

July 29, 2007

For Your Information ...

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 purple guest packets, the Kerygma, our newsletter pronounced ke-rig'me, and other materials.

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.

Community Groups: Community Groups are small fellowships of six to twelve people meeting every other week in homes, apartments and restaurants throughout San Antonio. They are the first place where we hope our people turn for applying the gospel to their lives. To find out how you can join a community group, please contact the church office at 930-4480 or a community group leader identified on the Making Contact page in the bulletin.

Book Table: The books found here are designed to assist you in understanding the Christian life. If you want to purchase a book, please fill out the appropriate form with money enclosed. Sermon CDs are also available; simply sign up at the table. Make all checks payable to Redeemer Presbyterian Church.

Sunday Schedule

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

9:30-10:45 a.m. **Worship**

Nurseries

Redeemer offers fully staffed nurseries for children ages newborn to 3 years of age. Redeemer encourages parents to utilize our *Training in the Pews* children's worship time during each service to better prepare your children, ages 3-5, for worship. All nurseries are at the Northeast end of the McAllister Fine Arts Center. (See map at **Welcome Station**.)

Infants I: newborn – 9 months

Infants II: 10 – 18 months

Toddlers: 19 months – 3 years

Training the Pews: 3 - 5 years

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.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Redeemer Presbyterian Church

July 29, 2007

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Reflection & Preparation

“We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a polluted garment. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.” Isaiah 64:6

"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it." Matthew 13:44-46

“In the process of reevaluation [Paul] perceived with horror that the things he had hitherto viewed as benefiting him had in reality been working to destroy him because they were blinding him to his need for the real righteousness which God required.”
Gerald Hawthorne

“I had greatly longed to understand Paul’s letter to the Romans and nothing stood in the way but that one expression, ‘the righteousness of God’, because I took it to mean that righteousness whereby God is righteous and acts righteously in punishing the unrighteous....Night and day I pondered until....I grasped the truth that the righteousness of God is that righteousness whereby, through grace and sheer mercy, he justifies us by faith. Thereupon I felt myself to be reborn and to have gone through open doors into paradise. The whole of scripture took on a new meaning, and whereas before ‘the righteousness of God’ had filled me with hate, now it became to me inexpressibly sweet in greater love.” Martin Luther

Welcome and Announcements

The Rev. Brandon S. Eggar

Prelude

Call to Worship

The Rev. Thomas C. Gibbs

Minister: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

People: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

Minister: Bless the Lord, O my soul!

*Hymn of Adoration

All Creatures of our God and King

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'All Creatures of our God and King'. It is written in G major (one sharp) and 3/4 time. The score consists of five staves of music with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are arranged in five columns, corresponding to the five verses of the hymn. The music is written in a simple, melodic style with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#).

1. All crea-tures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us
2. Thou rush-ing wind that art so strong, ye clouds that sail in heav'n a -
3. Thou glow-ing wa - ter, pure and clear, make mu - sic for thy Lord to
4. And all ye men of ten-der heart, for - giv - ing oth - ers, take your
5. Let all things their Cre - a - tor bless, and wor - ship him in hum-ble -

sing al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Thou
long, O — praise him, al - le - lu - ia! Thou
hear, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Thou
part, O — sing ye, al - le - lu - ia! Ye
ness, O praise him, al - le - lu - ia! Praise,

burn-ing sun with gold - en beam, thou sil - ver moon with soft - er
ris - ing morn in praise re - joice, ye lights of eve-ning, find a
fire so mas - ter - ful and bright, that giv - est man both warmth and
who long pain and sor - row bear, praise God and on him cast your
praise the Fa - ther, praise the Son, and priase the Spir - it, three in

gleam, O — praise him, O — praise him, al - le -
voice,
light,
care,
one,

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Words by Francis of Assisi; Tune: Lasst Uns Erfreuen

***Prayer of Invocation**

Mr. Gibbs

***Affirmation of Faith**

The Westminster Shorter Catechism Q/A #33, 34 & 35

Minister: What is justification?

