



REDEEMER
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH *of Memphis*

Season: Eastertide
April 28, 2024

Redeemer exists to love God and love our neighbors in Midtown Memphis.

*All are welcome regardless of personal or spiritual background.
We are here for the lost and the found, the burned and bored, the
cynical and the spiritual, the convinced
and the unconvinced.*

Parents

We believe church is for all people, including children, and we want Redeemer to be a church where children are both seen and heard. Please don't worry if your children wiggle or make noise during the service!
We also recognize that there are seasons of life where it is more helpful to have your children cared for outside of the worship service.

Nurseries (Infant - 3 years old)

Children can be checked in to the nursery prior to the service and picked up after the benediction.

Children's Church (4 years - Kindergarten)

Children's Church will be dismissed by a pastor during the service. They will return to the sanctuary after the sermon.

Sunday School Class (1-2 Grade)

1st and 2nd Grade Sunday School meets during the same time as Children's Church during both worship services. They will be dismissed by a pastor during the service and will return after the sermon.

Take a break.

Eliza Hamilton

I've been in a hurry most of my life. Always rushing to get from where I am to where I am going. Always cocking my arm to check my watch, doing that habitually, mechanically, mindlessly. Always leaning heavy on the gas, in the passing lane, angry that the driver in front of me doesn't share my sense of urgency, that she's in no particular hurry and can't seem to imagine a world where anybody would be. Always fuming over having to wait in bank lines and grocery checkouts and road construction zones. But all that hurry has gotten me no farther ahead. It's actually set me back. It diminished me.

Mark Buchanan

If you don't take a Sabbath, something is wrong. You're doing too much, you're being too much in charge. You've got to quit, one day a week, and just watch what God is doing when you're not doing anything.

Eugene Peterson

The spiritual life is not an instant pot.

Ashley Hales

Welcome

Preparation Song

Come, let us worship the Lord, for we are his people the flock that he shepherds
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Alleluia
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GATHERING

God Calls Us to Worship

Psalm 100:1-5

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

Know that the Lord, he is God!

It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!

For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

O God Beyond All Praising

Words: Michael Perry Music: Gustav Holst

**O God beyond all praising,
we worship you today
and sing the love amazing
that songs cannot repay;
for we can only wonder
at every gift you send,
at blessings without number
and mercies without end:
we lift our hearts before you
and wait upon your word,
we honor and adore you,
our great and mighty Lord.**

**Then hear, O gracious Savior,
accept the love we bring,
that we who know your favor
may serve you as our king;
and whether our tomorrows
be filled with good or ill,
we'll triumph through our sorrows
and rise to bless you still:
to marvel at your beauty
and glory in your ways,
and make a joyful duty
our sacrifice of praise.**

**For we can only wonder
at every gift you send,
at blessings without number
and mercies without end:
we lift our hearts before you
and wait upon your word,
we honor and adore you,
our great and mighty Lord.**

Invocation and 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.

Prayer of Confession

Lord Jesus, you are the ruler of all nature.

You are purer than even the sun, and it is right that we tremble before you as the impure creatures that we are.

Purify us, that we may share in the life of God,
as we are made to be like You. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Colossians 1:13-14

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Thanks be to God!

The Peace of Christ

May the peace of Christ always be with you.

And also with you.



Doxology

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

Announcements

Prayers of God's People

Bountifully With Me

Written by Paul Ranheim & Kirk Sauers, ©2021 Mellow Toad Music (BMI), Bold Canary Music (BMI)

**I will sing my praise to the Lord
For the Lord has dealt bountifully with me
I will sing my praise with joy
Give thanks rejoice
He's dealt bountifully with me**

**I will trust God's love never fails
For the Lord has dealt bountifully with me
I will trust God's love remains
Through sun and the rain
He's dealt bountifully with me**

**I will fix my hope on the cross
Where the Lord has dealt bountifully with me
I will fix my hope on the Son
His scars his love
He's dealt bountifully with me**

**I can't wait for the day he returns
When the Lord will deal bountifully with me
What a day when the faith will be sight
Every wrong be made right
He's dealt bountifully with me
He's dealt bountifully with me**

Children's Dismissal

Children that are 4 years old through 2nd Grade are dismissed at this time for their classes.

