

Welcome

Call to Worship

based on Psalm 97

Leader The LORD reigns, let the earth be glad;
let the distant shores rejoice.

All **Clouds and thick darkness surround him;
righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.**

Leader Fire goes before him
and consumes his foes on every side.

All **His lightning lights up the world;
the earth sees and trembles.**

Leader The mountains melt like wax before the LORD,
before the LORD of all the earth.

All **The heavens proclaim his righteousness,
and all peoples see his glory.**

Leader Your church hears and rejoices;
all of your communities are glad
because of your judgments, LORD.

All **For you, LORD, are the Most High over all the earth;
you are exalted far above all gods.**

Leader Let those who love the LORD hate evil,
for he guards the lives of his faithful ones
and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.
Light shines on the righteous
and joy on the upright in heart.

All **Rejoice in the LORD, you who are righteous,
and praise his holy name.**

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!
Rejoice, I say, rejoice!**

words: Charles Wesley, 1744; music: Nathan Partain, 2003

Prayer of Adoration

Prayer of Confession

based on Isaiah 55:6-11

Leader Seek the LORD while he may be found;
call on him while he is near.
Let the wicked forsake their ways and the unrighteous their thoughts.
Let them turn to the LORD, and he will have mercy on them,
and to our God, for he will freely pardon.
Hear your Father's loving words:
My thoughts are not your thoughts.

All **But we think our understanding is more true than what you've said.
Our feelings, opinions, and personal ethics judge your words.
Though we are creatures, limited and skewed,
we think we know what is good, healthy, and right.
So we live as though our thoughts are higher than your thoughts.**

Leader Hear your Father say again:
the way you do things is not the way I do things.

All **But we don't think our ways, motives and desires
should be shaped by anyone but ourselves.
We think we know what love is,
not realizing that we are shallow, inconsistent, and self-centered.
With a log in our own eye, we try to fix the brokenness
of our relationships, our city, and our world,
without regard for your word.
So we live as though you should do things
the way we would do things.**

Leader Everything good comes from knowing and following your Father's heart.

All **And we cannot know or follow him without receiving and submitting to his word.**

Leader Father, give us ears to hear, eyes to see, and minds to understand,

All **That we may turn and be healed.**

Assurance of Pardon in the Gospel

based on Isaiah 55; John 1; Hebrews 12

Leader Hear the power and forgiveness of the good news:

As the rain and the snow come down from heaven,
and do not return to it without watering the earth
and making it bud and flourish,
so that it yields seed for the sower and bread for the eater,
so is my word that goes out from my mouth:

All **It will not return to me empty,
but will accomplish what I desire
and achieve the purpose for which I sent it.**

Leader The Lord has sent forth his Word
who was with him in the beginning.

All **The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us.**

Leader God's Word was silenced at the cross,
as sin and death shut his mouth.

All **But the Word was raised,
and his blood now speaks a better word.**

Leader This reversal stands as an everlasting sign,

All **To show the unique glory of our LORD,
that will never be silenced.**

Song in the Gospel

"He Was Wounded"

All

**He was wounded for our transgressions, he bore our sins in his body on the tree;
For our guilt, he gave us peace, from our bondage gave release,
And with his stripes, and with his stripes, and with his stripes, our souls are healed.**

**He was numbered among transgressors, we did esteem him forsaken by his God;
As our sacrifice, he died, that the law be satisfied,
And all our sin, and all our sin, and all our sin was laid on him.**

**We had wandered, we all had wandered, far from the fold of the Shepherd of the sheep;
But he sought us where we were, on the mountains bleak and bare,
And bro't us home, and bro't us home, and bro't us safely home to God.**

**Who can number his generation? Who shall declare all the triumphs of his cross?
Millions, dead, now live again, myriads follow in his train!
Victorious Lord, victorious Lord, victorious Lord and coming King!**

Victorious Lord, victorious Lord, victorious Lord and coming King!

words: Thomas O. Chisholm, 1920; music: Joseph N. Partain, 1977

Song in the Gospel

“How Firm A Foundation”

All

**How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in his excellent Word!
What more can he say than to you he hath said,
You, who unto Jesus for refuge have fled?**

**Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed,
For I am thy God and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen and help thee, and cause thee to stand
Upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.**

**When through fiery trials thy pathways shall lie,
My grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply;
The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design
Thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.**

**The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to its foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no never, no never forsake.**

**That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no never, no never forsake.**

words: John Rippon, 1787; attr.: John Keene, Kirkham, and John Keith; music: Joseph Funk, 1832

Prayer of Dependence

Offering of Gifts and Service

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.