All: Justification is an act of God's free grace, wherein he pardons all our sins, and accepts us as righteous in his sight, only for the righteousness of Christ imputed to us, and received by faith alone.

Minister: What is adoption?

All: Adoption is an act of God's free grace, whereby we are received into the number, and have a right to all the privileges of the sons of God.


Minister: What is sanctification?

All: Sanctification is the work of God's free grace, whereby we are renewed in the whole man after the image of God, and are enabled more and more to die unto sin, and live unto righteousness.

† The Westminster Shorter Catechism, along with the Westminster Confession of Faith and the Westminster Larger Catechism, serve together as the statement of faith for Redeemer Presbyterian Church and the PCA. Formulated in the 17th century England, they are a second level of authority under the Scriptures and serve to explain the system of doctrine revealed in the Bible.

*Gloria Patri

Gloria Patri



Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly
Ghost; as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be,
world with - out end. A - men, a - men.

Music by Charles Meineke

Scripture Warning

1 John 1:6, 8, 10

Minister: If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

Public Confession

Minister: Let us confess our sins together.

All: O most great, just and gracious God. You condemn the ungodly, but you have promised mercy through Jesus Christ. We confess that we have all sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. We have dishonored and neglected those around us. We have dealt unjustly and uncharitably with our neighbors. We have run into temptations, and the sin, which we should have hated. We are careless, ignorant, rash and presumptuous against your commands, promises, threats, mercies and judgments. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father. Be reconciled to us, and let the blood of Jesus Christ cleanse us from all our sins. Amen.

Adapted from Richard Baxter's The Savoy Liturgy (1661)

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon and Comfort

Titus 3:3-5

Minister: For we ourselves were once foolish, disobedient, led astray, slaves to various passions and pleasures, passing our days in malice and envy, hated by others and hating one another. But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit.

*Song of Renewal

I Will Glory in My Redeemer

I will glory in my Redeemer whose priceless blood has ransomed me.
Mine was the sin that drove the bitter nails and hung Him on that judgment tree.
I will glory in my Redeemer who crushed the power of sin and death.
My only Savior before the holy Judge, the Lamb who is my righteousness,
The Lamb who is my righteousness.

I will glory in my Redeemer. My life He bought; my love He owns.
I have no longings for another; I'm satisfied in Him alone.
I will glory in my Redeemer; His faithfulness my standing place.
Though foes are mighty and rush upon me, my feet are firm, held by His grace.
My feet are firm, held by His grace.

I will glory in my Redeemer who carries me on eagles' wings.
He crowns my life with lovingkindness; His triumph song I'll ever sing.
I will glory in my Redeemer who waits for me at gates of gold.
And when He calls me, it will be paradise; His face forever to behold.
His face forever to behold
His face forever to behold.

Words and music by Steve and Vikki Cook

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Harrison Downes Chaney
Covenant Child of Greg and Rachel Chaney

Extending the Kingdom

Mrs. Jill Higey
Children's Ministries Coordinator
Redeemer Presbyterian Church

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

Mr. Gibbs

***The Greeting of Peace**

Children, ages **three through five**, are dismissed through the side door to your right when facing the stage to *TRAINING IN THE PEWS*.

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. Gibbs

"Salvation Now"

Two Part Series: Salvation Now and Not Yet

Philippians 3:-1-11

Preparation for Communion

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 eat bread and drink wine. 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 to 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:



Two staves of musical notation in 4/4 time. The first staff contains the lyrics: "Ho - ly is God, the Lord of Sa-ba-oth! Ho - ly is God, the Lord of Sa-ba-oth!". The second staff contains the lyrics: "Ho - ly is God, the Lord of Sa-ba-oth! Be - hold, His glo-ry fill-eth all the earth!". The music is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#).

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

Starting with the two front outer sections by rows, please form one line on the outer half of each center aisle. Upon approaching the front, please form a line in front of the first row of chairs of each outer section. After the two outer sections have partaken, the front center section should proceed. If seated in the back center section, please exit your row toward the left, form a line in front of the first row of chairs in the back center section, partake from those serving in the center cross-aisle, and then return to your row from the right side. Redeemer serves wine for communion. The center cup and inner circle of the tray contain grape juice for those desiring it. After partaking, place your cup in the baskets provided on the aisles and return to your seat. Please use the remaining time to sing and/or meditate as communion is being served.

