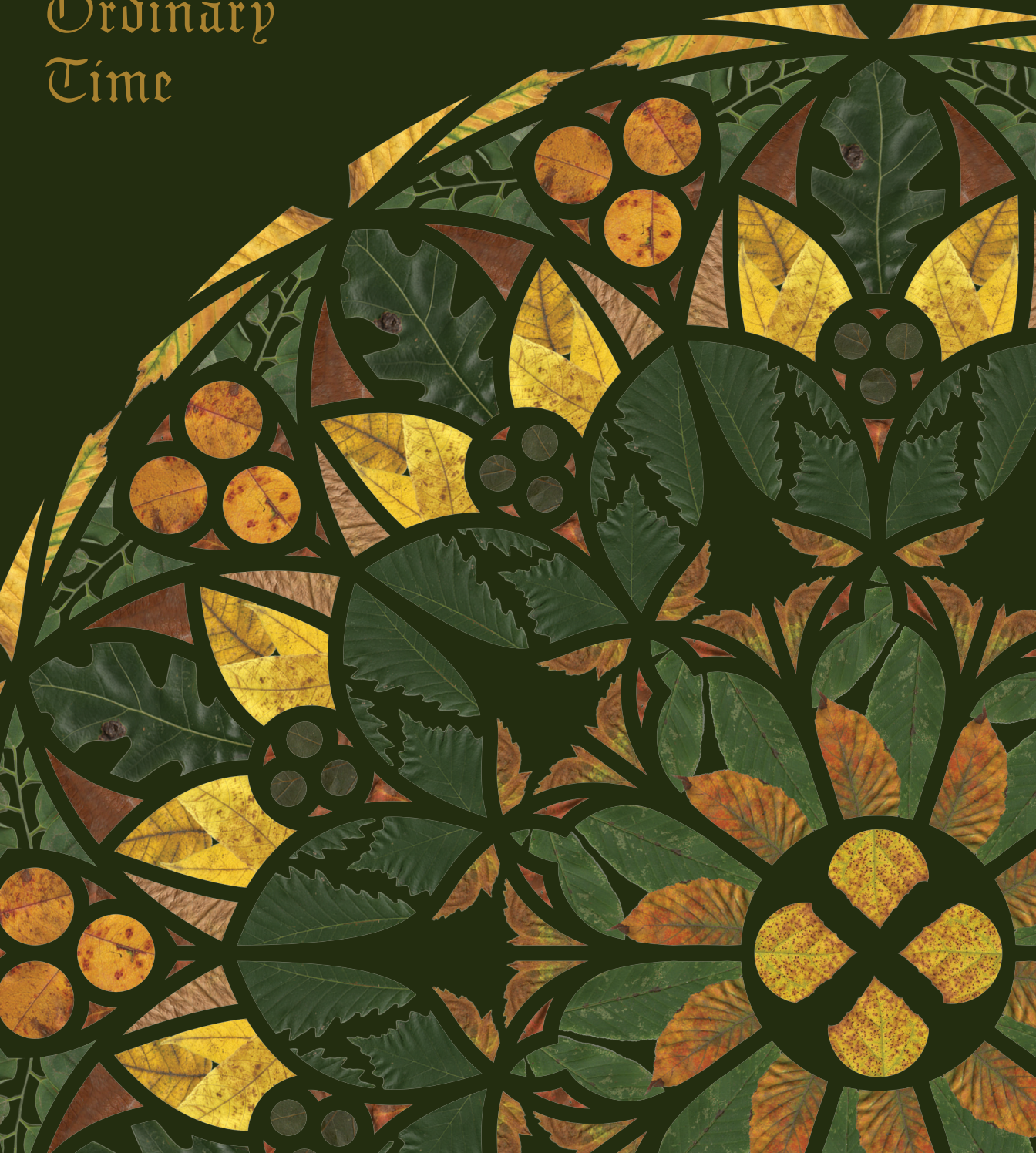


# Ordinary Time



## Cover Art

*“Rose Window” by Derek Bender*

## Back Wall

*Gates and cymbals*

*Symbols and gates*

*In loving memory of Brian Allee*

## Banners

*“Haloes” by Tom Peck*

*Haloes—those mysterious circles surrounding the heads of people in ancient paintings—have been used throughout history to connote holiness, majesty, or splendor. Since at least the fourth century they have been included in Christian art to signify the sanctity of God the Father, Jesus, and the early saints.*

