



# REDEEMER CHURCH

———— BANGALORE ————

Sunday, June 1, 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](http://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.*

“Blessing in the Hebrew scriptures operates from the divine presence to provide the vibrancy to grow and thrive in the world. That blessing brings wholeness of life and hope for a future. The urging of this brief poem [Psalm 127] is not to reject the blessing but to embrace it in all of living.”

— Walter Brueggemann

“If we come to Scripture with our minds made up, expecting to hear from it only an echo of our own thoughts and never the thunderclap of God's, then indeed he will not speak to us and we shall only be confirmed in our own prejudices. We must allow the Word of God to confront us, to disturb our security, to undermine our complacency and to overthrow our patterns of thought and behavior.”

— John Stott

“God's gracious gift of preservation issues in and provokes the believers' responsible task of perseverance.”

— Cornelis Venema

*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.*

### Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

Turn your eyes upon Jesus  
Look full in His wonderful face  
And the things of earth  
Will grow strangely dim  
In the light of His glory and grace

Turn your eyes to the morning  
And see Christ the Lion awake  
What a glorious dawn  
Fear of death is gone  
For we carry His life in our veins

Turn your eyes to the hillside  
Where justice and mercy embraced  
There the Son of God gave His life for us  
And our measureless debt was erased

Turn your eyes to the heavens  
Our King will return for His own  
Every knee will bow, every tongue will shout  
“All glory to Jesus alone!”

*Jesus, to You we lift our eyes  
Jesus, our glory and our prize  
We adore You, behold You  
Our Saviour ever true  
Oh Jesus, we turn our eyes to You*

# THE LORD CALLS US

## Call to Worship - from Psalm 81

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

**Minister:** I am the Lord your God, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt. Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it. [I will] feed you with the finest of the wheat, and with honey from the rock I would satisfy you.

**People:** Come, let us worship the Lord together!

## 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.*

### 10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

*Bless the Lord O my soul, O my soul*

*Worship His holy name*

*Sing like never before, O my soul*

*I'll worship Your holy name*

The sun comes up

It's a new day dawning

It's time to sing Your song again

Whatever may pass

And whatever lies before me

Let me be singing

When the evening comes

You're rich in love

And You're slow to anger

Your name is great

And Your heart is kind

For all Your goodness

I will keep on singing

Ten thousand reasons

For my heart to find

And on that day

When my strength is failing

The end draws near

And my time has come

Still my soul will sing

Your praise unending

Ten thousand years

And then forevermore

## 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.*

### Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me

What gift of grace is Jesus my Redeemer  
There is no more for heaven now to give  
He is my joy  
My righteousness and freedom  
My steadfast love  
My deep and boundless peace

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus  
For my life is wholly bound to His  
Oh how strange and divine  
I can sing, "All is mine!"  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

The night is dark, but I am not forsaken  
For by my side, the Saviour He will stay  
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing  
For in my need, His power is displayed

To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me  
Through the deepest valley He will lead  
Oh the night has been won  
And I shall overcome!  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

No fate I dread; I know I am forgiven  
The future sure  
The price it has been paid  
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon  
And He was raised to overthrow the grave

To this I hold, my sin has been defeated  
Jesus now and ever is my plea  
Oh the chains are released  
I can sing, "I am free!"  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

With every breath, I long to follow Jesus  
For He has said that He will bring me home  
And day by day, I know He will renew me  
Until I stand with joy before the throne

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus  
All the glory evermore to Him  
When the race is complete  
Still my lips shall repeat  
"Yet not I, but through Christ in me!"

# 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 King and Father, your Son died and was raised up in power. Now enable us to die to our sin in repentance, so that we may rise to new life in Christ. We confess to you: Lord, though you should guide us, we inform ourselves; though you should rule us, we control ourselves; though you should fulfill us, we console ourselves. We think your truth too high, your will too hard, your power too remote, your love too free. But they are not—and without them, we are, of all people, most miserable. Now heal our confused minds with your Word, heal our divided wills with your Law, heal our troubled consciences with your love, heal our anxious hearts with your presence—all for the sake of your Son, who loved us and gave himself for us. 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 Joel 2:13

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

**Minister:** Return to the LORD your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and he relents over disaster.

**Together:** Thanks be to God!

## Affirmation of Faith - selections from 1 Corinthians 15

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

**Minister:** Dear Christians, let us remember what has been delivered to us as of first importance — the gospel which we received, in which we stand, by which we are being saved:

**Together:** That Christ died for our sins, that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day, all in accordance with the Scriptures; that he appeared to Peter, then to the twelve, and then to more than five hundred at one time; that he has been raised from the dead as the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we shall also bear the image of the man of heaven. Death is swallowed up in victory! Therefore, let us be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord our labor is not in vain.

## 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.*

### His Mercy is More

What love could remember  
No wrongs we have done?  
Omniscient, all knowing  
He counts not their sum  
Thrown into a sea  
Without bottom or shore  
Our sins, they are many  
His mercy is more

What riches of kindness  
He lavished on us!  
His blood was the payment  
His life was the cost  
We stood 'neath a debt  
We could never afford  
Our sins, they are many  
His mercy is more

*Praise the Lord!*  
*His mercy is more*  
*Stronger than darkness, new every morn*  
*Our sins, they are many*  
*His mercy is more*

What patience would wait  
As we constantly roam?  
What Father, so tender  
Is calling us home?  
He welcomes the weakest  
The vilest, the poor  
Our sins, they are many  
His mercy is more

## 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 127

<sup>1</sup> Unless the Lord builds the house,  
those who build it labor in vain.

Unless the Lord watches over the city,  
the watchman stays awake in vain.

<sup>2</sup> It is in vain that you rise up early  
and go late to rest,  
eating the bread of anxious toil;  
for he gives to his beloved sleep.

<sup>3</sup> Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord,  
the fruit of the womb a reward.

<sup>4</sup> Like arrows in the hand of a warrior  
are the children of one's youth.

<sup>5</sup> Blessed is the man  
who fills his quiver with them!  
He shall not be put to shame  
when he speaks with his enemies in the gate.

# Sermon - Build the Kingdom through Embracing the Gift of Children

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

1. Rest as You Build the Kingdom, 127:1-2
2. Rest by Rearing Children for the Kingdom, 127: 3-5

## 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

### Give Me Jesus

In the morning, when I rise  
In the morning, when I rise  
Oh, in the morning, when I rise  
Give me Jesus

When I am alone  
When I am alone  
Oh, when I am alone  
Give me Jesus

*Give me Jesus*  
*Give me Jesus*  
*You can have all this world*  
*Just give me Jesus*

When I come to die  
When I come to die  
Oh, when I come to die  
Give me Jesus

# 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.*

### Let Your Kingdom Come

*Your glorious cause, O God  
Engages our hearts  
May Jesus Christ be known  
Wherever we are  
We ask not for ourselves  
But for Your renown  
The cross has saved us so we pray  
Your kingdom come*

Give us Your strength, O God  
And courage to speak  
Perform Your wondrous deeds  
Through those who are weak  
Lord, use us as You want  
Whatever the test  
By grace we'll preach Your gospel  
Till our dying breath

*Let Your kingdom come  
Let Your will be done  
So that everyone might know Your Name  
Let Your song be heard  
Everywhere on earth  
Till Your sovereign work on earth is done  
Let Your kingdom come*

## Benediction - from Numbers 6:24-26

*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:** The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

**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.

### "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 7<sup>th</sup>, 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](http://www.redeemberbangalore.com/events/god-told-me-so).



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# 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.*