

WELCOME TO THE BANQUET

THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 14, 2024 | 11AM

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OPENING SONG

FUTURE/PAST

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

At this time, preschool & elementary aged children are invited to the back of the sanctuary to join kids chapel.

Please stand as you are able.

THE GREAT COMMANDMENT

Said by one

Hear what the Lord Jesus Christ says:

Love the Lord your God with all your heart,
with all your soul, and with all your mind.

This is the greatest and first commandment.

And the second is like it: Love your neighbor as yourself.

On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

THE CANTICLE

A SONG OF GOD'S LOVE

Said by all

1 John 4:7-11

**Beloved, let us love one another, *
for love is of God.**

**Whoever does not love does not know God, *
for God is Love.**

**In this the love of God was revealed among us, *
that God sent their only Son into the world,
so that we might live through Jesus Christ.**

**In this is love, not that we loved God but that God loved us *
and sent their Son that sins might be forgiven.**

**Beloved, since God loved us so much, *
we ought also to love one another.**

**For if we love one another, God abides in us, *
and God's love will be perfected in us.**

Please be seated.

READING

EPHESIANS 1:3-14

Read by one

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

HOMILY AND CONVERSATION

MUSICAL RESPONSE

BEAUTIFUL THINGS

Verse 1

All this pain

I wonder if I'll ever find my way

I wonder if I my life could really change at all

All this earth

Could all that is lost ever be found

Could a garden come up from this ground at all

Chorus

You make beautiful things

You make beautiful things out of the dust

You make beautiful things

You make beautiful things out of us

Verse 2

All around

Life is springing up from this old ground

Out of chaos life is being found in You

Chorus 2

You make beautiful things

You make beautiful things out of the dust

You make beautiful things

You make beautiful things out of us

You make beautiful things

You make beautiful things out of the dust

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Bridge

You make me new, You are making me new

You make me new, You are making me new

(repeat previous pattern)

You make beautiful things

You make beautiful things out of the dust

You make beautiful things

You make beautiful things out of us

(OPTIONAL)

You make beautiful things

You make beautiful things out of the dust

You make beautiful things

You make beautiful things out of us

You make me new, You are making me new

Please stand as you are able.

BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Officiant We believe

All **God is One God, the almighty, creator of heaven and earth, of all that is - seen and unseen.**

Officiant We believe

All **God is Jesus Christ, the eternal Son, divine and human, our Savior. His life, death, and resurrection reveal to us that God is love.**

Officiant We believe

All **God is the Holy Spirit, at work in the world. Speaking through prophets past and present, inspiring us, holding us accountable, leading us to grow into the full stature of Christ**

Officiant With God's help

All **We will continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers.**

Officiant With God's help

All **We will persevere in resisting evil, and when falling into sin, we will repent and return to God.**

Officiant With God's help

All **We will proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ.**

Officiant With God's help

All **We will seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving our neighbor as ourself.**

Officiant With God's help

All **We will strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

You are invited to offer your own prayers after each petition either silently or aloud.

Leader In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

Leader For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

Leader For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

Leader For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

Leader For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

Leader For the peace and unity of the Church of God.

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

Leader For Michael our Presiding Bishop, Sean our Presiding Bishop elect, and Kristin our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers.

For all who serve God in his Church.

Leader For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions.

Leader Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

Leader We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions.

Leader We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Leader We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions

Leader Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

The Celebrant continues with a collect

God of hope, from you come every blessing and all peace: Show us that, in the midst of our struggles, you are with us. Give us the abundance of your grace that we may do the work you give us to do and that we may be for the world a sign of your presence; through Christ, the Way and the Truth. **Amen.**

PEACE

The officiant continues

We gather to embrace the unity of God's people and Christ's church; to make peace a reality.

The Peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

You are invited to follow the cross and draw near. All are welcome to join us around the altar.

Walk in love, as Christ loves us.

SONG

WHAT A FRIEND

Verse 1

What a friend we have in Jesus,

all our sins and griefs to bear!

What a privilege to carry

everything to God in prayer!

