that art so strong,  
Ye clouds that sail in heav’n along,  
Alle-luia! Alleluia!**

**Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice,  
Ye lights of evening, find a voice!  
O praise Him, O praise Him,  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Thou flowing water, pure and clear,  
Make music for thy Lord to hear,  
Alle-luia! Alleluia!**

**Thou fire so masterful and bright,  
That givest man both warmth and light,  
O praise Him, O praise Him,  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**And all ye men of tender heart,  
Forgiving others, take your part,  
Alle-luia! Alleluia!**

**Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,  
Praise God, and on Him cast your care,  
O praise Him, O praise Him,  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*Maltbie Davenport Babcock*



# Prayer of Dependence

*John & Jenny Karraker*

## Children's Worship + Nursery

Redeemer Kids' mission is to partner with parents to help kids develop a lifetime relationship with Jesus. We love having children of any age join us in the worship service and also provide options to families that can engage young children wherever they are developmentally.

The Nursery welcomes children ages 0-3.

Children's Worship welcomes kids ages 4-Kindergarten. We are glad to extend this age and make additional accommodations on a case by case basis (e-mail [emily@redeemindy.org](mailto:emily@redeemindy.org).)

You are welcome to drop your children off at any point. Kids attending Children's Worship must be picked up by the end of communion. Nursery and Children's Worship spaces are located through the doors on the front left of the sanctuary.

## Offering of Gifts and Service

*Online giving available at [[redeemindy.org/give](https://redeemindy.org/give)]*



# Scripture Reading

*Genesis 1:24-31 NIV*

*Reader*

<sup>24</sup> And God said, “Let the land produce living creatures according to their kinds: the livestock, the creatures that move along the ground, and the wild animals, each according to its kind.” And it was so. <sup>25</sup> God made the wild animals according to their kinds, the livestock according to their kinds, and all the creatures that move along the ground according to their kinds. And God saw that it was good.

<sup>26</sup> Then God said, “Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals, and over all the creatures that move along the ground.”

<sup>27</sup> So God created mankind in his own image,  
in the image of God he created them;  
male and female he created them.

<sup>28</sup> God blessed them and said to them, “Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky and over every living creature that moves on the ground.”

<sup>29</sup> Then God said, “I give you every seed-bearing plant on the face of the whole earth and every tree that has fruit with seed in it. They will be yours for food. <sup>30</sup> And to all the beasts of the earth and all the birds in the sky and all the creatures that move along the ground—everything that has the breath of life in it—I give every green plant for food.” And it was so.

<sup>31</sup> God saw all that he had made, and it was very good. And there was evening, and there was morning—the sixth day.

*Reader*

This is the Word of the Lord.

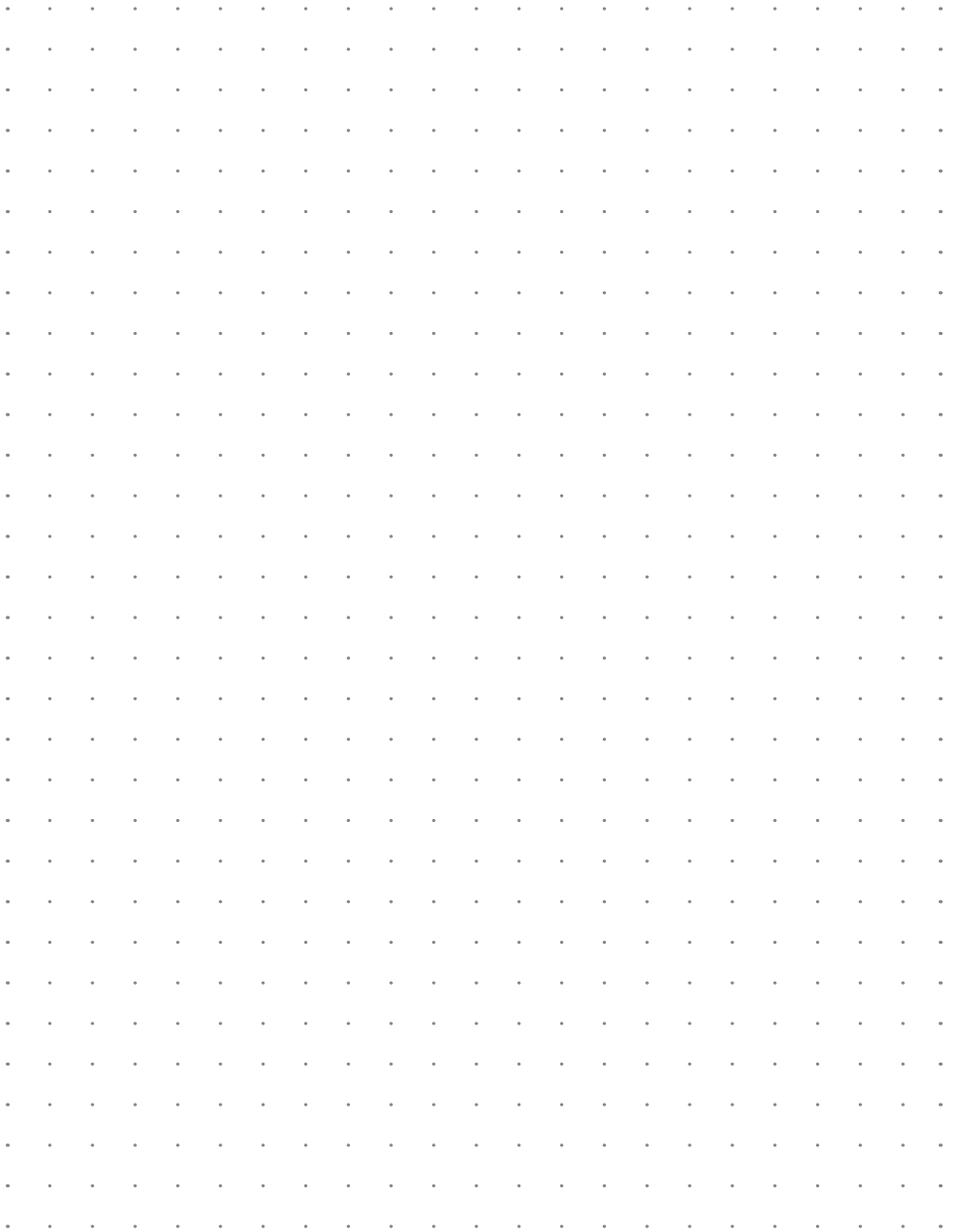
*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

