

Welcome

Call to Worship

based on Rev 21:22-26

Leader There is no temple in the new city God is building,
for he himself, the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb, are it's temple.
And our city needs no sun or moon
because the physical glory of God fills the air with it's light
and the Lamb's peace emanates throughout it.

All **The nations will walk by its light,
and the kings of the earth will bring their splendor into it.**

Leader On no day will its gates ever be shut,
for there will be no night there.

All **The glory and honor of the nations will be brought into it.**

Leader Come, stir up your souls,
gather all of your thanksgiving,
your joy,
your tender love,
and your unique praises for your Savior.

All **He is making us and everything else breath-takingly new.**

Opening Hymn

“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

Prayer of Adoration

Prayer of Confession

based on Ephesians 2

Leader We have forgotten who we were.

All **We were outside the covenant, without hope,
enslaved to the lies of this world.**

Leader We have forgotten who you are.

All **We were once far away
but have been brought near by the blood of Christ.**

Leader We have forgotten your work.

All **You created a new humanity out of people who were at war.
Your cross binds us together and makes us fellow citizens
and members of your household.**

Leader We have forgotten our brothers and sisters.

All **We ignore the global church.
We do not believe we can learn from them.
We look at Christians from other countries, cultures, and traditions,
and we only see our differences
instead of seeing the people you brought together through your son Jesus.**

Leader Father, help us remember the truth.

All **Father, help us walk in the truth.**

Assurance of Pardon in the Gospel

based on Romans 5:8, Ephesians 2, and the Kenyan Book of Common Prayer

Leader God demonstrated his love for us in this:
While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

All **Because of his great love for us,
God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ
when we were dead in our transgression.
It is by grace we have been saved.**

Leader This is the truth we celebrate:

All **Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

Leader We are brothers and sisters through his blood.

All **We have died together,
we will rise together,
we will live together.
Alleluia!**

Song in the Gospel

"In Tenderness He Sought Me"

All

In tenderness, he sought me, weary and sick with sin,
And, on his shoulders, brought me into his flock again,
While angels in his presence sang, until the courts of heaven rang.

Oh, the love that sought me! Oh, the blood that bought me!
Oh, the grace that brought me to the fold, wondrous grace that brought me to the fold!
Wondrous grace that brought me to the fold!

He washed the bleeding sin-wounds, and poured in oil and wine;
He whispered to assure me, "I've found you, you are mine!"
I never heard a sweeter voice, it made my aching heart rejoice.

Oh, the love that sought me! Oh, the blood that bought me!
Oh, the grace that brought me to the fold, wondrous grace that brought me to the fold!
Wondrous grace that brought me to the fold!

He pointed to the nail-prints, for me his blood was shed;
A mocking crown so thorny, was placed upon his head:
I wondered what he saw in me, to suffer such deep agony.

Oh, the love that sought me! Oh, the blood that bought me!
Oh, the grace that brought me to the fold, wondrous grace that brought me to the fold!
Wondrous grace that brought me to the fold!

I'm sitting in his presence, the sunshine of his face,
While with adoring wonder, his blessings I retrace.
It seems as if eternal days are far too short to sound his praise.

Oh, the love that sought me! Oh, the blood that bought me!
Oh, the grace that brought me to the fold, wondrous grace that brought me to the fold!
Wondrous grace that brought me to the fold!

So while the hours are passing, all now is perfect rest;
I'm waiting for the morning, the brightest and the best,
When he will call us to his side, to be with him, his spotless Bride.

Oh, the love that sought me! Oh, the blood that bought me!
Oh, the grace that brought me to the fold, wondrous grace that brought me to the fold!
Wondrous grace that brought me to the fold!

words: W. Spencer Walton, 1894; music: Joseph Partain, 2010

Song in the Gospel

"I am One of Those"

All

**I am one of those, at the table not invited,
And, to all here at the feast, it's very plain;
I cannot hide in etiquette or conversation,
But Christ himself sent word to me and so I came.**

**I am one of those who was dead and fully buried,
And I still bear every stigma of decay;
There is no way I can cover what I've been through,
'Cause when Jesus called, I came fresh from the grave.**

