



REDEEMER CHURCH

———— BANGALORE ————

Sunday, July 20, 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.

“In our own contemporary context of the rat race of anxiety, the celebration of Sabbath is an act of both resistance and alternative. It is resistance because it is a visible insistence that our lives are not defined by the production and consumption of commodity goods.”

—Walter Brueggemann

“The purpose of Sabbath is not simply to rejuvenate yourself in order to do more production, nor is it the pursuit of pleasure. The purpose of Sabbath is to enjoy your God, life in general, what you have accomplished in the world through his help, and the freedom you have in the gospel — the freedom from slavery to any material object or human expectation. The Sabbath is a sign of the hope that we have in the world to come.”

—Tim Keller

“We tend to see rest as the place we fall into after we’ve worn ourselves out with work. But what if our best work begins from a place of rest? What if rest takes first priority rather than last?”

— Alan Fadling

“The Sabbath is an invitation to enter delight... Few people are willing to enter the Sabbath and sanctify it, to make it holy, because a full day of delight and joy is more than most people can bear in a lifetime, let alone a week.”

— Dan Allender

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.

Oh Come, All You Unfaithful

O come all you unfaithful
Come weak and unstable
Come know you are not alone
O come barren and waiting ones
Weary of praying, come
See what your God has done

*Christ is born, Christ is born
Christ is born for you*

O come bitter and broken
Come with fears unspoken
Come taste of His perfect love
O come guilty and hiding ones
There is no need to run
See what your God has done

He's the Lamb who was given
Slain for our pardon
His promise is peace
For those who believe

So come, though you have nothing
Come He is the offering
Come see what your God has done

THE LORD CALLS US

Call to Worship - from Psalm 36

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

- Minister:** Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.
- People:** Your righteousness is like the mountains; your judgments are like the great deep. The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings.
- Together:** 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.

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!"

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.

Blessed Assurance

All my attempts to be satisfied
Were vain and empty
Until the moment you rescued me
And your love filled me

My soul sings
Now my soul sings

*What blessed assurance
I've found in you
I've found in you
I won't be shaken I will not be moved
How steadfast your strong hand
Is keeping me
Is keeping me
I won't be shaken I will not be moved
Oh blessed assurance*

No other love that I've ever known
Compares to you God
No other love that I've ever found
Has done what you've done

Ever my anchor
Ever my strength
Ever my portion
And all I need
Ever my healing
Ever my hope
Ever the truth that leads me home
That leads me home

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: God of all comfort and Lord of the Sabbath, our hearts are restless until we rest in You. And yet, we so often resist the rest that You give. We so often give way to hurry and anxiety and believe the lie that everything depends upon us and our endless activity. Forgive us for running ourselves ragged and failing to give rest to others as well. Help us to be still and know that You are God and teach us what it means to come to You as those who are weary and heavy laden and to find rest for our souls through Jesus Christ we pray. 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 Ephesians 2:8-9

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

Minister: Hear this good news! By grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

Together: Thanks be to God!

Affirmation of Faith - from the Westminster Larger Catechism Questions 116 & 118

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

Minister: What is required in the fourth commandment?

People: The fourth commandment requires of all men the sanctifying or keeping holy to God such set times as He has appointed in his Word, expressly one whole day in seven; which was the seventh from the beginning of the world to the resurrection of Christ, and the first day of the week ever since, and so to continue to the end of the world; which is the Christian sabbath, and in the New Testament called the Lord's day.

Minister: Why is the charge of keeping the sabbath more specially directed to governors of families, and other superiors?

People: The charge of keeping the sabbath is more specially directed to governors of families, and other superiors, because they are bound not only to keep it themselves, but to see that it be observed by all those that are under their charge; and because they are prone oftentimes to hinder them by employments of their own.

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.