Prayers for Those Not Communing

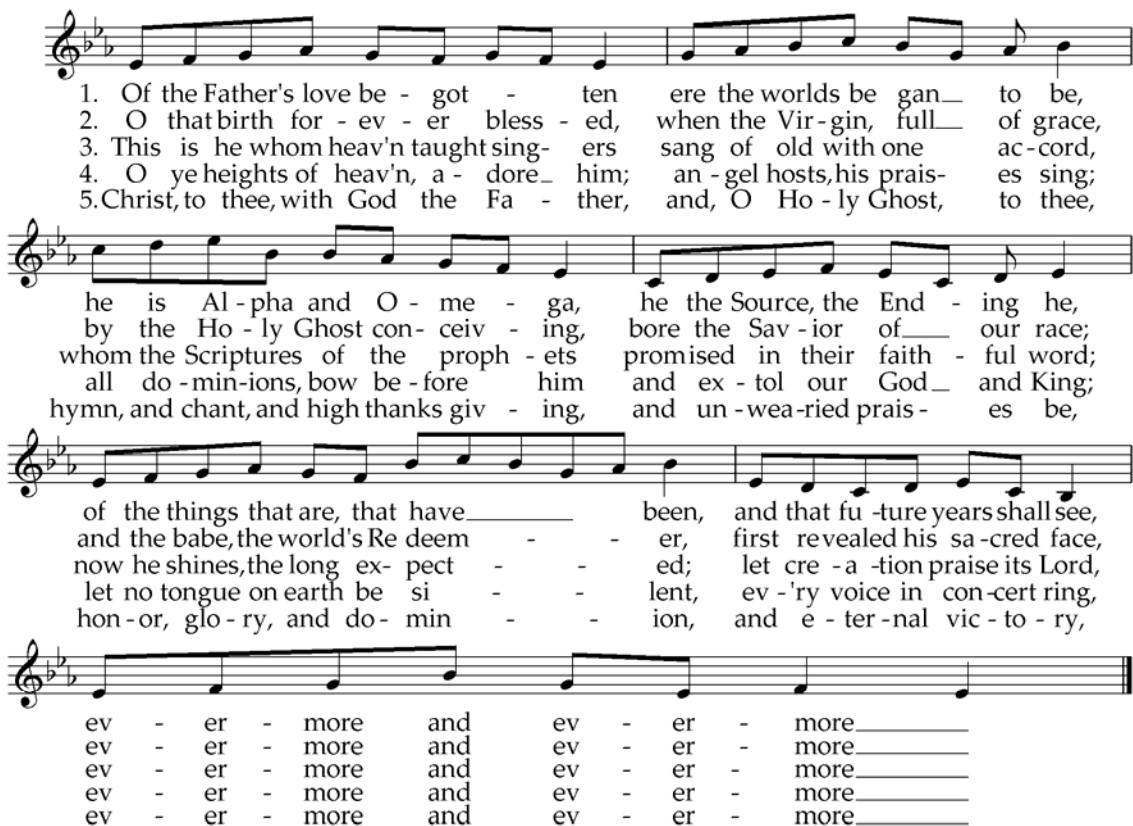
Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth and the life. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding for you that is coherent,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