*Halo is a synonym for glory. The word halo, interestingly, derives from the Greek word for threshing floor—the hard-packed surface where oxen continuously moved round and round, making a circular path. Haloes, aptly, trace the arc of God’s story: from the humble to the glorious; from the coarseness of the threshing floor to a sign of the glory of Jesus, the Son of God.*

*The wood that I used to make these haloes was commonplace—plywood, construction-grade pine, and scrap from previous projects. These modest materials reflect the shape of the threshing floor ultimately becoming the shape of glory. I worked on this project without a firm direction in its meaning; only that it was unusually enjoyable and a delight to turn each of these pieces. It was in conversation with Berenice Rarig that the full circle of their story became clear. Thanks, B!*

## Stair Cap Decoration

*Stained glass lanterns with wooden housing by Susan Jones & Ryan Collier*

## Window Covering

*Marcia Jones*

## Communion Set

*Tom Peck*

# Call to Worship

*from Matthew 11:28; John 10:10*

*Leader*

Dearest children,  
hear the one who sees you truly  
and loves you completely,  
Jesus is calling to you:

Come to me, all who are weary.  
Come to me, all who are weighed down.  
Come to me, and I will give you rest.

*All*

**The thief is the one who comes to steal, kill and destroy.  
Jesus has come, that we might have life,  
and have it rich and full.**

# Opening Hymn

*“Jesus I Come”*

*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 Adoration



# Prayer of Confession

*based on Ezra 8:28; Exodus 19:5*

*Leader*

Christian, you are devoted to the LORD:  
You are his treasured possession in all the earth.

*All*

**How are we treasured?  
We see ourselves as just ordinary—nothing special.  
Some of us sink even lower into self-loathing  
and see ourselves as worthless.**

*Leader*

Christian, you are devoted to the LORD:  
You belong to him.

*All*

**We act like we belong to ourselves:  
Free to do what we want with our bodies and our time.  
We chase after power, recognition, and pleasure.**

*Leader*

Christian, you are devoted to the LORD:  
You are holy for him.

*All*

**We hear holy and think “holier than thou.”  
We don’t want to be a fanatic or one of “those Christians.”  
So, we blend in and go along,  
Sometimes baptizing it as “being relevant.”**

*Leader*

Brothers and sisters, why do we shrink back from our devotion to the LORD?

*All*

**We’re not devoted to the LORD,  
Because we don’t see him as worthy of devotion.  
We confess, God, our sin underneath our sin:  
We think that you’re small and only sort of important.  
We fail to trust you as the merciful and majestic God  
revealed to us in Jesus Christ.**

# Assurance of Pardon in the Gospel

*based on 1 Corinthians 1:2, 18; 2:8; 6:11*

*Leader*

Church of God called Redeemer Presbyterian in Indianapolis:

Holy and special,

Loved in, through, and with Jesus Christ—

*All*

**We join with those in our city and in all sorts of places from Tehran to Tuscaloosa**

**Who call on his name—**

**He's their Lord and ours.**

*Leader*

The message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing,

But to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

*All*

**The Lord of glory was crucified for our sins—**

**It's a mystery of God's surprising love, power, and justice.**

*Leader*

You were washed in the name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of God.

*All*

**Our sin and guilt have been scrubbed away!**

*Leader*

You were sanctified in the name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of God.

*All*

**We have been made beautiful, clothed in glory, we are the joy of our savior!**

*Leader*

You were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of God.

*All*

**We have been declared innocent, and the slate is wiped clean!**

*Leader*

The Lord has devoted himself to us:

Taking on humanity eternally in the resurrected Son,

Joining himself to us in his Son by the Spirit who lives in us.

