

Redeemer

P R E S B Y T E R I A N

November 1, 2026



Your Kingdom Come

Welcome to Redeemer!

Thank you for joining us for worship today. Especially if this is your first time with us, we are glad you are here. Please don't hesitate to ask one of our greeters regarding location of the nursery or restrooms!

We realize that the flow and order of our worship may be unfamiliar, so there are notes in the margins that will help you participate and offer some explanations. Our service is designed to be both biblical and Christ centered, as each week we cycle through the wonderful truths of the Gospel. We gather weekly not for a lecture, conference, or concert, but for an encounter with God, and so our service follows the pattern God gave his people thousands of years ago: God speaks and we respond.

- Calling – Worship begins with Gods' invitation to worship. He always takes the initiative and moves towards us.
- Cleansing – God reminds us that we are forgiven in Christ and loved as his children
- Consecration – God builds us up through his Word
- Communion – God brings us as children to his table to affirm his relationship with us.
- Commission – God sends us out in the power of his Spirit to live as his ambassadors before a watching world.

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We would love to know that you were here this morning. There is a sheet in the pew in front that you can put in the offering basket during service. If there is any way we can pray for you, or you have questions about Christianity or our church, you can indicate that as well. There is more information about our church activities, events, and beliefs in the back pages of this bulletin and on our website.

A Word to Parents with Young Children

We lovingly offer a staffed nursery for children from infant to age 4. You may bring your children down the hallway to the left, and pick them up after the sermon (before communion). For those who have young children remaining in the service, they are welcome. We believe that children in the sanctuary during our worship service are a blessing. Our hope is that as children grow they learn how important worship is and will pick up more and more. Your children are a gift from God to our entire church!

Nursery this Week: Leslie and Emily

Redeemer at a Glance

We are a church that exists to proclaim Christ and Him crucified, to live as disciples of Christ, and to make disciples of Christ. Please join us for any of our weekly events, more information is in the back of the bulletin.

- Family Nights
- Men's & Women's Ministry
- Service opportunities

The Lord's Service

November 1, 2026

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Call to Worship

Psalm 95:1-2

Oh come, let us sing to the Lord;
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

† Stand if able **Bold Words = Congregation**

† Opening Hymn: “Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee”

1. Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore Thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;
 2. All Thy works with joy sur-round Thee, Earth and heav'n re - flect Thy rays,
 3. Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, Ev - er bless-ing, ev - er blest,

Hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore Thee, Op-'ning to the sun a - bove.
 Stars and an - gels sing a - round Thee, Cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
 Well-spring of the joy of liv - ing, O - cean-depth of hap - py rest!

Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness; Drive the dark of doubt a - way;
 Field and for - est, vale and moun-tain, Flow-'ry mead-ow, flash - ing sea,
 Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our Broth - er— All who live in love are Thine;

Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, Fill us with the light of day!
 Sing - ing bird and flow - ing foun - tain Call us to re - joice in Thee!
 Teach us how to love each oth - er, Lift us to the joy di - vine!

Invocation

Psalm 124:8

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: who made heaven and earth.

† Prayer

† The Greeting

1 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

Confession of Sin

1 John 2:15-17

Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world—the desires of the flesh and the desires of the eyes and pride of life—is not from the Father but is from the world. And the world is passing away along with its desires, but whoever does the will of God abides forever.

Prayer of Confession

“O Great and Everlasting God, who dwells in unapproachable light, we confess that we have not loved you with all of our heart, or with all of our soul, or with all of our mind, or our neighbors as ourselves. We have loved what we ought not to have loved; we have coveted what is not ours; we have not been content with your provisions for us. We have sought security in those things that perish, rather than in you, the Everlasting God. Cleanse, and forgive us, through Jesus Christ, who is able for all time to save us who approach You through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for us. Amen.”

Declaration of Forgiveness

1 John 2:12

I am writing to you, little children,
because your sins are forgiven for his name's sake.

† Hymn of Assurance: "The Lord is My Salvation"

1. The grace of God has reached for me,
 2. I will not fear when dark-ness falls,
 3. My hope is hid-den in the Lord,
 4. In times of wait-ing, times of need,

And pulled me from the rag-ing sea.
 His strength will help me scale these walls.
 He flow'rs each pro-mise of His Word.
 When I know loss, when I am weak.

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And I am safe on this sol-id ground: The Lord is my sal-va-tion.
 I'll see the dawn of the ris-ing sun: The Lord is my sal-va-tion.
 When win-ter fades, I know spring will come: The Lord is my sal-va-tion.
 I know His grace will re-new these days: The Lord is my sal-va-tion.

