



# Redeemer

## Presbyterian Church

Therefore if anyone is in Christ,  
he is a new creature;  
the old things passed away;  
behold, new things have come.  
—2 Corinthians 5:17

**The Lord's Service**

January 25, 2009

## Welcome!

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If you are visiting our church today, we welcome you to our worship service and Christian community. Please be sure to fill out the fellowship pad with your name and contact information when it is passed to you. This will help us serve you better. We promise to keep this information confidential and only use it for personal contact with you and your family. Please join us in the narthex for coffee and refreshments after the service. Note: since many of our families with small children sit near the back of the church, visitors may wish to sit closer to the front to avoid any possible distractions during the worship service.

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If you are unfamiliar with our form of worship, please feel free to speak with the pastor or one of the elders. We would be glad to help you understand the biblical rationale for why we worship the way we do. You may also visit our website for articles, essays, and other helpful information on our worship and life at Redeemer: [www.redeemertraversecity.org](http://www.redeemertraversecity.org).

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The **Lord's Supper** is observed every Sunday as the culmination of our worship service. We invite to the Lord's Table all those who are baptized disciples of Jesus Christ, under the authority of Christ and His body, the Church. By eating the bread and wine with us as a visitor, you are acknowledging to the elders of this local church that you are in covenant with God as an active member of a congregation in which the Gospel is faithfully confessed, taught, and believed. You also acknowledge that you are a sinner, without hope except in the sovereign mercy of God, and that you are trusting in Jesus Christ alone for salvation. Non-communing children are welcome to come forward with their parents and will be acknowledged by the pastor. If you have any doubt about your participation, please speak to one of the elders or the pastor before or after the service. Note: The inner ring of cups in each communion tray contains non-alcoholic wine; the outer rings contain wine.

Silent Preparation for Worship  
Prelude

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Order of Worship

Call to Worship Isaiah 42:10a; 11b

Pastor Dan Millward

†Opening Hymn #296 “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name!” vv 1-4

†Invocation Psalm 4:7-8

Pastor: You have put gladness in my heart,

People: More than when their grain and new wine abound.

Pastor: In peace I will both lie down and sleep,

People: For You alone, O Lord, make me to dwell in safety.

Pastor: Let us pray.

†**God’s Greeting**

Pastor: Grace to you and peace from God the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

†Response (*in song*) #734 “Gloria Patri”

Confession of Sin (*in unison*)

Deuteronomy 6:5; Leviticus 19:18

**Pastor: Our covenant God reveals His will in these two verses: “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might.” “You shall not take vengeance, nor bear any grudge against the sons of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself; I am the Lord.” God’s law clearly reveals that we are accountable to Him. We do not live up to the perfect standard of His righteousness. Therefore, with one voice, let us confess our sins to Him.**

Gracious heavenly Father, we have heard Your word and are grieved by our sinfulness. We have not loved or served You as we should, but instead often ignore Your covenant with us. We have not always honored and revered Your name, but instead have abused it. We have also disregarded Your word and do not always listen and learn it. Nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves. Instead, we often behave selfishly and unkindly. For these and all our sins, we ask for mercy, grace, and pardon.

## Declaration of Forgiveness

John 1:12; Philippians 1:6

Pastor: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ, He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. Do you believe that Jesus Christ, by His perfect life, sacrificial death, and glorious resurrection, has atoned for your sins and satisfied the wrath of God toward you?

People: We do.

Pastor: In the name of Christ and by the authority of His Word I declare to you that your sins are forgiven. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

†Hymn of Assurance # 141 “God, in the Gospel of His Son” vv. 1-3, 5

†Prayer for Illumination Fred Weber

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 42:5-9

Reader: This is the word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

Gospel Reading John 14:1-6

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Reader: This is the Gospel of our Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

†Sermon Text Reading 2 Corinthians 5

Pastor Dan Millward

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon “Behold, The New Has Come”

## **Giving of God’s Tithes and Our Offering**

*Please sign and pass the fellowship pads at this time.*

Quarterly Benevolence Offering

Prayers of Intercession

## **The Lord’s Prayer** *(in unison)*

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

# Holy Communion

## Invitation to the Lord's Table

All who are communicant members in good standing in any evangelical Christian church, or those **who have been approved by the Session, may participate in the Lord's Supper.** (Note about Communion wine: the outer rings contain wine; the inner rings contain non-alcoholic wine.)

## Affirmation of Faith Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord, Jesus Christ  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father;  
by whom all things were made.