*All*

**May we, by grace in the power of the Spirit,**

**devote ourselves to our God who has called us and loves us.**

# Song in the Gospel

*“Jesus is Mine!”*

*All*

**Fade, fade, each earthly joy: Jesus is mine!  
Break every tender tie: Jesus is mine!  
Dark is this wilderness, earth has no resting place,  
Jesus alone can bless: Jesus is mine!**

**Tempt not my soul away: Jesus is mine!  
Here would I ever stay: Jesus is mine!  
Perishing things of clay, born for but one brief day,  
Pass from my heart away: Jesus is mine!**

**Farewell, ye dreams of night: Jesus is mine!  
Lost in this dawning bright: Jesus is mine!  
All that my soul has tried, left but a dismal void;  
Jesus has satisfied: Jesus is mine!**

**Farewell, mortality: Jesus is mine!  
Welcome, eternity: Jesus is mine!  
Welcome, O loved and blest, welcome, sweet scenes of rest,  
Welcome, my Savior’s breast: Jesus is mine!**

*words Jane C. Bonar, 1843; music Nathan Partain, 2003*

# Song in the Gospel

*“The Wonderful Grace of Jesus”*

*All*

**The wonderful grace of Jesus, greater than all my sin;  
How shall my tongue describe it, where shall its praise begin?  
Taking away my burden, setting my spirit free;  
The wonderful grace of Jesus reaches me.**

**The wonderful grace of Jesus, reaching to all the lost,  
By it I have been pardoned, saved to the uttermost,  
Chains have been torn asunder, giving me liberty;  
The wonderful grace of Jesus reaches me.**

**More patient than my fight, more faithful than my doubt,  
Persistent though I run, O how his grace abounds!  
Broader than my sin, deeper than my shame,  
Stronger than my evil, O praise Jesus' name!**

**The wonderful grace of Jesus, reaching the most defiled,  
By its transforming power, making him God's dear child,  
Purchasing peace and heaven, for all eternity;  
The wonderful grace of Jesus reaches me.**

**More patient than my fight, more faithful than my doubt,  
Persistent though I run, O how his grace abounds!  
Broader than my sin, deeper than my shame,  
Stronger than my evil, O praise Jesus' name!**

**The wonderful grace of Jesus, greater than all my sin;  
How shall my tongue describe it, where shall its praise begin?**

*words by Haldor Lillenas, 1918; chorus and music by Nathan Partain, 2011*

# Prayer of Dependence

## Children's Worship

*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 but also want to provide options to families that can engage young children wherever they're at developmentally. The Nursery welcomes children ages 0-3.\* Children ages 3-5 are also still welcome to attend Children's Worship. We hope this added flexibility encourages all families as they teach their children about what it means to worship.*

*\*If you would like your three year-old to attend Nursery and are able, we'd love to encourage you to attend the 11:00 service where more classroom space is available.*

## Offering of Gifts and Service

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



# Covenant Baptism

*First Service:*

Noah Daniel Christenberry

*Parents: Andrew & Ellen Christenberry*

## Remembering Our Baptism

*Based on Matthew 28:18-20*

*Leader*

Hear the words of our Lord Jesus Christ:

“All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

*Westminster Shorter Catechism: Question #94*

What is Baptism?

*All*

**Baptism is a sacrament in which the washing with water,  
in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
does signify and seal our grafting into Christ,  
and receiving of the benefits of the covenant of grace,  
and our engagement to be the Lord’s.**

## Song of Baptism

*“Baptized in Water”*

*Leader*

Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, cleansed by the blood of Christ, our King;  
Heirs of salvation, trusting His promise, faithfully now God’s praises we sing.

*All*

**Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, marked with the sign of Christ, our King;  
One with His rising, freed and forgiven, looking to heaven now we sing.**

**In the name of God, the Father, with the Son and Holy Ghost.**

*Trad. Gaelic Melody, Michael Seward, add. lyrics Bruce Benedict, 1982*



# Vows of Baptism

## Parents' Vows

1. Do you acknowledge Noah's need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?
2. Do you claim God's covenant promises on his behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for his salvation, as you do for your own?
3. Do you now unreservedly commit Noah to God and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before him a godly example, that you will pray with and for him, that you will teach him the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring him up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

## Congregation's Vows

*Leader* Our God made a covenant with Abraham, the father of all who believe, saying,  
"I will establish my covenant as an everlasting covenant between me and you  
and your descendants after you for the generations to come, to be your God."

*All* **Peter preached the gospel to the church saying,  
"The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—  
for all whom the Lord our God will call."**

*Leader* Do you, the members of this congregation, receive Noah Daniel Christenberry into this church as one whom God has called his own according to the covenant? And do you now promise to surround him with Christian love, to pray for him, and to set an example of genuine faith and virtue?

