

July 4, 2010

REDEEMER Highlights.....July 4, 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.

Monday

Office Closed: In observance of Independence Day.

Upcoming Events

- July 18th 4:00 – ‘till dark **Redeemer in the Country:** Join us for a fun-filled day in the country! We'll enjoy delicious Texas BBQ, swimming, games for the whole family and a hayride for the kids! You don't want to miss this great time of fellowship at the Peavy Ranch. Cost for a meal is \$5 per person, children ages 3 and under are free. Sign up on the flyer in the bulletin or contact the office, 930-4480. This is a great opportunity to introduce friends and neighbors to the church so be sure to sign up for your guests as well.
- July 19th 11:00 a.m. **Play Group:** The Ellers will be out of town for this event so we are looking for a volunteer to help plan this play group. If you are interested please contact the office, 930-4480 or Kristen Eller, 834-8010 or email her at robandkristen@hotmail.com. Play Group meets the 1st Thursday and 3rd Monday of each month.
- August 20-21 **Intro to Redeemer:** Interested in becoming a member of Redeemer or learning more about what we believe? We will hold a membership class beginning Friday evening, August 20th and Saturday morning, August 21st. Call the office if you have any questions or would like to sign up, 930-4480.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Redeemer Presbyterian Church

July 4, 2010

Sixth 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

“...No special justification is needed for the fact that each one of us is interested in himself, but, some reason is required for our interest in another person.”

José Ortega y Gasset

“The willingness to go beyond our cultural zone and approach each other with an attitude of humility and openness will produce partners in the city.” Manuel Ortiz

“God wills a people utterly devoted. And when there is such an utterly devoted people, life is made newly possible. This is an assertion of the Gospel: God is available in the midst of despair and will override both the despair and the circumstances which generate it.” Walter Brueggemann

Welcome and Announcements

Dr. Josh Alley

Prelude

Call to Worship

The Rev. Thomas C. Gibbs

Minister: For behold, I create new heavens and a new earth, and the former things shall not be remembered or come into mind.

People: But be glad and rejoice forever in that which I create; for behold, I created Jerusalem to be a joy, and her people to be a gladness.

Minister: I will rejoice in Jerusalem and be glad in my people; no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping and the cry of distress.

***Hymn of Adoration**

Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

1. Lift up your heads, ye might - y gates! Be -
2. A help - er just he comes to thee, his
3. O blest the land, the cit - y blest, where
4. Fling wide the por - tals of your heart; make
hold, the King of glo - ry waits; the
char - iot is hu - mil - i - ty, his
Christ the Rul - er is con - fessed! O
it a tem - ple, set a - part from
King of kings is draw - ing near, the
king - ly crown is ho - li - ness, his
hap - py hearts and hap - py homes to
earth - ly use for heav'n's em - ploy, a -
Sav - ior of the world is here.
scep - ter, pi - ty in dis - tress.
whom this King in tri - umph comes!
dorned with prayer and love and joy.

5. Redeemer, come! I open wide
my heart to thee; here, Lord, abide!
Let me thy inner presence feel;
thy grace and love in me reveal.

6. So come, my Sovereign, enter in!
Let new and nobler life begin!
Thy Holy Spirit, guide us on,
until the glorious crown be won.

Words by Georg Weissel; Music from Psalmodia Evangelica

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

***Affirmation of Faith**

The Apostles' Creed¹

Minister: Christian, what do you believe?

All: I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell². The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church³, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

¹ Although not written by the apostles, the Apostles' Creed is a concise summary of their teachings. It originated in the 2nd century and developed into its present form by the 6th century.

² By referring to Jesus' descent into hell, the Christian embraces two truths. Firstly, Jesus received the full sentence of hell on behalf of his people while on the cross. Secondly, Jesus experienced the reign of death by remaining in the tomb after the crucifixion.

³ The term catholic refers to the church universal, knowing no racial, economic, geographic or language barriers.

***Song of Praise**

We Will Glorify

We will glorify the King of kings, we will glorify the Lamb;
We will glorify the Lord of lords, who is the great "I Am."

Lord Jehovah reigns in majesty, we will bow before His throne;
We will worship Him in righteousness, we will worship Him alone.

Hallelujah to the King of kings, Hallelujah to the Lamb;
Hallelujah to the Lord of lords, who is the great "I Am."

