

Participants in Today’s Service

Celebrant .....	The Rev.Joyce Keeshin
Preacher .....	The Rev. Phillip DeVaul
Deacon.....	The Rev Gary Lubin
Great Commandment and Scripture Reading .....	Elise Allred
Intercessor.....	Julie Anne Baur
Chalicists .....	Andrea Rogers and Elise Allred
Sacristan .....	Kelli Wisecup
Ushers .....	Hollis Bass and Mark Bass
Altar Guild .....	Kathe Kissel, Katy Mallon, Brian Weinewuth
Bread Guild .....	Ryan Andrews
Flower Guild .....	



The Episcopal Church of the Redeemer

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WELCOME TO THE BANQUET

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
MAY 18, 2025

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OPENING SONGWOOD AND NAILS

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*

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Alleluia. Christ is risen.  
**The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

THE GREAT COMMANDMENT

*Said by one*  
The first commandment is this:  
Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord.  
Love the Lord your God with all your heart,  
with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.  
The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself.  
There is no other commandment greater than these.

THE CANTICLEA SONG OF JUDITH

*Said by all*  
**I will sing a new song to my God, \***  
**for you are great and glorious, wonderful in strength, invincible.**  
**Let the whole creation serve you, \***  
**for you spoke and all things came into being.**  
**You sent your breath and it formed them, \***  
**no one is able to resist your voice.**  
**Mountains and seas are stirred to their depths, \***  
**rocks melt like wax at your presence.**  
*Judith 16:13-16*

But to those who fear you, \*  
you continue to show mercy.  
No sacrifice, however fragrant, can please you, \*  
but whoever fears the Lord shall stand in your sight for ever.

READING John 13:31-35

*Read by one*  
At the last supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

HOMILY AND CONVERSATION

SONG NEVER LET GO

BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Leader	God is
All	<b>One God, the almighty, creator of heaven and earth, of all that is - seen and unseen.</b>
Leader	God is
All	<b>Jesus Christ, the eternal Son, divine and human, our Savior. His life, death, and resurrection reveal to us that God is love.</b>
Leader	God is
All	<b>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.</b>
Leader	With God's help
All	<b>We will continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers.</b>
Leader	With God's help



**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.



**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 using the QR Code at right. There are also two collection spots in the narthex (look for the Give Here signs) where you may deposit your offering safely.



**WEEKDAY SERVICES**

**Wednesday: 6:00 pm Holy Eucharist, Rite II**

**PARKING:** *Parking is on the street. Please pay attention to the signs indicating proper parking zones. Accessible parking is available in the front on Erie, in the back parking lot, and on the west side of Raymar.*

**ACCESSIBLE REDEEMER:** *The front entrance has a ramp and there is an elevator inside the back door and to the left. Accessible restrooms are located in the Lobby inside the front entrance. The nave is equipped with a hearing assistance system. Please ask an usher for assistance.*

## 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 in the Great Hall.

**ASK QUESTIONS** and join the Newcomer group at the 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); (**grades 5&6**) gather in the Library for Middle CoR; and youth (**grades 7-12**) meet in the Youth Café in the upstairs kitchen.

Questions about family & children's programming? Contact our Minister for Family Discipleship, Tym House at [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



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 2025 financial commitment now. Simply use the Giving button on your CoR App or the QR Code to your right.**



*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](mailto:communications@redeemer-cincy.org).*

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.

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

## PRAYERS

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

In the silence of our hearts or in spoken words, let us pray.

In the silence of our hearts or in spoken words let us give thanks for the gift of this day and every day ...

In the silence of our hearts or in spoken words let us pray for peace and healing throughout the world ...

In the silence of our hearts or in spoken words let us pray for the church, for our ministries, and the communities in which we serve ...

In the silence of our hearts or in spoken words let us pray for our needs and for the needs of others ...

In the silence of our hearts or in spoken words let us pray for those who have died and those who grieve ...

In the silence of our hearts or in spoken words let us pray to be guided by God's wisdom, grace, and love ...

Celebrant: O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## PEACE

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May the peace of Christ be with you.  
And also with you.

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Just as Jesus gathered friend and enemy alike, broke bread with grace and poured love into the cup, so now, we seek to do the same. All are invited, to follow with us the path of cross and find the nourishment of God's love.

You are invited, not because you have arrived, but because you are on the way.  
Not because you are perfect, but because you are hungry.  
So come, bring your wondering, your weariness and your hope.  
This is the table of Christ's love. This is the table of God's family. And there is a place here for you.

Walk in love, as Christ loves us.

## SONG

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ALLELUIA

## COMMUNION PRAYER

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

It is with all our hearts and all our minds

We give thanks to you, Mother and Father of all creation  
You make all things and call them good.  
You love us into being,  
You form us in your image  
and breathe into us the breath of life.

When we turn away, when we ignore your love

You remain steadfast. You are faithful to us.  
You liberate us from captivity,  
Freeing us to love your world more fully  
You set before us the way of life.

# 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**

## PRAYER OF SAINT FRANCIS

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*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.**

## BLESSING

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## DISMISSAL

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SONG OF SIMEON

*Luke 2:29-32*

Alleluia, alleluia! Lord, you now have set your servant free

**to go in peace as you have promised;**

For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior,

**whom you have prepared for all the world to see:**

A Light to enlighten the nations,

**and the glory of your people Israel. Alleluia, alleluia!**

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.

By his baptism of suffering and death

you give your people birth into a living hope.

Raising Jesus from the dead,

you make a new covenant with us,

by water and the Spirit,

and give us to one another

**We who were lost people are now your people,**

**declaring your wonderful deeds in Christ,**

**who calls us out of death into his Life.**

On the night when he gave himself up for us,

he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread,

gave it to his disciples, and said,

“Take, eat: this is my Body which is broken for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.”

When the supper was over he took the cup,

gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said,

“Drink this, all of you;

this is my blood of the new Covenant,

which is shed for you and for all

for the forgiveness of sins.

Whenever you drink it,

do this for the remembrance of me.”

On the third day you raised Jesus from the dead

and revealed him to the women

who came to the tomb to care for his body.

On that day Jesus was recognized by his disciples

in the breaking of bread.

And so, remembering these your

mighty acts in Jesus Christ,

We offer ourselves as a holy and living sacrifice,

and we praise you and we bless you.

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

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,  
and on these gifts of bread and wine.  
Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ  
that we may be for the world  
the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.  
By your spirit make us one with Christ,  
one with each other,  
and one in loving service to all the world,  
until all may feast at your heavenly banquet.  
Through your Son Jesus Christ, and  
with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church,  
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.**

FRACTION

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Behold what you are. Become what you receive.  
These are the gifts of God for the people of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

COMMUNION MUSIC

REST IN YOU  
BY ALL SONS AND DAUGHTERS

*Who is Lord, but our Lord  
Who is God, only God  
You are the highest  
You are most good  
  
Matchless is Your love  
Our praise will rise above  
Your peace like a river  
Floods over us  
  
Our hearts are restless  
Until they find rest in You  
Our hearts are restless  
Until they find rest in You  
  
This is where my hope lies  
This is where my souls sighs  
I will always find my rest in You*

*So full of mercy  
Beauty and mystery  
You are most hidden  
But always with us  
  
Our hearts are restless  
Until they find rest in You  
Our hearts are restless  
Until they find rest in You  
  
This is where my hope lies  
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*You cannot change, Yet You change everything  
You cannot change, Yet You change everything*