## Sermon

Charles Anderson

# Notes



## Additional Texts

*David Graeber*

*“The thing that surprised me was just how hard it was for so many people to adjust to what seemed like comparatively minor problems: basically, boredom and sense of purposelessness in life. Why couldn’t they just say, ‘Okay, so I’m getting something for nothing. Let’s just hope the boss doesn’t figure it out!’”*

*Genesis 2:15 NAB*

*The LORD God then took the man and settled him in the garden of Eden, to cultivate and care for it.*

*Colossians 1:15, 19–20 NIV*

*<sup>15</sup> The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. . . . <sup>19</sup> For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, <sup>20</sup> and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.*

*Richard Sibbes*

*“To ‘serve’ God is to carry ourselves as the children of God wheresoever we are: so that our whole life is a service to God.”*

# Call to Communion

## *Guidelines for the Reception of Communion*

*Redeemer welcomes to Communion 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. We will be coming forward for the distribution of Communion. Please use the hand sanitizer. You will receive the bread into your hands and take a cup from the tray. Clear cups (located in the interior rings) contain grape juice. Red cups (exterior ring of tray) contain wine. Wait to eat the bread and drink the wine until we all do so together, once we are back in our seats. Children who have been interviewed by the elders are able to share in Communion.*

*Communion is a time of connection with the Lord Jesus and with each other. Feel free to sing with the band during Communion. The ministry of prayer is also a way we live together as a community of believers and seekers. Please take the time to pray on your own, or with someone else in the pews.*

## Prayer

*If you would like personal prayer during this time you can meet with today's prayer leaders John & Jenny Karraker located in the back.*

### *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

*"To Be Known"*

*All*

**You knew me before I knew myself,  
You put Your breath inside of me  
Creation sings of Your majesty,  
We're joining in the symphony**

**Just as oil burns with a fragrance  
So let my life be incense, Lord**

**Oh, just to know You,  
And to be known by You, my God  
There's nothing sweeter,  
Oh, just to sing right to Your heart**

**You raise me Lord, from dust to life  
Your Spirit lives inside of me  
You called us your sons and daughters,  
We're anchored in eternity**

**Like a stream flows into the ocean  
so let my life pour out to You**

**Oh, just to know You,  
And to be known by You, my God  
There's nothing sweeter,  
Oh, just to sing right to Your heart**

**Oh, to be known by You, my God,  
And just to sing right to Your heart  
There's nothing sweeter;  
There's nothing sweeter**

*[Repeat]*

**Let there be a sound.  
Let there be a song.  
An eruption of praise from every heart  
Come fill this house.**

**Let it spill out, and cover the Earth**

*[Repeat]*

**Oh, to be known by You, my God,  
And just to sing right to Your heart  
There's nothing sweeter**

*Tekoa, Shady Gendy*

# Doxology

All

**Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!  
Amen.**

## Community Life

Today  
3:5 pm

**Youth Group this Evening** Middle and high school students, please join us this evening for youth group in the gym. *Email Mary Paxton Lind or Nicholas McDonald with any questions.*

