

Redeemer

Presbyterian Church

Rather, speaking the truth in love,
we are to grow up in every way
into him who is the head, into Christ,
from whom the whole body,
joined and held together by every joint
with which it is equipped,
when each part is working properly,
makes the body grow
so that it builds itself up in love.
—Ephesians 4:15-16

The Lord's Service
November 15, 2009

Welcome!

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 fellowship hall in the lower level 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. Any mothers who would like assistance with young children may take them to the nursery during the Hymn of Assurance and pick them up during the Offertory.

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. In the narthex, we have a booklet available that provides an introduction to our church. You may also visit our website for other helpful information: www.redeemertraversecity.org.

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

Order of Worship

Call to Worship Psalm 95:6-7

Pastor Dan Millward

†**Opening Hymn** #620 “O Lord, I Love You, My Shield, My Tower”

†**Invocation**

Psalm 145:3, 5, 6

Pastor: Great is the Lord and highly to be praised.

People: And His greatness is unsearchable.

Pastor: I will meditate on Your wonderful works.

People: I will declare Your mighty acts.

Pastor: Let us pray.

†**The Greeting**

2 Thessalonians 1:2; 2 Corinthians 13:14

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

People: Amen.

†**Response** (*in song*) #283 “Alleluia! Alleluia!

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Alleluia! Alleluia! Glory be to God on high;

Alleluia to the Savior, Who has won the victory;

Alleluia to the Spirit, Fount of love and sanctity;

Alleluia! Alleluia! To the Triune Majesty.

Confession of Sin

1 John 1:5-10

Pastor: God is light and in Him is no darkness. If we say we have fellowship with Him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not live according to the truth. But if we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all unrighteousness. Let us, therefore, confess our sins before almighty God.

All: Almighty God, merciful Father, we poor sinners confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed. Therefore, we flee for refuge to Your boundless mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace. Father, since You have given Your only begotten Son to die for us, have mercy on us, and for His sake, grant us forgiveness of all our sins. And by Your Holy Spirit, increase in us true knowledge of You and Your will, and true obedience to Your Word, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Psalm 103:8, 10-12

Pastor: The Scriptures declare that “The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in lovingkindness. He has not dealt with us according to our sins, nor rewarded us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His lovingkindness toward those who fear Him. As far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us.” Brothers and sisters, having confessed your sins to Almighty God, and having believed His promise of salvation through Christ alone, be at peace and know that your sins are forgiven.

†**Hymn of Assurance** “Power of the Cross”

Insert

†**Prayer for Illumination**

Dave Schafer

First Reading Acts 2:41-47

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

Second Reading Romans 12:3-8

Fred Janke

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

Prayers of Intercession and the Lord’s Prayer

Pastor Dan Millward

Giving of God’s Tithes and Our Offering

Please sign and pass the fellowship pads at this time. Also please indicate how many will be attending the Wednesday Night Family Meal and Study.

†**Doxology** (*in song*)

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye Heavenly Host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

†**Sermon Text Reading** Ephesians 4:1-16

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon “Growing Up Together”

Prayer of Application

Sermon Hymn “O Church Arise”

Insert

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 Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord.

**who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;**

He descended into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy *catholic church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

*The word "catholic" means "universal."

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Consecration

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Ruth 2:4

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts!

Lamentations 3:41

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

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

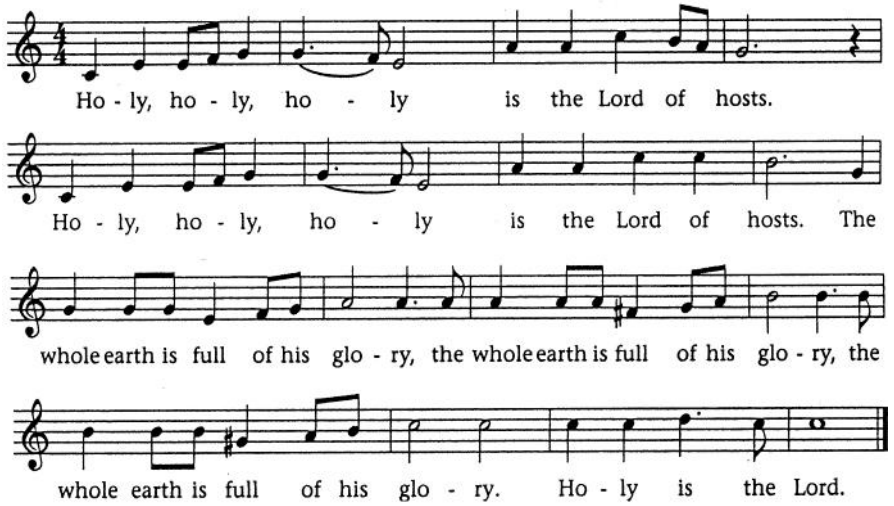
People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Psalms 118:1