8 24. Refrain D/AE/A A E D A/C# E D A/C#

tion. Who is like the Lord our God? Strong to save, faith-ful in love. My

13 F#m E/G# AA/C# DA/C# Bm7 E 1. [to verse] 2. D/A E/A D/A E/A

debt is paid and the vic-tory won: The Lord is my sal-va-tion. tion.

Prayers of Intercession and The Lord's Prayer

Leader: Our Father knows what we need before we ask him.

People: **We come to him, not to our barns, but to the Giver of every good gift.**

Leader: Where our treasure is, our hearts will be also.

People: **Lord, be our treasure and our portion today.**

Leader: Fear not, little flock,

People: **for it is our Father's good pleasure to give us the kingdom.**

All: **Let us worship the Lord.**

Responsive Reading: From Psalm 62:5-12

Leader: For God alone, O my soul, wait in silence, for my hope is from him.

People: **He alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be shaken.**

Leader: On God rests my salvation and my glory; my mighty rock, my refuge is God.

People: **Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your heart before him; God is a refuge for us.**

Leader: Those of low estate are but a breath; those of high estate are a delusion; in the balances they go up; they are together lighter than a breath.

People: **Put no trust in extortion; set no vain hopes on robbery; if riches increase, set not your heart on them.**

All: **Once God has spoken; twice have I heard this: that power belongs to God, and that to you, O Lord, belongs steadfast love.**

Scripture Reading: 1 Peter 1:3-9

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

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

Offertory

† 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.**

† Sermon Text: Luke 12:13-34

Someone in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me.” 14 But he said to him, “Man, who made me a judge or arbitrator over you?” 15 And he said to them, “Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions.” 16 And he told them a parable, saying, “The land of a rich man produced plentifully, 17 and he thought to himself, ‘What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?’ 18 And he said, ‘I will do this: I will tear down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. 19 And I will say to my soul, “Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.” 20 But God said to him, ‘Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ 21 So is the one who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God.”

22 And he said to his disciples, “Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat, nor about your body, what you will put on. 23 For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. 24 Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! 25 And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? 26 If then you are not able to do as small a thing as that, why are you anxious about the rest? 27 Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. 28 But if God so clothes the grass, which is alive in the field today, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you, O you of little faith! 29 And do not seek what you are to eat and what you are to drink, nor be worried. 30 For all the nations of the world seek after these things, and your Father knows that you need them. 31 Instead, seek his kingdom, and these things will be added to you.

32 “Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. 33 Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. 34 For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

This is the Word of the Lord!

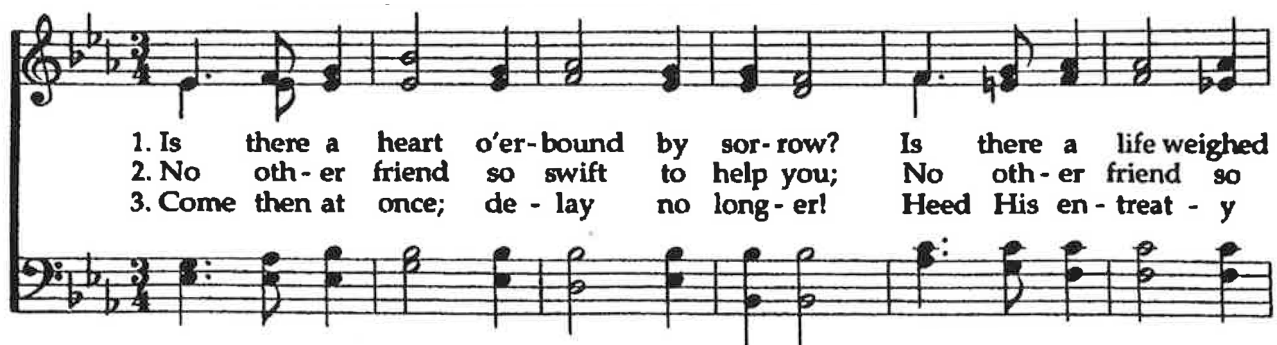
Thanks be to God!