March 1  
6:9 pm

**First Friday at the Harrison Center** Come out this Friday to see five gallery shows featuring five different female artists in recognition of March being Women's History month. You can see Kate Oberich's new show *(re)current* in the Harrison Gallery and our very own Mandie Anderson's show in the Hank & Dolly Gallery. *Use the QR code to volunteer.*



March 3  
12:30-4 pm

**Discovering Redeemer for Kids and Students** Redeemer Kids and Redeemer Students are partnering together to offer a new class for 4th-7th graders interested in exploring the next step in their faith. We'll take a closer look at the gospel, the sacraments, the church, and what it means to be a member at Redeemer. All participants must have at least one parent or guardian attend the class with them. *If you have a child/student outside of this age range that is interested in this process, please contact emily@redeemindy.org. Use the QR code here to sign up.*



March 17  
12:30 pm

**Newcomer's Lunch** If you are new or newish to the church, we'd love for you to join us for lunch after the 2nd service. It's a great chance to meet people, ask questions, and learn more about Redeemer. *Use the QR code here to sign up.*



**BEGINS**  
April 7  
9:30 am  
-10:50 am

**Discovering Redeemer Class** Join us for our 6-week class that takes place during the Sunday School hour with a Saturday night dinner at the end of the class. We will cover core topics like what we believe about the gospel, the church, membership, stewardship, and the city, as well as how to live well as a follower of Christ. *This class is mandatory for membership, so use the QR code to register.*



REGISTER  
BY **APRIL 3**

June 24-29

**SECOND  
MOUSE  
DEADLINE**  
April 1

**Students Summer Camp** We can't wait to take our middle & high school Students to summer camp at Ridge Haven this summer! We believe that summer camp is both the culmination of a year spent together studying God's Word in community as well as a massive on-ramp to deepening relationships and growing faith as we head into the next school year. *Use the QR code to learn more and register.*



More information can be found at our website: [redeemindy.org](http://redeemindy.org).

## SUNDAY SCHOOL GUIDE

The Sunday Morning Bible Study will be in the Speck Gallery.

The Creatives Class will be in the City Gallery.

The Faith + Work Cohort will be in the Hank & Dolly Gallery.

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The Formation Hour in the Harrison Gallery! Today, Ben Reed will review the 2023 giving report which includes some highlights from last year. Next Sunday we will have an Q&A about the Creation Series in the Harrison Gallery and Small Business Sunday in the gym.

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Nursery is open for children ages 0-3 the whole morning.

## REDEEMER STUDENTS SUNDAY SCHOOL LOCATIONS

- *Middle School: the Underground*
- *High School: Room 205*

## REDEEMER KIDS SUNDAY SCHOOL LOCATIONS

- *Preschool 3: Nursery*
- *Preschool 4-5: Room 160 (Children's Worship)*
- *Kindergarten-1st Grade: Room 204*
- *2nd-3rd Grade: Room 201*
- *4th-5th Grade Boys: Room 203*
- *4th-5th Grade Girls: Sky Gallery (3rd Floor)*



# Closing Hymn

*“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”*

*All*

**What a friend we have in Jesus,  
All our sins and griefs to bear!  
What a privilege to carry  
Everything to God in prayer**

**Oh, what peace we often forfeit,  
Oh, what needless pain we bear  
All because we do not carry  
Everything to God in prayer.**

**Have we trials and temptations?  
Is there trouble anywhere?  
We should never be discouraged,  
Take it to the Lord in prayer.**

**Can we find a friend so faithful?  
Who will all our sorrows share?  
Jesus knows our every weakness,  
Take it to the Lord in prayer.**

**Are we weak and heavy laden,  
Cumbered with a load of care?  
Precious Savior, still our refuge  
Take it to the Lord in prayer.**

**Do thy friends despise forsake thee?  
Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
In His arms He'll take and shield thee,  
Thou wilt find a solace there.**

**Blessed Savior, Thou hast promised  
Thou wilt all our burdens bear;  
May we ever, Lord, be bringing  
All to Thee in earnest prayer.**

**Soon in glory bright, unclouded,  
There will be no need for prayer—  
Rapture, praise, and endless worship  
Will be our sweet portion there.  
What a friend we have in Jesus,  
All our sins and griefs to bear!  
What a privilege to carry  
Everything to God in prayer**

*Words by Joseph Scriven, Music by Charles Crozat Converse*

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2024 year-to-date giving:

\$243,636

January-February 2024 budget:

\$509,817

## Congregational Giving

February 4, 2023 .....	\$	64,915
February 11, 2023 .....	\$	45,131
February 18, 2023 .....	\$	21,401
<b>February Total .....</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>131,447</b>

## Membership at Redeemer

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

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

To become a member at Redeemer you must take our Discovering Redeemer class and meet with an elder for an interview. You will take membership vows privately and then publicly before the church. To begin this process, email [info@redeemindy.org](mailto:info@redeemindy.org).

