

WELCOME TO THE BANQUET

THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT
MARCH 9, 2025 | 11AM

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OPENING SONG

WHEN IT DON'T COME EASY

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

REFRAIN

The image shows a musical score for the refrain of the song 'When It Don't Come Easy'. It consists of two systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The first system has the lyrics 'Give me Je - sus, Give me Je - sus, You may' and the second system has 'have all this world, Give me Je - sus.' The music is written in a key with one flat (B-flat) and a 4/4 time signature. The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody.

Words: Traditional
Music: Negro Spiritual; arr. Evelyn D. White. Used by Permission.

GREAT LITANY

Please stand as you are able.

Holy God, Creator of heaven and earth.

Have mercy on us.

Holy and Mighty, Redeemer of the world,

Have mercy on us.

Holy Immortal One, Sanctifier of the faithful,

Have mercy on us.

Holy, blessed and glorious Trinity, One God,
Have mercy on us.

From all evil and mischief; from pride, vanity and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred and malice;
and from all evil intent.

Savior deliver us.

From sloth, worldliness and love of money; from hardness of heart and contempt for your
word and your laws,

Savior deliver us.

From sins of body and mind; from deceits of the world, flesh and the devil,

Savior deliver us.

From famine and disaster; from violence, murder, and dying unprepared,

Savior deliver us.

In all times of sorrow; in all times of joy; in the hour of our death and at the day of
judgment,

Savior deliver us.

By the mystery of your holy incarnation; by your birth, childhood and obedience; by your
baptism, fasting and temptation,

Savior deliver us.

By your ministry in word and work; by your mighty acts of power; by the preaching of your
reign,

Savior deliver us.

By your agony and trial; by your cross and passion; by your precious death and burial,

Savior deliver us.

By your mighty resurrection; by your glorious ascension; and by your sending of the Holy
Spirit,

Savior deliver us.

Hear our prayers, O Christ our God.

Hear us, O Christ.

Guide the leaders of the nations into the ways of peace and justice.

Hear us, O Christ.

Give us the will to use the resources of the earth to your glory and for the good of all.

Hear us, O Christ.

Bless and keep all your people,

Hear us, O Christ.

Comfort and liberate the lonely, the bereaved (especially _____) and the oppressed.

Hear us, O Christ.

Keep in safety those who travel (especially _____) and all who are in peril.

Hear us, O Christ.

Heal the sick in body, mind or spirit (especially _____) and provide for the homeless, the hungry and the destitute.

Hear us, O Christ.

Guard and protect all children who are in danger.

Hear us, O Christ.

Shower your compassion on prisoners, hostages and refugees, and all who are in trouble.

Hear us, O Christ.

Forgive our enemies, persecutors and slanderers, and turn their hearts.

Hear us, O Christ.

Hear us as we remember those who have died (especially _____) and grant us with them a share in your eternal glory.

Hear us, O Christ.

Give us true repentance; forgive us our sins of negligence and ignorance and our deliberate sins; and grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to your word.

Holy God,

Holy and Mighty,

Holy Immortal One.

Have mercy on us.

KYRIE

Lord have mercy. **Christ have mercy.** Lord have mercy.

REFRAIN

The musical score for the Refrain is written for voice and piano. It consists of two systems of music. The first system has a vocal line in the treble clef and a piano accompaniment in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "Give me Je - sus, Give me Je - sus, You may". The second system also has a vocal line and piano accompaniment. The lyrics are: "have all this world, Give me Je - sus." The piano accompaniment features chords and moving lines in both hands, with some notes beamed together.

THE CANTICLE

SONG OF HOSEA

Said by all

Hosea 6:1-3

Come, let us return to our God,
Who has torn us and will heal us.
God has struck us and will bind up our wounds,
After two days revive us,
On the third day restore us,
That in God's presence we may live.
Let us humble ourselves, let us strive to know the Lord,
Whose justice dawns like morning light,
Its dawning as sure as the sunrise.
God's justice will come to us like a shower,
Like spring rain that water the earth.

READING

LUKE 4:1-13

Please be seated. Read by one

After his baptism, Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'" Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'" Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'"

Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

HOMILY AND CONVERSATION

MUSICAL REFLECTION

SWEET COMFORT

BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Please stand as you are able.

Leader God is

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

Leader God is

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

Leader God is

All **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**

Leader With God's help

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

Leader With God's help

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

Leader With God's help

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

Leader With God's help

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

Leader With God's help

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

PEACE

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

IN THE GARDEN

I come to the garden alone,
While the dew is still on the roses;
And the voice I hear, falling on my ear,
The Son of God discloses.

And He walks with me, and He talks with me,
And He tells me I am His own,
And the joy we share as we tarry there,
None other has ever known.

He speaks, and the sound of His voice
Is so sweet the birds hush their singing;
And the melody that He gave to me
Within my heart is ringing.

I'd stay in the garden with Him
Though the night around me be falling;
But He bids me go through the voice of woe,
His voice to me is calling.

C. Austin Miles (1868-1946)
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COMMUNION PRAYER

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

O Mother of our salvation.

You are worthy of blessing and praise,

1 You speak and creation comes to life.

2 You breathe and we are filled with your Spirit

You come with healing in your wings.

You loosen the bonds of sickness

To let the oppressed go free.

You shelter the poor and feed the hungry the bread of life.