*All* **We do, for whoever welcomes this child of God in Christ's name, welcomes him.  
And whoever welcomes Christ, welcomes the one who sent him.**

# Scripture Reading

*Ezra 8:35-9:4*

*Reader*

<sup>8:35</sup> Then the exiles who had returned from captivity sacrificed burnt offerings to the God of Israel: twelve bulls for all Israel, ninety-six rams, seventy-seven male lambs and, as a sin offering, twelve male goats. All this was a burnt offering to the LORD.

<sup>36</sup> They also delivered the king's orders to the royal satraps and to the governors of Trans-Euphrates, who then gave assistance to the people and to the house of God.

<sup>9:1</sup> After these things had been done, the leaders came to me and said, "The people of Israel, including the priests and the Levites, have not kept themselves separate from the neighboring peoples with their detestable practices, like those of the Canaanites, Hittites, Perizzites, Jebusites, Ammonites, Moabites, Egyptians and Amorites. <sup>2</sup> They have taken some of their daughters as wives for themselves and their sons, and have mingled the holy race with the peoples around them. And the leaders and officials have led the way in this unfaithfulness."

<sup>3</sup> When I heard this, I tore my tunic and cloak, pulled hair from my head and beard and sat down appalled. <sup>4</sup> Then everyone who trembled at the words of the God of Israel gathered around me because of this unfaithfulness of the exiles. And I sat there appalled until the evening sacrifice.

*Reader  
People*

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Sermon

Charles Anderson

*Divided Loyalties*

# Community Group Questions

1. *Where do you see your loyalties divided between God and the world? What are ways you're not separate from "the neighboring peoples" (Ezra 9:1)? The sermon gave as examples loyalties to success, autonomy, and politics. Do any of those resonate for you? Put another way, how are you not just in the world but of the world?*
2. *Read Ezra 9:3-4. Be candid—what do you make of Ezra's response? How appropriate or over the top does it feel to you? What motivated it, do you think? What can we learn from Ezra's model for how we respond to our sins of unfaithfulness?*
3. *This passage on its own is pretty bleak. One commentator says, in fact, the whole chapter contains "little for our comfort or our desire." Yet Jesus said all of Scripture points to him (Luke 24:27). What of God's character is revealed here? Where do you see the hope of the gospel in this passage?*

## Notes

A large area of dotted lines for taking 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.*

## 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 Need Jesus"*

*All*

Well, I was lost inside confusion and a nightmare of a dream,  
I did not know which god to turn to or if it were up to me,  
Until some simple words were spoken that I gratefully received,  
And just one prayer sprang up within me and I started whispering,  
I need Jesus. Oh, I need Jesus. I need Jesus. Oh, I need Jesus.

But soon I found that sweet salvation just uncovered all my need.  
That sin and me, like blood and ink, were all mixed up inseparably,  
And that it's not my deeds or branches but the roots of my whole tree,  
That are so rotten full of hatred, that for me to merely breath,  
I need Jesus. Oh, I need Jesus. I need Jesus. Oh, I need Jesus.

See, I had thought, one day, more holy or mature that I would be,  
That I'd lead others on to righteousness and teach the blind to see.  
Instead, I've found each day I'm frightened just how evil I can be,  
And now I feel the most at home with all the perverts and unclean 'cause  
I need Jesus. Oh, I need Jesus. I need Jesus. Oh, I need Jesus.

I keep on looking for some reason I should raise my self-esteem,  
'Cause all my gifts and all my efforts must sure add up to something,  
But then again, again with tears of joy, I'm brought down to my knees,  
Here at the foot of him who died for me I'm stripped of everything and,  
I need Jesus. Oh, I need Jesus. I need Jesus. Oh, I need Jesus.

Now I say, "Glory! Hallelujah!" I'm so glad to be redeemed!  
To be so desperate for Jesus and so gloriously weak,  
I do not ever want to stray from the Community of Need  
O may I never leave dependence or forsake my Food and Drink,  
I need Jesus. Oh, I need Jesus. I need Jesus. Oh, I need Jesus.