**Though the world may number me among the foolish,
I think Jesus Christ is all I need to know,
Jesus suffered and paid blood to buy the lowest of the low.
Hallelujah! Amen! That's me! Yes, I am one of those!**

**I am one of those, who was a leper and contagious,
The deformities and scars I have today;
Yet while I was vile with sickness, Jesus loved me,
And he healed, restored, and, through and through, remade.**

**I am one of those who was doomed to death in prison,
And I've done more evil things than I could say;
Jesus broke inside and there unlocked my shackles,
And, to set me free, he died and took my place.**

**Though the world may number me among the foolish,
I think Jesus Christ is all I need to know,
Jesus suffered and paid blood to buy the lowest of the low.
Hallelujah! Amen! That's me! Yes, I am one of those!**

**I am one of those, who was hard to love and ugly,
Self-righteous critical religion was my stain.
So I ran to Christ to wash and be discovered;
Jesus called me out and he covered up my shame.**

**Though the world may number me among the foolish,
I think Jesus Christ is all I need to know,
Jesus suffered and paid blood to buy the lowest of the low.
Hallelujah! Amen! That's me! Yes, I am one of those!**

Nathan Partain, 2009

Children's Worship is for ages 3 through kindergarten and is a time for children to worship through song, Bible stories, and response (art or story play). Children will return to the sanctuary before communion, and parents can pick them up at that time. Visitors are welcome, and parents are always invited to attend with their children.

Prayer of Dependence

Offering of Gifts and Service

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

Leader 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 praise 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.

words: Michael Seward; add. lyrics: Bruce Benedict, 1982; music: Traditional Gaelic Melody

Baptism

1st Service

Forrest Francis Epple, son of Noah & Bethany Epple

Josephine Elizabeth and Adeleine Edith Staley, daughters of Justin & Angelique Staley

2nd Service

Scarlett Rhada Pratt, daughter of Jason & Alecks Pratt

Oliver Andrew Peacock, son of William & Sarah Peacock

Parents' Vows

Leader

1. Do you acknowledge Forrest/Josephine/Adeleine/Scarlett/Oliver'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 their behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for their salvation, as you do for your own?
3. Do you now unreservedly commit Forrest/Josephine/Adeleine/Scarlett/Oliver to God and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before them a godly example, that you will pray with and for them, that you will teach them the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring them 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 and the God of your descendants after you.”

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 Forrest Epple/Josephine and Adeleine Staley/Scarlett Pratt/Oliver Peacock into this church as one whom God has called his own according to the covenant? And do you now promise to surround them with Christian love, to pray for them, and to set an example of genuine faith and virtue?

All

We do, for whoever welcomes this one in Christ's name, welcomes Christ. And whoever welcomes Christ, welcomes the one who sent him.

Scripture

Ephesians 2:11-18

Reader

¹¹ Therefore, remember that formerly you who are Gentiles by birth and called “uncircumcised” by those who call themselves “the circumcision” (which is done in the body by human hands)—¹² remember that at that time you were separate from Christ, excluded from citizenship in Israel and foreigners to the covenants of the promise, without hope and without God in the world.¹³ But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

¹⁴ For he himself is our peace, who has made the two groups one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility,¹⁵ by setting aside in his flesh the law with its commands and regulations. His purpose was to create in himself one new humanity out of the two, thus making peace,¹⁶ and in one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which he put to death their hostility.¹⁷ He came and preached peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near.¹⁸ For through him we both have access to the Father by one Spirit.

*Reader
People*

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

Sermon

Ben Reed

God is Doing a New Thing

Community Group Questions

- 1. What do you think it means that all of humanity needs to be reconciled to God? Why is it important that we understand God is the one reconciling the world to himself?*
- 2. What are some ways you believe your particular brand of Christianity (theology, worship, context, etc.) is superior to the Christianity practiced by other believers?*
- 3. How could we be fellow citizens with global Christians through our liturgy, our ministries, our teaching of our children, our prayer, etc.?*

Children's Questions

There are so many different types of people all around the world who are Christians. A lot of these people have nothing in common except that they love Jesus. In fact, before they found Jesus, a lot of these people hated each other. Together we are one spiritual family. We use words like brother and sister because God brought all of us into his family. That is amazing. What does it say about Jesus that he is able to make people stop hating each other and start loving each other?

