



Ordinary Time
Redeemer Presbyterian Church
16 July 2023

Cover Art

LEGO sanctuary by Felix Hein

Banners

Luci Rader

Following the church calendar, we are in ordinary time. Just before his ascension Jesus sent out his disciples to “go and make disciples of all nations” (Matthew 28). The painted lines on the fabric map out a section of the Middle East, including Israel and surrounding countries. They can remind us of the story that Jesus began in his time with his disciples—one of lifelong faith and trust that God will work through us wherever we go.

Back Wall

“Quest” by the Kid’s Club Kids

This year at Kid’s Club, knights and ladies in training were on a Quest to know our true King and follow him with our lives. At our Friday night celebration, children, volunteers, and family members created foil crown panels to celebrate all that we learned about our King and his everlasting kingdom.

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 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.

South Window

Ancient Redeemer Advent Window

Communion Set

Criag Dodge Lile

Call to Worship

from Psalm 22

Leader

God calls us to cry out to him.
Like an infant cries for food and comfort,
We cry out to God knowing he cares for us.
God knows our restless nights. He hears our cries and groans.
As Psalm 22 says:

All

**“Yet you are holy,
enthroned on the praises of Israel.
In you our fathers trusted;
they trusted, and you delivered them.
To you they cried and were rescued;
in you they trusted and were not put to shame.**

Leader

All the ends of the earth shall remember
and turn to the LORD,
and all the families of the nations
shall worship before you.

All

**For kingship belongs to the LORD,
and he rules over the nations.”**

Opening Hymn

“Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

All

**Come, thou Fount of ev’ry 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 hope, by thy good pleasure, Safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger Wand’ring from the fold of God;
He to rescue me from danger Interposed his precious blood.**

**O to grace how great a debtor Daily I’m constrained to be!
Let thy grace now, like a fetter, Bind my wand’ring heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord I feel it, prone to leave the God I love
Here’s my heart, Lord, take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.**

**O that day when freed from sinning, I shall see Thy lovely face;
Clothed then in my blood washed linen, How I’ll sing Thy sovereign grace!**

*words Robert Robinson, 1758, Public Domain;
music “Nettleton” from John Wyeth, 1813, Public Domain*

Prayer of Adoration

Prayer of Confession

based on Psalm 15; Romans 8; Psalm 34

Leader Who may enter and worship in your presence, O Lord?

All **Those who live blameless lives and do what is right;
those who speak the truth from sincere and honest hearts.**

**Give us grace to speak the truth about ourselves
and confess our sin to you.**

Leader God says, “nothing can separate you from the love of Christ Jesus;
not hardship, nor betrayal; not even our death.”

All **But when the idea of our life has been smashed,
we want it fixed,
we do not long for more of you,
we just want things to be back to how they were,
we do not take every moment to you for redemption,
we push you away with demands,
instead of humbly seeking you to lead us.**

Leader God is near to the brokenhearted;
he saves us when we’re crushed.
He hears the humble who call to him,
and says we’re the apple of his eye.

All **But in suffering and struggle, we sink deep in self-pity;
we turn to bitterness for protection,
and pursue relief instead of you.
We prefer our version of strength,
to your call of dependence.**

Leader Father, Son, and Spirit, receive and re-shape our hearts.

All **Hold them tenderly, mold them fiercely.
Love and deliver us now and in the day of our Lord Jesus.**

Assurance of Pardon in the Gospel

based on Psalm 16; John 15:11; Ephesians 1:11-14; Philippians 4:8; 1 Thessalonians 4:17; 1 John 3:20

Leader You are our God, apart from you we have no good thing.

All **Whatever is good, whatever is beautiful,
whatever is pure, these all radiate from you.**

Leader You have set us in a safe and pleasant place.

All **We are secure in Christ, and sealed with His Spirit;
a sure deposit on our promised inheritance!**

Leader Therefore, we will keep our eyes fixed on the Lord.