Of The Father's Love Begotten



1. Of the Father's love be - got - ten ere the worlds be gan_ to be,
2. O that birth for - ev - er bless - ed, when the Vir - gin, full_ of grace,
3. This is he whom heav'n taught sing - ers sang of old with one ac - cord,
4. O ye heights of heav'n, a - dore_ him; an - gel hosts, his prais - es sing;
5. Christ, to thee, with God the Fa - ther, and, O Ho - ly Ghost, to thee,

he is Al - pha and O - me - ga, he the Source, the End - ing he,
by the Ho - ly Ghost con - ceiv - ing, bore the Sav - ior of_ our race;
whom the Scriptures of the proph - ets promised in their faith - ful word;
all do - min - ions, bow be - fore him and ex - tol our God_ and King;
hymn, and chant, and high thanks giv - ing, and un - wea - ried prais - es be,

of the things that are, that have_ been, and that fu - ture years shall see,
and the babe, the world's Re deem - er, first revealed his sa - cred face,
now he shines, the long ex - pect - ed; let cre - a - tion praise its Lord,
let no tongue on earth be si - lent, ev - 'ry voice in con - cert ring,
hon - or, glo - ry, and do - min - ion, and e - ter - nal vic - to - ry,

ev - er - more and ev - er - more_____
ev - er - more and ev - er - more_____
ev - er - more and ev - er - more_____
ev - er - more and ev - er - more_____
ev - er - more and ev - er - more_____

Words by Aurelius Prudentius; Music from the 12th Century (Plainchant)

Be Thou My Vision

1. Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
2. Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;
3. Rich - es I heed not, nor man's emp - ty praise;
4. High king of heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,

naught be all else to me, save that thou art;
I ev - er with thee and thou with me Lord;
thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:
may I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!

thou my best thought by day or by night,
thou my great Fa - ther, I thy true son;
thou and thou on - ly, first in my heart,
Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
thou in me dwell - ing, and I with thee one.
High King of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Words from and Ancient Irish Poem (ca. 8th cent.); Traditional Irish Melody

Come, Ye Sinners

Come, ye sinners, poor and wretched, weak and wounded, sick and sore;
Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity joined with pow'r.
He is able, He is able; He is willing; doubt no more.

Come, ye needy, come and welcome, God's free bounty glorify;
True belief and true repentance, ev'ry grace that brings you nigh,
Without money, without money, come to Jesus Christ and buy.

Come, ye weary, heavy laden, bruised and broken by the fall;
If you tarry 'til you're better, you will never come at all:
Not the righteous, not the righteous, sinners Jesus came to call.

Let not conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream;
All the fitness He requireth is to feel your need of Him;
This He gives you, this He gives you. 'Tis the Spirit's rising beam.

Lo! th' incarnate God, ascended, pleads the merit of His blood.
Venture on Him, venture wholly, let no other trust intrude:
None but Jesus, none but Jesus, can do helpless sinners good
None but Jesus, none but Jesus, can do helpless sinners good

Words by Joseph Hart; Music by Matthew Smith

The Offering

Hymn of Blessing

How Firm a Foundation

1. How firm a foun - da - tion, you saints of the lord, is
2. "Fear not, I am with you, O be not dis - mayed; for
3. "When through the deep wa - ters I call you to go, the
4. "When through fi - ery tri - als your path - way shall lie, my
laid for your faith in his ex - cel - lent Word! What
I am your God, and will still give you aid; I'll
riv - ers of sor - row shall not o - ver - flow; for
grace, all - suf - fi - cient, shall be your sup - ply; the
more can he say than to you he has said, to
strength - en you, help you, and cause you to stand, up -
I will be with you, your trou - bles to bless, and
flame shall not hurt you; I on - ly de - sign your
you who for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?
held by my righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand."
sanc - ti - fy to you your deep - est dis - tress."
dross to con - sume and your gold to re - fine."

5. "E'en down to old age all my people shall prove
my sovereign, eternal, unchangeable love;
and when hoary hairs shall their temples adorn,
like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne.

6. "The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to his foes;
that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no never, no never forsake."

***Benediction**

Mr. Gibbs

Minister: May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. You may go in peace.

