



REDEEMER CHURCH

———— BANGALORE ————

Sunday, May 25, 2025

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Saviour; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to all who will come, this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Welcome

Welcome to Redeemer Church! We are so glad you can be with us here today. We are thrilled to see God build this local church body for the furthering of His Kingdom in the neighbourhoods of North Bangalore and beyond. We know visiting a church can lead to a lot of questions and we'd love to help you find answers. Our website, redeemberbangalore.com, has details about our beliefs, vision and values. Check it out for more information about Redeemer Church, and chat with one of the elders if you have more questions.

About Our Worship Service

Our liturgy (i.e., worship service) follows the logic of the gospel and the historic pattern of God's covenant people. The main movements are as follows:

- Calling* - God takes the initiative, moves toward us with grace, and invites us to worship him.
- Cleansing* - God reminds us that we are forgiven in Christ and loved as his children.
- Communion* - God nurtures us through his Word and invites us to His table to partake of his grace.
- Commission* - God blesses us and sends us out into His world as His ambassadors.

We realise that the flow and content of the service may be unfamiliar, so we've included a few notes under each element that offer some explanation. Feel free to participate actively or to just listen and observe.

Please feel free to take this worship guide with you to use for personal worship and devotional time throughout the week.

Reflection

Take a moment to pause and prepare your hearts for the service.

“I think we delight to praise what we enjoy because the praise not merely expresses but completes the enjoyment; it is its appointed consummation.”

— C.S. Lewis

“Lament isn’t the opposite of praise. Lament is a path to praise...”

— Julius Kim

“We praise [God] for what He has done... But even more... we are to praise Him for who He is.”

— Robert Godfrey

“In gathered worship, as nowhere else, we experience the power of the risen Jesus freeing us from the idolatries that gnaw at us.”

— Ray Ortlund

Please silence your phone before our worship service begins. Thank you.

Welcome & Announcements

Song of Preparation

The music team helps the congregation prepare their hearts to meet and be met by God, their Creator and Redeemer.

Be Still and Know

Be still my soul
Be still and know that He is God
Rest quietly
Rest in His loving arms, for

Be still my soul
Be still and listen for His voice
Rest in His peace
Knowing how much He cares, for

*He is watching over you
Ever faithful, ever true
So be still my soul
Be still and know that He is God*

THE LORD CALLS US

Call to Worship - from Psalm 63

God invites and calls us to worship Him; we respond to His invitation.

Minister: You, God, are my God; earnestly I seek you.

People: Because your love is better than life, my lips will glorify you.

Minister: I will praise you as long as I live, and in your name I will lift up my hands.

People: I will be fully satisfied as with the riches of foods; with singing lips my mouth will praise you.

Songs of Adoration

We sing praises to God and proclaim through song the good news of who God is and what He has done in Jesus' life, death, and resurrection.

Behold Our God

Who has held the oceans in His hands?
Who has numbered every grain of sand?
Kings and nations tremble at His voice
All creation rises to rejoice

*Behold our God, seated on His throne
Come, let us adore Him!
Behold our King, nothing can compare
Come, let us adore Him!*

Who has given counsel to the Lord?
Who can question any of His words?
Who can teach the One
Who knows all things?
Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds?

Who has felt the nails upon His hands?
Bearing all the guilt of sinful man
God eternal, humbled to the grave
Jesus, Saviour, risen now to reign!

You will reign forever!
(Let Your glory fill the earth)

Prayer of Adoration

This is a prayer of praise and adoration for who God is. It focuses on the glory and honor of our great and mighty God, but also asks God to help us worship Him.

All People that on Earth do Dwell

All people that on earth do dwell
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice
Him serve with fear, His praise forth tell
Come ye before Him and rejoice

To Father, Son and Holy Ghost
The God whom Heaven and earth adore
From men and from the angel host
Be praise and glory evermore

O enter then His gates with praise
Approach with joy His courts unto
Praise, laud, and bless His name always
For it is seemly so to do

THE LORD CLEANSSES US

Public Confession of Sin

Please be seated. We humbly confess our sin, expressing our unity even in our brokenness and collective need for God's grace.