And when the night is darkest you break upon us like the dawn
rising to You.

Give me Je - sus, Give me Je - sus, You may

The first system of musical notation consists of a treble and bass staff. The treble staff contains the melody with lyrics underneath. The bass staff provides harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are: "Give me Je - sus, Give me Je - sus, You may".

have all this world, Give me Je - sus.

The second system of musical notation continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are: "have all this world, Give me Je - sus.". The system ends with a double bar line.

1 *Now we give you thanks that you have shown the greatness of your love
by sending your Son Jesus Christ to share our fragile flesh and bear our every burden.*

2 *Your Son Jesus did not turn his face from shame and loss,
but took up our suffering and death.*

**He suffers with the sick, the injured and the dying.
By his passion and death he rescued us from evil and binds up every wound.**

On the night of his arrest, Jesus shared supper with his friends.

He blessed bread, broke it, gave it to them and said,

“This bread is my body, given for you and all humankind making covenant between us.

Whenever you eat it, remember me.”

Then he blessed the wine and said,

“This is the cup of life, my blood poured out for all, making covenant between us.

Whenever you drink it, remember me.”

Now whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the healing power of your Son by whose wounds we are healed.

Give us your power so that we may praise you and bless you:

We praise you, we bless you, and we give thanks to you, Lord our God.

We celebrate the healing power of Jesus’ sacrificial death and resurrection in these gifts of bread and wine. Now send your Spirit upon them that they may become his life-giving body and blood. May Christ, the risen Son, rise in us and make us one with you, one with each other, and one with all creation. Even now Christ stands with us and in Christ’s presence we see new life where our pain and sorrow is transformed into the glory of your kingdom; where with Mary, and all the 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, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. AMEN.

FRACTION

Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the
world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sins of the world:
grant us peace.

COMMUNION MUSIC

HAVE MERCY ON ME

VERSE 1:

The goodness of the Lord is the kindness of the Lord
with ev'ry breath we take, the gift of life and grace.
The power of the Lord is the meekness of the Lord
who bore humanity with brave humility.

REFRAIN:

Let Your mercy flow through us, Your mercy, Your mercy. (2x)

VERSE 2:

The beauty of the Lord is the suff'ring of the Lord,
is Christ upon a tree, stripped of dignity.

The glory of the Lord is the mercy of the Lord,
gives life for us to see a new humanity:

Refrain

BRIDGE 1:

When they see us, may they see Your mercy, Your mercy.

When they know us, may they know Your mercy, Your mercy.

BRIDGE 2:

Bless the hands and feet of those who serve in need, of the broken and ashamed

Bless the weary soul, the Lord will make us whole; God, speak peace to those afraid!

May the words we speak build a bridge for peace – Your loving kindness shows the way!

Open up our doors, giving refuge for all the weary and afraid

PRAYER OF SAINT FRANCIS

Said by all, please turn to face the rear of the nave, as we prepare to go into the world.

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.

A SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Grant, Almighty God, that your people may recognize their weakness and put their whole trust in your strength, so that they may rejoice for ever in the protection of your loving providence; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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The image shows a musical score for a refrain. It consists of two systems of music, each with a vocal line in the treble clef and a piano accompaniment in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "Give me Je - sus, Give me Je - sus, You may have all this world, Give me Je - sus." The music is in a simple, hymn-like style with a key signature of one flat (B-flat).

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DISMISSAL

Show our hearts your way,
and we shall follow.

PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

Celebrant The Rev. Philip DeVaul
Preacher The Rev. Brooklin Taylor
Deacon The Rev. Gary Lubin
Scripture Reading & The Great Commandment
Chalice Bearers..... Paige DeVaul & Andrew Cole
Greeter Pattie Kovach
Sacristan William Montgomery
Ushers Ginnie & Dan Walker
Bread Guild Courtney Vice
Altar Guild Kelli Wisecup, Emily Esslinger, Liz Schildknecht, Lisa Senter
Flower Guild.....Christine Bennett, Cindy Bryden

Flowers in our worship spaces are a beautiful gift to God, those who attend worship, and those being honored or remembered. A contribution to the Flower Fund is a meaningful way to honor or remember a loved one for special life events such as birthdays, anniversaries, baptisms, confirmations, in thanksgivings for, in memory of, or to beautify our spaces.

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!

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. During 10:00 am education hour, children (**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 Children and Families, Hannah Teetor at hannah@redeemer-cincy.org.

HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED? Contact Nancy Schwartz, Director of Operations:

nancyschwartz@redeemer-cincy.org or 513.321.6700



Church of the Redeemer has at its center the love of God in Jesus Christ. We are nourished by this love, empowered by the knowledge that we belong to God unconditionally, and equipped by our church to share love and blessing with the world around us. The gift you make facilitates the blessing of our community and the spiritual nourishment of so many. You are contributing to practical ministries that are transforming lives every day. You are not paying the church back for what it is doing in your life, you are paying it forward to create opportunities for everyone who connects with our church. You are helping the church grow. You make this church what it is. You empower blessing and belonging. **Please make your 2024 financial commitment now. Simply use the Giving button on your CoR App or the QR Code to your right.**



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YOUR NAME
Here

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.



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.

TODAY'S OFFERING - We encourage you to give your offering electronically today through our CoR App. (Search Redeemer Cincy in your app store.) Or you may choose to give online via our secure online system 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.



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



VESTRY OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

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