Who for us and for our salvation  
came down from heaven,  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;  
He suffered and was buried,  
and the third day He rose again  
according to the Scriptures;  
and ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father;  
and He shall come again, with glory,  
to judge both the living and the dead;  
whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together  
is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets;  
and we believe in one holy \*catholic and apostolic Church;  
we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;  
and we look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

\*The word "catholic" means "universal."

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Pastor: Truly it is right and our greatest joy to give thanks to You heavenly Father, at all times and in every place. We ask with confidence that You will take these common elements of bread and wine and set them apart for holy use to strengthen and edify Your people. We praise You, joining our voices with choirs of angels, and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of Your name:

## Sanctus (*in song*)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts. The

whole earth is full of his glo - ry, the whole earth is full of his glo - ry, the

whole earth is full of his glo - ry. Ho - ly is the Lord.

## Words of Institution & Breaking of the Bread

Communion Hymn #422 "Twas on That Night When Doomed to Know"

## Prayer after Communion (*in unison*)

Our Gracious Heavenly Father, we acknowledge the great mystery of this holy feast. Although we are unworthy to share in this meal, dressed in Christ's righteousness we have come boldly to the Holy Supper. Instead of wrath, we have received Your pardon; in the place of fear we have been given hope. Please strengthen us by these gifts so that, relying only on Your promise, we may, by Your Spirit, honor You in all we do, to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

†Closing Hymn #519 “Fountain of Never-Ceasing Grace”

†Benediction

†Benediction Response “Three-fold Amen”

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Serving Today

Elder: Fred Weber

Piano: Connie Van Til

Sound Board: Kyle Peterson

## Announcements

*Today Pastor Millward is wearing a green stole. Green represents spiritual growth and world missions. It is worn during all “ordinary times” of the church year.*

### **After Today’s Service...**

There will be a brief congregational meeting followed by our monthly Covered Dish Luncheon.

Next Sunday, February 1

Pastor Dan Millward will be preaching on 2 Corinthians 10.

Hymns: #97 “We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer, Creator”

#524 “Thy Works, Not Mine, O Christ”

#421 “Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness”

#572 “Onward, Christian Soldiers”

The Lord’s Supper will be celebrated. Make a time this week for preparation and prayer.

Thursday, January 29, 7:30am to 9:00am - **Men’s Bible Study** will meet in the conference room at the church office. This group meets every Thursday morning and is studying the book of Proverbs.

Wednesday, February 4, 5:30pm to 8:00pm - Family Night Meal & Study will be held at the church. Reservations need to be made on the fellowship pad.

Sunday, February 8, 6:00pm to 8:00pm - Next Generation meets at Pastor & Mrs. Millward’s home.

Wednesday, February 11, 12:00pm to 1:00pm - Noon Hour Study Group will meet in the conference room at the church office.

Saturday, February 14, 11:00am - Baby shower for Becky Eichberger.  
Please RSVP on the sheet in the narthex.

Wednesday, February 18, 6:30pm to 8:00pm - Family Night Study will  
be held at the church.

Sunday, February 22 - Monthly Covered Dish Luncheon following the  
morning worship service.

Wednesday, February 25, 12:00pm to 1:00pm - Noon Hour Study  
Group will meet in the conference room at the church office.

Congratulations!  
To Karl and Rebecca Eichberger  
on the birth of their daughter, Greta Jane.  
Greta was born Wednesday, January 14 at 1:00 PM.  
She weighed 8 lbs. 6 oz.

## Points to Ponder

### Christ's Obedience and Our Reward

[Some] passages of Scripture that prove the imputation of Christ's active obedience are the following: "Through the obedience of one shall many be made righteous" (Rom. 5:19); "Christ is made unto us wisdom and righteousness and sanctification" (1 Cor. 1:30); "he made him to be sin for us, that we might be made the righteousness of God in him" (2 Cor. 5:21). This "righteousness" is complete and therefore includes a title to the reward of righteousness: "You are complete in him" (Col. 2:10); "he has made us accepted in the beloved" (Eph. 1:6); "in whom we have boldness, and access with confidence" (3:12). The boldness and confidence imply that there is no deficiency in the justification effected for the believer by Christ. But if he were resting his title to eternal life upon his own character and works, he could be neither bold nor confident in the day of judgment (1 John 4:17): "Whosoever believes shall not perish [this is pardon], but shall have eternal life [this is acceptance as righteous]" (John 3:16).