Sermon Title: “Seek First The Kingdom”

Pastor Reed

1. Covetousness vs. Contentment
2. Answering Anxiety

† Sermon Hymn: "All Your Anxiety"

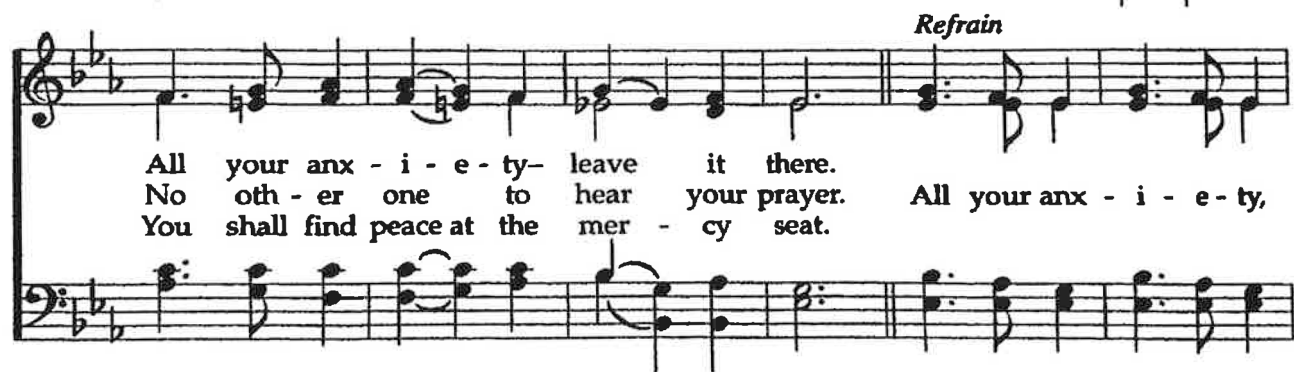


1. Is there a heart o'er-bound by sor-row? Is there a life weighed
 2. No oth-er friend so swift to help you; No oth-er friend so
 3. Come then at once; de-lay no long-er! Heed His en-treat-y



down by care? Come to the cross, each bur-den bear-ing;
 quick to hear. No oth-er place, to leave your bur-den;
 kind and sweet. You need not fear a dis-ap-point-ment;

Refrain



All your anx-i-e-ty- leave it there.
 No oth-er one to hear your prayer. All your anx-i-e-ty,
 You shall find peace at the mer-cy seat.



all your care, Bring to the mer-cy seat; leave it there. Nev-er a



bur-den He can-not bear; Nev-er a friend like Je-sus!

Holy Communion

Invitation to the Lord's Table

We warmly welcome to the table all who trust in Jesus Christ for their salvation, have been baptized, and are in good standing with any church that proclaims the Gospel. Please note that we use wine for Communion, but the inner rings (colored cups) contain non-alcoholic wine if you prefer.

A gluten free wafer is available in place of bread. We come forward as each row is dismissed. We encourage children to come forward, but ask that they not take the elements unless they have met with their Elders to make a profession of their faith. There is no pressure to take communion if you are not ready. Feel free to stay in your seat or come forward but indicate that you are not partaking.

Affirmation of Faith: Heidelberg Catechism Q.&A 1

Q. What is your only comfort in life and death?

A. That I, with body and soul, both in life and death, am not my own, but belong unto my faithful Savior Jesus Christ, who with his precious blood has fully satisfied for all my sins, and delivered me from all the power of the devil, and so preserves me that without the will of my heavenly Father not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that everything must fit his purpose for my salvation, therefore by his Holy Spirit he also assures me of eternal life and makes me heartily willing and ready, always, to live for him.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Consecration

The Lord be with you. Ruth 2:4

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts! Lamentations 3:41

We lift them up to the Lord!

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. Psalm 118:1

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Great God of Highest Heaven, who are we that we should be invited to such a feast as this? We are not worthy to come, we have no merit of our own that would make us worthy to receive your body and blood. But thanks be to you O God, that you invite us to this table and promise to refresh us and strengthen us by your grace in Christ. Now we thank you for the gift of this holy supper, and we magnify your glorious name, evermore praising you and singing:

Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts.

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts.

The whole earth is full of his glory,

the whole earth is full of his glory,

the whole earth is full of his glory,

Holy is the Lord.

Words of Institution and Breaking of the Bread

Prayer after Communion

Gracious God, you love us, have chosen us, and redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ, who took on flesh and dwelt among us, and who gave His life willingly for our salvation. Give us joy in His coming, and greater hope in His coming again. Until that day, help us by your Holy Spirit to go into this world to love and serve you and others in His name, and for His glory. Amen.

† Post Communion Hymn "Almost Home"

1. Don't drop a sin - gle an - chor, we're al - most home;
 2. The prom - ised land is call - ing, we're al - most home;
 3. This jour - ney ours to - geth - er, we're al - most home;
 4. This life is just a va - por, we're al - most home;

through ev - 'ry toil and dan - ger, we're al - most home.
 and not a tear shall fall then, we're al - most home.
 un - to that great for - ev - er, we're al - most home.
 that sun is set - ting yon - der, we're al - most home.

