

July 18, 2010

REDEEMER Highlights.....July 18, 2010

This Week

Nursery Coordinator Needed: Do you love children? Do you have a desire to minister to the young families in our congregation? For a description of this 1-year volunteer position, or an application, please email Jill Higey at jillhigey@gmail.com.

- | | | |
|----------|-------------------|---|
| Today | 4:00 – 'till dark | Redeemer in the Country: Join us this afternoon for food, swimming and games for the whole family! If you have not already signed up please do so on the flyer insert and place it in the offering plate. Cost for a meal is \$5 per person, children ages 3 and under are free. You don't want to miss this event, bring a friend and come on out to the Peavy Ranch! Directions are on the flyer insert. |
| Tuesday | 6:30 p.m. | Jr. High Bible Study: Continuing our Series: "Growing Up As Christians". We will meet at the Fitch home, 7 Seaton Green, 78209. Gate code is 7448. |
| Thursday | 6:30 p.m. | Sr. High Bible Study: Continuing our Series: "Growing Up As Christians". We will meet at the Beham home, 265 W. Wildwood, 78212. |

Upcoming Events

- | | | |
|----------------|---------|---|
| July 29 | 6:30 pm | Women's Fellowship: Meet us at Clay Casa for food and creative fun with glass fusion or pottery, plus an opportunity to support Strong Foundation. Look for your e-vite with more details or contact Ann, 601-1845 or Lauren, 829-4176. |
| August 20 – 21 | | Intro to Redeemer: Interested in becoming a member at Redeemer or learning more about what we believe? We will hold a membership class beginning Friday evening, August 20 th , and Saturday morning, August 21 st . Call the office if you have any questions or would like to sign up, 930-4480. |

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Redeemer Presbyterian Church

July 18, 2010

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

In consideration of other worshippers, please program all communication devices to silent mode. Parents, nurseries are available during the worship service for children ages 3 months to 3 years. Babies and toddlers are also welcome in the auditorium. The service is broadcast in the lobby area immediately outside the auditorium for the convenience of parents whose children become restless during worship.

Reflection and Preparation

"In our world of loneliness and despair, there is an enormous need for men and women who know the heart of God, a heart that forgives, cares, reaches out and wants to heal. In that heart there is no suspicion, no vindictiveness, no resentment, and not a tinge of hatred." Henri Nouwen

"The Creator would not turn his back on his broken world and know that there was only one place where restoration could be found – in him." Paul Tripp

"Everything sad is going to come untrue and it will somehow be greater for having once been broken and lost." Tim Keller