It is objected that the believer is represented as being rewarded for his works and in proportion to his works in the last day. The reply is, first, the reward of the last day is gracious, resulting from a covenant and promise on the part of God. It is the recompense of a parent to a child, not the payment of a debtor to a creditor. God is not under an absolute indebtedness to the believer founded on an independent agency of the believer, but only a relative obligation established by himself and depending upon his assistance and support in the performance of the service. This is proved by the fact that the reward of a Christian is called an "inheritance" (Matt. 5:34; Acts 20:32; Gal. 3:18; Eph. 5:5; Col. 1:12). The believer's reward is like a child's portion under his father's will. This is not wages and recompense in the strict sense; and yet it is relatively a reward for filial obedience. If an angel under the legal covenant fails to keep the law in a single instance, he gets no reward; a redeemed man under the evangelical covenant, though he often fails, yet gets his reward. God graciously compensates the believer in Christ, because he is fatherly and compassionate toward his child and not because the reward has been completely earned and is strictly due upon the principle of abstract justice.

—William Shedd, *Dogmatic Theology*

January 25, 2009  
PRAYER REQUESTS

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*FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY AT REDEEMER...*

Health / Healing

- Lindy Van Til - having difficulty regulating her blood sugar and diabetes.
- Dominic Nittolo - is recovering from a recent leg surgery.

Other Concerns

- Pray that our church would have the evangelistic vision Christ commissioned us with, and passion as well as wisdom and boldness in reaching the lost with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.
- Prayer for our pastor, elders, and deacons - for their encouragement, strength, and joy in the work to which God has called them.

*FOR RELATIVES, FRIENDS, AND OTHERS...*

Health / Healing and Other Concerns

- Fred Janke Sr. - is facing ongoing health challenges at 91 years old.

Our Country and Armed Forces

- Men and women in the military and their families.
- Pray for President Obama, his advisors, and other national, state, and local leaders.

Ministers, Missionaries, and Mission Churches

- Bristol family in Querétaro, Mexico; Hershberger family in Bulgaria; Thornton family in Ukraine; Nellie Vos in France; and the mission work in Burma.

*FOR CHURCHES IN OUR PRESBYTERY...*

- Northwest Presbyterian, Dublin, OH - Pray for: vision for mercy ministries, growth of that vision as our Adult Ed members learn about our Biblical mandate to intentionally extend holistic mercy, understanding and desire to meet physical, emotional, and spiritual needs, and the Kaszubowski family who lost nearly everything - home, belongings, autos - in a fire.
- First Presbyterian Church, Bad Axe, MI - Pray for: the annual meeting Jan 18, revisions to the By-laws, the women's ministry, the families of members who have died, and Kelly , 20 year old in Bay Med with Cancer, "she has asked no one to visit her so that she may commune with God." Praise for: Praise for the good and steady participation in worship.
- Teaching Elder Charles Young - Pray For: healing of a broken wrist for Mrs. Young (Debbie), easing of Charles's continual head pain, strength for daily tasks, and full trust in the Lord.
- Special Needs - Pray for: Greg, Charity and Sam Blosser dealing with Sam's dermatomyotosis (an auto immune disease), Sam's battle with pain that comes and goes with the coming more normal than the going, and Charity who is due to deliver her new baby anytime.

*If you have any prayer requests or an update on a current request,  
please contact David Peterson at 946-1700.*

The Session (Pastor and Elders)

Rev. Daniel Millward, Pastor .....	922-7270
David Schafer .....	946-5501
Fred Weber .....	947-0426

The Deacons

Jerry DeVries .....	938-2317
Forbes Husted .....	929-7291
C. J. Weber .....	275-3475

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## Scripture Readings for this Week

Our Scripture readings are taken from the Daily Lectionary. It provides for reading twice through the New Testament and once through the Old Testament during a two-year cycle. The readings also reflect the seasons of the liturgical year. (Please note that during various seasons of the Church year, the Psalm readings often repeat.)

Sun.	Psalm 67:1-7	Isaiah 47:1-15	Hebrews 10:19-31	John 5:2-18
Mon.	Psalm 57:1-11	Isaiah 48:1-11	Galatians 1:1-17	Mark 5:21-43
Tue.	Psalm 54:1-7	Isaiah 48:12-22	Galatians 1:18-2:10	Mark 6:1-13
Wed.	Psalm 65:1-13	Isaiah 49:1-12	Galatians 2:11-21	Mark 6:13-29
Thu.	Psalm 143:1-12	Isaiah 49:13-26	Galatians 3:1-14	Mark 6:30-46
Fri.	Psalm 88:1-18	Isaiah 50:1-11	Galatians 3:15-22	Mark 6:47-56
Sat.	Psalm 122:1-9	Isaiah 51:1-8	Galatians 3:23-29	Mark 7:1-23

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