How man - y pil - grim saints have be - fore us gone?
 Make read - y now your souls for that king - dom come.
 What song a - new we'll sing round that hap - py throne.
 Take cour - age for this dark - ness shall break to dawn;

No stop - ping now—we're al - most home.
 No turn - ing back—we're al - most home. Al - most home,
 Come, faint of heart, we're al - most home.
 oh, lift your eyes, we're al - most home.

we're al - most home. So, press on toward that

bless - ed shore, oh, praise the Lord! We're al - most home.

† Benediction

† Benediction Response Hymn #735 “Gloria Patri”

Gloria Patri, Henry W. Greatorex, Public Domain, CCLI #2539700

Prayer Requests

Prayers for the Growth of the Kingdom:

- **Unity in the Church**— “I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace” (Eph 4:1-3).
- **Pray that the fruit of the Spirit would be exhibited in the lives of the members of Redeemer** (Galatians 5:22-23, John 15:5).
- **Pray for the tearing down of idols and strongholds in the lives of God’s people** (2 Corinthians 10:4-5, Ezekiel 36:25-27).
- **Pray for the spread of the Gospel** locally, nationally, and internationally (Matthew 28:19-20).
- **Pray for the persecuted Church** throughout the world (Ephesians 6:19-20).
- **Pray for local, state, national, and world leaders** that they may lead with wisdom and righteousness (1 Timothy 2:1-2).
- **Pray for the return of Jesus** (Revelation 22:6-21)

Prayers for Redeemer Family:

- **Brooklyn Lyon**—please pray for a healthy pregnancy and a safe delivery.
- **Meghan Jurkovich (Daughter of Tim and Monica Scott)** - Please continue to pray for Meghan, Drew, and Monica Lou. She has been transferred to Munson.
- **Brett Schut**—please pray for Brett as he receives tests and treatment for acute memory loss.
- **Fred Weber**—Please pray that the prostate cancer medication, I’m currently taking, will prevent the cancers return so I can quit taking it.
- **Joyce Weise**—Please pray for healing and relief from pain from a broken rib after a fall.
- **McKinzie Robinson**— Prayers are being answered, McKinzie’s lab numbers are improving with some of them in the normal range. This is, she believes, from a new regiment of meds. and supplements. Please continue praying for continued improvement to normal health and wellness.
- **Kit Simmons**— Please continue to pray for Kit and his personal and VA doctors team in order to maintain meds and treatments.

Prayer for Extended Family and Friends:

- **Deb Seikerman (Sister of Dan Bodamer)**— prayers for strength, healing, courage, and comfort as she begins her fight against breast cancer.
- **Kendry Scott (daughter of Rick and Jody Harkert)** -Kendry has completed the chemo treatments and she will begin radiation treatments for breast cancer soon. Please pray for Kendry and her family that the Lord will keep her physically and emotionally strong through the treatments.
- **Keith Heaney (Cousin of Beth Nussdorfer)** - being treated for metastatic lung cancer.
- **Sean Doran (Former member and elder at Redeemer)** - is being treated for prostate and bone cancer.
- **Ben and Will Jachalke (adult children of Michelle)** - Pray for their salvation and protection from the world.

- **Dick DeLater and family (relative of Barb Husted)** He has been battling a progressive/debilitating neurological disease and is now in a wheel chair. His wife Jessie has also been diagnosed with cancer.
- **Kathy Schut** (age related struggles)
- **Rick Reed (Austin's father)** —Please pray for Rick as he battles prostate cancer.
- **Active Duty Military**—Josiah Washburne, Nick Nussdorfer, Leo Macha, Jonathan Whims, and Michael Caughran.

Prayer for the World:

- **Pray Jesus would be proclaimed to all the nations and that He would be glorified.**
- **Missionaries Redeemer Supports— Robert Knuth, Dan Millward, Micah Jelinek , Steve van Noort, Carly Boerema, Raimo Servo, Daniel Equiluz**

Churches in the Presbytery:

Heart City Church, Elkhart IN – Pastor Joel (Jamie) Irvin

Christ Church, Grand Rapids, MI – Lead Pastor Andrew (Lisa) VanderMaas, Associate Pastor Michael (Jenn) Anderson, Associate Pastor Bruce (Tricia) Baugus, Assistant Pastor Lucas (Sarah) Mooibroek, Assistant Pastor Kyle (Morgan) Culbertson:

Praise God for providing excellent people from within our congregation to serve on our Family Ministries staff. Pray that God would use this newly formed team to disciple, equip, and bless our youth, children, and parents.

