



REDEEMER CHURCH

———— BANGALORE ————

Sunday, August 24, 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.

“Emotions are not primitive impulses to be controlled or ignored, but cognitive judgments or construals that tell us about ourselves and our world. In this understanding, destructive motives can be changed, beneficial emotions can be cultivated, and emotions are a crucial part of morality.”

— Matthew Elliot

“A biblical view of humanity must reject both the dismissal of the emotions and the undue exaltation of them. Instead, Christians should strive for the restoration of the image of Christ in them, which can be attained only through God’s word and God’s Spirit. The joyful hope of this pursuit is a sweeter and deeper communion with our God.”

— Brian Borgman

“You’re not generally angry because things are in the way of God and his kingdom purposes. You’re angry because something or someone has gotten in the way of something you crave, something you think will inspire contentment, satisfaction, or happiness in you... Where you look for awe will fundamentally control the thoughts and emotions of your heart in ways you normally don’t even realize.”

— Paul David Tripp

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.

Holy, Holy, Holy.

Holy, holy, holy!
Lord God Almighty
Early in the morning
Our song shall rise to Thee
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty
God in three persons, blessed Trinity

Holy, holy, holy!
All the saints adore Thee
Casting down their golden crowns
Around the glassy sea
Cherubim and seraphim
Falling down before Thee
Who was, and is, and evermore shall be

Holy, holy, holy!
Though the darkness hide Thee
Though the eye of sinful man
Thy glory may not see
Only Thou art holy
There is none beside Thee
Perfect in power, in love and purity

Holy, holy, holy!
Lord God Almighty
All Thy works shall praise Thy name
In earth and sky and sea
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty
God in three persons, blessed Trinity

THE LORD CALLS US

Call to Worship - from Psalm 30:1-5

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

Minister: I will extol you, O Lord, for you have drawn me up and have not let my foes rejoice over me.

People: O Lord my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me. O Lord, you have brought up my soul from Sheol; you restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit

Minister: Sing praises to the Lord, O you his saints, and give thanks to his holy name.

People: For his anger is but for a moment, and his favour is for a lifetime. Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

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.

Christ our Hope in Life and Death

What is our hope in life and death?
Christ alone, Christ alone
What is our only confidence?
That our souls to Him belong
Who holds our days within His hand?
What comes apart from His command?
And what will keep us to the end?
The love of Christ, in which we stand

*O sing hallelujah!
Our hope springs eternal
O sing hallelujah!
Now and ever we confess
Christ our hope in life and death*

What truth can calm the troubled soul?
God is good, God is good
Where is His grace and goodness known?
In our great Redeemer's blood
Who holds our faith when fears arise?
Who stands above the stormy trial?
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh
Unto the shore, the rock of Christ?

Unto the grave, what shall we sing?
"Christ, He lives; Christ, He lives!"
And what reward will heaven bring?
Everlasting life with Him
There we will rise to meet the Lord
Then sin and death will be destroyed
And we will feast in endless joy
When Christ is ours 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.

All I Have Is Christ

I once was lost in darkest night
Yet thought I knew the way
The sin that promised joy and life
Had led me to the grave
I had no hope that You would own
A rebel to Your will
And if You had not loved me first
I would refuse You still

But as I ran my hell-bound race
Indifferent to the cost
You looked upon my helpless state
And led me to the cross
And I beheld God's love displayed
You suffered in my place
You bore the wrath reserved for me
Now all I know is grace

*Hallelujah! All I have is Christ
Hallelujah! Jesus is my life*

Now Lord, I would be Yours alone
And live so all might see
The strength to follow Your commands
Could never come from me
O Father, use my ransomed life
In any way You choose
And let my song forever be
My only boast is You

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: Merciful God, in your presence we confess our sin. You have made Christ our peace, but we have lived lives marked by division. The personal rights we demand and advantages we pursue at the expense of others lay waste to our communities. The anger, bitterness, and jealousies that we harbor set neighbor against neighbor, family against family, and nation against nation. Lord, have mercy upon us and forgive us we pray. Set us free to serve You now and forevermore through Jesus Christ. 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 1:9

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

Minister: Hear this good news! If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Together: Thanks be to God. Amen.

Affirmation of Faith - from the Heidelberg Catechism Questions 106-107

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

Minister: Does [the sixth commandment] only speak of murder?