All **With Christ beside us, we will not be shaken.
Not by the lies our hearts tell us,
by the constant fears which haunt us,
nor by the real threats which assail us.**

Leader You will never leave us alone, nor abandon us in death.

All **Christ was abandoned for our sake.
Our life is now bound up in his.**

Song in the Gospel

“From Depths of Woe (Psalm 130)”

All

**From the depths of woe I raise to Thee a voice of lamentation;
Lord, turn a gracious ear to me and hear my supplication;
If Thou iniquities dost mark, our secret sins and misdeeds dark,
O who shall stand before Thee? O who shall stand before Thee?**

**To wash away the crimson stain, grace, grace alone availeth;
Our works, alas! Are all in vain; in much the best life faileth;
No man can glory in Thy sight, all must alike confess Thy might,
And live alone by mercy. And live alone by mercy.**

**Therefore my trust is in the Lord, and not in mine own merit;
On him my soul shall rest, his word Upholds my fainting spirit:
His promised mercy is my fort, my comfort and my sweet support;
I wait for it with patience. I wait for it with patience.**

**What though I wait the live-long night, and till the dawn appeareth,
My heart still trusteth in his might; it doubteth not nor feareth;
Do thus, O ye of Israel’s seed, ye of the Spirit born indeed;
And wait ‘till God appeareth. And wait ‘till God appeareth.**

**Though great our sins and sore our woes His grace much more aboundeth;
His helping love no limit knows, our utmost need it soundeth.
Our Shepherd good and true is He, who will at last His Israel free
From all their sin and sorrow. From all their sin and sorrow.
From all their sin and sorrow. From all their sin and sorrow.**

Words: Martin Luther 1523; Music: Chris Miner 1997

Song in the Gospel

“How Deep the Father’s Love for Us”

All

**How deep the Father’s love for us, How vast beyond all measure
That He would give His only Son To make a wretch His treasure
How great the pain of searing loss The Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the chosen One Bring many sons to glory**

**Behold the Man upon a cross My guilt upon His shoulders
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice Call out among the scoffers
It was my sin that held Him there Until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life I know that it is finished**

**I will not boast in anything No gifts, no powr’s, no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ His death and resurrection
Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart His wounds have paid my ransom**

**How deep the Father’s love for us, How vast beyond all measure
That He would give His only Son To make a wretch His treasure**

Stuart Townend, 1995

Prayer of Dependence

Children's Worship + Nursery

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 and also provide options to families that can engage young children wherever they are developmentally.

The Nursery welcomes children ages 0-3.

Children ages 4-Kindergarten are welcome to attend Children's Worship.

You are welcome to drop your children off at any point. Kids attending Children's Worship (ages 4-Kindergarten) must be picked up by the end of communion. Nursery and Children's Worship spaces are located through the doors on the front left of the sanctuary.

Offering of Gifts and Service

Online giving available at [redeemindy.org/give]



Interview with Jared McClain

Pastor McClain studied at Eastern Kentucky University and received his Master's of Divinity from the Reformed Theological Seminary in Oviedo, FL. He is the Area Director for Young Life at North Central High School where he enjoys pouring into the next generation and mobilizing his leaders and volunteers. Born and raised in Atlanta, Jared now lives here with his wife Catherine and their two daughters and newborn son.