Together: O most merciful God, who pardons all who truly repent and turn to you: we humbly confess our sins. We have not loved you with a pure heart. Neither have we loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not done justly, nor loved mercy, nor walked humbly with you, our God. Have mercy upon us, O Lord, according to your loving-kindness. According to the multitude of your tender mercies, blot out our iniquity. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Cast us not away from your presence and take not your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of our salvation and uphold us with your Spirit. We ask this in Jesus name. Amen.

Private Confession of Sin

We take several moments of silence to meet with God individually, confess our sin, and seek His forgiveness and grace.

Assurance of Forgiveness - from 1 John 1:8-9

The words of assurance are declarations of God's forgiveness and redemption, spoken with joy.

Minister: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Rejoice! In Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

Together: Thanks be to God!

Affirmation of Faith - from the Westminster Shorter Catechism, Question 1 & 2

We join the church in history by confessing this basic statement of what Christians believe.

Minister: What is the chief end of man?

Together: Man's chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy him forever.

Minister: What rule hath God given to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy him?

Together: The Word of God, which is contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, is the only rule to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy him.

Song of Assurance & Offering

Please stand. As a worshipful response to the grace given to us in Jesus Christ and in obedience to the commands in Scripture, we take an offering during the worship service. This is primarily for members and regular attendees. If you are a guest today, please feel no obligation to give.

The Goodness of Jesus

Come you weary heart now to Jesus
Come you anxious soul now and see
There is perfect love and
Comfort in your tears
Rest here in His wondrous peace

Come find what this world cannot offer
Come and find your joy here complete
Taste the living water
Never thirst again
Rest here in His wondrous peace

*Oh the goodness, the goodness of Jesus
Satisfied, He is all that I need
May it be, come what may
That I rest all my days
In the goodness of Jesus*

Come and find your hope now in Jesus
He is all He said He would be
Grace is overflowing
From the Saviour's heart
Rest here in His wondrous peace

Pastoral Prayer

Please be seated. The pastoral prayer is a prayer offered by an elder during the service of worship for, and on behalf of, the congregation. At times, a Prayer for the City will be offered by members, seeking God's mercy and blessing for our city.

THE LORD COMMUNES WITH US

The Reading of God's Word

God speaks to us by His Word.

Psalm 100

¹ Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

² Serve the Lord with gladness!

Come into his presence with singing!

³ Know that the Lord, he is God!

It is he who made us, and we are his;^[a]

we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

⁴ Enter his gates with thanksgiving,

and his courts with praise!

Give thanks to him; bless his name!

⁵ For the Lord is good;

his steadfast love endures forever,

and his faithfulness to all generations.

Sermon - Praise Yahweh!

A sermon is not just teaching for living; it is mainly a time when God encounters His people through His Word.

1. Know Your King
2. Know Your Maker
3. Know Your Shepherd

The Celebration of the Lord's Supper

God invites His people to forsake their sins and feast with Him at His table.

Song of Communion

Saviour, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

Saviour, like a shepherd lead us
Much we need Thy tender care
In Thy pleasant pastures feed us
For our use Thy folds prepare
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus
Thou hast bought us, Thine we are
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus
Thou hast bought us, Thine we are

Early let us seek Thy favour
Early let us do Thy will
Blessed Lord and only Saviour
With Thy love our bosoms fill
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus
Thou hast loved us, love us still
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus
Thou hast loved us, love us still

Thou hast promised to receive us
Poor and sinful though we be
Thou hast mercy to relieve us
Grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus
Early let us turn to Thee
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus
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THE LORD COMMISSIONS US

Song of Departure

Please stand. The Song of Departure is our joyful response to God's Word, sending us out to live as faithful witnesses of Christ in the world.

We Will Feast

*We will feast in the house of Zion
We will sing with our hearts restored
"He has done great things"
We will say together
We will feast and weep no more*

*We will not be burned by the fire
He is the LORD our God
We are not consumed by the flood
Upheld, protected, gathered up*

*In the dark of night, before the dawn
My soul, be not afraid
For the promised morning, oh how long?
O God of Jacob, be my strength!*

*Ev'ry vow we've broken and betrayed
You are the Faithful One
And from the garden to the grave
Bind us together, bring shalom*

Benediction - from Romans 11:33, 36

A benediction is a pronouncement of God's blessing. We don't bow our heads; instead, we lift them up and even hold out our palms to receive God's blessing as we are sent out to participate in His mission to North Bangalore and beyond.