O what peace we often forfeit,

O what needless pain we bear,

all because we do not carry

everything to God in prayer!

Verse 2

Have we trials and temptations?

Is there trouble anywhere?

We should never be discouraged;

take it to the Lord in prayer!

Can we find a friend so faithful

who will all our sorrows share?

Jesus knows our every weakness;

take it to the Lord in prayer!

Verse 3

Are we weak and heavy laden,

cumbered with a load of care?

Precious Savior, still our refuge-

take it to the Lord in prayer!

Do your friends despise, forsake you?

Take it to the Lord in prayer!

In his arms he'll take and shield you;

you will find a solace there.

COMMUNION PRAYER

The Eucharistic Prayer has been adapted from St. Gregory of Nyssa Episcopal Church, San Francisco.

Celebrant

In the beginning, God of creation,
your wind swept the darkness,
stirring up life from the heights to the depths.
Your spirit raised us from dust and formed us to be like your children
with one common breath.

**We couldn't see where the wind had come from
we couldn't tell where the wind would go.
Divided, we hid behind walls turning away from the breath of life.**

But you spoke through the prophets,
you gave visions to those enslaved,
you spoke in the whirlwind and promised salvation.
**You breathed on Mary, your listening servant,
making your Word alive in her flesh.
You gave us Jesus, who shared our same breath
receiving your Spirit in the river Jordan.
He proclaimed freedom to captives, good news to the poor,
he gave hope to the suffering,
and life to the dead.**

On the night before he died for us,
Jesus was a supper with his friends.
He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it,
and gave it to them saying: "Take, eat, this is my body, broken for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me."
After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said:
"Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and
for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, God of endless mercy,
of all the things that are yours we offer you these,
which are yours especially.
We offer them gladly, as he told us,

giving thanks for his death and resurrection.

Filled with your Spirit, and drawn together in his peace we praise you and we bless you:

**We praise you, we bless you and
we give thanks to you.**

We pray to you, our God:

Pour out your Spirit once more
to make this bread and wine the body and blood of Christ,
that we might blow through the world with his love
healing and forgiving,
reconciling like Jesus until the heights and depths,
are filled with your children from every tribe and language and people and nation,
joined with the communion of saints, we are bold to say:

**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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Be what you see. Receive what you are, the Body of Christ.

COMMUNION MUSIC

PRECIOUS LORD

Verse 1

Precious Lord, take my hand

Lead me on, help me stand

I am tired, I am weak, I am worn

Through the storm, through the night

Lead me on to the light

Take my hand, precious Lord

Lead me home.

Verse 2

*When my way grows drear
Precious Lord linger near
When my life is almost gone
Hear my cry, hear my call
Hold my hand lest I fall
Take my hand, precious Lord
Lead me home.*

Verse 3

*When the darkness appears
And the night draws near
And the day is past and gone
At the river I stand,
Guide my feet, hold my hand
Take my hand, precious Lord
Lead me home*

PRAYER OF SAINT FRANCIS

Said by all, please turn to face the world as we prepare to be sent out.

Lord, make us instruments of your peace.

**Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon;
where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light;
where there is sadness, joy.**

**Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;
to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love.**

**For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

DISMISSAL

Holy Spirit, **enlighten our thinking,
strengthen our will,
guide us and give us courage
that we may serve God. Amen.**

PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

Celebrant The Rev. Joanna Leiserson
Preacher The Rev. Melanie Slane
Deacon The Rev. Gary Lubin
The Great Commandment & Scripture Reading Maria Andrews
Prayers Jane Allan
Chalice Bearer
Sacristan William Montgomery
Ushers Donna & John Morabito
Bread Guild Liz Coley
Altar Guild Kelli Wisecup, Emily Esslinger, Liz Schildknecht, Lisa Senter
Flower Guild Francie Morrison, Michelle Kirk, Blake Gustafson, Edie Zimmerman

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(Search Redeemer Cincy in your app store.) Or you may choose to give online via our secure online system located here: <https://redeemercincy.tpsdb.com/Give/offering> There are also two collection spots in the narthex (look for the Give Here signs) where you may deposit your offering safely.

