



# Lent

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Redeemer Presbyterian Church

## February 2023

## Cover Art

*Creatives Class*

## Banners

*Esther Grey*

## Stair Caps

*Mailboxes with seed pods by Landon Shire, Dirk Edwards, and Tom Peck*

## Frames

*Robert J. Hoffman (1930-2017), Barbara Knuckles' father*

## Hanging Installation

*"Letters of Hope" by Nick Dodge & Michael Taft with the Fossy Posse*

*Much like Luke's Gospel, dedicated to Theophilus, comes as a message of hope about Jesus' coming into the world, these hanging letters are meant to remind us of different words of hope we have heard from God and our loved ones this Advent Season. Most of these letters are simply white but if you look closely some of them are misted with gold paint, reminding us of the divine words that come through ordinary letters.*

## Seedpod Sketches

*Creatives Class*

## South Window

*Molly Kelley*

## Communion Set

*David Halladay*

*Use the QR code to learn more about "Frames"  
which are hanging in the Sanctuary.*



# Call to Worship

*from Psalm 22*

*Leader* The Lord is King over all the nations,  
Remembrance of his great kindness and steadfast love will extend to all generations.

*All* **Day and night he is establishing justice;  
The one who trusts in the LORD is delivered,  
The one who cries out to God is rescued.**

*Leader* So for those who are hurting, and to whom trouble is near,  
For everyone who feels forsaken, totally spent, mocked, and afflicted,  
If you are at the end of yourself,

*All* **The LORD is closer than you ever imagined!  
He has seen you and known you since before you were born!**

*Leader* Lift up your head and seek him, and in seeking,  
Remember his unmistakable grace and renewing mercy.

*All* **Let us praise him in the assembly!  
Let us eat and be satisfied!  
Let us proclaim his righteousness to all people!  
He sits enthroned upon our praise!**

# Opening Hymn

*“Jesus I Come To Thee”*

*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, 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 into Thy balm,  
Out of life’s storms and into Thy calm,  
Out of distress to 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 Luke 4-5; Daniel 7:13-14*

*Leader* Jesus—Son of God, Messiah,  
Son of Man, healer, friend of sinners.  
May the beauty and perfections of who you are  
draw us to true repentance this season of Lent.

You have authority from your Father, in the power of the Spirit,  
to teach the word of God.

*All* **Other words and images cascade over us  
that we let distract us from your word.  
We distrust its relevance and goodness;  
preferring to carve out our own path,  
judging everything in our wisdom.**

*Leader* Compassionately laying on your hands, willing to make us clean,  
you have authority to drive out evil, to bring healing.

*All* **We toy with our evil, indulge our flesh in its selfish wants.  
We recoil from your touch, convinced that your healing is like chemo  
that burns and hollows us out,  
but can't cure the cancer.**

*Leader* Here you are, Jesus, mixing with sinners, finding the outsiders,  
making house calls to the sick, with authority and mercy to forgive sins.

*All* **We fear that you'll come near, and like Peter,  
it will crash on us how sinful we really are.  
So, we keep you at a safe distance,  
and tell ourselves, "I really am okay."**

*Leader* Jesus, you came not to call the righteous but sinners to repentance.

*All* **Jesus, here we are.**

# Assurance of Pardon in the Gospel

*from Isaiah 52:7-10; 53:3-4; Philippians 2:9-11*

*Leader*

How beautiful on the mountains  
are the feet of the messenger who brings good news,

*All*

**The good news of peace and salvation,  
who say to Zion, “Your God reigns!”**

*Leader*

Listen! Your watchmen lift up their voices;  
together they shout for joy.  
When the LORD returns to Zion,  
they will see it with their own eyes.

*All*

**The LORD will show what he can do  
in the sight of all the nations,  
and all the ends of the earth will see  
the salvation of our God.**

*Leader*

What will the whole world see?