Welcome and Announcements

Mr. Jason Register

Prelude

Call to Worship

The Rev. Brandon S. Eggar

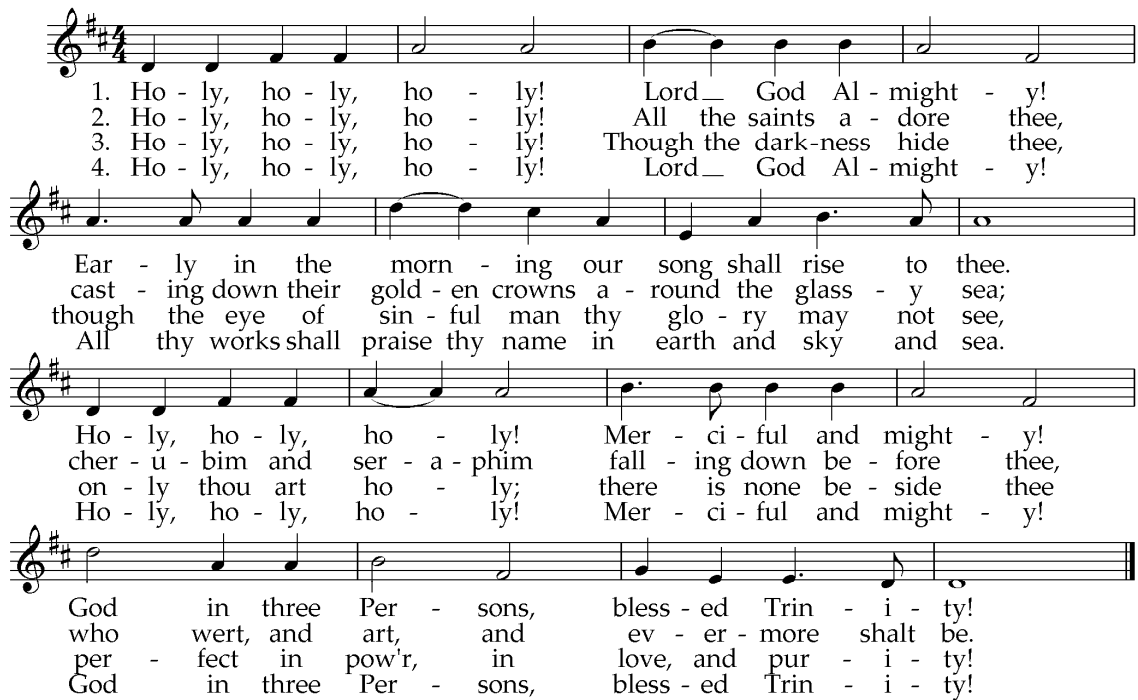
Minister: Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable.

People: He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength.

Minister: They who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

***Hymn of Adoration**

Holy, Holy, Holy!



1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord - God Al - might - y!
2. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,
3. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark-ness hide thee,
4. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord - God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.
cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
though the eye of sin - ful man thy glo - ry may not see,
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!
cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!

God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
who wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
per - fect in pow'r, in love, and pur - i - ty!
God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

Words by Reginald Heber; Music by John B. Dykes

Minister: What do you understand by the providence of God?

All: Providence is the almighty and ever present power of God by which he upholds, as with his hand, heaven and earth and all creatures, and so rules them that leaf and blade, rain and drought, fruitful and lean years, food and drink, health and sickness, prosperity and poverty—all things, in fact, come to us not by chance but from his fatherly hand.

Minister: How does the knowledge of God's creation and providence help us?

All: We can be patient when things go against us, thankful when things go well, and for the future we can have good confidence in our faithful God and Father that nothing will separate us from his love. All creatures are so completely in his hand that without his will they can neither move nor be moved.

[‡]The Heidelberg Catechism originated in Germany in 1562 under the authority of Elector Frederick III, who ruled the most important German province, the Palatinate, from his castle in Heidelberg. He commissioned the preparation of a new catechism for guiding ministers and teachers in instructing people in the Christian faith.

***Song of Praise**

Doxology

Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all crea - tures
here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host; praise
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

Tune: Old Hundredth, Genevan Psalter

Understanding Ourselves Rightly

Mr. Michael J. Novak

Minister: How do you come to know your misery?

People: **The Law of God tells me.**

Minister: What does God's law require of us?

People: **Christ teaches us this in summary in Matthew 22: Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength. This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: Love your neighbor as yourself. All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments.**

Minister: Can you live up to all this perfectly?

People: **No. I have a natural tendency to hate God and my neighbor.**

Adapted from the Heidelberg Catechism Q/A # 3, 4, 5

Public Confession

Minister: Let us confess our sins together.

People: **Almighty God, in Jesus Christ you love us, but we have not loved you. You have opened your heart to us, and in our pride we have spurned your care. You have given us all things, and we have squandered your gifts. We have grieved you and caused hurt to others, and we are not worthy to be called your children. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Cleanse us from our sin and receive us again into your household, that we might nevermore stray from your love but always remain within the sound of your voice.**

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon and Comfort

Romans 8:1

Minister: There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

*Song of Renewal

The Love of Christ Is Rich and Free

The love of Christ is rich and free;
Fixed on His own eternally;
Nor earth, nor hell, can it remove;
Long as He lives, His own He'll love.

