

A painting of a sunset over a sea of clouds. The sky is a gradient of orange, red, and pink. In the foreground, there are dark, jagged rock formations. A biplane is flying in the middle ground, leaving a long, bright yellow trail that curves across the sky. The overall mood is dramatic and hopeful.

REDEEMER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

10.31.2021

Cover Art

“Red Aviator”

Will Lutz

This painting is about the passage through dark, dangerous, and beautiful worlds.

Banners

Tom Peck

Window Covering

The More Than Tolerators community group with special thanks to Barb Knuckles and Redeemer people for adding the leaves to the installation.

Paintings Over Doors

“Red Aviator” and “Edge of a Storm”

Will Lutz

Backdrop Sculptures

Ryan Collier

Communion Set

Becca Ito

Welcome

Call to Worship

from Revelation 1:12-18

Leader Our brother John testified that he saw visions
of the heavenly realms,
of the Spirit of God among his church,
and of Jesus, the risen and glorified Son of God.

All **He heard a voice and turning to see who was speaking
he saw someone who looked human,
robed as a judge or a priest,
and marked with high ranking authority.**

Leader The hair on his head was white like wool, as white as snow,
and his eyes were like blazing fire.

All **His feet were like bright molten bronze glowing in a furnace,
and his voice was like the sound of rushing waters.**

Leader In his right hand he held seven stars,
and coming out of his mouth was a sharp, double-edged sword.

All **His face was like the sun shining in all its brilliance.**

Leader At the sight of him, John fell at his feet as though dead.
but Jesus placed his right hand on him and said:
“Do not be afraid.”

All **He is the First and the Last.
He is the Living One;
He was dead, and behold,
He is alive for ever and ever!
And he holds the keys of death and Hades.**

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!
Rejoice, I say, rejoice!**

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

words Charles Wesley, 1744; music Nathan Partain, 2003

Prayer of Adoration

Prayer of Confession

Based on Isaiah 30; Ephesians 2; Revelation 3

Leader Father, you take us on the way that leads into the wilderness
so that you may rebuild us to trust in you.

All **We don't want to be rebuilt in the wilderness—
we think our way is best.
Heads unbowed, we vow to find the way ourselves.**

Leader In repentance and rest is our salvation,
in quietness and trust our strength,
but we would have none of it.

All **No, we said, we will flee on horses:
on our precautions and control,
on freedom and not giving in to fear.
We trust in ourselves, our resources, our ingenuity.**

Leader We do not want the transforming safety of the gospel.

All **We've almost got ourselves figured out and fixed,
refusing to see that, really, we're wretched, poor, and pitiful.**

Leader We do not submit to the life-giving authority of Scripture.

All **We trust our own word to tell us what's right for our lives.**

Leader Our worship is neither thoughtful nor expectant.

All **We don't see you as overwhelmingly holy, imminently close,
responding to our prayers.
Our worship is half-hearted, when it even happens.**

Leader We do not pursue meaningful relationships in community.

All **We project an image, keep our distance, and deflect real connection.
We're scared to know and be known.**

Leader The beauty we create does not point to the creator God who made us creative.

All **We work to make a name for ourselves,
instead of working to reflect the greatness of Jesus' name.**

Leader We struggle in evangelism and mistake silence for respect.

All **We suppose that Jesus is just one of many ways to peace and fulfillment,
so we have nothing to offer our neighbor.**

Leader We despise desperate dependence on Jesus.

All **We're ashamed because it's embarrassing and ugly to be needy.**

Leader Father, Son, and Spirit, rebuild us in your grace.

All **Make us a home where you live,
joined together in Christ Jesus,
to be satisfied in and to show off your goodness and glory to the world.**

Song of Need

"I Need Thee Every Hour"

All

**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.**

**Oh, bless me now, my Savior,
I come to Thee.**

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

Assurance of Pardon in the Gospel

Based on Isaiah 30; John 15; Romans 4; Revelation 21

Leader Children of our Father, who live in Indianapolis,
you will weep no more.
How gracious he will be when you cry for help.

All **Whether we turn to the right or the left,
our ears will hear a voice behind us, saying,
“This is the way, walk in it.”**

Leader Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life.

All **It is good news that he died for our sins,
was raised to life for our justification,
and ascended to heaven to take up his throne.**

Leader Jesus received his calling by believing God’s word
that he was the well-loved, chosen Son.

All **So we are made God’s well-loved sons and daughters in him.**

Leader The moon will shine like the sun, and the sun like the light of seven full days,
when the Lord binds up the bruises of his people
and heals the wounds he has inflicted.

All **When God builds his city, it will not even need the moon or sun,
for his glory will give it light, and the Lamb will be our lamp forever.**

Song in the Gospel

“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”

**All hail the pow’r of Jesus’ name, let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all;
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all!**

**You chosen seed of Israel’s race, you ransomed from the fall,
Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all;
Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!**

**Sinners, whose love can ne’er forget, the wormwood and the gall,
Go spread your trophies at his feet, and crown him Lord of all;
Go spread your trophies at his feet, and crown him Lord of all!**

**O that with yonder sacred throng, we at his feet may fall;
We’ll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all;
We’ll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all!**

words Edward Perronet, 1779-1780; vs. 4 John Rippon, 1787; music Oliver Holden, 1793

Song in the Gospel

"Nothing but the Blood of Jesus"

**What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.
What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.**

**O precious is the flow, that makes me white as snow;
No other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus.**