Offertory Hymn

“The Dead Come Alive”

Ensemble

Blessed are the feet of the children who bring the good news,
To hearts in despair, the neglected, the sick, the abused.
Loosed from their slav’ry of sowing death’s seed,
They’re washed and forgiven, they’re clothed and set free.
In laughter and singing they worship in spirit and truth.

The dead come alive at the sound of His word.
The wicked made right who receive what they’ve heard.
The soul justified who has faith by the Spirit’s new birth.
Let the power of God now break forth to the ends of the earth.

Blessed are the ones who by blood has their ransom been paid.
They sell all they were, for in Jesus their joy is so great.
They never forget how helpless their cries,
And the first leap of life at the voice of their Christ,
And revel to be at the sheer utter mercy of grace.

The dead come alive at the sound of His word.
The wicked made right who receive what they’ve heard.
The soul justified who has faith by the Spirit’s new birth.
Let the power of God now break forth to the ends of the earth.

We will speak and not be silent,
Spread his hope from shore to shore.
We will go and not be frightened,
Telling all Jesus is Lord.

The dead come alive at the sound of His word.
The wicked made right who receive what they’ve heard.
The soul justified who has faith by the Spirit’s new birth.
Let the power of God now break forth to the ends of the earth.

Nathan Partain, 2017

Preparation for the Word

Based on Psalm 119:105

Leader Your word is a lamp to our feet;
All **Without it we cannot see.**

Leader And a light upon our path;
All **Without it we lose our way.**

Scripture

Matthew 5:17-20

Reader

¹⁷ “Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. ¹⁸ For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth disappear, not the smallest letter, not the least stroke of a pen, will by any means disappear from the Law until everything is accomplished. ¹⁹ Therefore anyone who sets aside one of the least of these commands and teaches others accordingly will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever practices and teaches these commands will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰ For I tell you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the Pharisees and the teachers of the law, you will certainly not enter the kingdom of heaven.

Reader
People

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

Sermon

Charles Anderson
Jesus Believes in God's Word

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After each sermon, you will have the opportunity to submit questions you have from the sermon, one of which we will answer in a video email later that week. Submit questions to [questions@redeemindy.org]. (If you wish to receive Redeemer emails, contact [lauren@redeemindy.org].)

Catechism on the Word

The Geneva Catechism, Q. 300–303

Leader Eternal life is to know the one true God, our Father,
and Jesus Christ whom he has sent.
But how do we know this?

All **For this end God has given us his holy word;
for spiritual doctrine is a kind of door
by which we enter his heavenly kingdom.**

Leader Where are we to seek for this word?

All **In the Holy Scriptures, in which it is contained.**

Leader How are we to use it so that it is fruitful in us?

All **By embracing it with entire heartfelt persuasion,
as certain truth which has come down from heaven,
by yielding to it, and subjecting our minds and wills in obedience to it,
by loving it sincerely,
by having it once for all engraved on our hearts,
and there rooted so as to produce fruit in our life,
finally, by being formed by its authority.
Then shall it turn to our salvation, as it was intended.**

Leader Are all these things put in our own power?

All **None of them at all;
but all these things belong to God only
to effect in us by the gift of his Spirit.**

Daily Readings

Before you read: *Take a moment to quiet your heart, reflect on Psalm 119:9–10, and ask for God’s help as you read today’s passages.*

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After you read: *Spend a few moments praying, reflecting, or writing about what you just read. Consider meditating on a verse or phrase that caught your attention. What do these words tell us about God? What do these words tell us about our world?*

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

"It is Finished"

Ensemble

Nothing, either great or small, nothing, sinner, no;
Jesus died and paid it all, long, long ago.

"It is finished!" yes, indeed, finished, ev'ry jot;
Sinner, this is all you need, tell me, is it not?

When He, from His lofty throne, stooped to do and die,
Ev'rything was fully done; hearken to His cry!

"It is finished!" yes, indeed, finished, ev'ry jot;
Sinner, this is all you need, tell me, is it not?

Weary, working, burdened one, why do you toil so?
Cease your doing; all was done long, long ago.

"It is finished!" yes, indeed, finished, ev'ry jot;
Sinner, this is all you need, tell me, is it not?

Till to Jesus' work you cling by a simple faith,
"Doing" is a deadly thing—"Doing" ends in death.

"It is finished!" yes, indeed, finished, ev'ry jot;
Sinner, this is all you need, tell me, is it not?

"It is finished!" yes, indeed, finished, ev'ry jot;
Sinner, this is all you need, tell me, is it not?

Trade toil and slavery, for rest and freedom,
Trade law and judgement, for life and pardon,
Trade fear and scrutiny, for joy and gladness,
Trade cold rejection, for loving kindness.