His loving heart engaged to be
Their everlasting Surety;
'Twas love that took their cause in hand,
And love maintains it to the end.

Chorus: Love cannot from its post withdraw;
Nor death, nor hell, nor sin, nor law,
Can turn the Surety's heart away;
He'll love His own to endless day.

Love has redeemed His sheep with blood;
And love will bring them safe to God;
Love calls them all from death to life;
And love will finish all their strife.

He loves through every changing scene,
Nor aught from Him can Zion wean;
Not all the wanderings of her heart
Can make His love for her depart.

(Repeat chorus)

At death, beyond the grave, He'll love;
In endless bliss, His own shall prove
The blazing glory of that love
Which never could from them remove.
Which never could from them remove.

Words by William Gadsby; Music by Sandra McCracken

***Scripture Reading**

Dr. and Dr. Carter King

Isaiah 35:1-10

Luke 7:18-23

Reader: The Word of the Lord!

People: **Thanks be to God!**

**Prayers for Redeemer Church,
San Antonio and the World**

Mr. Eggar

***The Greeting of Peace**

Children, ages **three through five**, are dismissed through the rear door and into the cafeteria for to *TRAINING IN THE PEWS*. After the sermon, parents will meet their children in the back of the auditorium so that the children can join their families for communion.

Minister: Let the peace of Christ dwell in your hearts. To this peace we are called as members of a single body. The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

The Sermon

Mr. Novak

"Is Restoration Possible?"

Luke 7:11-17

"Is Restoration Possible"

¹¹ Soon afterward he went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a great crowd went with him. ¹² As he drew near to the gate of the town, behold, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow, and a considerable crowd from the town was with her. ¹³ And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her and said to her, "Do not weep." ¹⁴ Then he came up and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, "Young man, I say to you, arise." ¹⁵ And the dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus gave him to his mother. ¹⁶ Fear seized them all, and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has arisen among us!" and "God has visited his people!" ¹⁷ And this report about him spread through the whole of Judea and all the surrounding country. **Luke 7:11-17**

A Word About Communion at Redeemer:

This is a time for all people to seek the Lord. For Christians, Communion (also called The Lord’s Supper or The Eucharist, which means ‘thanksgiving’) is a time to meet with their Savior by faith, to be strengthened and renewed by Him as they partake of the elements. All baptized Christians who trust in Christ alone as their Savior and Lord, belong to a church that embraces the gospel, are at peace with their fellow neighbor, and seek strength and grace to live more faithfully to Christ, are invited to participate. If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer and to consider more deeply your relationship to Jesus Christ. We also ask that children who have not yet publicly professed their faith in Christ refrain from partaking until doing so.

The Great Thanksgiving

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks to our Lord God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Minister: It is indeed good, right, and our delight that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and singing:

All:

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly, Ho-ly is the Lord. — Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly,
 Ho-ly is the Lord. Ho-ly is the Fa - ther, Ho-ly is the Son,
 Ho-ly is the Spir - it; Bless-ed Three in One. Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly,
 Ho-ly is the Lord. — Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly, Ho-ly is the Lord.

Music by Franz Schubert; Arranged by Tom Fettke

Prayer of Consecration

Words of Institution

Minister: Let us proclaim the mystery of the faith:

All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again! Hallelujah!

Minister: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Holy Communion

Upon usher's direction, starting front to back, please exit and form a line in front of your section. Return to your seat using the opposite aisle from which you exited. After partaking, place your cup in the baskets provided on the aisles. Please use our communion time to sing and/or meditate as communion is being served.

During the distribution of the elements, an elder or pastor of Redeemer is available to pray with you at the rear of the auditorium if you so desire.