People: By forbidding murder, God teaches us that He hates the root of murder: envy, hatred, anger, vindictiveness. In God's sight all such are murder.

Minister: Is it enough then that we do not kill our neighbor in any such way?

People: No. By condemning envy, hatred, and anger God tells us to love our neighbors as ourselves, to be patient, peace-loving, gentle, merciful, and friendly to them, to protect them from harm as much as we can, and to do good even to our enemies.

Together: Thanks be to God!

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.

He Will Hold Me Fast

When I fear my faith will fail
Christ will hold me fast
When the tempter would prevail
He will hold me fast
I could never keep my hold
Through life's fearful path
For my love is often cold
He must hold me fast

*He will hold me fast
He will hold me fast
For my Saviour loves me so
He will hold me fast*

Those He saves are His delight
Christ will hold me fast
Precious in His holy sight
He will hold me fast
He'll not let my soul be lost
His promises shall last
Bought by Him at such a cost
He will hold me fast

For my life He bled and died
Christ will hold me fast
Justice has been satisfied
He will hold me fast
Raised with Him to endless life
He will hold me fast
'Till our faith is turned to sight
When He comes at last!

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.

Fear

³⁰ The light of the eyes rejoices the heart,
and good news refreshes the bones.

Proverbs 15:30

⁷ The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge;
fools despise wisdom and instruction.

Proverbs 1:7

¹⁰ The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom,
and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight.

Proverbs 9:10

¹ The wicked flee when no one pursues,
but the righteous are bold as a lion.

Proverbs 28:1

Anger

¹² Hatred stirs up strife,
but love covers all offenses.

Proverbs 10:12

¹¹ Good sense makes one slow to anger,
and it is his glory to overlook an offense.

Proverbs 19:11

²⁹ Whoever is slow to anger has great understanding,
but he who has a hasty temper exalts folly.

Proverbs 14:29

³² Whoever is slow to anger is better than the mighty,
and he who rules his spirit than he who takes a city.

Proverbs 16:32

²² A man of wrath stirs up strife,
and one given to anger causes much transgression.

Proverbs 29:22

Envy

⁴ Wrath is cruel, anger is overwhelming,
but who can stand before jealousy?

Proverbs 27:4

³⁰ A tranquil heart gives life to the flesh,
but envy makes the bones rot.

Proverbs 14:30

Sermon - Wisdom for Emotions

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

1. Wisdom for Fear
2. Wisdom for Anger
3. Wisdom for Envy

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

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

*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*

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 heavens
Our King will return for His own
Every knee will bow, every tongue will shout
"All glory to Jesus alone!"

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.

It Is Well With My Soul

When peace like a river attendeth my way
When sorrows like sea billows roll
Whatever my lot
Thou hast taught me to say
It is well, it is well with my soul

It is well

(It is well)

With my soul

(With my soul)

It is well, it is well with my soul

Though Satan should buffet
Though trials should come
Let this blest assurance control
That Christ hath regarded
My helpless estate
And hath shed His own blood for my soul

My sin — oh the bliss of this glorious thought
My sin, not in part, but the whole
Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul

Benediction - from Ephesians 3:20-21

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: Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. 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.

Sermon Series: Calling Servant-Leaders for Redeemer

A team needs a captain. But a church needs a team that serves under the captaincy and Lordship of Jesus Christ. In September, Redeemer enters a joyful and prayerful season of seeking out those men whom God may be raising to serve as elders and deacons among us. These are not positions of prestige, but callings to humble service, spiritual care, and shepherding of Christ's flock.

Join us as together we reflect on what God's Word says about servant leadership, consider the biblical marks of faithful shepherds and stewards, and ask the Lord to raise up and equip such men for Redeemer's next chapter.

Let us pray with expectancy, trusting that Christ, the Chief Shepherd, will provide for His people as He has promised.

Let the Children Worship Book Discussion/Lunch | August 31

On Sunday, August 31st, Redeemer parents will meet following the worship service for a discussion of our book, *Let the Children Worship*. Parents and expecting parents, please read chapters two and three in preparation for our meeting. Also, our Kingdom Kids will be sharing a little of what they have been learning before the service begins. We'd love for all in the congregation to reach a few minutes early and not miss this special treat!



Online Giving: please include "For Redeemer" in remarks

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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.