Scripture Reading

Exodus 20:8-11

⁸ Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. ⁹ Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, ¹⁰ but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. ¹¹ For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

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

Preaching of the Word

Sermon: Sabbath
Series: The Practices of Love
Rev. Matt Howell

Jesus, I Am Resting

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**Jesus I am resting, resting
In the Joy of what Thou art;
I am finding out the greatness
Of Thy loving heart.
Thou hast bid me gaze upon Thee,
And Thy beauty fills my soul,
For by Thy transforming power
Thou hast made me whole.**

**Jesus, I am resting, resting
In the joy of what Thou art;
I am finding out the greatness
Of Thy loving heart.**

**O how great Thy loving kindness.
Vaster, broader than the sea!
O how marvelous Thy goodness,
Lavished all on me!
Yes, I rest in Thee, Beloved,
Know what wealth of Grace is thine,
Know Thy certainty of promise,
And have made it mine.**

**Jesus, I am resting, resting
In the joy of what Thou art;
I am finding out the greatness
Of Thy loving heart.**

**Simply trusting Thee, Lord Jesus,
I behold Thee as Thou art,
And Thy love, so pure, so changeless,
Satisfies my heart;
Satisfies its deepest longings,
Meets, supplies its every need,
And surrounds me with Thy blessings;
Thine is love indeed!**

**Jesus, I am resting, resting
In the joy of what Thou art;
I am finding out the greatness
Of Thy loving heart.**

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts!
We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Words of Institution

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of the faith:
Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.

Distribution of the Bread and Cup

Giving of Tithes and Freewill Offerings

Offering boxes are available for donations in the front and back of the sanctuary. You can give online by texting "Give" to 901-805-1020 or by Venmo (@redeermemphis).
Contact churchoffice@redeermemphis.org for stock and non-cash giving.

Not In Me

Written by David L. Ward & Eric Schumacher

**No list of sins I have not done
No list of virtues I pursue
No list of those I am not like
Can earn myself a place with You**

**O God, be merciful to me
I am a sinner through and through
My only hope of righteousness
Is not in me, but only You**

**No humble dress, no fervent prayer
No lifted hands, no tearful song
No recitation of the truth
Can justify a single wrong**

**My righteousness is Jesus' life
My debt was paid by Jesus' death
My weary load was borne by Him
And he alone can give me rest**

**No separation from the world
No work I do, no gift I give
Can cleanse my conscience, cleanse my hands
I cannot cause my soul to live**

**But Jesus died and rose again
The power of death is overthrown
My God is merciful to me
And merciful in Christ alone**

**My righteousness is Jesus' life
My debt was paid by Jesus' death
My weary load was borne by Him
And he alone can give me rest**

All Must Be Well

Words by Mary Bowley-Peters alt by Matthew S. Smith, Music by Matthew S. Smith. © 2007 Detuned Radio Music (ASCAP)

Through the love of God our Savior, All will be well
Free and changeless is His favor, All is well
Precious is the blood that healed us
Perfect is the grace that sealed us
Strong the hand stretched forth to shield us
All must be well

Though we pass through tribulation, All will be well
Ours is such a full salvation, All is well
Happy still in God confiding Fruitful if in Christ abiding
Steadfast through the Spirit's guiding
All must be well

We expect a bright tomorrow; All will be well
Faith can sing through days of sorrow, All is well
On our Father's love relying Jesus every need supplying
Yes in living or in dying
All must be well

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SENDING



Dismissal

Let us go forth to serve Midtown, our city and the world as those who are loved by our Lord and Savior,
Jesus Christ.
Thanks be to God!

Benediction

Eph. 3:17-19

(May) Christ dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

REST

Worship Services

Join us in person for our 9:00am or 10:45am service or online at 10:45am on Sundays. You can find our sermons by searching "Redeemer Memphis" wherever you listen to podcasts.

