



Ordinary Time II

Redeemer Presbyterian Church
1 October 2023

Cover Art

Esther Gray, A Dance, fabric, wood, and cardboard, 2023

A dance features an unlikely grouping of pattern and color, which rests between call and response. Each element mimics the voice of its counterpart in a new way, translating the song to its own tune. It is as if the three dance a dance all their own. A dance that holds unity and distinctiveness together in lockstep.

Banners

Marcia Jones

Entryway Signs

Anna Vanest

South Window

Marcia Jones and Susan Jones, South Window Collaboration, 2023

The Jones sisters in Christ met nine years ago this August. Their piece hanging in the south window is their first official collaboration.

Depicted in glass is the Crown of Life, a heavenly reward for those saints who resist temptation, endure life's trials, or suffer persecution. The quilted side panels are a reminder of not only Christ's kingship but also the other crowns received by his saints in heaven.

During the process, Marcia and Susan would often spontaneously sing, "Crown Him with many crowns!"

Communion Set

Craig Dodge Lile

Call to Worship

from Isaiah 40

Leader You who bring good news to Zion,
go up on a high mountain.
You who bring good news to Jerusalem,
lift up your voice with a shout,
lift it up, do not be afraid;
say to the towns of Judah,

All **“Here is your God!”**
See, the Sovereign LORD comes with power,
and he rules with a mighty arm.

Leader He tends his flock like a shepherd:
he gathers the lambs in his arms
and carries them close to his heart;
he gently leads those that have young.

All **Don’t we know? Haven’t we heard?**
The LORD is the everlasting God,
the Creator of the ends of the earth.
He will not grow tired or weary,
and his understanding no one can fathom.
He gives strength to the weary
and power to the weak.

Opening Hymn

“Rejoice! The Lord is King!”

All

**Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore;
Rejoice, give thanks and sing, and triumph evermore;
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; rejoice, I say, rejoice!**

**Jesus, the Savior, reigns, the God of truth and love;
When he had purged our stains, he took his seat above;
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; rejoice, I say, rejoice!**

**His kingdom cannot fail, he rules o’er earth and heaven,
The keys of death and hell are to our Jesus given;
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; rejoice, I say, rejoice!**

**Rejoice in glorious hope! Jesus, the Judge, shall come,
And take his servants up to their eternal home.
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; rejoice, I say, rejoice!**

Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; rejoice, I say, rejoice!

words Charles Wesley, 1744; music Nathan Partain, 2003

Prayer of Adoration

Prayer of Confession

from Psalms 29-34; Genesis 3

Leader The LORD, the LORD, strong in love and goodness,
 sits enthroned over all he has made,
 Credit him with the glory due his name.

All **We confess, God, that you're more a part, or an afterthought,
 than the heart of our time, our thoughts,
 our relationships, our resources.
We don't bear your name joyfully and carefully;
 we're so often embarrassed
 even to be called by your name as Christians.**

Leader At times we feel so confident, like we're unshakeable,
 like a king with an overwhelming army,
 or a warrior well-armed and strong.

All **We trust in our family,
 our upbringing,
 our education,
 our gifts and abilities,
 our privilege,
 our jobs and net worth,
to keep us safe, to deliver us, to make us acceptable.**

Leader At times we feel covered in shame, like we're worthless,
 which gives a seedbed for sin.

All **In shame we isolate and disconnect from people;
 we hide in darkness and secrets.
We buy the lie that we deserve to be alone,
 that God doesn't want us.
Then, like our first parents, we cover our shame with fig leaves,
 rather than turn to our maker and redeemer.**

Leader Father, Son, and Spirit, we call out to you!

All **Hear our cry for mercy!**

Assurance of Pardon in the Gospel

from Psalms 29-34; 2 Corinthians 3:17-18; 4:6

Leader

Oh, what joy for those
whose disobedience is forgiven,
whose sin is put out of sight!

All

**Yes, what joy for those
whose record the Lord has cleared of guilt,
whose lives are lived in complete honesty!**

Leader

Your unfailing love has come through once and for all.
No one who takes refuge in the Lord will be condemned,
for Christ has been condemned in our place.

All

**Let your face shine on your servants.
Make our faces radiant,
reflecting your glory,
glowing from Jesus,
never covered in shame.**

Leader

You turned my wailing into dancing;
you threw away my sackcloth
and clothed me with joy!