It is Mission Month, and your parents should have gotten a prayer guide. Read about our different partners and take time praying for one of them.

Call to Communion and Prayer

Guidelines for the Reception of Communion

Redeemer welcomes 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 to receive Communion with us. We will be coming forward for the distribution of Communion. Please eat the bread privately, and then drink the cup together with us after everyone has returned to their seats. Clear cups (located in the interior rings) contain grape juice. Red cups (exterior ring of tray) contain wine. Children who have been interviewed by the elders are able to partake of Communion.

The ministry of prayer is one of the ways we live together as a community of believers and seekers. During Communion, members of our prayer team are available at the front of the sanctuary. It would be our privilege to pray with you as we walk together through the joys and struggles of life. We also encourage you to pray with one another in the pews during this time of movement in our service.

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

“Jesus With Thy Church Abide”

Ensemble

Jesus, with thy church abide; Be her savior, Lord, and Guide,
While on earth her faith is tried: We beseech thee, hear us,
We beseech thee, hear us.

Keep her life and doctrine pure; Grant her patience to endure,
Trusting in thy promise sure: We beseech thee, hear us,
We beseech thee, hear us.

May she one in doctrine be, one in truth and charity,
Winning all to faith in thee: We beseech thee, hear us,
We beseech thee, hear us.

May she guide the poor and blind, seek the lost until she find
And the brokenhearted bind: We beseech thee, hear us,
We beseech thee, hear us.

words: Thomas Pollock; music: Christopher Miner

Song of Celebration

“I Belong to Jesus”

Ensemble

I belong to Jesus, I am not my own.
All I have and all I am shall be his alone.
I belong to Jesus, He is Lord and King,
Reigning in my inmost heart, over everything.

I belong to Jesus, blessed, be the thought!
With his own most precious blood has my soul been bought.
I belong to Jesus, He has died for me;
I am his, and he is mine, through eternity.

I belong to Jesus, He will keep my soul,
When the deathly waters dark, round about me roll.
I belong to Jesus; And fore’er I’ll stand,
With my precious Savior there, in his glorious land.

words: M. Fraser; music: Nathan Partain, 2005

Life as Worship

Missions prayer Meeting | Wednesday, February 12, 6:30pm

Welcome Lunch for the Haist Family | February 16, 12:30pm in the Gym

CCO Jubilee | February 21-23

Valediction

based on Psalm 86:5-10

Leader You, LORD, are forgiving and good,
abounding in love to all who call to you.

All **He heard our prayer and listened to our cry for mercy.
When we were in distress,
we called to him and he answered us.**

Leader Among the gods there is none like you, LORD;
no deeds can compare with yours.

All **All the nations you have made
will come and worship before you, LORD;
they will bring glory to your name.
For you are great and do marvelous deeds;
you alone are God.**

Departing Hymn

“Let the Whole Creation Cry”

All

**Let the whole creation cry: Alleluia!
Glory to the Lord on high! Alleluia!
Heav’n and earth, awake and sing: Alleluia!
God is good and therefore King!
Praise him, all ye hosts above, ever bright and fair in love,
Sun and moon, lift up your voice, night and stars in God rejoice,
God rejoice, Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Warriors fighting for the Lord, Alleluia!
Prophets burning with his Word, Alleluia!
Those to whom the arts belong, Alleluia!
Add their voices to the song.
Men and women, young and old, raise the anthem manifold,
And let children’s joyful hearts, in this worship shout their parts,
Shout their parts, Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Let the whole creation cry: Alleluia!
Glory to the Lord on high! Alleluia!
Heav’n and earth, awake and sing: Alleluia!
God is good and therefore King!
From the earth to heavens shore, let the mighty chorus roar,
“Holy, holy, holy One; glory be to God alone,
God alone!” Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

words: Stopford A. Brooke, 1881; music: Bruce Benedict, 2006

Benediction

Introducing Sam Haist, Pastor of Formation



We are excited to announce that Redeemer's session has called Sam Haist to serve as Pastor of Formation. Sam is a kind and courageous leader who loves Jesus and people and is eager to join in on what God is doing here.

