

Redeemer

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

September 27, 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: Donna and Charity

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

September 27, 2026

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Call to Worship

Psalm 116:1-2

I love the Lord, because he has heard
my voice and my pleas for mercy.
Because he inclined his ear to me,
therefore I will call on him as long as I live.

† Opening Hymn: #529 “Love Divine, All Loves Exxcelling”

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† Stand if able Bold Words = Congregation

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

James 4:1-4

What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions. You adulterous people! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God.

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

Hebrews 7:22-25

This makes Jesus the guarantor of a better covenant.

The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office, but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. Consequently, he is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

† Hymn of Assurance: "I Set My Hope on Jesus"



1. When this life of tri - als tests my faith, I set my hope on
 2. Though I fal - ter in this war with sin, I set my hope on
 3. Though the world call me to leave my Lord, I set my hope on

Je - sus. When the ques-tions come and doubts re - main, I
 Je - sus. When I fail the fight and sink with - in, I
 Je - sus. Though it of - fer all its vain re - wards, I

set my hope on Je - sus. For the deep - est wounds that time won't
 set my hope on Je - sus. Though the shame would drown me in its
 set my hope on Je - sus. Though this heart of mine be prone to

heal, there's a joy that runs still deep - er. There's a
 sea, and I dread the waves of jus - tice, I will
 stray, give me grace e - nough to fin - ish. Till I

truth that's more than all I feel; I set my hope on Je - sus.
 cast my life on Cal - va - ry; I set my hope on Je - sus.
 wor - ship on that fi - nal day. I set my hope on Je - sus.

I set my hope on Je - sus, my rock, my on - ly trust,
 who set his heart up - on me first; I set my hope on Je - sus.

Baptism of Monroe Pat-Lee Jenkins Brandt, Child of Griffin Brandt

Questions to Parents:

1. Do you acknowledge Monroe's need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ, and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?
2. Do you claim God's covenant promises on her behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for her salvation, as you do for your own?
3. Do you now unreservedly commit Monroe to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before her a godly example, that you will pray with and for her, that you will teach her the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring her up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

Question to Congregation:

Do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting the parents in the Christian nurture of their child?

We do

Prayers of Intercession and The Lord's Prayer

Scripture Reading: *1 Samuel 1:9-20*

After they had eaten and drunk in Shiloh, Hannah rose. Now Eli the priest was sitting on the seat beside the doorpost of the temple of the Lord. She was deeply distressed and prayed to the Lord and wept bitterly. And she vowed a vow and said, "O Lord of hosts, if you will indeed look on the affliction of your servant and remember me and not forget your servant, but will give to your servant a son, then I will give him to the Lord all the days of his life, and no razor shall touch his head."

As she continued praying before the Lord, Eli observed her mouth. Hannah was speaking in her heart; only her lips moved, and her voice was not heard. Therefore Eli took her to be a drunken woman. And Eli said to her, "How long will you go on being drunk? Put your wine away from you." But Hannah answered, "No, my lord, I am a woman troubled in spirit. I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but I have been pouring out my soul before the Lord. Do not regard your servant as a worthless woman, for all along I have been speaking out of my great anxiety and vexation." Then Eli answered, "Go in peace, and the God of Israel grant your petition that you have made to him." And she said, "Let your servant find favor in your eyes." Then the woman went her way and ate, and her face was no longer sad.

They rose early in the morning and worshiped before the Lord; then they went back to their house at Ramah. And Elkanah knew Hannah his wife, and the Lord remembered her. And in due time Hannah conceived and bore a son, and she called his name Samuel, for she said, "I have asked for him from the Lord."

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 11:5-13*

And he said to them, “Which of you who has a friend will go to him at midnight and say to him, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves, 6 for a friend of mine has arrived on a journey, and I have nothing to set before him’; 7 and he will answer from within, ‘Do not bother me; the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed. I cannot get up and give you anything’? 8 I tell you, though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his impudence he will rise and give him whatever he needs. 9 And I tell you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. 10 For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened. 11 What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will instead of a fish give him a serpent; 12 or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? 13 If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”

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Sermon Title: “Persistence in Prayer”

Pastor Reed

1. A Parable of Prayer

2. Persistent Prayer in Practice

† **Sermon Hymn:** #537 “Take Time to Be Holy” (verses 1-2 only)

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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 "May the Peace" (verse 1 only)

1. May the peace of God our Heav'nly Fa - ther, and the grace of Christ the ris - en
 peace which pass - es un - der - stand - ing, and this grace which makes us what we

4 F Gm7 F/A F7 B^badd9 B^b/D E^b B^badd9/D Gm7 Cm7
 Son, and the fel - low-ship of God the Spi - rit keep our hearts and minds with-in His
 are, and this fel - low-ship of His com - mun - ion make us one in spi - rit and in

Chorus

8 F/A Gm7 F B^b/D F Gm7 F/A E^badd9/B^b B^badd9 F/A Gm7 F/A
 love. And to Him be — praise for His glo - rious reign, from the depths of — earth to the
 heart.