Words and music by Twila Paris

Scripture Warning

The Rev. Victor R. Martinez

Minister: Now there is great gain in godliness with contentment, for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world. But if we have food and clothing, with these we will be content. But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation, into a snare, into many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evils. It is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pangs. But as for you, O man of God, flee these things. Pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, steadfastness, gentleness. 1 Timothy 6:6-11

Public Confession

Minister: Let us confess our sins together.

All: Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in Your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon and Comfort

1 John 1:5, 9

Minister: This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

***Song of Renewal**

The Power of the Cross

Oh, to see the dawn of the darkest day
Christ on the road to Calvary,
Tried by sinful men, torn and beaten then
Nailed to a cross of wood.

chorus: This the pow'r of the cross.
Christ became sin for us,
Took the blame, bore the wrath.
We stand forgiven at the cross.

Oh, to see the pain written on Your face
Bearing the awesome weight of sin.
Ev'ry bitter thought, ev'ry evil deed
Crowning Your bloodstained brow. (chorus)

Now the daylight flees, now the ground beneath
Quakes as its maker bows his head.
Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life,
'Finished!' the vict'ry cry. (chorus)

Oh, to see my name written in the wound
For through Your suf'ring I am free.
Death is crushed to death, life is mine to live,
Won through Your selfless love.
This the pow'r of the cross,
Son of God slain for us.
What a life, what a cost,
We stand forgiven at the cross.

***Scripture Reading**

The Rev. and Mrs. Paul Ryan

Isaiah 55:1-8
Romans 13:1-7

Reader: The Word of the Lord!

People: **Thanks be to God!**

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

Mr. Gibbs

***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. Martinez

"Prospering the City, Part 2"

Jeremiah 29:7-14

“Prospering the City”

⁷ But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the Lord on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare. ⁸ For thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Do not let your prophets and your diviners who are among you deceive you, and do not listen to the dreams that they dream, ⁹ for it is a lie that they are prophesying to you in my name; I did not send them, declares the Lord. ¹⁰ “For thus says the Lord: When seventy years are completed for Babylon, I will visit you, and I will fulfill to you my promise and bring you back to this place. ¹¹ For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope. ¹² Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will hear you. ¹³ You will seek me and find me, when you seek me with all your heart. ¹⁴ I will be found by you, declares the Lord, and I will restore your fortunes and gather you from all the nations and all the places where I have driven you, declares the Lord, and I will bring you back to the place from which I sent you into exile. **Jeremiah 29: 7-14**

Prospering the City, Part 2

1. God made Babylon, too.
2. Prosperity in the Cross
3. Prospering our City

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 is the Lord of hosts;

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts! The

whole earth is full of His glo - ry, the whole earth is full of His glo - ry, the

whole earth is full of His glo - ry; Ho - ly is the Lord!

Words from Isaiah 6:3; Music by Nolene Prince

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

Ah, Holy Jesus, How Hast Thou Offended

1. Ah, ho - ly Je - sus, how hast thou of - fend - ed,
2. Who was the guilt - y who brought this up - on thee?
3. Lo, the Good Shep - herd for the sheep is of - fered;
4. For me, kind Je - sus, was thine in - car - na - tion,
5. There - fore, kind Je - sus, since I can - not pay thee,
that man to judge thee hath in hate pre - tend - ed? By foes de -
A - las, my trea - son, Je - sus, hath un - done thee. 'Twas I, Lord
the slave hath sin - ned, and the Son hath suf - fered: for man's a -
thy mor - tal sor - row, and thy life's ob - la - tion: thy death of
I do a - dore thee, and will ev - er pray thee, think on thy
rid - ed, by thine own re - ject - ed, O most af - flict - ed.
Je - sus, I it was de - nied thee: I cru - ci - fied thee.
tone - ment, while he noth ing heed - eth, God in - ter - ced - eth.
an - guish and thy bit - ter pas - sion, for my sal - va - tion.
pit - y and thy love un - swerv - ing, not my de - serv - ing.

Words by Johann Heermann; Music by Johann Cruger

"You Are My All in All"

You are my strength when I am weak.
You are the treasure that I seek. You are my all in all.
Seeking you like a precious jewel, Lord, to give up I'd be a fool.
You are my all in all.

(Chorus) Jesus, Lamb of God, holy is your name. (2x)

Taking my cross, my sin, my shame;
Rising again I praise your name. You are my all in all.
When I fall down you pick me up. When I run dry you fill my cup.
You are my all in all.