Cast your deadly "doing" down—down at Jesus' feet;
Stand in Him, in Him alone, gloriously complete.

"It is finished!" yes, indeed, finished, ev'ry jot;
Sinner, this is all you need, tell me, is it not?

"It is finished!" yes, indeed, finished, ev'ry jot;
Sinner, this is all you need, tell me, is it not?

Nathan Partain, 2011

Song of Celebration

“The Day of the Lord”

Ensemble

It's not long till the boastful are silenced and shamed.
It's not long till the wealth of the wicked's reclaimed.
And the ones who have waited with eyes on the Lord
Will shine like the sun forevermore! It's not long till the day of the Lord!

Just be still and be faithful and dwell in the land.
Put your trust in the Savior and cling to his hand.
When your heart burns with anger for all that is wrong,
Do not let the dark steal your song. It's not long till the day of the Lord!

It's not long till the day of the Lord, it's not long till the day of the Lord!
Everything that is broken will soon be restored. It's not long till the day of the Lord!

Do not fear for the wicked with weapons of war,
For the Lord is the shelter and strength of the poor.
And our God comes with laughter, let Him be your joy.
The power of the sword, he'll destroy. It's not long till the day of the Lord!

It's not long till the day of the Lord, it's not long till the day of the Lord!
Everything that is broken will soon be restored. It's not long till the day of the Lord!

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Everything that is broken will soon be restored. It's not long till the day of the Lord!

Wendell Kimbrough, 2017

Life as Worship

All-Adult GRACE Training | March 14
Women's OneRead | April 28

life-giving
AUTHORITY
of scripture

We want to be connected to Jesus. That's where real life is. And if we want to be connected to Jesus, then we've got to connect to the Bible. God shares himself through his Word. When we receive that Word—when we believe it, ponder it, pray it, treasure it, practice it—God grows his life in us. We often react to the Bible with fear or boredom or confusion or skepticism. We're focusing on Scripture this season so that we grow in receiving it as life-giving authority from God to communicate himself to us.

Throughout this season, we'll be learning several passages together as a church: Psalm 1 in March, John 14:5-9 in April, and Colossians 1:15-20 in May. Last week, we worked on Psalm 1:1-2. This week, try adding verse 3:

¹ *Blessed is the one who does not walk in step with the wicked
or stand in the way that sinners take or sit in the company of mockers,
² but whose delight is in the law of the LORD, and who meditates on his law day and night.*

³ *That person is like a tree planted by streams of water,
which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither—
whatever they do prospers.*

Valediction

Psalm 1

Leader Let us learn together the word of the Spirit:

All **Blessed is the one who does not walk in step with the wicked
or stand in the way that sinners take or sit in the company of mockers,
but whose delight is in the law of the LORD, and who meditates on his law day and night.
That person is like a tree planted by streams of water,
which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither—
whatever they do prospers.**

Leader Not so the wicked! They are like chaff that the wind blows away.

All **Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,
nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous.
For the LORD watches over the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked leads to destruction.**

Departing Hymn

“He Cannot Be Stopped”

All **Who could halt the morning, springing from his Word?
Day of first creation, dawn of human birth,
Fall could not undo him, sin could not throw off,
He will save his people, he cannot be stopped.**

**Jesus Christ our savior, Son of Man and God.
Perfect lamb begotten, healing in his blood.
Though the world rejected, killed him on a cross,
Death could not restrain him, cause he cannot be stopped.**

Chorus:

**He cannot be stopped, no he cannot be stopped
He’ll raise the dead in beauty, clothe the worlds in love,
Until our only tears are joy in what he’s wrought.
O glory! Hallelujah! He cannot be stopped.**