12 E^b B^badd9/D F Gm7 F/A Gm7 F Cm7/E^b B^b/F Cm7/F
 heights of Heav'n; We de - clare the — name of the Lamb once slain— Christ e - ter - nal the King of

16 1. B^b B^b/D E^b F/A B^b E^badd9/G F/A F7 B^b 2.
 Kings. Kings!

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† Benediction

† Benediction Response Hymn #735 "Gloria Patri"

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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.
- **Karen Bodamer**—Please pray for Karen as she recovers from a broken wrist.
- **Joeann Bissell**—please pray for peace and comfort as she is living in a long-term care memory unit.
- **Brett Schut**—please pray for Brett as he receives tests and treatment for acute memory loss.
- **Kate Empie**—please continue to pray for Kate. She is now home continuing her recovery.
- **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 after shoulder replacement surgery.
- **McKinzie Robinson**— Please pray she finds relief from a recent flare of ulcerative colitis and asthma.
- **Kit Simmons**— Thank you for continued prayer as Kit approaches the 3-year anniversary of his diagnosis of Pulmonary Fibrosis.

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 begun chemo treatments for breast cancer. 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 and mourns the passing of his wife Julie.
- **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 Support**— **Robert Knuth, Dan Millward, Micah Jelinek , Steve van Noort, Carly Boerema, Raimo Servo, Daniel Equiluz**

Churches in the Presbytery:

New City Presbyterian, Ferndale MI— Senior Pastor is Tommy (Abigail) Myrick and Assistant Pastor Brennen (Tiffany) Winter– We praise God for His faithfulness in preserving His Church. Please pray the Lord will grow all of us to be a people of prayer, both personally and corporately. May He continue to draw us to Himself and cause our eyes to be focused on Him and may we worship Him in fullness with great joy!

Rev. Walter (Mynda) Lorenz (Pastor at Large of GLP)

Please join in prayers of (1) thanksgiving to God for giving us a wonderful conference on Biblical Conflict Resolution led by Ken Sande (author of The Peacemaker) and associate Michael Quillen. Many of you have been praying for this conference and we thank you for that. There were 120 pastors, elders, deacons, and members from our GLP churches in attendance and were encouraged and instructed on being biblical peacemakers in all of life including and especially in our churches. And (2) please pray that many of these brothers and sisters, and mothers and fathers in the faith will go on for even further training in biblical peacemaking. We are in the process of making such training available for all who wish to proceed in this vital ministry.

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.”

Great Lakes Presbytery: Praise the Lord for his continued faithfulness to our Presbytery. May he continue to lavish his grace upon us to raise up more faithful ministers, plant more faithful churches, and remain steadfast in faithfully preaching his holy, inerrant, authoritative, and sufficient Word.

TE Del Belcher will be teaching for Seminario Reformado Latinoamericano (SRL Seminary) in San Salvador, El Salvador from September 25 - October 3. Please pray for travel mercies, a fruitful time of ministry, and for the Church in Latin America as she continues experiencing the blessings of Reformation.

Announcements

Family Nights RETURN - Starting September 16, we resume our Wednesday evening community-style gatherings—feasting on good food and God’s Word, ministering prayer to one another, and enjoying meaningful fellowship. Make plans to join us every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month, during the school year!

Help Needed—One of our senior saint couples are looking for someone to help clean their home on an ongoing basis. If you are interested, see Rick Harkert for more details.

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. 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.

Fall Church Cleanup— Save the date October 24 and plan to enjoy fellowship, food, and making our facilities shine. More information to come later

Reformation Day party/ Chili cookoff- save the date Friday October 30th 5:30-7:30pm Everyone is invited! More details to follow soon

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>August 31, 2025</u>	<u>August 31, 2026</u>	<u>2026 Budget</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Total Giving	\$306,472	\$306,390	\$320,496	(\$14,106)
Total Expenses	\$319,225	\$284,449		

Upcoming Events at Redeemer:

Fall Church Cleanup—Saturday, October 24th
Reformation Day party/Chili Cookoff—Friday, October 30th at 5:30 pm
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:

Jacob Drew—Monday

Serving this Sunday

Elder—Fred Weber
Nursery— Donna and Chairty Buchanan
Communion Set-up— Tonya Starlin
Communion Clean-up— Laura McCain
Closer— Jerry DeVries
Pianist— Verity Buchanan

Serving next Sunday

Elder—Bill Morrison
Nursery— Leslie and Emily Palpadino
Communion Set-up— Tonya Starlin
Communion Clean-up— Les and Mary Leone
Closer— Bruce Buchanan
Pianist— Rebecca Lyon

Reminder:

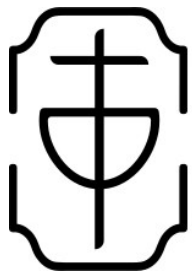
**There is an Elder at the front after
the service if you need prayer .**

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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The Session

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Bill Morrison
Tom Nussdorfer
Tony Paladino
Fred Weber
Rob Whims
Fred Janke (Emeritus)
David Schafer (Emeritus)

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