



GENESIS

EVERYDAY MATTERS

Cover Art

Nirakar Chowdhury, *The Beatitudes of Love*, acrylic on canvas, 4x4 feet

This painting is about love and the connection between God and his *bhakts*, his devotees. God is the tree on the hill: free, large, all-knowing, without wrong, without shape. Below, we his bhakts, human, limited, defined, knowing some things, not much. The Sermon on the Mount is a set of lessons to be studied, on how to live, how to love. It is about a relationship, a connection, between God and human beings.

“[This piece] was made during a residency we ran where we had artists of other faiths explore the verses of the Sermon on the Mount. We discussed the significance of Jesus’ teachings in an Indian context of disparity, corruption, ethnic and political divisions, etc and this was one of the works that came out of that. The artist is a Hindu and is showing Christ and the ideas of the Sermon on the Mount as a tree on the hilltop with the other trees looking up and modeling themselves after it, with everything imbued with multicoloured life.”

—Stefan Eicher

Back Wall

Barb Knuckles, Bethany Sanders, Hidi Gardner, and Marcía Jones, *Easter South Window*, 2017

Floral Installation

Martha Surridge, Emily Sanders, and Rosie Staley

Banners

Lotz Community Group, 2024

Entryway Signs

Elise & Caleb Keitt, *Crown of Thorns*, 2024

South Window

Anna Vanest, Creatives Class, and Redeemer Students, 2024

Communion Set

TJ Samuels, cups; Matt Kenyan, glass plates

Call to Worship

from Psalm 73:23-26

Leader

O LORD, how I want to continually be with you.
You have taken hold of my right hand,
You guide me in your plan until you take me into glory.

All

**Whom have I in heaven but you?
Earth has nothing I want besides you.**

**My flesh and my heart may fail,
but God is the strength of my heart,
and my portion forever.**

Opening Hymn

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

All

**Come, thou Fount of every blessing,
Tune my heart to sing thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
Sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount! I’m fixed upon it,
Mount of thy redeeming love.**

**Here I raise my Ebenezer;
Here by thy great help I’ve come;
And I hope, by thy good pleasure,
Safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
Wandering from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger,
Interposed his precious blood;**

**O to grace how great a debtor
Daily I’m constrained to be!
Let thy goodness, like a fetter,
Bind my wandering heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord I feel it,
Prone to leave the God I love.
Here’s my heart, Lord take and seal it,
Seal it for thy courts above.**

**O that day when freed from sinning,
I shall see thy lovely face;
Clothed then in my blood washed linen,
How I’ll sing thy sovereign grace!**

Words: Robert Robinson, 1758, Music: John Wyeth, 1813

Prayer of Adoration

Prayer of Confession & Assurance of Pardon in the Gospel

from 1 Corinthians 15:55-57; Jeremiah 31:3-4; John 19:30

- Leader* Your Savior has risen victorious over sin and death and has been given the name above every other name. He has removed the power of the curse forever.
- All* **The Kingdom of Jesus our Christ has begun.**
- Leader* Therefore, do not call unclean what the Lord has called clean. Believe your Father's words accomplished in Christ:
- "I have loved you with an everlasting love;
I have drawn you with unfailing kindness."
- All* **But I have ever-increasing new debt before you every day.**
- Leader* "It is gone!"
- All* **I have mixed motives in all I do.**
- Leader* "Your self-centeredness was crucified with Christ."
- All* **I have done so many things that I can never undo.**
- Leader* "You are clean!"
- All* **I am damaged beyond repair.**
- Leader* "You are new and beautiful to me!"
- All* **I am a traitor, a hypocrite and I will betray you again.**
- Leader* "I have justified you and have made you worthy!"
- All* **I have wasted my life and my time, and there is nothing left to offer you.**
- Leader* "You have been anointed with purpose!"
- All* **I am unlovable.**
- Leader* "You are the apple of my eye, the joy of my heart, the favorite among all others. I enjoy you and in you I have glad delight. Turn to me and believe the good news."