PARENTS OF YOUNG CHILDREN

Welcome to The Episcopal Church of the Redeemer!

We love the sound of kids in our service.

Here are some ideas to keep them engaged:

Relax: It's OK for kids to be kids. We offer coloring pages, worship bags, and books they can use during the service.

Sit Close: Consider sitting up front where it's easier for kids to see.

Explain: Kids are curious! Explain what's happening in the service.

Participate: Kids learn by mimicking what you do. So sing, pray, respond, etc. and kids will follow your lead.

Wander: It's OK to move around. Sometimes it's easier to let fidgety kids wander.

Need to Leave? No problem, there are spaces to take a break - kids need that sometimes. Come back when you're ready!

Ask: Questions or need help? Just ask our ushers.

Jesus said, "Let the children come to me, and do not stop them, for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs."

Matthew 19:14 NRSV

Welcome to Church of the Redeemer! We have a vision of a worshipping community that **knows Jesus and grows in love**. A community that is **united** in relationships of holy connection and communion. A community **growing** with people of every age, race, gender, sexual orientation, socioeconomic situation, and political persuasion. A community **inspired** by our understanding of why we are Christian, why we are Episcopalian, why Redeemer matters to us. A community **sent** into the world, rooted and grounded in love, to serve all people with humility, compassion, and faithfulness. Come, join us on the journey.

WELCOME TO CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER!

VISITING OR CHECKING US OUT TODAY? THINKING OF JOINING?

Church of the Redeemer may be the place for you. Here's how to connect:

JOIN US for coffee and hospitality after the worship services.

ASK QUESTIONS and join our Newcomer group at our Welcome Table, found in the Narthex (Lobby). If you like, sign-up for a name tag. Greeters, ushers, clergy, and friendly people would love to talk to you!

CHILD CARE is available in the Playroom for children (**age 3 and younger**) each Sunday beginning at 8:45 am through 12:15 pm. **Children's education hour resumes on September 8** — (**age 3-6**) may join Godly Play in the Playroom; (**grades 1-4**) are invited to Club CoR in the Great Hall (Cloister Side) and youth (**grades 5-8**) gather in the Library for Middle CoR.

Questions about children's programming? Contact our Minister for Family Discipleship, Tym House: tym@redeemer-cincy.org.

HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED? Contact Nancy Schwartz, Director of Operations:
nancyschwartz@redeemer-cincy.org or 513.321.6700



YOUR NAME
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REMEMBER TO WEAR YOUR NAMETAG - As we gather together for worship today it is important to wear your nametag to help us all remember names or just meet for the first time. Don't have a nametag yet? Sign-up for one in the narthex/lobby near the entrance to the chapel. It will be ready for you next Sunday in the nametag cabinet.

We strive to share our mission of radical welcome and hospitality with the world through photos and video. From time to time we document church events for use in publications, website, and social media. By your presence, you grant Redeemer unrestricted rights to use and publish, transmit or telecast images, and or likenesses that may be taken of you for use in communications related to the church. Please contact Mireya Medina, Communications Minister, with any questions at communications@redeemer-cincy.org.



JOIN OUR NEWCOMER GROUP - New to Church of the Redeemer? Ready to learn more about our ministries? Considering membership? Use the QR code at the left to join our Newcomer group and receive information about ministries, events, membership and access to our CoR App.

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WEEKDAY SERVICES

Tuesday: Morning Prayer Podcast
Wednesday: 6:00 pm Holy Eucharist, Rite II
Thursday: Morning Prayer Podcast

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CALENDAR

Look for more details on events on our website: redeemer-cincy.org/events.

Church of the Redeemer offers a variety of worship, education, and fellowship events for all ages. A quick glance at our calendar provides a look at both our recurring opportunities, as well as those special events we have throughout the year. You can access the church calendar on our website under the Connect tab, on our CoR App using the Calendar button, on our TV sign in the narthex (lobby), and by using the QR code at right.



VESTRY OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

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THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