You Are Unchanging

Before the skies were born
Before the oceans roared
Before the mountains
Reached for the burning stars
Through all Your words and ways
Through every promise made
Through every means of grace
That reveals Your heart

In every season here
In waves of joy and tears
In all the ways our eyes
Only see in part
With every trial we face
With every test of faith
With our eternal hope
Written in Your scars

*You are unchanging, faithful, unfailing
Now and forevermore
God everlasting, sovereign, and reigning
Now and forevermore*

When earth and heaven fade
When sight has bloomed from faith
When we are home at last
In our Savior's arms
Then all will be made right
Then every tear will dry
Then Your redeeming light
Will destroy the dark

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.

Genesis 2:1-3

¹ Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. ² And on the seventh day God finished his work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all his work that he had done. ³ So God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it God rested from all his work that he had done in creation.

Exodus 20:8-10

⁸ "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. ⁹ Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, ¹⁰ but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates.

Sermon - Enjoy Rest

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

1. The Effect of Restlessness Against God's Design
2. The Power of Rest According to Christ's Life
3. The Habit of Rest for the Restless in Christ

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

Jesus Paid It All

I hear the Saviour say,
"Thy strength indeed is small
Child of weakness, watch and pray
Find in Me thine all in all"

*Jesus paid it all
All to Him I owe
Sin had left a crimson stain
He washed it white as snow*

Lord, now indeed I find
Thy pow'r, and Thine alone
Can change the leper's spots
And melt the heart of stone

And when before the throne
I stand in Him complete
"Jesus died my soul to save,"
My lips shall still repeat

O praise the One who paid my debt
And raised this life up from the dead

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.

Surely Goodness, Surely Mercy

The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want
In green pastures He makes me lie down
He restores my soul
And leads me on for His name
For His great name

You prepare a table right before me
In the presence of my enemies
Though the arrow flies
And the terror of night is at my door
I'll trust you Lord

*Surely goodness, surely mercy
Right beside me all my days
And I will dwell in Your house forever
And bless Your holy name*

Even though I walk through the
Valley of the shadow of death
I will fear no evil
Even though I walk through the
Valley of the shadow of death
You are on my side

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 shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward 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.

Current Sermon Series: Our Origin Story | June 8 to August 3

We live in a time of fiercely competing stories – each one trying to define where you came from, who you are, and how to live a meaningful life. In Genesis 1–3, God offers us a countercultural narrative: a true and better story of our identity, purpose, and destiny. These chapters don't just respond to the questions our culture is asking, they reframe them entirely, offering a radically different lens through which to see God, the world, and ourselves. Join us as we continue exploring *Our Origin Story* and bring a friend along.

Men's Monthly Gathering | Begins July 26

All men are invited to join us for our *Men's Monthly Gathering*, launching on July 26 at Redeemer Church, from 9:00-10:30 AM. This is a time to grow together in Christ, encourage one another, and deepen our fellowship as men of the church. We'll be studying *Gospel Centered Life*, exploring what it means to live out the gospel in our everyday lives.

Mercy Offering | July 27

On Sunday, July 27, our offering will be designated for our Diaconal Fund to serve mercy needs within our church and community. Please prayerfully consider how the Lord would have you contribute to this ministry of mercy over the next few weeks. As Christ has shown us abundant mercy, we have the privilege of extending that same mercy to others in His name.

Volunteer Day | August 2

All Redeemer volunteers are invited to a lunch at Redeemer Church from 11:00–12:30 PM on Saturday, August 2 as we give thanks for how God has worked through your service. Please RSVP to Snehil at 8679731765 so we can plan accordingly.



Online Giving: please include "For Redeemer" in remarks

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Monthly Prayer Gathering | August 8

Join us for our new monthly prayer time on Friday, August 8th from 5:00-6:00 PM at Redeemer Church. Come together as we seek the Lord in prayer for our church, community, and world. All are welcome.

Seeing Jesus Together (SJT) Journals Available

We are pleased to announce that the SJT Journals are now available for purchase at the welcome desk. Each copy is Rs. 450. These journals are a valuable resource for personal devotions.

SJT Workshop | August 9

Whether you're new to SJT (formerly CBR) or have used it before, join us on August 9 from 9:00-10:30 AM at Redeemer as we explore this tool, practice it together, and hear from fellow practitioners. Our hope in this session is to inspire one another to see Christ more clearly in Scripture and reflect Him more faithfully in daily life.

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.