

# WELCOME TO THE BANQUET

THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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## OPENING SONG

HOLY GHOST

## 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

MARK 10:2-16

*Read by one*

Some Pharisees came, and to test Jesus they asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her." But Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' 'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate." Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery."

People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

## HOMILY & CONVERSATION

## MUSICAL RESPONSE

WHY ME LORD

*Verse 1*

*Why me Lord?*

*What have I ever done*

*To deserve even one*

*Of the pleasures I've known?*

*Tell me, Lord*

*What did I ever do*

*That was worth lovin' you*

*Or the kindness you've shown?*

*Chorus*

*Lord help me, Jesus*

*I've wasted it so help me, Jesus  
I know what I am  
But now that I know  
That I've needed you so help me, Jesus  
My soul's in your hand*

*Verse 2*

*Try me, Lord  
If you think there's a way  
I can try to repay  
All I've taken from you  
Maybe, Lord  
I can show someone else  
What I've been through myself  
On my way back to you*

*Please stand as you are able.*

## **BAPTISMAL COVENANT**

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*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 ourselves.**  
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

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*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 the 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.**

## CONFESSION

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God, you have called us to be Love in the world  
**We do not always recognize our belovedness;**  
**We do not always recognize the belovedness of our neighbor;**  
We know we harm our relationship with you  
And our relationships with each other  
With words said and unsaid  
With deeds done and undone  
We ask for your unreserved forgiveness.  
We ask for your unconditional love.  
Help us to forgive without reservation.  
Help us to love without condition.  
In Jesus' name, Amen

## ABSOLUTION

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The magnitude of your sins  
Can never compare  
With God's immeasurable grace  
Out of the abundance of God's love  
You are forgiven. **Amen**

## PEACE

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*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

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*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

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HOW GREAT THOU ART

*Verse 1*

*O Lord my God  
When I in awesome wonder  
Consider all the worlds  
Thy hands have made  
I see the stars  
I hear the rolling thunder  
Thy pow'r thru'out  
The universe displayed*

*Chorus*

*Then sings my soul  
My Savior God to Thee  
How great Thou art  
How great Thou art  
Then sings my soul  
My Savior God to Thee  
How great Thou art  
How great Thou art*

*Verse 2*

*When through the woods  
And forest glades I wander  
And hear the birds  
Sing sweetly in the trees  
When I look down  
From lofty mountain grandeur  
And hear the brook*

*And feel the gentle breeze*

*Verse 3*

*And when I think  
That God His Son not sparing  
Sent Him to die  
I scarce can take it in  
That on the cross  
My burden gladly bearing  
He bled and died  
To take away my sin*

*Verse 4*

*When Christ shall come  
With shout of acclamation  
And take me home  
What joy shall fill my heart  
Then I shall bow  
In humble adoration  
And there proclaim*

*Stuart Wesley Keene Hine*

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## COMMUNION PRAYER

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*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

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

## COMMUNION MUSIC

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HUNGRY

*Verse 1*

*Hungry, I come to You  
For I know You satisfy  
I am empty, but I know  
Your love does not run dry.  
And so I wait for You,  
So I wait for You.*

*Chorus*

*I'm falling on my knees,  
Offering all of me.  
Jesus, You're all this heart is living for.*

*Verse 2*

*Broken, I run to You,  
For Your arms are open wide;  
I am weary, but I know*

*Your touch restores my life.  
And so I wait for You.  
So I wait for You,  
So I wait for You.*

## PRAYER OF SAINT FRANCIS

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*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

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## DISMISSAL

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**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

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<i>Celebrant</i> .....	The Rev. Philip DeVaul
<i>Preacher</i> .....	The Rev. Melanie Slane
<i>Deacon</i> .....	The Rev. Gary Lubin
<i>The Great Commandment &amp; Scripture Reading</i> .....	Julie Anne Baur
<i>Prayers</i> .....	Jane Allan
<i>Chalice Bearers</i> .....	Paige DeVaul, Julie Anne Baur
<i>Sacristan</i> .....	Julie Knapton
<i>Ushers</i> .....	Jared & Kylie Utah
<i>Bread Guild</i> .....	Guy Byars
<i>Altar Guild</i> .....	Andrea Rogers, John Morabito, Pattie Kovach, Julia Joyce
<i>Flower Guild</i> .....	Courtney Vice, Andrea Schenck, Vicky Carroll, Lynne Zajak

## IN THANKSGIVING & MEMORY

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The flowers that beautify our worship spaces are given to the glory of God in thanksgiving for George, Jack, Emma, & Charlie by John & Anne Krug and in loving memory of Alan Rosswaag by Gary Lubin.

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# 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](mailto:tym@redeemer-cincy.org).

**HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED? Contact Nancy Schwartz, Director of Operations:**  
[nancyschwartz@redeemer-cincy.org](mailto: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.

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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](http://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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### VISION STATEMENT

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