Prayers for Those Not Communing

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth and the life. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding for you that is coherent, convincing, and leads to the life that you promise. Amen. **Prayer of Searching for Truth**

Lord, Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared to hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my savior. Amen. **Prayer of Believing on Jesus**

Lord, Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my needs, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely to me, and run with perseverance the race that you have set before me, looking only to you, the pioneer and champion of my faith. Amen. **Prayer of Struggling Against Sin**

Songs of Communion

My Jesus, I Love Thee

1. My Je - sus, I love___ thee, I know thou art mine; for
2. I love thee be - cause___ thou hast first lov - ed me. and
3. I'll love thee in life,___ I will love thee in death; and
4. In man - sions of glo - ry and end - less de - light, I'll

thee all the fol - lies of sin I re - sign. My
pur - chased my par - don on Cal - va - ry's tree. I
praise thee as long___ as thou lend - est me breath; and
ev - er a - dore___ thee in heav - en so bright; I'll

gra - cious Re - deem - er, my Sav - ior art thou;___ if
love thee for wear - ing the thorns on thy brow;___ if
say, when the death - dew lies cold___ on my brow;___ if
sing with the glit - ter - ing crown on my brow;___ if

ev - er I loved___ thee, my Je - sus, 'tis now.
ev - er I loved___ thee, my Je - sus, 'tis now.
ev - er I loved___ thee, my Je - sus, 'tis now.
ev - er I loved___ thee, my Je - sus, 'tis now.

Words by William R. Feathersone; Music by Adoniram J. Gordon

Like a River Glorious

1. Like a riv - er glo - rious is God's per - fect peace,
2. Hid - den in the hol - low of his bless - ed hand,
3. Ev - 'ry joy or tri - al fall - eth from a - bove,

o - ver all vic - to - rious in its bright in - crease;
nev - er foe can fol - low, nev - er trai - tor stand;
traced up - on our di - al by the Sun of Love.

per - fect, yet it flow - eth full - er ev - 'ry day,
not a surge of wor - ry, not a shade of care,
We may trust him ful - ly all for us to do;

per - fect, yet it grow - eth deep - er all the way.
not a blast of hu - ry, touch the spir - it there.
they who trust him whol - ly find him whol - ly true.

Stayed up - on Je - ho - vah, hearts are ful - ly blest,
find - ing, as he prom - ised, per - fect peace and rest.

Words by Frances R. Havergal; Music by James Mountain

O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free;
Rolling as a mighty ocean in its fullness over me.
Underneath me, all around me, is the current of thy love;
Leading onward, leading homeward, to thy glorious rest above.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Spread his praise from shore to shore;
How he loveth, ever loveth, changeth never, nevermore;
How he watches o'er his loved ones, died to call them all his own;
How for them he intercedeth, watcheth o'er them from the throne.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Love of ev'ry love the best:
'Tis an ocean vast of blessing, 'tis a haven sweet of rest.
O the deep, deep love of Jesus! 'Tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me;
And it lifts me up to glory, for it lifts me up to thee.

Words by Samuel Trevor Francis; music by Thomas John Williams

The Offering

Hymn of Blessing

Jesus Lives, and So Shall I



1. Je - sus lives, and so shall I. Death! thy sting is gone for - ev - er!
2. Je - sus lives and reigns su-preme; and, his king-dom still re-main - ing,
3. Je - sus lives, and by his grace, vic - t'ry o'er my pas-sions giv - ing,
4. Je - sus lives! I know full well naught from him my heart can sev - er,
5. Je - sus lives and death is now but my en-trance in - to glo - ry.



He who deigned for me to die, lives, the bands of death to sev - er.
I shall al - so be with him, ev - er liv - ing, ev - er reign - ing.
I will cleanse my heart and ways, ev - er to his glo - ry liv - ing.
life nor death nor pow'rs of hell, joy nor grief, hence forth for - ev - er.
Cour-age, then, my soul, for thou hast a crown of life be-fore thee;



He shall raise me from the dust: Je - sus is my hope and trust.
God has prom-ised; be it must: Je - sus is my hope and trust.
Me he rais - es from the dust: Je - sus is my hope and trust.
None of all his saints is lost: Je - sus is my hope and trust.
thou shalt find thy hopes were just: Je - sus is the Chris-tian's trust.