Pastor: It is right and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to You, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. As we consecrate these common elements of bread and wine for holy use, we ask You to bless them and use them to strengthen and edify Your people. For by water and the Holy Spirit You have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth Your glory in all the world. Therefore, we praise You, joining our voices with choirs of angels and with the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of Your name:

Sanctus (*in song*)

Isaiah 6:3



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 Hymns “Come Share the Lord” Bulletin, pg. 7
“Come Thou Savior, Spread Thy Table” Bulletin, pg. 8

Prayer after Communion (*in unison*)

We give thanks almighty God, that you have refreshed us at Your table by granting us the presence of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world in courage and peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

†**Nunc Dimittis** “Song of Simeon” Bulletin, pg. 9

†**Benediction**

†**Benediction Response** “Three-fold Amen”

Communion Hymn 1
Come Share the Lord

1. We gath - er here in Je - sus' name; His love is burn - ing in our
2. He joins us here; He breaks the bread. The Lord who pours the cup is
3. We'll gath - er soon where an - gels sing; We'll see the glo - ry of our

hearts like liv - ing flame, For thro' the lov - ing Son, The Fa - ther
ris - en from the dead. The one we love the most Is now our
Lord and com - ing King. Now we an - tic - i - pate The feast for

makes us one: Come, take the bread; come, drink the cup; come, share the Lord.
gra - cious host: Come, take the bread; come, drink the cup; come, share the Lord.
which we wait: Come, take the bread; come, drink the cup; come, share the Lord.

Communion Hymn 2

Come Thou Savior, Spread Thy Table

1. Come, Thou Sa - vior, spread Thy ta - ble, Feed Thy help - less, starv - ing sheep.
 2. For Thy bride is weak in spir - it As her Groom will soon ap - pear,
 3. Keep the feast of Pas - chal Lamb His pre - sence sure and real;
 4. We taste Thee now as death Doth wait to bring us to Your side.
 5. To heaven's gate our souls will fly, To sup with You a - new;

Give Thy grace to saints un - a - ble To drink Thy cup so deep.
 With spot - ted soul and wrin - kled gown She trem - bles to draw near.
 His death for us we now re - call With sa - cred sign and seal.
 We long to en - ter heav - en's gate, And e'er with You a - bide.
 With all the saints from la - bors rest, To find our peace with You.

Je - sus, Je - sus, We a - dore Thee, gift of heav - en's Bread;

Je - sus, Je - sus, We a - dore Thee, keep our spir - its fed.

Nunc Dimittis
Song of Simeon

1 Now may your ser - vant, Lord, ac - cord - ing to your word,
de - part in ex - ul - ta - tion. My peace shall be se - rene,
for now my eyes have seen your won - der - ful sal - va - tion.

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one flat (B-flat major or D minor). The time signature is 4/4. The first system begins with a fermata over the first measure. The second system has a fermata over the eighth measure. The third system begins with a fermata over the first measure and ends with a double bar line. The lyrics are written below the vocal line.

November 15, 2009

Prayer Requests

FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY AT REDEEMER...

Health / Healing

- Kyle Doran - for a speedy healing of his broken leg.
- Monica Scott - for a safe, healthy pregnancy.

Other Concerns

- Ron Chalfant.

FOR RELATIVES, FRIENDS, AND OTHERS...