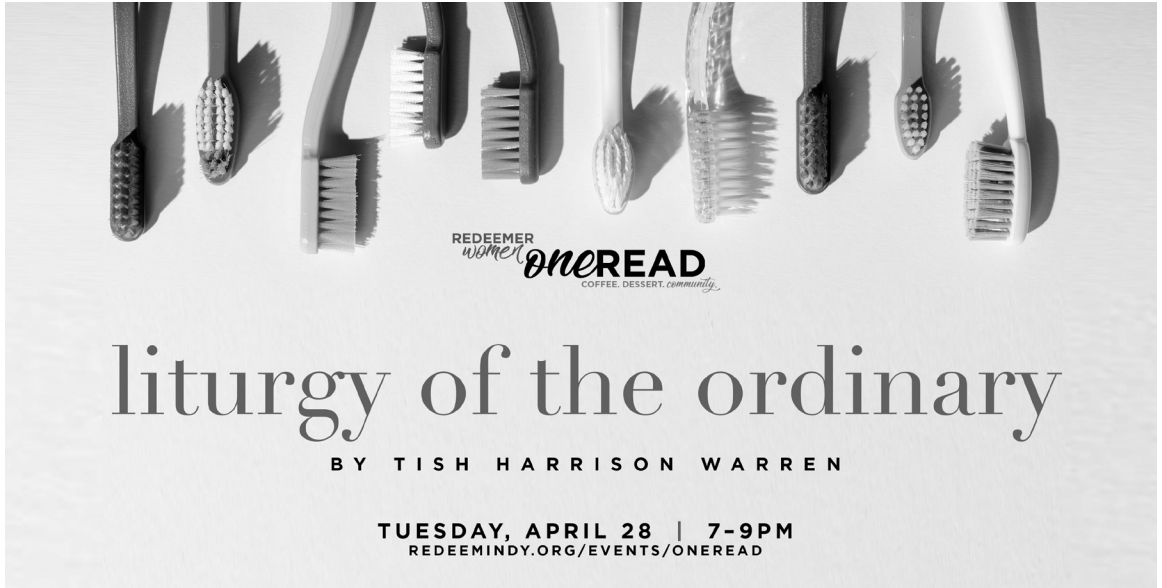
**In his resurrection, all he sanctifies,
Sinners gathered to him, wretches made alive.
From the farthest reaches, of the darkest lot,
He redeems the wicked, Cause he cannot be stopped.**

(Chorus)

**When we fall so shameful, when we can’t look up.
All we see is darkness, all we know is loss.
When we yield defeated, he speaks ever soft,
“You are my dear children and I cannot be stopped.”**

(Chorus)

Nathan Partain, 2017



Redeemer Women invite you to join them for a Women's One Read. Grab a copy of *Liturgy of the Ordinary: Sacred Practices in Everyday Life* by Tish Harrison Warren, read it, and join us as we look more closely at the small practices and habits that form our everyday life.

We will meet Tuesday, April 28th, 7:00-9:00 p.m. in the Underground Gallery. Dessert and coffee will be served.

Books will be available for purchase (\$10) in the courtyard lobby on Sunday March 15th (while they last!) and on Amazon.

This is also a great night to bring friends so please reach out and think of who you might be able to bring with you.* We do hope you will join us! We are looking forward to a great night!

*Please register any additional guests so that we can cater correctly.

Upcoming Events

Today

New Adult Sunday Class | Questioning Scripture

Today begins our adult Sunday Class on the Life-Giving Authority of Scripture, *Questioning Scripture*. Join us as Redeemer pastors and elders engage a variety of tough questions about the Bible, and see how God's Word can hold up to the challenge. Our hope is that you'll find the Bible more beautiful and believable as a result of this class. This meets from 10-10:50am in the Underground Gallery.

Today
12:30pm

Join us for today's Artist Talk

Today, after second service, join us in the Harrison Gallery to Gigi Salij talk about her current exhibit, *We Wait.*, up in the Harrison Gallery through March.

Tuesday
12:15-12:45pm

Join us each Tuesday for Weekly Prayer

We want to create a space for us to pray Scripture together. We'll meet and pray through the psalm on the reading plan for that week. This will help form us in how God's word shapes our hearts and can guide our words to him. Prayer will be from 12:15-12:45pm in the Youth Room (room 204). Come in through the City Gallery or Artmix entrance.

Saturday
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 this Saturday 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; register your child(ren) at [redeemindy.org/events/grace].

Next Sunday
12:30pm

Everyone is Invited to Lunch in the Gym

Next Sunday after 2nd service, join us for our community lunch in the gym. You don't have to bring anything, just yourself!

March 20-21

Interested in learning more about membership at Redeemer?

Dig deeper into what it means to be a part of the community here! Join the next session Friday, January 31 from 6-9pm and Saturday, February 1 from 9-noon. Register online [redeemindy.org/events/discoveringredeemer].

March 22
12:30pm

New-ish to Redeemer? Join us for lunch!

March 22, after the 11:00 service, join Redeemer staff and other people new to the community in the Speck Gallery for lunch. Newcomer's Lunches are a great opportunity to meet other new people, ask questions, and learn more about Redeemer. All ages are welcome (plus, we'll have supervised play for kids in the gym after we eat). Register online [redeemindy.org/events/newlunch].

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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year to date giving

\$ 341,163.98

Jan-Mar budget:

\$ 595,001.50

2020 budget:

\$ 2,380,006

Congregational Giving

March 1st	\$	94,938.96
March Total	\$	94,938.96
March Budget	\$	198,333.83

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