Words and music by Dennis Jernigan

"The Church's One Foundation"

The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord;
She is His new creation by water and the Word.
From heav'n He came and sought her to be His holy bride;
With His own blood He bought her, and for her life He died.

Elect from ev'ry nation, yet one o'er all the earth,
Her charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth.
One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses, with ev'ry grace endued.

Though with a scornful wonder men see her sore oppressed,
By schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed,
Yet saints their watch are keeping; their cry goes up, "How long?"
And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.

The church shall never perish, her dear Lord to defend,
To guide, sustain and cherish, is with her to the end;
Though there be those that hate her, and false sons in her pale,
Against a foe or traitor she ever shall prevail.

'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation of peace forevermore;
'Til with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest,
And the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we,
Like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell...
That they may dwell, that we may dwell with Thee.

Words by Samuel Stone; music by Brian Moss

The Offering

Hymn of Blessing

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

1. All Hail the Pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let An - gels pros - trate
2. Ye seed of Is - rael's cho - sen race, ye ran - somed of the
3. Let ev - 'ry kin - dred, ev - 'ry tribe on this terr - es - trial
4. O that with yo - nder sa - cred throng we at his feet may
fall; bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and crown him
fall, hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him
ball, to him all ma - je - sty - a - scribe, and crown him
fall; we'll join the e - ver - la - sting song, and crown him
Lord of all; bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and
Lord of all; hail him who saves you by his grace, and
Lord of all; to him all ma - je - sty - a - scribe, and
Lord of all; we'll join the e - ver - la - sting song, and
crown him Lord of all!
crown him Lord of all!
crown him Lord of all!
crown him Lord of all!

Words by Edward Perronet, John Rippon; Music by Oliver Holden

***Benediction**

Mr. Martinez

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: Brent Watkins, piano;
Jonathan Card, guitar; Jim Dante, flute; Michael Shay, trombone
Song Leader: Jonathan Card, Jennifer Smith*

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Serving Today

Worship Set-up/Take Down: Brian Casey, Manny Alaniz, Aaron Harding, Ben Cairns, Jonathan Briggs
Greeters: Wes Bright, Don & Connie Hendrix, Chris & Becky McMains, Cristian & Meredith Moza, Laura Kaupp
Communion Set-up/Take Down: Haley Beham, Elizabeth Conner, Terry George
Nursery Set-up/Take Down: Jason Higey, Kent Harbaugh, Paul Ryan
Nursery Greeter: Trisha Hadler
Itty Bitty Babies: Ruth Anderson, Kent Harbaugh *Crawlers:* Sandy Alaniz, Heather Card
Younger Toddlers: Jacob & Sharla Gray; *Older Toddlers:* Jeannie & Gabby Martinez
Youth Nursery Helpers: Lisa Basse, Julianna Dante
Training in the Pews: Ben & Ann Bingham, Bonnie Anderson, Sevee Alaniz
Cookies: Ann Bingham, Linda Zeigler

Serving Next Week

Worship Set-up/Take Down: Brian Casey, Mike Davis, Brendan Farrell, Carter King, Jonathan Briggs
Greeters: Wes Bright, James & Annie Camacho, Micah & Julie Yoder, Elgin & Carole Wong, Kendall Proctor
Communion Set-up/Take Down: Cara McVicar, Tiffany Drewa, Terry George
Nursery Set-up/Take Down: Jason Higey, Nathan Anderson, Anna Sharp
Nursery Greeter: Jill Higey
Itty Bitty Babies: Duncan & Grace Vise; *Crawlers:* Larry & Sarah Watford
Younger Toddlers: Jeff & Margaret Judson; *Older Toddlers:* Jessica & Nicole Castano
Youth Nursery Helpers: Kitt Faucett, Anna Louise Judson
Training in the Pews: Dean & Laura Hobbs, Joao & Paula Chaves, Caleb Martinez
Cookies: Debra Wagner, Priscilla Bameson

Redeemer Staff

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Session

Josh Alley, RE
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Diaconate

Wes Bright, Chairman
Ken Harrison
Henry Sauer
Jeremy Whitley

Stewardship Corner

Actual Giving (YTD)	\$402,412
Budgeted Expenses (YTD)	\$510,201
Actual Expenses (YTD)	\$518,390
Actual Ahead (Behind)	(\$115,978)

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.