Words by Christian F. Gellert; Music by Johann Cruger

***Benediction**

Mr. Eggar

Minister: May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

Postlude

**The Congregation Stands*

*Senior Pastor: Rev. Thomas C. Gibbs
Associate Pastor: Rev. Brandon S. Eggar
Assistant Pastor: Rev. Victor R. Martinez
Director of Music Ministries: Dr. Brent M. Watkins*

*Musicians: Jessica Mackey, piano;
Jonathan Card, guitar; Jim Dante, flute; Becca Shudak, cello;
Song Leader: Jonathan Card, Sarah Gill*

*(Music printed by permission: CCLI # 2357621)
Scripture quotations are from The Holy Bible, English Standard Version, copyright © 2001 by Crossway Bibles,
a division of Good News Publishers. Used by permission. All rights reserved.*

Making Contact

Administrative.....Harriet Peavy, Sarah Gill , 930-4480
Book Table/ Media Brandon Eggar 930-4480
Children's Ministries.....Jill Higey, 930-4480
Clerk of the Session.....Brandon Eggar, 930-4480
Community Life & MembershipBrandon Eggar, 930-4480
Financial (church)..... Bob George, 822- 2016
Local Missions..... Victor Martinez, 930-4480
Men's Ministries..... Henry Sauer, 310-6542, John Browning, (713) 560-6211
Mercy/ Financial Aid.....Wes Bright, 826-3100
Mission, Cultural Engagement & OutreachVictor Martinez, 930-4480
Music Ministry.....Brent Watkins, 785-0912
Pastoral Care.....Tom Gibbs, 930-4480
Reformed University Fellowship (RUF).....Michael Novak, 930-4480
Training in the Pews.....Ralph and Debbie Shay, 488-2561
Usher/ Greeter Coordination.....Wes Bright, 826-3100
Women's Ministries.....Ann Bingham, 930-4503; Tara Gibbs, 930-4974
World Missions.....Elizabeth Bright, 995-3600
Worship/ Event Assistance.....Ken Harrison, 828-8864
Young Professionals Community.....Brandon Eggar, 930-4480
YouthMatthew Beham, 930-4480
Redeemer Prayer Requests.....930-4480, ext. 330

Redeemer Presbyterian Church
3737 Broadway, Suite 300 ~ San Antonio, TX 78209
210-930-4480 ~ fax: 210-930-4481 ~ www.redeemersa.org

Serving Today

Worship Set-up/Take Down: Brian Casey, Charlie Hargis, David Dillon, Chris Mann, Jonathan Briggs
Greeters: Wes Bright, Barry & Rhonda Laxton, Annie Mays, Chris & Erin Specia, Ned Hodge
Communion Set-up/Take Down: Bekah Stolhandske, Sarah Ames, Terry George
Nursery Set-up/Take Down: Jason Higey, Jordan McVicar
Nursery Greeter: Elizabeth Berenguer
Itty Bitty Babies: Cristian & Meredith Moza **Crawlers:** Edward & Cristina Fransens
Younger Toddlers: Elgin & Carole Wong; **Older Toddlers:** Curtis & Marian Castleberry
Youth Nursery Helpers: Anna Catherine Gibbs, Gunnar Stolhandske
Training in the Pews: Diane Deng, John Hairston
Cookies: Carole Wong, Ginny Glass, Rachel Pomeroy

