

We are glad you are worshiping 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 Fun & Vesper Service** ..... **Wednesday • 4:00-7:00PM**  
*depart RPC 4:00PM • Montgomery Bell State Park • weather permitting*

**Men's Prayer Breakfast**..... **Saturday • 8:00-9:30AM**  
*Childcare is provided.*

**Women's Monthly Bible Study**..... **Saturday • 10:00AM**  
*Please contact Patti Robertson for more information on this series.  
This study meets at RPC and childcare is provided.*

### *Looking Ahead . . .*

**Governor Bill Lee has called for a statewide day of prayer and fasting on Monday, October 11.**

### *A Mercy Ministry Opportunity . . .*

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

### Serving You

Ann Galya, Emily Griffin, & Kaci Puckett, & Chris Vandegrift, *Vocalists*  
Juli Robertson, Patti Robertson, & Nan Traxler, *Pianists* • Tim Choate, *Guitar*  
Chris Vandegrift, *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*



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## Service for the Lord's Day

October 3, 2021

Words of Greeting

Prayer for the Lord's Assistance and Blessing

Call to Worship..... Psalm 85:8-13

Let me hear what God the LORD will speak,  
for He will speak peace to His people, to His saints;  
but let them not turn back to folly.

**Surely His salvation is near to those who fear Him,  
that glory may dwell in our land.**

Steadfast love and faithfulness meet;  
righteousness and peace kiss each other.

**Faithfulness springs up from the ground,  
and righteousness looks down from the sky.**

Yes, the LORD will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase.

**Righteousness will go before Him  
and make His footsteps a way.**

Hymn 172 ..... *Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder*

Invitation to Confession of Sin

Prayer of Confession

O Lord, My Lord, this is Thy day,  
the heavenly ordinance of rest,  
the open door of worship,  
the record of Jesus' resurrection,  
the seal of the sabbath to come,  
the day when saints militant and triumphant unite in endless song.

I bless Thee for the throne of grace,  
that here free favor reigns;

*The Prayer of Confession continues on the next page.*

### My Contact Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

### 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.

that open access to it is through the blood of Jesus;  
that the veil is torn aside and I can enter the holiest  
and find Thee ready to hear;  
waiting to be gracious,  
inviting me to pour out my needs,  
encouraging my desires,  
promising to give more than I ask or think.

But while I bless Thee, shame and confusion are mine:  
I remember my past misuse of sacred things,  
my irreverent worship,  
my base ingratitude,  
my cold, dull praise.  
Sprinkle all my past sabbaths with the cleansing blood of Jesus,  
and may this day witness deep improvement in me.

Give me in rich abundance  
the blessings the Lord's Day was designed to impart;  
may my heart be fast bound against worldly thoughts or cares;  
flood my mind with peace beyond understanding;  
may my meditations be sweet,  
my acts of worship life, liberty, joy,  
my drink the streams that flow from Thy throne,  
my food the precious Word,  
my defense the shield of faith,  
and may my heart be more knit to Jesus. Amen.

—from *The Valley of Vision*

### Assurance of Pardon

Hear the good news!  
For by grace you have been saved through faith.  
And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God,  
not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

**For we are His workmanship,  
created in Christ Jesus for good works,  
which God prepared beforehand,  
that we should walk in them.**

Know that you are forgiven, and be at peace.

**Thanks be to God.**

—based on Ephesians 2:8-10

Scripture Reading.....Matthew 7:13-14

Sermon .....*The Hard Way Leads to Life*  
by Pastor Neil Spence

Hymn 94 .....*How Firm a Foundation*

### Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Psalter.....Psalm 5:1-7

- 1 Listen to my words, O LORD;  
Know the whispered things I say.
- 2 Heed my crying out for help -  
God, my King, to You I pray.
- 3 Hear me in the morning, LORD,  
When I lift my voice on high,  
Setting forth my plea to You,  
Looking out with watchful eye.
- 4 For I know that You, O God,  
Find in evil no delight;  
Evil cannot dwell with You,
- 5 Nor the proud stand in Your sight.  
  
You hate all who practice sin.
- 6 You destroy the one who lies;  
For the LORD abominates  
Those who schemes of blood devise.
- 7 Yet in Your abounding love,  
To Your house will I draw near,  
Bowing to Your holy place,  
Worshipping in rev'rent fear.

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### 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 688.....*Have Thine Own Way, Lord*

### The Blessing

### Psalm Notes

**Psalm 5** is a morning Psalm and prayer (verse 3), it is offered as “a solemn address to God, at a time when the psalmist was brought into distress by the malice of his enemies,” says Matthew Henry. He speaks, he groans (verse 1), he cries (verse 2), and he prays (verse 3) in response to the assaults of his enemies. Yet he also finds gladness and joy in God his refuge (verses 11,12).

Today we are singing Psalm 5:1-7 to the traditional English tune, “Scarborough Fair.” Versions of the tune are traceable to 1670. A pop version in 1965 reached a large audience and imbedded the tune in the popular American culture. Using the tune in psalm-singing is a case of borrowing an eminently singable tune from traditional sources and repurposing it for praise and prayer.

**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!