Minister: Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

Together: Thanks be to God. Amen.

Announcements

Connect Card

We'd love to connect with you and learn how we can best serve you. If you're visiting for the first time or haven't yet plugged in, please take a connect card from the Welcome Table. You can drop it in the offering bag later in the service or hand it to one of our Welcome Team volunteers.

Congregational Meeting | Today

We will hold a brief congregational meeting on Sunday, May 25, immediately following the worship service. This will be an opportunity to share important updates about church life and upcoming plans. All members and regular attenders are encouraged to stay and participate.

Worship Time Transition | June 1

Starting June 1, we will move to Sunday morning worship at 10:00 AM. This shift supports our church's growth and mission. Over the next few weeks, we'll prepare for this new rhythm together – thank you for your flexibility and prayers as we take this next step.

“God Told Me So?!” – A Conference on Discerning God's Will | June 7

Do you ever struggle to make big decisions – like who to marry, what job to take, or where to live? You're not alone. We all long for guidance. Many Christians believe God leads His people but often feel unsure how that actually happens.

Join us on Friday, June 7th, as we explore what the Bible says about how God guides us – through His character, His Word, and His wisdom. Whether you've wrestled with “God told me...” moments or just want greater clarity and confidence, this conference will equip you to seek God's will with faith and discernment.

Register at www.redeemberbangalore.com/events/god-told-me-so.



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Sermon Series | Summer in the Psalms

Navigating The Complexities of Life Through the Songs of God's People

Starting April 27, join us for a five-part sermon series through the Psalms, where we'll explore how God's Word guides us through the full range of human experience, offering wisdom for seasons of joy, sorrow, hope, and lament. Drawing on the three primary categories of Psalms – Psalms of Praise, Lament, and Thanksgiving – we will discover how these songs give voice to the complexities of life, orient us to the truth of God's character and shape our response to Him. Come join us, and feel free to bring a friend along!

Rest Month | May

During the month of May, we will take a collective pause from our regular Community Group and Discipleship Group gatherings as part of our Rest Month. We encourage all members to read the pastoral letter shared on the Redeemer WhatsApp community and consider how you might use this season for rest, renewal and reorientation. May this be a month of deeper rest in Christ, both for yourself and for those around you.

How do I connect at Redeemer?

Give Us Seven | To get to know us better, we ask that you “give us seven.” Join us for seven Sundays over the course of a couple of months. In doing so, you'll come to learn who we are and what we believe, and experience the mission to which God has called us.

Join a Community Group | To grow in the Christian faith we must experience the gospel in the context of life with others. To that end, we encourage everyone to join a Community Group where we come together to eat, study, pray, and encourage each other throughout the week. To get plugged in, please contact Rakshith Prabhakar at 95352 89184.

Serve | God builds his kingdom through his people. Your gifts, talents, and resources are needed at Redeemer, not only to support what God is doing in our midst, but also to ensure that the good news of the gospel is taking shape throughout our community and neighbourhood.

Prayers During Communion

A prayer for those searching for truth:

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. Give me the ability to follow you no matter what it might cost me. Give me an understanding for you that is coherent, convincing, and leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

A prayer of belief:

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever believed, but through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared 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 and are now representing me at the Father's right hand in heaven, I turn from my sins and receive you as my savior. Amen.

A prayer for those struggling against sin:

Lord Jesus, give me the ability to see in you the fulfillment of all my needs and desires, and help me to turn from every false source of 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 author and perfecter of my faith. Amen.

A prayer for covenant children who have not yet made a profession of faith:

Lord Jesus, thank you for giving me the opportunity to grow up in a Christian family where I am surrounded by the good news of the gospel. Help me to grow in my understanding of who you are and what you have done for me on the cross. Help me learn what it means for me to turn from my sins and trust in you alone for my salvation. Teach me what it means to follow you as one of your disciples. Amen.