Serving Next Week

Worship Set-up/Take Down: Brian Casey, Larry Watford, Cristian Moza, Curtis Castleberry, Jonathan Briggs
Greeters: Wes Bright, Duncan & Grace Vise, Jeff & Sara Brouillard, Chris & Samantha Mann, Josh Alley
Communion Set-up/Take Down: Ann Bingham, Liz Goedecke, Terry George
Nursery Set-up/Take Down: Jason Higey, James & Annie Camacho
Nursery Greeter: Meredith Moza
Itty Bitty Babies: Jeremy & Angel Whitley; **Crawlers:** Craig & Liz Goedecke
Younger Toddlers: Chris & April Duvall; **Older Toddlers:** Toby & Krisanne Stolhandske
Youth Nursery Helpers: Margaret Fitch, Daria Galbraith
Training in the Pews: Tobin & Gina Walker, Bo & Bonnie Hannah, James & Andrew Laxton
Cookies: Rachel Pomeroy, Lauren Browning

Redeemer Staff

Tom Gibbs, Senior Pastor
Brandon Eggar, Associate Pastor
Victor Martinez, Assistant Pastor
Michael Novak, RUF Pastor at Trinity
Brent Watkins, Music Ministries Director
Jill Higey, Children's Ministries Director
Matt Beham, Youth Director
Harriet Peavy, Office Administrator
Sarah Gill, Assistant Administrator

Session

Josh Alley, RE
Brandon Eggar, TE, Clerk
Tom Gibbs, TE, Moderator
Jeff Judson, RE
Jason Register, RE

Diaconate

Wes Bright, Chairman
Ken Harrison
Henry Sauer
Jeremy Whitley

Stewardship Corner

Actual Giving (YTD)	\$431,490
Budgeted Expenses (YTD)	\$548,752
Actual Expenses (YTD)	\$554,230
Actual Ahead (Behind)	(\$122,740)

YTD includes all activity for the fiscal year, which begins January 1.

For Your Information ...

Redeemer Presbyterian Church is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA) and a member of South Texas Presbytery. For more information about Redeemer Church visit: www.redeemersa.org. For more information about the Presbyterian Church in America visit: www.pcanet.org.

Guests! We are especially glad that you have chosen to worship with us this morning. It is our hope that worship is an encouragement to you and that you will have opportunity to return soon. Give us an opportunity to meet you today and introduce ourselves by staying around for coffee in the foyer after the service. Also, please assist us by **filling out the Guest Pad** when it is passed during worship.

Welcome Station: Located in the foyer, our Welcome Station is designed to assist you in understanding the ministry of Redeemer. Please help yourself to the Continuing Vision of Redeemer Presbyterian Church document, our newsletter, the Kerygma (pronounced ke-rîg'me), and other materials.

Pastor's Forum: This is an opportunity to ask the pastor questions regarding the sermon, about Redeemer Presbyterian Church and the PCA, as well as other questions concerning the Christian life. Will resume in the fall.

Community Groups: Community Groups are fellowships of twelve to twenty people meeting every other week in homes throughout San Antonio. They are the first place where we hope our people turn for applying the gospel to their lives. To find a Community Group, please contact Brandon Eggar at 930-4480, or visit our website, www.redeemersa.org, under Ministries, then Community Groups, to find information on locations and leaders and fill out the online registration form.

Sunday Schedule

9:15-9:25 a.m. **Prayer**

9:30-10:55 a.m. **Worship**

Nurseries

Redeemer offers fully staffed nurseries for children ages 3 months to 3 years of age. Redeemer encourages parents to utilize our *Training in the Pews* children's worship time in the cafeteria during each service to better prepare your children, ages 3-5, for worship. All nurseries are at the East end of Edison High School. Room numbers are listed below.

1116—Nursing Mothers

1119—Itty Bitty Babies: 3-7 mos.

1119—Crawlers: 8-12 mos.

1113—Cruisers & Climbers: 13-18 mos.

1120—Younger Toddler: 19-27 mos.

1122—Older Toddler: 28–36 mos.

Cafeteria—Training the Pews: 3-5 yrs.

Christian Education

Christian Education will resume in the Fall.

Please use this extra hour to serve the people of Redeemer, both new and familiar, and your neighbors by exercising Christian hospitality through sharing a meal together.