



THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

THE TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Holy Eucharist, Rite I
OCTOBER 25, 2026 | 8:00 am



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THE WORD OF GOD

SILENT PROCESSION

OPENING ACCLAMATION

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God, give unto us the increase of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain that which thou dost promise, make us to love that which thou dost command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST READING

LEVITICUS 19:1-2, 15-18

The Lord spoke to Moses, saying:

Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them: You shall be holy, for I the Lord your God am holy.

You shall not render an unjust judgment; you shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great: with justice you shall judge your neighbor. You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not profit by the blood of your neighbor: I am the Lord.

You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin; you shall reprove your neighbor, or you will incur guilt yourself. You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the Lord.

THE PSALM

PSALM 1

- 1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, *
nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
- 2 Their delight is in the law of the Lord, *
and they meditate on his law day and night.
- 3 They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; *
everything they do shall prosper.
- 4 It is not so with the wicked; *
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
- 5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, *
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
- 6 For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, *
but the way of the wicked is doomed.

THE SECOND READING

1 THESSALONIANS 2:1-8

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

THE GOSPEL

MATTHEW 22:34-46

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. “Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?” He said to him, “‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.”

Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: “What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?” They said to him, “The son of David.” He said to them, “How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying,

‘The Lord said to my Lord,

“Sit at my right hand,

until I put your enemies under your feet”’?

If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?” No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

THE HOMILY

A pause for silent reflection immediately follows the homily.

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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

...Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for Sean, our Presiding Bishop, Kristin our Diocesan Bishop, all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

...We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

...Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

...Give to the departed eternal rest.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate.
Amen.

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THE PEACE

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THE OFFERTORY

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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COMMISSIONING OF LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITOR *(when needed)*

Celebrant: In the name of God and on behalf of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People: We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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BLESSING

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DISMISSAL



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TODAY'S OFFERING - We encourage you to give your offering electronically to-day 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 securely.



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.

CALENDAR

Look for more details at redeemer-cincy.org/connect/event-directory/

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



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, Minister for Evangelism and Communications, with any questions at
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PARENTS OF YOUNG CHILDREN

Welcome to The Episcopal Church of the Redeemer!

We love the sounds of children in our service.

Here are some ideas to keep them engaged:

RELAX

*It's okay 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, prayer, respond,
etc. and kids will follow your lead.*

WANDER

*It's okay to move around. Sometimes it's easier to let figdety
kids wander.*

NEED TO LEAVE?

*No problem! There are spaces to take a break.
Kids need that sometimes. Come back when you are 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



VISION STATEMENT

We have a vision of a worshipping community
that **knows Jesus and grows in love:**

- **United** in relationships of holy connection and communion;
- **Growing** with people of every age, race, gender, sexual orientation, socioeconomic situation, and political persuasion;
- **Inspired** by our understanding of why we are Christian, why we are Episcopalian, why Redeemer matters to us;
- **Sent** into the world, rooted and grounded in love, to serve all people with humility, compassion, and faithfulness.

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