All

**Give us full-throated singing,
from hearts that sing your praises out.
Fill us with joy at your mercy!**

Song in the Gospel

"The Lord is my Joy"

All **The Lord is my joy, the Lord is my joy,
When all that I have is lost, I find
The Lord is my joy.**

**The Lord is my strength, the Lord is my strength,
When I am too weak to go on, I find
The Lord is my strength.**

**My all in all is he, my healing King,
My Master tends to me, for him, my soul shall sing.**

**The Lord is my rock, the Lord is my rock,
When all I have faith in fails, I find
The Lord is my rock.**

**The Lord is my delight, the Lord is my delight,
Above all the joys of life, I find
The Lord is my delight.**

**My all in all is he, my breath, my song.
In him, I have everything; to him, my soul belongs.**

Women **I wait, and wait upon you, to come for me in rescue.
Give strength, my heart is failing, yet still, my lips will praise you. (Repeat)**

Men **And with his wings he covers me, he keeps his watch while I'm asleep,
I offer all my plans and dreams, I give my savior everything.
And with his wings he covers me, he keeps his watch while I'm asleep,
I offer all my plans and dreams.**

All **You who gave your only son, I dare not doubt your steadfast love.
Come, I beg you take my life, if I am yours then all is right.**

**You who gave your only son, I dare not doubt your steadfast love.
Come, I beg you take my life, if I am yours then all is right.**

**My all in all is he, my dearest friend.
I put my trust in him; on him, my soul depends.**

Nathan Partain, 2008

Song in the Gospel

“Be Thou My Vision”

All

**Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art
Thou my best thought, by day or by night
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light**

**Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord
Thou my great Father, and I Thy true son
Thou in me dwelling and I with Thee one**

**Riches I heed not, nor man’s empty praise
Thou mine inheritance, now and always
Thou and Thou only first in my heart
High King of heaven, my treasure Thou art**

**High King of heaven, my victory won
May I reach heaven’s joys, O bright heaven’s sun
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall
Still be my vision, O ruler of all**

Ancient Irish poem and melody, 8th cent; tr. Mary E. Byrne, 1905; Public Domain, arr. Greg Johnson

Prayer of Dependence

Barb Knuckles and Katie Pourcho

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 ages 4-Kindergarten are welcome to attend Children's Worship.

You are welcome to drop your children off at any point. Kids attending Children's Worship (ages 4-Kindergarten) 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]



Saturday Seminary Review

Yesterday morning, Dr. Tasha Chapman led Saturday Seminary for many of our adults. The topic for the morning was self-stewardship and featured a conversation about what the Bible has to say about work, rest, and the tension many of us feel between the different roles and responsibilities we've been entrusted with.

This morning, we will hear a brief overview of yesterday's talk from Dr. Chapman.

Scripture Reading

Psalm 31

Reader

- ¹ In you, LORD, I have taken refuge;
let me never be put to shame;
deliver me in your righteousness.
- ² Turn your ear to me,
come quickly to my rescue;
be my rock of refuge,
a strong fortress to save me.
- ³ Since you are my rock and my fortress,
for the sake of your name lead and guide me.
- ⁴ Keep me free from the trap that is set for me,
for you are my refuge.
- ⁵ Into your hands I commit my spirit;
deliver me, LORD, my faithful God.

- ⁶ I hate those who cling to worthless idols;
as for me, I trust in the LORD.
- ⁷ I will be glad and rejoice in your love,
for you saw my affliction
and knew the anguish of my soul.
- ⁸ You have not given me into the hands of the enemy
but have set my feet in a spacious place.

- ⁹ Be merciful to me, LORD, for I am in distress;
my eyes grow weak with sorrow,
my soul and body with grief.
- ¹⁰ My life is consumed by anguish
and my years by groaning;
my strength fails because of my affliction,
and my bones grow weak.
- ¹¹ Because of all my enemies,
I am the utter contempt of my neighbors
and an object of dread to my closest friends—
those who see me on the street flee from me.
- ¹² I am forgotten as though I were dead;
I have become like broken pottery.
- ¹³ For I hear many whispering,
“Terror on every side!”
They conspire against me
and plot to take my life.

- ¹⁴ But I trust in you, LORD;
I say, "You are my God."
- ¹⁵ My times are in your hands;
deliver me from the hands of my enemies,
from those who pursue me.
- ¹⁶ Let your face shine on your servant;
save me in your unfailing love.
- ¹⁷ Let me not be put to shame, LORD,
for I have cried out to you;
but let the wicked be put to shame
and be silent in the realm of the dead.
- ¹⁸ Let their lying lips be silenced,
for with pride and contempt
they speak arrogantly against the righteous.
- ¹⁹ How abundant are the good things
that you have stored up for those who fear you,
that you bestow in the sight of all,
on those who take refuge in you.
- ²⁰ In the shelter of your presence you hide them
from all human intrigues;
you keep them safe in your dwelling
from accusing tongues.
- ²¹ Praise be to the LORD,
for he showed me the wonders of his love
when I was in a city under siege.
- ²² In my alarm I said,
"I am cut off from your sight!"
Yet you heard my cry for mercy
when I called to you for help.
- ²³ Love the LORD, all his faithful people!
The LORD preserves those who are true to him,
but the proud he pays back in full.
- ²⁴ Be strong and take heart,
all you who hope in the LORD.