Song in the Gospel

“Come, Ye Sinners”

All

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

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

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

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

words Joseph Hart, 1835; music RESTORATION, trad American Melody Walker’s Southern Harmony, 1835

Song in the Gospel

“Jesus Thy Blood and Righteousness”

All

**Jesus, thy blood and righteousness
My beauty are, my glorious dress;
'Midst flaming worlds, in these arrayed,
With joy shall I lift up my head.**

**Bold shall I stand in thy great day;
For who aught to my charge shall lay?
Fully absolved, through these I am,
From sin and fear, from guilt and shame.**

**So I join with the song of the Lord's redeemed.
And I praise with the throngs at the throne of my King!
Oh the might! Oh the fear! Oh the mercy that's His,
In the blood of his Son and the grace that it gives.**

**This spotless robe the same appears,
When ruined nature sinks in years;
No age can change, its glorious hue,
The robe of Christ is ever new.**

**So I join with the song of the Lord's redeemed.
And I praise with the throngs at the throne of my King!
Oh the might! Oh the fear! Oh the mercy that's His,
In the blood of his Son and the grace that it gives.**

**O let the dead now hear thy voice;
Now bid thy banished ones rejoice;
Their beauty this, their glorious dress,
Jesus, thy blood and righteousness.**

**So I join with the song of the Lord's redeemed.
And I praise with the throngs at the throne of my King!
Oh the might! Oh the fear! Oh the mercy that's His,
In the blood of his Son and the grace that it gives.**

words Nikolaus L. von Zinzendorf, 1739; music Nathan Partain, 2010

Song in the Gospel

“I Need Thee Every Hour”

All

**I need Thee ev’ry hour, most gracious Lord;
No tender voice like Thine, can peace afford.
I need Thee, O, I need Thee; Ev’ry hour I need Thee;
Oh, bless me now, my Savior, I come to Thee.**

**I need Thee ev’ry hour, in joy or pain;
Come quickly and abide, or life is vain.
I need Thee, O, I need Thee; Ev’ry hour I need Thee;
Oh, bless me now, my Savior, I come to Thee.**

**I need Thee ev’ry hour, teach me Thy will;
And Thy rich promises, in me fulfill.
I need Thee, O, I need Thee; Ev’ry hour I need Thee;
Oh, bless me now, my Savior, I come to Thee.**

words: Annie S. Hawks, 1872; music: Robert Lowry, 1872

Prayer of Dependence

Chad & Kim Davis

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.)

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]



Missions Month Special Offering

This morning we will learn about the wonderful opportunity we have to help our missions partners.

Giving Initiatives

This year, we would like to raise \$45,000 for the following initiatives.

- \$30,000—Kenya building project.
- \$15,000—Partner support and other ministry funds.



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Scripture Reading

Genesis 2:15-25 NIV

Reader

¹⁵ The LORD God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it. ¹⁶ And the LORD God commanded the man, “You are free to eat from any tree in the garden; ¹⁷ but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat from it you will certainly die.”

¹⁸ The LORD God said, “It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him.”

¹⁹ Now the LORD God had formed out of the ground all the wild animals and all the birds in the sky. He brought them to the man to see what he would name them; and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name. ²⁰ So the man gave names to all the livestock, the birds in the sky and all the wild animals.

But for Adam no suitable helper was found. ²¹ So the LORD God caused the man to fall into a deep sleep; and while he was sleeping, he took one of the man’s ribs and then closed up the place with flesh. ²² Then the LORD God made a woman from the rib he had taken out of the man, and he brought her to the man.

²³ The man said,

“This is now bone of my bones
and flesh of my flesh;
she shall be called ‘woman,’
for she was taken out of man.”

²⁴ That is why a man leaves his father and mother and is united to his wife, and they become one flesh.

²⁵ Adam and his wife were both naked, and they felt no shame.

Reader
People

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

Sermon

Charles Anderson

Additional Texts

Matthew 19:4–6

⁴ “Haven’t you read,” he replied, “that at the beginning the Creator ‘made them male and female,’
⁵ and said, ‘For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh?’⁶ So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.”

Ephesians 5:31–32

³¹ “For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh.”³² This is a profound mystery—but I am talking about Christ and the church.

Revelation 21:1–3

¹ Then I saw “a new heaven and a new earth,” for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. ² I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. ³ And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Look! God’s dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God.”

Oliver O’Donovan, *Resurrection and Moral Order*, p. 70

“Humanity in the presence of God will know a community in which the fidelity of love which marriage makes possible will be extended beyond the limits of marriage. To this eschatological hope the New Testament church bore witness by fostering the social conditions which could support a vocation to the single life. It conceived of marriage and singleness as alternative vocations, each a worthy form of life, the two together comprising the Christian witness to the nature of affectionate community. The one declared that God had vindicated the order of creation, the other pointed beyond it to its eschatological transformation. But the coexistence of the two within the Christian church did not mean a loss of integrity to either. Each had to function as what it was, according to its own proper structure. The married must live in the ways of marriage, the single in the ways of singleness. Neither would accommodate in itself or evoke in the other an evolutionary mutation. Marriage that was not marriage could not witness to the goodness of the created order, singleness that was not singleness could tell us nothing of the fulfillment for which that order was destined.”