*Nathan Partain, 2012*

## 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  
10 am

**New Elder Candidates Meeting** In lieu of the Westminster Sunday School class, we will be hosting an interview and Q&A in the Sanctuary for you to get to know your Elder Candidates. This is one of the meetings that will lead up to the Congregational Meeting on October 23 at 10 am where we will vote on elder and deacon candidates. *Use the QR code to learn more about our candidates.*



NEXT WEEK WE WILL HEAR FROM OUR DIACONAL CANDIDATES.

10 am

**Sunday School Today** The 1 Samuel Bible Study will be in Speck Gallery and Redeemer Kids classes will take place in their normal locations. Middle School Students will meet in the Underground, while High School Students will be in Room 205.

12:30 pm

**20's on Tap** Twenty-somethings are getting together today at Guggman Haus after second service. If it's your first time joining us, we'll buy you a drink!

3:30-5 pm

**Youth Group this Evening** This week middle and high school students either meet in the gym or the courtyard depending on the weather, this afternoon for youth group. Afterward, high schoolers are invited to hang out at Greek's Pizza on 16th. *Email Mary Paxton Lind (marypaxton@redeemindy.org) with any questions.*

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**Small Business Sunday** We will have coffee from Dry Bones Mud House and baked goods from Boyden's Bakery in the Harrison Gallery after service.

October 20  
7-9:00 pm

**Redeemer Women Social** Bring a game. Bring a snack. Bring a friend. And bring yourself to the Speck Gallery. Whether you like *Solitaire*, *Twister*, *Sushi Go*, or just chatting, there will be space for you. Drinks will be provided. We hope to see you there. *No sign-up needed.*

## Other Upcoming Events

October 7  
6-9:00 pm

**First Friday** Come to the Harrison Center for First Friday Gallery Openings this week. This opening features *Spooky!* by Emma Overman and six other gallery openings. They are also looking for volunteers! *Use the QR code to volunteer.*



**DEADLINE**  
October 14

**Storied Lives (New Hope Groups for Women)** New Hope is seeking adult, female applicants to our next round of Storied Lives Groups. This will be our tenth year offering these wonderful groups! If you have any questions, please email Carrie Sinsabaugh at [carrie@newhopeindianapolis.org](mailto:carrie@newhopeindianapolis.org). *Use the QR code to apply today.*



**Church Planting Newsletter** Want to learn more about our current church planting team and what they are up to in the Near Westside/Haughville area? *Use the QR code to sign-up for their newsletter to stay up to date.*



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



## Closing Hymn

*"Praise the Savior, Now and Ever"*

*All*

**Praise the Savior, now and ever; praise him, all beneath the skies;  
Prostrate lying suffering, dying on the cross, a sacrifice.  
Vict'ry gaining, life obtaining, now in glory, he doth rise.**

**Man's work faileth, Christ's availeth; he is all our righteousness;  
He, our Savior, has forever set us free from dire distress.  
Through his merit, we inherit light and peace and happiness.**

**Sin's bond severed, we're delivered; Christ has bruised the serpent's head;  
Death no longer is the stronger, hell itself is captive led.  
Christ has risen from death's prison; o'er the tomb he light has shed.**

**For his favor, praise forever, unto God the Father, sing;  
Praise the Savior, praise him ever, Son of God, our Lord and King.  
Praise the Spirit; through Christ's merit, he doth us salvation bring.**

**Praise the Savior, praise him ever, Son of God, our Lord and King.  
Praise the Spirit; through Christ's merit, he doth us salvation bring.**

*words: Venantius Fortunatus, ca. 530-609, Tr. by Augustus Nelson; music: attr. to William Moore, 1825*

## Benediction

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2022 year to date giving:  
\$1,525,761

January-September 2022 budget:  
\$2,063,940

## Congregational Giving

September 4, 2022 .....	\$ 36,383
September 11, 2022 .....	\$ 27,848
September 18, 2022 .....	\$ 25,989
September 25, 2022 .....	\$ 18,164
<b>September Total .....</b>	<b>\$ 108,384</b>

# 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 Table 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

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

## I'D LIKE TO... \*

- Become a Member  
 Join a Community Group  
 Use my Artistic Talents  
 Talk to Someone About Counseling  
 Do Something Else:

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

## 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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Classes  
10:00 a.m.