Sam comes to us after serving as the Associate Pastor at South City Church in St. Louis—a beautiful, grace-filled community where he and his wife Katelyn loved and labored for almost a decade. Sam and Katelyn moved to St. Louis in 2010 for him to study at Covenant Seminary, and he joined staff at South City in 2014. For the last 8 years, Katelyn has taught first and second grade at South City Community School, and together, they keep busy raising three young daughters: Eden, Chloe, and Norah.

As Pastor of Formation, Sam will lead Redeemer in how we are being formed in brokenness toward wholeness in Christ. He will oversee the big picture for what formation looks like and how it happens as we are connected to Jesus through the gospel. He will work with areas like community groups, leadership development, Sunday school, and Next Generation ministries.

Thank you to the search team of Sajan George, Craig Lotz, Carolyn McDonnell, Nikki Miller, and Kyle Ragsdale, who helped in the final stages. They saw in Sam someone who loves the gospel and will help lead us in our core values; a student of Scripture who helps people apply it in their lives; an optimistic encourager who is quick to listen; and a winsome and gentle pastor with the courage to say hard things. An elder at South City described Sam as someone "people feel comfortable around being broken." Mike Higgins, South City's senior pastor, told us that in sending us Sam, he is sending us his right arm.

The Haists moved to Indianapolis last weekend. Please pray in thanksgiving for God bringing Sam and Redeemer together and for the unity in the search team and session in the process. Please pray for the Haists' transition as they begin to settle in to life in Indy and at Redeemer.

Join us in welcoming the Haists Sunday, February 16 for lunch in the gym after second service.

Upcoming Events

This Month

Missions Month | Fellow Citizens of the New City

Our annual Missions Month begins today! Throughout the month of February, you'll have several opportunities to learn from our missions partners and connect with the work they're doing in the US and around the globe. You should have received a Missions Month guide when you came in today that will outline what you can expect this month. Interested in getting involved in the team? Email [missions@redeemindy.org].

*Friday
6-10pm*

First Friday at the Harrison Center

Join the Harrison Center this Friday from 6-9pm for the opening of the February art exhibits. See new shows up around the building, including *Reflections & Resources*, a show by Corey & Megan Jefferson, in the Harrison Gallery.

*Next
Sunday
10:00am*

Calling all Community Group Leaders!

The Global Missions Team invites all Community Group leaders to a training to help our Community Groups care for the Mission Partners they adopt. Join us in Hank & Dolly's Gallery during the 10:00 hour on 2/9 to learn practical ways to care for our Missions Partners at home and abroad! Contact the missions team [missions@redeemindy.org] with any questions.

*February 12
6:30-7:30pm*

Evening of Prayer

Desperate dependence on Jesus—it's a core value for us. Praying together as a church is a great way to live out and grow in that value. It doesn't matter if you've never prayed out loud or with other people before—everyone is invited, and you won't be put on the spot. We'll meet in the Harrison Gallery on Wednesday, 2/12 from 6:30-7:30. Supervised play for kids in the youth room. We'll start and end promptly.

*Feb 20
6:30pm*

Women, come have dinner with us!

Meet & Eat is for Redeemer women to eat and hang out in a smaller group setting in various homes. Registered women will be contacted about a week before by email with details on which home they are assigned. Sign-up online [redeemindy.org/events/meetandeat]. With questions, email [women@redeemindy.org].

*March 14
8:30am-12:30pm*

All-Adult GRACE Training

We've partnered with GRACE (Godly Response to Abuse in the Christian Environment) to help us create a culture that better prevents abuse and provides appropriate and loving care to victims and survivors. The gospel calls us to a culture that cares for the vulnerable, and that involves every single one of us, not just leaders, volunteers, and parents. Plan to attend this training on 3/14 from 8:30am to 12:30pm in the sanctuary. Teenagers are welcome at their parents' discretion. Childcare is provided. No need to register as an adult attendee, but register your child(ren) at [redeemindy.org/events/grace].

Stuck in mental and relational cycles that you can't get out of?

Redeemer's counseling service, New Hope Counseling, is here to assist you [newhopeindianapolis.org]. Email counseling@newhopeindianapolis.org and you'll be connected with the right counselor for you. Placement may take 1-2 weeks. Our team sees children, teens, couples, families, and individual clients.



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