

We are glad you are worshipping with us.

Please complete and tear off this card to share your contact information, update your contact information, or make a prayer request.

Simply place it in the offering plate or give it to the pastor.

# WELCOME TO REDEEMER!

Coffee and other refreshments are available after the service. A time of learning with classes for all ages begins at **11:00AM** and a nursery is provided.

## This Week . . .

Youth Discipleship.....Wednesday • 5:00-7:00PM

## Looking Ahead . . .

Session Meeting.....(Rescheduled) Monday, October 25 • 6:00PM  
Redeemer Fall Fest .....SAVE THE DATE ..... Saturday, November 6  
Christmas Choir Begins ..... Sunday, November 7 • 12:00-12:30PM  
Churchwide Thanksgiving Dinner .....November 17 • 6:30PM

## Mercy Ministry Opportunities . . .

**The Matthew 25 Project**—Each month we collect a designated item for the Help Center. **The item for October is canned vegetables.**

There is a Dickson family we'd like to assist through our **Mercy Ministry Fund**. The need is great and our assistance will make a huge difference. Please consider making a special gift at this time to strengthen our response to their need. Thank you!

## Serving You

Ann Galya, Emily Griffin, & Kaci Puckett, & Chris Vandegriff, *Vocalists*  
Juli Robertson, Patti Robertson, & Nan Traxler, *Pianists* • Tim Choate, *Guitar*  
Daniel Work, *Liturgist* • Pam Spence, *Music Director*  
Rachel Rist, *Women's Ministry President* • Emily Griffin, *Youth Ministry Coordinator*  
Donna Taylor, Children's Ministry Director • Boyd Taylor, *Treasurer*  
Daniel Work, Men's Ministry Leader • Dick Jacobson, *Finance Clerk*  
Robyn McKinney, *Redeemerlink Editor* • Betty Jacobson, *CD Ministry*  
Ann Galya • Clay & Robyn McKinney • Vickie Stevens • Nan Traxler, *Sound & Recording*

## Leadership Team

Ken Litchfield • Patrick Rist • Pastor Spence, *Elders on the Session*  
Jim Berkey • Ron Robertson, *Emeritus Elders*  
Dick Jacobson • Clay McKinney • Boyd Taylor • Rick Traxler, *Deacons*



## Redeemer Presbyterian Church

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# Service for the Lord's Day

October 17, 2021

Words of Greeting

Prayer for the Lord's Assistance and Blessing

Psalter ..... Psalm 46

- 1 God is our refuge and our strength,  
A present help in our distress.
- 2 We will not therefore be afraid  
Tho' all the earth should be removed,  
Tho' mountains great be hurled  
Into the ocean's depths,
- 3 Tho' seas may roar and foam  
And billows shake the shore,  
Tho' mountains tremble at their power.
- 4 A river brings refreshing streams  
To cheer the city of our God,  
The Most High's holy dwelling place.
- 5 God is in her; she won't be moved;  
At dawn will God help her.
- 6 The heathen rage; realms quake;  
He lifts His voice; earth melts,
- 7 The LORD of hosts with us!  
Our fortress strong is Jacob's God.
- 8 O come, see what the LORD has done:  
He desolations brought on earth;
- 9 On earth He puts an end to wars,  
Breaks bow and spear, and chariots burns.
- 10 Be still! Know I am God.  
Exalted o'er all men,  
Exalted o'er all earth.
- 11 The LORD of hosts with us!  
Our fortress strong is Jacob's God.

From *The Trinity Psalter*, 2004.  
Tune: EIN' FESTE BURG 88.88.66.668.

## My Contact Information

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## My Prayer Request

Please pray for

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who lives at

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### AREA(S) OF NEED

- Spiritual Life
- Relationships
- Physical Health
- Finances
- Emotional Health
- Vocation

Other information:

Please keep my request confidential and do not add it to the prayer list.

Hymn 38.....*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

Invitation to Confession of Sin

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God,  
You pardon all who truly repent and turn to You.  
We humbly confess our sins and ask Your mercy.  
We have not loved You with a pure heart,  
nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves.  
We have not done justice, loved kindness,  
or walked humbly with You, our God.  
Have mercy on us, O God, in Your loving-kindness.  
In Your great compassion,  
cleanse us from our sin.

**Create in us a clean heart, O God,  
and renew a right spirit within us.  
Do not cast us from Your presence,  
or take Your Holy Spirit from us.  
Restore to us the joy of Your salvation  
and sustain us with Your bountiful Spirit  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

—based on Psalm 51:10-12

Assurance of Pardon

*Hear the good news!*  
There is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.  
For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus  
has set you free from the law of sin and death.  
Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.  
The old life has gone; a new life has begun.  
*Know that you are forgiven, and be at peace.*

**Thanks be to God.**

—based on Romans 8:1; 2 Corinthians 5:17

Scripture Reading.....Matthew 7:15-29

Sermon.....*Authority (Part Two)*  
by Pastor Neil Spence

Affirmation of Faith.....The 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.

Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

Hymn ..... *How Deep the Father’s Love for Us*

The Morning Prayer and Our Lord’s Prayer

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.

Hymn.....*Still, My Soul, Be Still*

The Blessing

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\*The word “catholic” means the invisible and universal Church from all nations and consists of “the whole number of the elect, that have been, are, or shall be gathered into one, under Christ the Head.” (*Westminster Confession of Faith* 25.6.)

### Psalm Notes

Martin Luther echoed **Psalm 46** in his Reformation anthem “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God” and we sing it to the same tune. Both the psalm and Luther’s hymn express the believer’s confidence in the certain triumph of God’s kingdom. The unfailing river that “makes glad the city of God” is a metaphor for the unfailing flow of God’s sustaining grace. In our trouble, a long night may indeed be spent in watching and waiting, but our God will never fail His people (verse 5)—of that we can be certain. “*Be still! Know I am God*” calls us into the rest and confidence of faith.

We sing of no earthly city or fortress, but of “*Jerusalem above . . . which is the mother of us all.*” (Galatians 4:26).

**Singing** the psalms keeps before us the unity of the Bible and the oneness of the people of God. We **sing** this sweet song of God’s protection and peace **because its promises are ours in Christ**. We **sing** the Psalms because we cannot do better in praise or prayer than the words God Himself has given us in the Psalms.

### How to Become a Member

Christ’s Great Commission (Matthew 28:19 -20) is fulfilled in Christians who commit themselves to Christ and to one another in covenant relationship. Through **church membership** we acknowledge that Jesus Christ alone is the Head and Lord of the Church and we commit ourselves to do our part to build up the body of Christ for mission. Those who desire to be members are invited to fill out a **Membership Enrollment Form** and discuss membership with the pastor.

### What About the Offering?

Giving is still part of our worship, but at this time we are not passing the offering plate during the service. An offering plate is positioned at each entrance to the sanctuary.  
Thank you!