*Reader
People*

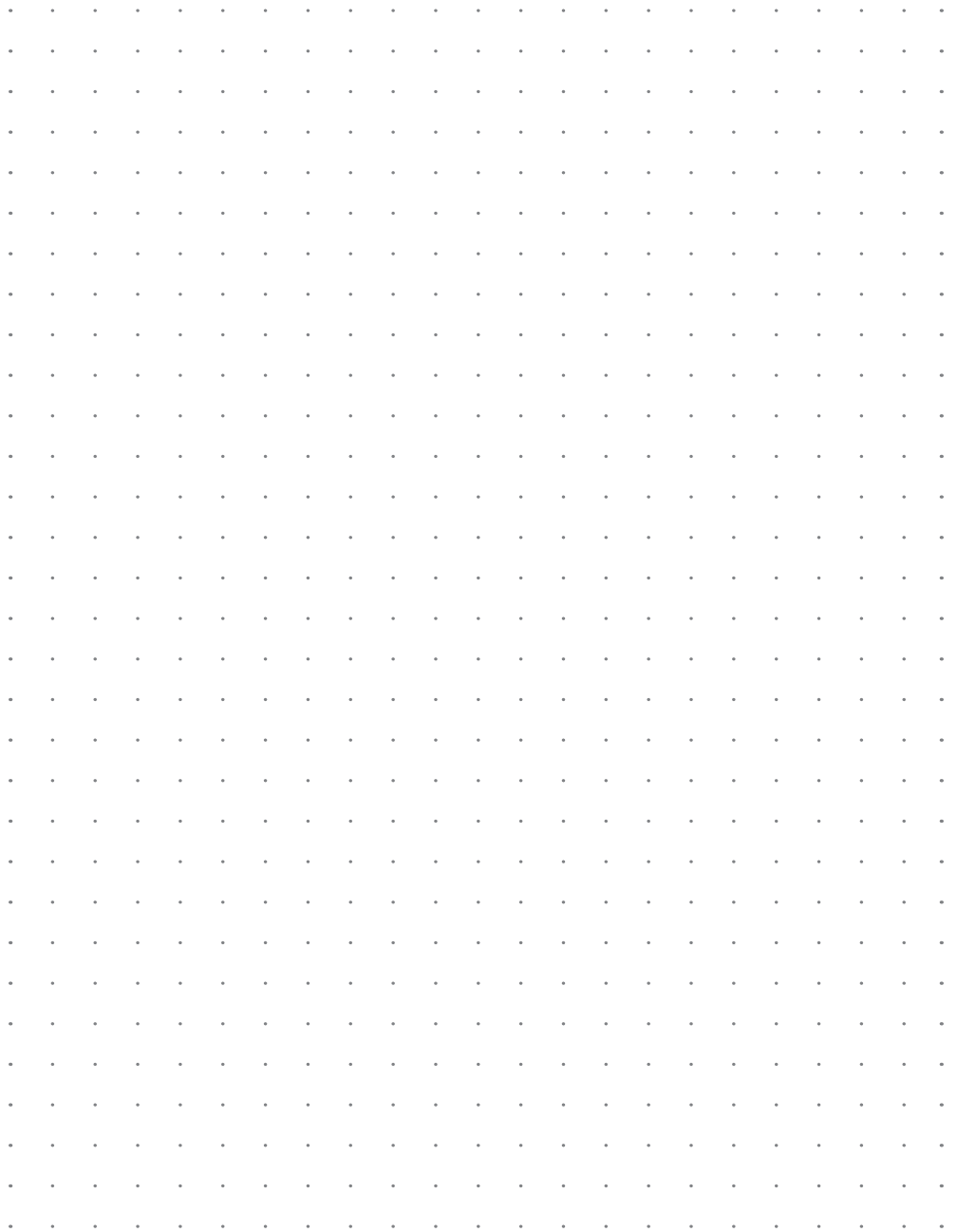
This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Sam Haist

"My Times Are in Your Hands"

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 Barb Knuckles and Katie Pourcho 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

“O Savior Rend the Heavens Wide”

All

**O Savior, rend the heavens wide;
Come down, come down with mighty stride;
Unlock the gates, the doors break down;
Unbar the way to heaven’s crown.**