Giving

Checks can be mailed to the church office (651 S Cooper St, Memphis TN 38104) and online giving is available at redeermemphis.org. Offering boxes are available for donations in the front and back of the sanctuary. You can give online by texting "Give" to 901-805-1020 or by Venmo (@redeermemphis). Contact churchoffice@redeermemphis.org for stock and non-cash giving.

New Music

The Redeemer worship team has recorded and released a new song! Listen to May The Mind by Redeemer Memphis anywhere you stream music!

Graduation Sunday

Please join us between services on May 12th for light refreshments to celebrate and acknowledge the graduation of Knox Brown!

REMIND

3-5 Grade Family Night

3rd, 4th, and 5th graders, please join us tonight! We're celebrating the end of a great semester and getting your families into the mix. Families, bring your lawn chairs and come hang out and have dinner with us from 5:00-7:00 PM at the home of the Echols! You don't want to miss it!

Sundaes on a Sunday

Rising 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders, mark your calendars for Sunday, May 5! Plan to meet us on the back patio of the church (651 S Cooper) from 2-3:30 PM for an afternoon of ice-cream sundaes. Please join us!

Men's Pub Night

Calling all men! On Tuesday, May 14th from 6-9 we will be posted up and hanging hard at Wiseacre on Broad. Come and go as you need to!

Redeemer Youth:

Sunday Night Youth at Redeemer: LAST SUNDAY NIGHT OF THE SEMESTER! Junior High (grades 6-8) will meet at Redeemer (651 S. Cooper St.) from 5:00 – 6:15 p.m. and Senior High (grades 9-12) will meet at Redeemer from 6:30 – 7:45 p.m. Dinner is provided! If you have any questions at all about Redeemer's Youth Ministry or would like to find out more information, please call/text Austin Lenox at (256) 617-2891 or email him at Austin@RedeemerMemphis.org

- We have shirts in the back! \$20
- **DATE CHANGE** 4/30 - SH Top Golf Outing, 6-8pm at Top Golf Memphis

3-5 Grade

Bible Study for 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders will be taking a break in May and will return on Sunday nights at our regular time, 5:00-6:15, starting June 9. We will be meeting this summer at the home of the Echols to study the parables of Jesus. Please join us!

Community Group Sign Ups

Community Groups are one of the best ways to get involved in the life of Redeemer. These multigenerational groups meet 2x each month for times of fellowship, prayer, service to one another, and service to our city. If you would like to be placed in a group (including church members if you are not already in a CG), please fill out the form at redeermemphis.org/signup. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to reach out to Austin Lenox austin@redeermemphis.org.

REFLECT

Stephen Gordon: Artist in Residence

We are excited to announce Stephen Gordon as Artist in Residence at Redeemer. This means, in essence, that he will be more fully engaged in creating music for the church and from the church, writing music and producing projects by local musicians, and helping us as a church be a blessing and a bridge to the arts community in Midtown.

Camp Create and Create Fest: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Camp Create is our summer art camp for rising 1st-3rd grade children, happening June 3-6th! The evening of June 6, we invite our entire community to come celebrate the week with our big party, Create Fest. We'll have live music, food trucks, and all kinds of family friendly fun. We need all hands on deck to pull it all off and have volunteer options for anyone and everyone to help. Please check out the sign up at redeermemphis.org/campcreate or reach out to Katie@redeermemphis.org.

April Partner Spotlight: Lowther family with MTW in Japan

Roger and Abi Lowther lead MTW's Tokyo's Community Arts team, a team of artists and professionals working alongside Japanese nationals to assist church planting through worship, arts, evangelism, and discipleship.

Ways to pray and to get involved:

- The Ishikawa prefecture of Japan suffered a terrible earthquake on January 1. There were over 200 fatalities. Please pray for the grieving and injured, for comfort and guidance for the people who have lost their homes, for disaster relief where it is needed most, and for spiritual needs to be met along with physical needs.
- Give: You can donate to MTW's earthquake disaster relief here: <https://mtw.org/projects/japan-disaster-area-response>
- Roger is about to be the first Mission to the World missionary to ever pursue ordination as a ruling elder in the Presbyterian Church in Japan. Please pray that it would be a good thing for his church and his family.

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