Notes



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 Chad & Kim Davis 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

“More Love, O Christ, to Thee”

All

**More love, O Christ, to thee, more love to thee;
Hear thou the prayer I make, on bended knee.
This is my earnest plea, more love, O Christ, more love, O Christ,
This is my earnest plea, more love, O Christ, more love, O Christ, to thee,
More love, O Christ, to thee.**

**Once earthly joy I craved, sought peace and rest;
Now thee alone I seek; give what is best.
This all my prayer shall be, more love, O Christ, more love, O Christ,
This all my prayer shall be, more love, O Christ, more love, O Christ, to thee,
More love, O Christ, to thee.**

**Let sorrow do its work, send grief and pain:
Sweet are thy messengers, sweet their refrain.
When they can sing with me, more love, O Christ, more love, O Christ,
When they can sing with me, more love, O Christ, more love, O Christ, to thee,
More love, O Christ, to thee.**

**Then shall my final breath, whisper thy praise;
This be the parting cry, my heart shall raise.
This still my prayer shall be, more love, O Christ, more love, O Christ,
This still my prayer shall be, more love, O Christ, more love, O Christ, to thee,
More love, O Christ, to thee,
More love, O Christ, to thee,
More love, O Christ, to thee.**

words Elizabeth Payson Prentiss, 1856; music Nathan Partain, 2001

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

May 3
6-9 pm

First Friday at the Harrison Center Celebrate the Indy 500 and kick off Porching season with us! Come out for eight new gallery openings, Indy 500 celebration kits, a variety of performances throughout the evening, and more. *Use the QR code if you would like to volunteer next week.*



May 11
9 am-2 pm

How & Why to Talk about Jesus Redeemer is hosting a transformative evangelism training event with Rico Tice. Rico is the speaker on Christianity Explored and a great, down to earth communicator of Jesus. This is an excellent way to equip yourself with practical evangelizing strategies and rediscover the essence of sharing the gospel with clarity and conviction. *Use the QR code to get your ticket.*



June 3-6
5-7 pm

DEADLINE
May 12

RR Kid's Club This is Redeemer's camp-like version of VBS. Throughout the week, preschool and elementary children will rotate through stations of crafts, games, a Bible Story, and dinner with their leaders and same-aged peers. Kid's Club isn't just for kids! We'd love for you to consider volunteering in one of the many areas we have a need. *Please consider signing up as a student leader if you are a rising 6th-12th grader or as an adult volunteer if you are any other age. Use the correct QR code here to register a child or sign up to volunteer.*



Child Registration Volunteer Sign-up

June 24-29

FINAL DEADLINE
Wednesday

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.*



We're Hiring: Kitchen Coordinator Due to life transitions, our part-time kitchen coordinator Jonathan Wallace is stepping down, and we are looking to hire for this position. This is a super important, largely behind-the-scenes role in helping Redeemer be a welcoming place with warm coffee and refreshments week in and week out. Given the relentlessness of a Sunday morning job, we are looking to hire two people to cover the Sunday morning kitchen management (one week on, one week off). *Read the full job description by scanning the QR code. If you are interested, please email Ben Reed [ben@redeemindy.org].*



Missions Month Prayer Guide April is Missions Month. Be sure to pick up your copy of our missions partner prayer guide from the welcome bar. This guide is a great way to learn more about the missions partners Redeemer supports around the globe.

More information can be found at our website: redeemindy.org.

SUNDAY SCHOOL GUIDE

The Creatives Class will be in the City Gallery.

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

For the Formation Hour today, the Global Missions Team will update us on some of what's going on with our global missinos partners. *Next week we will have Small Business Sunday.*

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

“Psalm 136 (The Lord is All That’s Good)”

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

Benediction

Ways to Connect

LEAD PASTOR	Charles Anderson / charles@redeemindy.org
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2024 year-to-date giving:
\$600,606



January-April 2024 budget:
\$1,019,635

Congregational Giving

April 7, 2024	\$	41,690
April 14, 2024	\$	39,616
April 21, 2024	\$	53,456
April Total	\$	134,762

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.

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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

- Male Female

SPOUSE OR FRIEND

- Male Female

CONTACT

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