Health / Healing

- Cynthia Hansen (Joann Bissel's niece) - will be undergoing brain aneurism surgery on Nov. 19.
- Steve and Bonnie Opper have been battling cancer. Steve is recovering after a successful bone marrow transplant, and Bonnie has been treated and heading toward recovery.
- Noah Biorkman – 5 years old, has serious cancer.

Our Country and Armed Forces

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

Ministers, Missionaries, and Mission Churches

- Hershbergers (Bulgaria); Thorntons (Ukraine); Nellie Vos (France); and the mission work in Burma.
- Shawn Newsome, Rev. Jason Helopoulos and Potential RUF work in Lansing.

FOR CHURCHES IN OUR PRESBYTERY...

- Covenant Reformed Fellowship, Ashland, OH - Pray for: visiting families to assimilate, unity of vision among Reformed families, and one family cutting all ties with the church. Praise for: recent outreach & distribution of gospel literature, and effective internet presence.
- Reformed Heritage Community, Holland, MI, - Pray for: Our Lord to equip & provide godly leaders, God's people to gain renewed zeal for spreading the Gospel, and our Lord to continue to bless the means of grace.
- TE Don Remillard - Pray for: encouragement for several elderly people I visit in the community and in a nursing home, wisdom in a Bible study I lead, and some people I am mentoring.
- Special Needs: Pastor Greg Blosser and Charity Blosser's 5 year old son Sam with Juvenile dermatomyositis.

Announcements

After Today's Service...

Please join us for some fellowship and light refreshment in the fellowship hall.

If you would like the elders to pray for you, they are available after the service in the Library (the small room next to the chancel).

Children's Christmas Program rehearsal immediately following the service.

Next Sunday, November 22

Rev. Walter Lorenz will be preaching on Mark 14:32-36

Hymns: #76 "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"
Insert "Before the Throne of God Above"
#423 "According to Thy Gracious Word"
#371 "O Lord of Hosts How Lovely"
#305 "Arise, My Soul, Arise"

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

Wednesday, November 18, 5:30pm - Family Night Meal and Study.

Please RSVP on the Fellowship Pad. If you are able to help in the kitchen or clean up after the teaching please see Nicole or Barb Weber.

Wednesday, December 16, 6:30pm - Children's Christmas Program with a Fellowship Dessert (no meal) immediately following.

Sunday, Nov 22, 6:00-8:00pm - Next Generation meets at the church and will be led by Ethan Van Til. Please bring your Bibles and 5.00 for Pizza.

Sunday, November 29 - We will be receiving our quarterly **benevolence offering** during the worship service. Please prayerful consider your gift.

Operation Christmas Child - All filled boxes must be returned to the church today or delivered to WLJN or Faith Reformed Church this week. Thank you for participating.

Thursday Mornings, 7:30am to 8:30am - Men's Bible Study.

We are still looking for a couple more volunteers to help **clean the church**. Please see Beverly McSauby.

Church Financial Update (YTD through October 31, 2009):

Budget.....\$109,583
Actual Expenses.....\$111,528
Actual Income\$97,107

The Session (Pastor and Elders)

Rev. Daniel Millward, Pastor	922-7270
Sean Doran	267-5632
David Schafer	946-5501
Dirk Van Til.....	223-8962
Fred Weber (on sabbatical until May).....	947-0426

The Deacons

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

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	Ezra 7:1-26	Acts 28:14b-23	Luke 16:1-13
Mon.	Psalm 57:1-11	Ezra 7:27-8:36	Rev. 20:7-15	Matt. 17:1-13
Tue.	Psalm 54:1-7	Ezra 9:1-15	Rev. 21:1-8	Matt. 17:14-21
Wed.	Psalm 65:1-13	Ezra 10:1-17	Rev. 21:9-21	Matt. 17:22-27
Thu.	Psalm 143:1-12	Neh. 9:1-25	Rev. 21:22-22:5	Matt. 18:1-9
Fri.	Psalm 88:1-18	Neh. 9:26-38	Rev. 22:6-13	Matt. 18:10-20
Sat.	Psalm 122:1-9	Neh. 7:73b-8:18	Rev. 22:14-21	Matt. 18:21-35

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Worship: Sundays 10:00 a.m.