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Sunday Worship  
8:30 & 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary

Classes  
10:00 a.m.

## Nice to Meet You

We're glad you're here and we'd love to get to know you better. Please help us do that by filling out whatever information you are comfortable sharing below. *Tear it off and put it in the offering plate, or bring it to the Welcome Desk in the back of the sanctuary for a small gift!* We'll be in touch.

### I AM A...

- 1st/2nd-time Guest     Out-of-Town Guest  
 Regular Attendee     Redeemer Member

### FIRST & LAST NAME

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- Male     Female

### SPOUSE OR FRIEND

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- Male     Female

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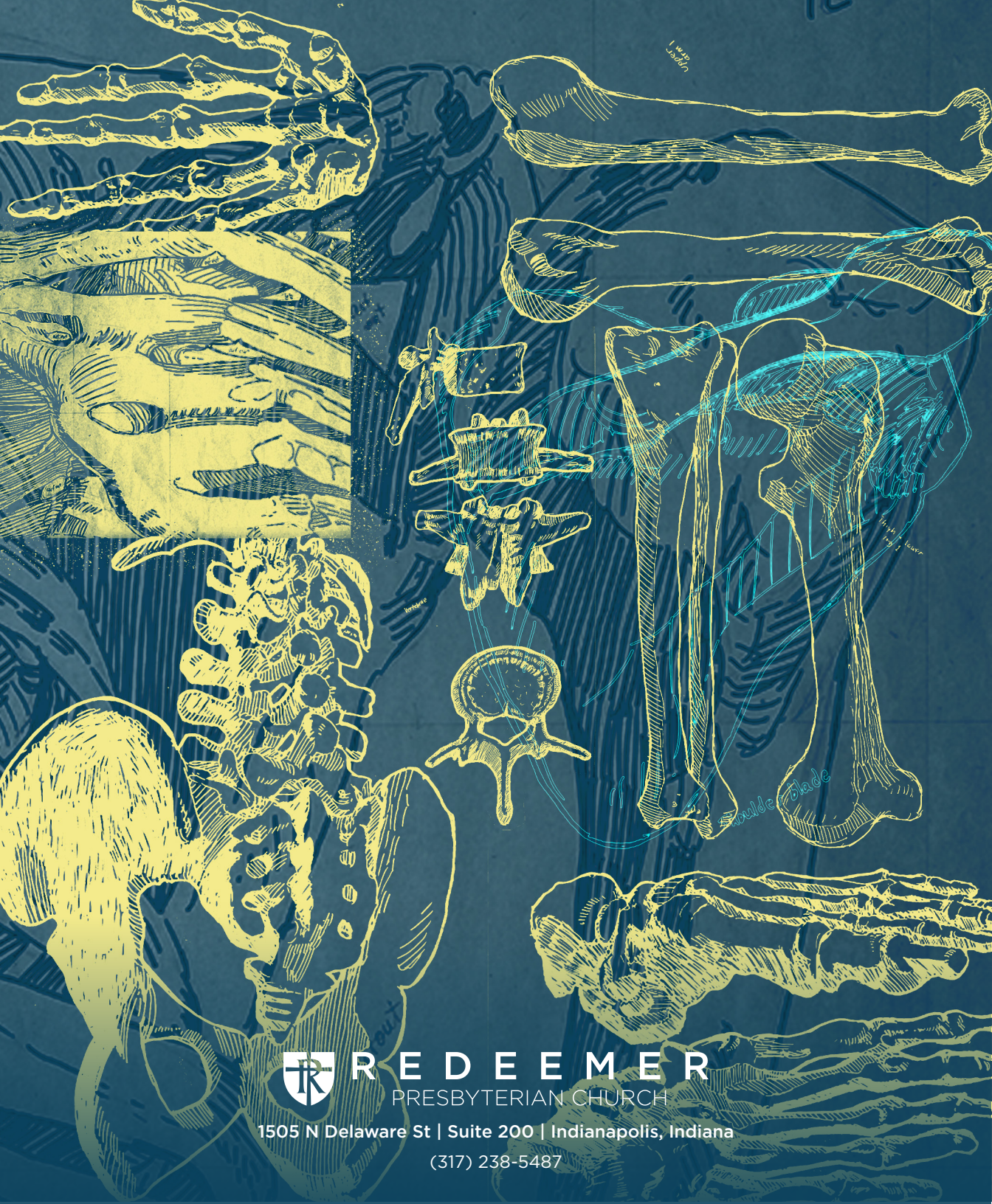
Join a Community  
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\*Go to [www.redeemindy.org/ministries](http://www.redeemindy.org/ministries) for a full list of volunteer opportunities and descriptions.

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