*All*

**The one who shared our pain and bore our sins,  
and so was exalted to the highest place by his Father,  
that at the name of Jesus,  
every knee should bow,  
and every tongue acknowledge  
that Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father!**

# Song in the Gospel

*“Come Thou Fount”*

*All*

**Come, Thou Fount of every blessing,  
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;  
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,  
Call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet,  
Sung by flaming tongues above;  
Praise the mount, I'm fixed upon it,  
Mount of God's unchanging love.**

**Here I raise my Ebenezer,  
Hither by Thy help I've come;  
And I pray by Thy good pleasure,  
Safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger,  
Wandering from the fold of God;  
He to rescue me from danger,  
Interposed His precious blood.**

**Oh to grace how great a debtor,  
Daily I'm constrained to be;  
Let Thy goodness, like a fetter,  
Bind my wandering heart to Thee.  
Prone to wander, Lord I feel it!  
Prone to leave the God I love!  
Here's my heart, Oh take and seal it,  
Seal it for Thy courts above.**

**Oh that day, when free from sinning,  
I shall see Thy lovely face!  
Clothed in my blood-washed linen,  
How I'll sing Thy sovereign grace!**

*words Robert Robinson, 1758, Public Domain*

# Song in the Gospel

*“And Can it Be”*

*All*

And can it be, that I should gain,  
An interest in the Savior’s blood?  
Died He for me, who caused his pain?  
For me, who Him to death pursued?  
Amazing love! How can it be,  
That thou, my God, shouldst die for me?  
Amazing love! How can it be  
That thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

He left His Father’s throne above,  
So free, so infinite His grace—  
Emptied Himself of all but love,  
And bled for Adam’s helpless race:  
’Tis mercy all, immense and free,  
For O my God, it found out me!  
Amazing love! How can it be  
That thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

Long my imprisoned spirit lay,  
Fast bound in sin and nature’s night;  
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray—  
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;  
My chains fell off, my heart was free,  
I rose, went forth, and followed Thee.  
Amazing love! How can it be  
That thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

No condemnation now I dread;  
Jesus, and all in Him, is mine;  
Alive in Him, my living Head,  
And clothed in righteousness divine,  
Bold I approach th’eternal throne,  
And claim the crown, through Christ my own.  
Amazing love! How can it be  
That thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

*Words: Charles Wesley, 1738; Music: Sagina, by Thomas Campbell, 1825*



# 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 are developmentally. **The Nursery welcomes children ages 0-3.** Children ages 3-5 are welcome to attend Children's 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)]*



# Baptism

*First Service:*

Maxwell Morgan Epple

*Parents: Noah & Bethany Epple*

## 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 Saward, add. lyrics Bruce Benedict, 1982*

# Vows of Baptism

## Parents' Vows

1. Do you acknowledge Max'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 Max 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 Maxwell Morgan Epple 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

*Luke 4:31-37*

*Reader*

<sup>31</sup> Then he went down to Capernaum, a town in Galilee, and on the Sabbath he taught the people. <sup>32</sup> They were amazed at his teaching, because his word had authority.

<sup>33</sup> In the synagogue there was a man possessed by a demon, an impure spirit. He cried out at the top of his voice, <sup>34</sup> “Go away! Why are you interfering with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God!”

<sup>35</sup> “Be quiet!” Jesus said sternly. “Come out of him!” Then the demon threw the man down before them all and came out without injuring him.

<sup>36</sup> All the people were amazed and said to each other, “What is this word? With authority and power he gives orders to impure spirits and they come out!” <sup>37</sup> And the news about him spread throughout the surrounding area.

*Reader*

This is the Word of the Lord.

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

## Sermon

Charles Anderson

# Additional Scripture

*1 John 3:8*

*The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the devil's work*

*Luke 1:35*

*"The Holy Spirit will come on you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God."*

## Notes

A large grid of dots for taking notes, consisting of 20 rows and 30 columns of small black dots.