Pray that God would bring wisdom and unity to our church as we consider whether to begin a building project to accommodate our current and future ministry needs. Pray that during this time of discernment, God would enable us to minister faithfully to those in our midst.

Praise God for leading us to target northeast Grand Rapids as the general location for our future daughter church plant. Pray that God would continue to provide both wisdom and financial support for Pastor Kyle Culbertson as he works to determine the mission, vision, specific location, and many other aspects of the church plant.

Praise God for engaged couples, new marriages, and covenant children recently born in our church! Pray that God would comfort families who are grieving the loss of children through miscarriage, those struggling with unwanted singleness, and those bearing the pain of divorce. Pray that God would bring reconciliation and healing to marriages that seem broken beyond human repair.

Good Shepherd, Kalamazoo MI–Pastor Neil (Leandra) Quinn – We are thankful for a strong start to a new school year. Please pray for salvation and sanctification among our members and many new faces, especially among the growing population of college students. Please also pray for God's provision as we are outgrowing our current building and will need a better space in the near future. Pray for joy and faithfulness in ministry.

Announcements

Family Night and Youth Group - Make plans to join us every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month, during the school year for our community-style gatherings—feasting on good food and God’s Word, ministering prayer to one another, and enjoying meaningful fellowship!

Ladies Fall Bible Study- ““See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!” (1 John 3:1). Please join us for a rich study in 1 John, using the guide 1 John: Relying on the Love of God by Scotty Smith (books provided). We’ll spend one week each on 2 and 3 John, reading Love Feast: A Two-Course Devotional Study in 2 & 3 John, written by Michelle Reed. Additional copies of the study will be made available in the back of the church for anyone else interested in learning more about 2nd and 3rd John. We meet weekly at the church Tuesdays 6-7:30pm or Fridays 9:30-11am (with childcare) through the third week in November. See Heidi VanTil with questions.

Ladies Christmas Brunch- save the date Saturday December 5th 9:30-11:30am for ladies and girls of all ages to celebrate the birth of Christ! Festive details to follow soon.

Closers Needed—We are in need of men who would be willing to join the closer team. The commitment is minimal, and on a rotation list, you’ll only be responsible to close the building after Sunday service once or twice a quarter. Please prayerfully consider joining the team!! See Rick Harkert or email him at rikhar@gmail.com. Thank you!

Young Ladies: We are putting together a team of young ladies to serve our Redeemer family by putting the sanctuary back in order following the morning service. Picking up communion cups, bulletins left in pews, and putting hymnals back in their holders would be the task, and would only take a few moments. Please consider this ministry! See or contact Barb Weber to join this ministry team!!

Financials

				Over (Under)
Year to Date	<u>September 30, 2025</u>	<u>September 30, 2026</u>	<u>2026 Budget</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Total Giving	\$306,472	\$335,086	\$360,558	(\$25,472)
Total Expenses	\$316,734	\$335,593		

Upcoming Events at Redeemer:

Youth 5th Wednesday - December 30th

Ladies Fall Bible Study—Tuesdays, 6-7:30 pm and Fridays, 9:30-11 am

Family Night and Youth Group—1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 6 pm

Men's Study—Thursdays, 7:30 am

Prayer Meeting—Thursdays, 12 pm

Birthdays and Anniversaries this Week:

Fred and Barb Weber, Barb Weber - Monday

Ashby Mizell - Saturday

Serving this Sunday

Elder—Fred Weber

Nursery—Christina and Eva Apol

Communion Set-up—Tonya Starlin

Communion Clean-up—Kate and Brent Boerema

Closer—Dale Vanderwal

Pianist—Rick Harkert

Serving next Sunday

Elder—Tony Paladino

Nursery—Leslie and Emily Paladino

Communion Set-up—Aubrey Smith

Communion Clean-up—Donna Kozisek

Closer—Jeff Kozisek

Pianist—Rick Harkert

Reminder:

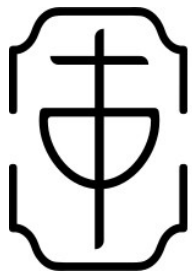
**There is an Elder at the front after
the service if you need prayer .**

Mission Statement—"And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."
(Matthew 28:18-20)

Vision Statement—Redeemer Presbyterian Church exists to proclaim Christ and Him crucified, to live as disciples of Christ, and to make disciples of Christ.

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Rob Whims
Fred Janke (Emeritus)
David Schafer (Emeritus)

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