Scripture Reading

Psalm 22

Reader

- ¹ My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?
Why are you so far from saving me,
so far from my cries of anguish?
- ² My God, I cry out by day, but you do not answer,
by night, but I find no rest.
- ³ Yet you are enthroned as the Holy One;
you are the one Israel praises.
- ⁴ In you our ancestors put their trust;
they trusted and you delivered them.
- ⁵ To you they cried out and were saved;
in you they trusted and were not put to shame.
- ⁶ But I am a worm and not a man,
scorned by everyone, despised by the people.
- ⁷ All who see me mock me;
they hurl insults, shaking their heads.
- ⁸ “He trusts in the LORD,” they say,
“let the LORD rescue him.
Let him deliver him,
since he delights in him.”
- ⁹ Yet you brought me out of the womb;
you made me trust in you, even at my mother’s breast.
- ¹⁰ From birth I was cast on you;
from my mother’s womb you have been my God.
- ¹¹ Do not be far from me,
for trouble is near
and there is no one to help.
- ¹² Many bulls surround me;
strong bulls of Bashan encircle me.
- ¹³ Roaring lions that tear their prey
open their mouths wide against me.
- ¹⁴ I am poured out like water,
and all my bones are out of joint.
My heart has turned to wax;
it has melted within me.
- ¹⁵ My mouth is dried up like a potsherd,
and my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth;
you lay me in the dust of death.
- ¹⁶ Dogs surround me,
a pack of villains encircles me;
they pierce my hands and my feet.

- ¹⁷ All my bones are on display;
people stare and gloat over me.
- ¹⁸ They divide my clothes among them
and cast lots for my garment.
- ¹⁹ But you, LORD, do not be far from me.
You are my strength; come quickly to help me.
- ²⁰ Deliver me from the sword,
my precious life from the power of the dogs.
- ²¹ Rescue me from the mouth of the lions;
save me from the horns of the wild oxen.
- ²² I will declare your name to my people;
in the assembly I will praise you.
- ²³ You who fear the LORD, praise him!
All you descendants of Jacob, honor him!
Revere him, all you descendants of Israel!
- ²⁴ For he has not despised or scorned
the suffering of the afflicted one;
he has not hidden his face from him
but has listened to his cry for help.
- ²⁵ From you comes the theme of my praise in the great assembly;
before those who fear you I will fulfill my vows.
- ²⁶ The poor will eat and be satisfied;
those who seek the LORD will praise him—
may your hearts live forever!
- ²⁷ All the ends of the earth
will remember and turn to the LORD,
and all the families of the nations
will bow down before him,
- ²⁸ for dominion belongs to the LORD
and he rules over the nations.
- ²⁹ All the rich of the earth will feast and worship;
all who go down to the dust will kneel before him—
those who cannot keep themselves alive.
- ³⁰ Posterity will serve him;
future generations will be told about the LORD.
- ³¹ They will proclaim his righteousness,
declaring to a people yet unborn:
He has done it!

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

Sermon

Jared McClain
You're Still Here

Additional Texts

Romans 5:3-5

³ Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; ⁴ perseverance, character; and character, hope. ⁵ And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

Romans 8:28

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

John 19:24

"Let's not tear it," they said to one another. "Let's decide by lot who will get it."

This happened that the scripture might be fulfilled that said,

*"They divided my clothes among them
and cast lots for my garment."*

So this is what the soldiers did.

Mark 15:33-37

³³ At noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. ³⁴ And at three in the afternoon Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" (which means "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?").

³⁵ When some of those standing near heard this, they said, "Listen, he's calling Elijah."

³⁶ Someone ran, filled a sponge with wine vinegar, put it on a staff, and offered it to Jesus to drink. "Now leave him alone. Let's see if Elijah comes to take him down," he said.

³⁷ With a loud cry, Jesus breathed his last.

Notes

A large grid of small dots for taking notes, consisting of 25 columns and 30 rows.

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.

Prayer

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 Asked the Lord"

All

I asked the Lord that I might grow; in faith and love and every grace,
Might more of His salvation know; and seek more earnestly His face.
Twas He who taught me thus to pray; and He I trust has answered prayer,
But it has been in such a way; as almost drove me to despair.

You are an everflowing fount of mercy I remind my blinded, deafened soul
Let me be humbled not humiliated; It's hard to tell the difference when I feel so small

I hoped that in some favored hour; at once He'd answer my request,
And by His love's constraining power; subdue my sins and give me rest.
Instead of this He made me feel; the hidden evils of my heart,
And let the angry powers of Hell; assault my soul in every part.