# 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

*“My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less”*

*All*

**My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus’ blood and righteousness;  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus’ name.**

**On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand.  
All other ground is sinking sand.**

**When darkness veils his lovely face, I rest upon unchanging grace;  
In every rough and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil.**

**On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand.  
All other ground is sinking sand.**

**His oath, his covenant, his blood support me in the whelming flood;  
When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my Hope and Stay.**

**On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand.  
All other ground is sinking sand.**

**When I shall launch in worlds unseen, O may I then be found in him;  
Dressed in his righteousness alone, Faultless to stand before the throne.**

**On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand.  
All other ground is sinking sand.**

*words: Edward Mote, 1834; music: William Bradbury, 1863*

## 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

**Sunday School** Redeemer Kids classes will be in their usual locations. Middle school boys and girls will meet in Room 205. High school students will meet in room 146 (Art Mix clay studio.) The Bible Study Class on 2 Samuel will be in the Speck Gallery. This week, join us at 10 am in the Underground to hear from Mark Abdon, the Associate National Director of Greek Intersarsity. *Also, grab a partner prayer guide to learn more about the work of all our partners.*

3:5 pm

**Youth Group this Evening** Middle school and high school students please join us this evening for youth group in the gym. Afterward, high schoolers are invited to hang out at Greek's Pizza on 16th. *Email Mary Paxton Lind (marypaxton@redeemindy.org) with any questions.*

March 3  
6-9 pm

**Harrison Center's First Friday this Week** Featuring *Infinite Lineage* by Alicia Zanoni Lawrence in the Harrison Gallery and five other Gallery openings.

March 11  
8:30 am-  
12:30 pm

**GRACE Training** We are partnering with GRACE to build a culture that connects our values to the need to protect the vulnerable. This training is for all adults; please mark your calendars and plan to attend.

March 12  
12:30 pm

**Newcomer's Lunch** New-ish to Redeemer? We'd love for you to join us for lunch after the 2nd service on March 12th. It's a great chance to meet people, ask questions, and learn more about Redeemer. All ages welcome. *Use the QR code here to register.*



March  
17th: 6-9pm  
18th: 9am-  
12pm

**Discovering Redeemer** Interested in learning more about Redeemer and maybe becoming a member? Come to Discovering Redeemer to learn more about our story and what it means to be part of the community here. *Use the QR code to register.*



**Church Plant 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

*“All You Do is Good”*

*All*

**You are full of compassion and abounding in love,  
You create things from nothing, call what’s not though it was.  
You are light with no shadow, with no shifting or change.  
You turn weeping to dancing and despair into thanks.**

**You are good and all you do is good.  
You are good and all you do is good.  
You are good and all you do is good, All you do is good,  
All you do is good.**

**You release every captive, cut the shackles from slaves  
Those who hate you, you ransom, give you blood for their shame.  
With the bent stem, you’re tender, shield the smoldering flame  
You bring home the unwanted, call the lost back by name.**

**You are good and all you do is good.  
You are good and all you do is good.  
You are good and all you do is good, All you do is good,  
All you do is good.**

**You lift up, you, you revive, you, you restore, you, you increase, you,  
You anoint, you, you fill up, you, you spill out, you, you release, you,  
You make grow, you, you bring forth, you, you call out, you, you set free  
It’s who you are, It’s who you were, It’s who you will always be.**

**Your life is eternal, not in measure but kind  
Running over with healing, inexhaustible might  
You in us, and we in you, the delight in your face.  
Resting here we enjoy you, and our joy is your praise.**

**You are good and all you do is good.  
You are good and all you do is good.  
You are good and all you do is good, All you do is good,  
All you do is good.**

*Nathan Partain, 2015*

# Benediction

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2023 year-to-date giving:

\$231,870

January-February 2023 budget:

\$464,318

## Congregational Giving

February 5, 2023 .....	\$	72,872
February 12, 2023 .....	\$	25,541
February 19, 2023 .....	\$	21,562
<b>February Total .....</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>119,975</b>

## 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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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 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

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- Male  Female

### SPOUSE OR FRIEND

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- Male  Female

### CONTACT

Email 

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Phone 

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### 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.



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