**Nothing can for sin atone, nothing but the blood of Jesus.
Naught of good that I have done, nothing but the blood of Jesus.**

**O precious is the flow, that makes me white as snow;
No other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus.**

**This is all my hope and peace, nothing but the blood of Jesus.
This is all my righteousness, nothing but the blood of Jesus.**

**O precious is the flow, that makes me white as snow;
No other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus.**

**Now by this I'll overcome, nothing but the blood of Jesus.
Now by this I'll reach my home, nothing but the blood of Jesus.**

**O precious is the flow, that makes me white as snow;
No other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus.**

Robert Lowry, 1876; Public Domain

Prayer of Dependence

Children's Worship

Children's Worship, for kids ages 3-5, is where children can begin to learn how to worship as a church family. Please check in your child before the service either in the back of the sanctuary or at the nursery desk. They will be dismissed right before the sermon, and we will bring them back into the sanctuary during communion. Parents must have their security tag when picking up their child in the sanctuary.

Offering of Gifts and Service

Online giving available at [redeemindy.org/give]



Scripture

Colossians 1:13-20

Reader

¹³ The Father has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. ¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. ¹⁶ For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. ¹⁷ And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. ¹⁹ For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰ and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

Reader

This is the word of the Lord.

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Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Jeff Nottingham

Desperate Dependence on Jesus

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Community Group Questions

1. *Knowing that the goal of the life of the Christian is not to become less dependent on Jesus is very liberating news. As a group, ponder some of the implications of this truth and share them with each other.*
2. *What encouragement in life do you draw from the Incarnation?*
3. *Where has life felt less predictable or even out of control for you this year? How does Colossians 1:17, “in the Son all things hold together” speak into that for you?*

Children:

Kids, did you know that before he was born to Mary and Joseph, the Son of God was alive in Heaven with God the Father and God the Holy Spirit? The Bible teaches that these are the three persons in the Godhead, what we call the Trinity. Can you draw a picture or a symbol of the Trinity for your mom or dad and ask them to tell you one thing they know about the Trinity?

Communion Hymn

"The Long Way Down"

In heaven, in the precious trinity,
There the stars sang out together in the young eternity.
His was beauty, His was infinite strength,
Yet the Father, Son and Spirit set to save humanity.

The Creator, what appalling mystery.
How the Breath of Life,
The Word of Truth became a human being,
Found in weakness, loved his God obediently.
The Almighty, lowest servant, came to wash his people's feet.

It's the long way down, that the Light of light from heaven,
Midst the filth of men be found.
It's the long way down, not caring for his splendor he took,
The long way down.

Rejected, even by his family,
People used, misunderstood, and scorned him as a novelty.
The beat him, hating his authority,
Yelling, "Crucify this Christ, we do not want him as our king!"

It's the long way down, his the body broken for us,
His the cup for us poured out.
It's the long way down, the Most Holy died for sinners,
It's the long way down.

Through the humiliation, in the deepest of realms,
Jesus was raised victorious, over sin and death and hell.
Every knee'll bow before him, every tongue'll bless his name.
We were raised with him, to heav'n above,
To the praise of his enduring love.

I'm so thankful, for all he has done for me,
All forgiveness, grace and mercy, mine, and him above all things.
And his riches, he has given vast and free,
Let me give up all for others good and make our joy complete.

It's the long way down; I deny myself, take up my cross, yet I find increase abounds.
It's the long way down; the treasure of salvation, it's the long way down.
It's the long way down; if it's Jesus you would follow, it's the long way down.

Closing Hymn

“We Will Feast”

**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.**

**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.**

Sandra McCracken and Josh Moore, 2015

Doxology

**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.**

Community Life

Mercy Month | interview: Kathryn and Joel Dart

Mercy Month | redeemindy.org/mercymonth

Congregational Prayer Meeting | November 10

More information about these and other events can be found at our website redeemindy.org.

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2021 budget:
\$2,487,554

year to date giving:
\$1,637,066.29

Congregational Giving

October 24 th	\$	\$27,787.05
October Total	\$	\$187,815.76
October Budget	\$	\$346,101.16

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, contact Jen Maurer [jen.maurer@redeemindy.org].

Fountain Square Pres

In 2014, Fountain Square Presbyterian Church opened its doors. The first daughter church of Redeemer, Fountain Square ministers to, worships with, and cultivates Christ-centered community in the Fountain Square neighborhood of Indianapolis.

Redeemer Presbyterian Church is part of a church planting movement in Indianapolis and we are earnestly working to fund the planting of another gospel community.

Good to See You Again.

You've been around, but there are so many ways to get plugged in that you're not sure where to start. How about starting here? Give us your name and email, check some boxes, and drop this in the offering plate.

FIRST & LAST NAME

EMAIL

I'D LIKE TO... *

- Learn More About Redeemer
 - Become a Member
 - Join a Community Group
 - Work with Global Missions
 - Use my Artistic Talents
 - Serve with Kids
 - Serve with Students
 - Greet on Sunday Mornings
 - Make & Serve Food
 - Join a Prayer Team
 - Talk to Someone About Counseling
 - Do Something Else:
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*Go to www.redeemindy.org/ministries for a full list of volunteer opportunities and descriptions.

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

Birthday _____

SPOUSE OR FRIEND

- Male Female

Birthday _____

CONTACT

Address _____

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Email _____

Phone _____

I HAVE SOMETHING ELSE TO SAY!

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