You are an everflowing fount of mercy I remind my blinded, deafened soul
Let me be humbled not humiliated; It's hard to tell the difference when I feel so small

Lord why is this, I trembling cried; wilt Thou pursue thy worm to death?
"Tis in this way," the Lord replied, "I answer prayer for grace and faith.
"These inward trials I employ; From self and pride to set thee free
And break thy schemes of earthly joy; That thou may'st seek thy all in me,

You are an everflowing fount of mercy I remind my blinded, deafened soul
Let me be humbled not humiliated; It's hard to tell the difference when I feel so small

I cry by day, by night and I find no rest
You are holy, enthroned and in you I trust

Verses John Newton 1779, chorus and bridge Luke Livingston 2023

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

BACKPACK
COLLECTION
ENDS **TODAY**
July 19
6:7:30 pm

16 Park Backpack Drive Redeemer is hosting a back-to-school backpack drive for our neighbors at 16 Park. With this event and others to come, we desire to seek the prosperity of the city where we are exiled and display our church values of meaningful relationships in community and creating beauty where we are. *If you would like to help us distribute backpacks this Wednesday use the QR to sign up.*



SIGN-UPS
CLOSE **TODAY**

Youth Kings Island Trip All rising middle and high school students are invited to Kings Island on Monday, July 24th. The ticket to Kings Island includes one catered meal at the park, a seat on the bus, and access to BOTH Kings Island and Soak City. We will all start at Kings Island together then after lunch, you can choose to either stay in Kings Island or go to Soak City (the attached water park) for the rest of the day. *Please indicate in your registration if you plan to go to Soak City. Please register by next Sunday, July 16th.*



SAVE THE DATE
OPEN **JULY 30**
CLOSE **AUG 13**

Fall Bible Studies Launching Soon Be on the look out for more information about our adult bible study classes that will begin towards the end of August.

August 12
9 am-12 pm

Weekend Respite Our care ministry partners with Redeemer Kids to provide quarterly respite childcare events to single parents, parents of children with special needs, and foster and adoptive parents. Our respite care event will have lunch included. *Please sign up by August 7th with the QR code, so we can assure that we have enough volunteers. Sign-ups also help us plan for one-on-one support and food allergies. If you are interested in volunteering to serve the families of Redeemer in this way, please contact Amanda Huron (amanda.huron@redeemindy.org).*



September '23
- *May '24*
9:30 am - 12 pm

MOPS Join us this September through next May on the first and third Wednesday mornings of each month in the Underground for good discussion, thought-provoking speakers, and the support of other moms. *Use the QR code to register.*



Duplex Fund The Redeemer congregation has voted to purchase the duplex at 226-228 E. 15th Street, for administrative and ministry purposes. The purchase price is \$660,000. We have currently raised \$3, 561.89 and our goal is to raise at least enough to cover the 20% down payment without having to use any of our reserve funds. *If you would like to give toward this purchase, you can write "duplex" in the memo of your check or use the QR code to give online.*



More information can be found at our website: redeemindy.org.

SUMMER SOCIAL HOUR

We invite you to join us for a Summer Social Hour, taking the place of Sunday classes. Grab a cup of coffee, yummy treat, and sit and chat for a bit. If you attend the 8:30 am service, plan to stay after the service! If you attend the 11:00 am service, plan to come early! It will be a great time to connect with old and new friends.

Please note that our nursery will close after the first service and will open back up before the second service at 10:45 am. So please know that you are responsible for your children's whereabouts during the Summer Social Hour.

Closing Hymn

“We Will Feast”

All

**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.**

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Sandra McCracken and Josh Moore, 2015

Benediction

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2023 year-to-date giving:
\$1,352,953

January-July 2023 budget:
\$1,625,114

Congregational Giving

July 2, 2023	\$	63,684
July 9 2023	\$	23,719
July Total	\$	87,404

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.

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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 Regular Attendee
 Out-of-Town Guest Redeemer Member

FIRST & LAST NAME

- Men Women

SPOUSE OR FRIEND

- Men Women

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:

*Go to www.redeemindy.org/ministries for a full list of volunteer opportunities and descriptions.



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