**O Morning Star, O radiant Dawn,
When will our hearts behold your dawn?
O Sun, arise; without your light
We grope in gloom and dark of night.**

**Sin’s dreadful doom upon us lies;
Grim death looms fierce before our eyes.
Oh, come lead us with mighty hand
Through exile to the promised land.**

**There shall we all our praises bring
Even to you, our Savior King;
There shall we laud you and adore
Forever and forever more.
Forever and forever more.
Forever and forever more.**

words from a German spiritual song; tr. Matric L. Seltz; music Nathan Partain, 2003

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

The Mercy Movement Continues The mission of Mercy Month 2023 is to begin a Mercy Movement and sustain a culture of mercy among us year-round. *If you missed the Ministry Fair last week or you still want to find a place to serve the QR code to visit our site and learn more.*



Oct. 6
6-9 pm

First Friday Come to the Harrison Center this Friday for eight new gallery openings, studio visits, and so much more. *Would you consider Volunteering at the Harrison Center? Link for Volunteering You can sign up to volunteer from 5:45 pm - 7:30 pm or 7:15 pm - 9 pm.*



DEADLINE
Oct. 16

Storied Lives Storied Lives are groups that explore the participants' pasts for them to live more freely in their present. They are offered through New Hope Counseling. The groups use biblically-faithful material based on Dan Allender's work. *Email Carrie Sinsabaugh at carrie@newhopeindianapolis.org to learn more. If you or someone you know would be a good candidate, please use the QR code to apply.*



Oct. 28
3:30-5:30pm

Trunk-or-Treat at 16 Park We need your help to reach out to our neighbors at 16 Park apartment complex to build relationships with residents there. We are hoping to see 75-100 Redeemer volunteers. *(Costumes are encouraged!) Use the QR code to discover the different ways to be involved.*



Nov. 3-4

Apologetics Conference Our sister church, New Life Presbyterian Church in Yorktown, will offer its second annual free apologetics conference. On November 3-4 Dr. Jeff Zweerink and Dr. Eric Hedin will help attendees navigate the relationship between science and faith. *Childcare will be available for children age 1 year old through 3rd grade. Registration and additional info can be found with the QR code here.*



Friday
Mornings

Young Life Volunteers Did you know we partner with Young Life at Herron High School? Young Life exists to build relationships with high school students, sharing the light of Christ. Once or twice a month, Redeemer and the Harrison Center host a pancake breakfast and Bible studies for students interested in community and exploring faith. Naptown Young Life is in a season of rebuilding and would love to invite you to be involved. From prayer to flipping pancakes, there are many opportunities to serve. Join Corey Blade, the new Staff Associate, **on Oct 11th from 7-9 pm** for dessert in the Speck Gallery to meet him and hear how God is moving in this ministry. *Questions? Reach out to Jennie Rader (jennierader@gmail.com)*

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

SUNDAY SCHOOL GUIDE

The Sunday Morning Bible Study will take place in the Speck Gallery.

The Creatives Class continues this week in the City Gallery.

This week, we invite you to join us for Sunday Social Hour. Grab a cup of coffee, yummy treat, and sit and chat for a bit. It will be a great time to connect with old and new friends. Enjoy coffee from Shuv Coffee and baked goods from Alexiva Bakery. *Next Sunday we will have our Artist Talk in the Harrison Gallery.*

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

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)*

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR REDEEMER STUDENTS

Closing Hymn

"We will Feast"

All

**We will feast in the house of Zion. We will sing with our hearts restored.
"He has done great things," we will say together.
We will feast, and weep no more.**

**We will not be burned by the fire; He is the Lord our God.
We are not consumed by the flood—upheld, protected, gathered up.**

**We will feast in the house of Zion. We will sing with our hearts restored.
"He has done great things," we will say together.
We will feast, and weep no more.**

**In the dark of night before the dawn, my soul be not afraid;
For the promised morning, Oh how long! O God of Jacob, be my strength!**

**We will feast in the house of Zion. We will sing with our hearts restored.
"He has done great things," we will say together.
We will feast, and weep no more.**

**Every vow we've broken and betrayed, You are the faithful One;
And from the garden to the grave, bind us together, bring shalom.**

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Sandra McCracken and Josh Moore, 2015

Benediction

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2023 year-to-date giving:

\$1,873,826

January-September 2023 budget:

\$2,089,432

Congregational Giving

September 3, 2023	\$ 55,684
September 10, 2023	\$ 42,147
September 17, 2023	\$ 26,847
September 24, 2023	\$ 44,607
September Total	\$ 169,286

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

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