Postlude

**The Congregation Stands*

*Pastor: Rev. Thomas C. Gibbs
Assistant Pastor: Rev. Brandon S. Eggar
RUF Campus Minister: Rev. Justin G. Clement*

*Musicians: Brent Watkins, piano
Patrick Shay, trumpet; Michael Shay, trombone
James Romig, french horn; Zach Ellis, bass
Song Leaders: Jennifer Romig, Carrie Alley*

(Music printed by permission: CCLI # 2357621)

REDEEMER Highlights July 29, 2007

This Week

- Tuesday 9:30- 11:30 a.m. **Redeemer Park Day:** Informal play and fellowship at Brackenridge Park, behind the Witte Museum. Call Elizabeth Clement at 530-0522.
- Thursday 6:30-8 p.m. **Youth Bible Study:** We'll meet for snacks, fun, and fellowship. Location TBA. If you have any questions, call Matt at (832) 298-7557. Friends are welcome!
- Friday 6:30 p.m. **RUF Summer Bible Study:** All college students living in San Antonio this summer are invited to attend. The weekly Bible study, with dinner to follow will take place at 1120 Fulton Avenue. Call Justin for more info 267-7884.

Upcoming Events

- August 10-11 **Intro to Redeemer Membership Class:** On Friday evening, August 10, and Saturday morning, August 11, Redeemer will hold its membership class. Call 930-4480 to sign up.
- August 19 5- 7:30 p.m. **Redeemer in the Park:** Redeemer will kick off the fall with a Sunday evening on the grounds of San Pedro Park. See bulletin flyer for info and map.

Making Contact

Administrative.....Harriet Peavy; Carri Jobe 930-4480
Book Table/ Media Brandon Eggar 930-4480
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Community Life & Outreach..... Brandon Eggar 930-4480
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Local and World Missions..... John Fitch 824-5973
Men's Ministries.....Jeff Judson 822-1292
Mercy/ Financial Aid.....Jake Gray 884-4729
Music Ministry..... Brent Watkins 785-0912
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Serving Today

Infants I (9:30): Deborah Briggs
Infants II (9:30): Rhonda Laxton
Toddlers (9:30): Justin and Elizabeth Clement, Trisha Hadler
Training in the Pews: Will and Carter Greendyke
Greeters: Steve and Carolyn Browne, Roger and Jessica Castano, Quincy and Anne Davidson
Worship Set-up/Take Down: Jason Smith, Greg Chaney, Dan Whyte, Jason Register, Jonathan Briggs
Communion Set-up/Take Down: Linda Struble, Cara McVicar
Nursery Set-up/Take Down: Rick Basse, Andrew Lerner
Cookies: Evie McVicar, Jillian Van Auken

Serving Next Week

Infants I (9:30): Redeemer Workers
Infants II (9:30): Rachel Hassan
Toddlers (9:30): Jake and Sharla Gray, Bob George
Training in the Pews: Jason and Kacey Register
Greeters: Merle and Linda Struble, Jason and Jennifer Smith, Henry and Mary Kessler Sauer
Worship Set-up/Take Down: Toby Stolhandske, Quincy Davidson, Jim Stokes, Ben Bingham
Communion Set-up/Take Down: Marla Smith, Barbara Harrison
Nursery Set-up/Take Down: Dan Peavy, Leah Ellis
Cookies: Connie Hendrix, Jeannie Martinez

Announcements

There is a new room for nursing mothers. It is # 103.

There will be no Christian Education today. CE will resume in the Fall.

Stewardship Corner

Actual Giving (YTD)	\$344,453
Budgeted Expenses (YTD)	\$426,560
Actual Expenses (YTD)	\$356,223
Actual Ahead (Behind)	(\$ 11,770)

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

Community Groups

Community Groups will resume in the Fall. For more information contact Brandon Eggar at 930-4480.

Sermon Notes

“Salvation Now”

¹ Finally, my brothers, rejoice in the Lord. To write the same things to you is no trouble to me and is safe for you. ² Look out for the dogs, look out for the evildoers, look out for those who mutilate the flesh. ³ For we are the circumcision, who worship by the Spirit of God and glory in Christ Jesus and put no confidence in the flesh— ⁴ though I myself have reason for confidence in the flesh also. If anyone else thinks he has reason for confidence in the flesh, I have more: ⁵ circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶ as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. ⁷ But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. ⁸ Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith— ¹⁰ that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹ that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead. **Philippians 3:1-11**