



REDEEMER CHURCH

———— BANGALORE ————

Sunday, September 13, 2026

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 to Redeemer

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.

Welcome & Announcements

Reflection

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

“‘Gandalf!’ I thought you were dead! But then I thought I was dead myself. Is everything sad going to come untrue? What’s happened to the world”

– J.R.R Tolkien, *The Return of the King*

I had a dream that I was waking at the burning edge of dawn
And I could see the fields of glory
I could hear the sower's song
I had a dream that I was waking at the burning edge of dawn
And all that rain had washed me clean
All the sorrow was gone
I had a dream that I was waking at the burning edge of dawn
And I could finally believe the King had loved me all along
I had a dream that I was waking at the burning edge of dawn
I saw the sower in the silver mist
He was calling me home”

– Andrew Peterson

“At present we are on the outside of the world, the wrong side of the door. We discern the freshness and purity of morning, but they do not make us fresh and pure. We cannot mingle with the splendors we see. But all the leaves of the New Testament are rustling with the rumor that it will not always be so. Someday, God willing, we shall get in.”

– C.S. Lewis, *The Weight of Glory*

“Brothers and sisters, the coming of Christ is near. The ultimate epiphany is just around the corner. If we think otherwise, we tragically impoverish our souls. Most Christians think little of Christ’s return, or if they do think about the day they will see Christ, they associate it with the day of their death. This is a proper hope, but death is not a pleasant thing, and thus the expectation of seeing Christ is mixed with a certain fear of the dark veil. But it is not so with His Second Coming. It is all joy! And that singular joy is meant to be a boon to our souls.”

– Kent Hughes

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

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

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 CALLS US

Call to Worship - from Romans 11:33-36

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

- Leader:** Oh, the depths of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!
- People:** For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor? Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?
- Together:** For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

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.

How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God
When I in awesome wonder
Consider all
The worlds Thy hands have made
I see the stars
I hear the rolling thunder
Thy power throughout
The universe displayed

And when I think that God
His Son not sparing
Sent Him to die
I scarce can take it in
That on the cross
My burden gladly bearing
He bled and died
To take away my sin

*Then sings my soul
My Saviour God, to Thee
"How great Thou art,
How great Thou art!"
Then sings my soul
My Saviour God, to Thee
"How great Thou art,
How great Thou art!"*

When Christ shall come
With shout of acclamation
And take me home
What joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow
In humble adoration
And there proclaim
"My God, how great Thou art!"

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.

Psalm 8 (How Majestic is Your Name)

When I look at Your heavens
The moon and stars
You set in motion, oh God
I sing all glory and honour
What is man that You are mindful
The Son of Man that You would
Care for Him
We sing all glory and honour

*Oh Lord, our Lord
Oh, how awesome are Your ways
How majestic is Your name
In all the earth
Oh Lord, our Lord
May we see Your kingdom come
Father, may Your will be done
In all the earth*

In all the earth You gave dominion
To Your children
And You crowned them, oh God
With glory and honour
So we'll sing of Your name
Live our lives for
Your greatness, oh God
And Your glory and honour

The Earth is full of
The glory of God
Come make much of
The name above all names
Creation cries out
Every knee bows
Jesus, we crown You
Oh Lord, our Lord

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: Oh Lord, how quickly we believe the lie that the life we see is all there is—even while our souls testify that this world is not our home. You have put eternity in our hearts and have sealed our resurrection in Christ's own resurrection, and yet we have often lived based on the temporal and not the eternal. We have often grieved as those who have no hope at the deaths of our brothers and sisters in Christ, and even lesser trials than death. We have not looked to the sky from which Christ will come again to deliver his people! We have not remembered that we will always be with him. And we have not properly encouraged each other or our own hearts with these words this week. Please forgive us, Lord.

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 Revelation 12:10-11

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

Leader: And I heard a loud voice in heaven saying, "Now the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ have come, for the accuser of our brothers has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God. And they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they loved not their lives even unto death."

People: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Affirmation of Faith - Westminster Larger Catechism, Q&A 86-87

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

Leader: What is the communion in glory with Christ, which the members of the invisible church enjoy immediately after death?

People: The communion in glory with Christ, which the members of the invisible church enjoy immediately after death, is, in that their souls are then made perfect in holiness, and received into the highest heavens, where they behold the face of God in light and glory, waiting for the full redemption of their bodies, which even in death continue united to Christ, and rest in their graves as in their beds, till at the last day they be again united to their souls. Whereas the souls of the wicked are at their death cast into hell, where they remain in torments and utter darkness, and their bodies kept in their graves, as in their prisons, till the resurrection and judgment of the great day.

Leader: What are we to believe concerning the resurrection?

People: We are to believe, that at the last day there shall be a general resurrection of the dead, both of the just and unjust: when they that are then found alive shall in a moment be changed; and the selfsame bodies of the dead which were laid in the grave, being then again united to their souls forever, shall be raised up by the power of Christ. The bodies of the just, by the Spirit of Christ, and by virtue of his resurrection as their head shall be raised in power, spiritual, incorruptible, and made like to his glorious body; and the bodies of the wicked shall be raised up in dishonor by him, as an offended judge.

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.

All Sufficient Merit

All sufficient merit
Shining like the sun
A fortune I inherit
By no work I have done
My righteousness I forfeit
At my Savior's cross
Where all sufficient merit
Did what I could not

I lay down my garments
Any empty boasts
Good works now all corrupted
By the sinful host
I'm dressed in my Lord Jesus
A crimson robe made white
No more fear of judgement
His righteousness is mine

In love He condescended
Eternal now in time
A life without a blemish
The Maker made to die
The law could never save us
Our lawlessness had won
Until the pure and spotless
Lamb had finally come

All sufficient merit
Firm in life and death
The joy of my salvation
Shall be my final breath
When I stand accepted
Before the throne of God
I'll gaze upon my Jesus
And thank Him for the cross

*It is done, it is finished
No more debt I owe
Paid in full, all sufficient merit
Now my own*

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.

1 Thessalonians 4:9-18

⁹ Now concerning brotherly love you have no need for anyone to write to you, for you yourselves have been taught by God to love one another, ¹⁰ for that indeed is what you are doing to all the brothers throughout Macedonia. But we urge you, brothers, to do this more and more, ¹¹ and to aspire to live quietly, and to mind your own affairs, and to work with your hands, as we instructed you, ¹² so that you may walk properly before outsiders and be dependent on no one.

¹³ But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. ¹⁴ For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. ¹⁵ For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. ¹⁶ For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. ¹⁷ Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. ¹⁸ Therefore encourage one another with these words.

Sermon - Living with Purpose Against the Odds

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

1. Live with God-Taught Love for One Another
2. Live with Propriety and Self-Sufficiency Before Outsiders
3. Live with Hope while Grieving Loss

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

Blessed Assurance

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine
O what a foretaste of glory divine
Heir of salvation, purchase of God
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood

Perfect submission, all is at rest
I in my Saviour am happy and blest
Watching and waiting, looking above
Filled with His goodness, lost in His love

This is my story, this is my song
Praising my Saviour all the day long
This is my story, this is my song
Praising my Saviour all the day long

Perfect submission, perfect delight
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight
Angels descending bring from above
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love

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.

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

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

*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?*

Benediction - from Revelation 22:17, 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: The Spirit and the Bride say, "Come." And let the one who hears say, "Come." And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires take the water of life without price. He who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

People Thanks be to God!

Sermon Notes

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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.

Redeemer Community Groups

Bhartiya City CG	1 st & 3 rd Wednesdays	5:30pm	Kelley Beth: +91 78999 30346
College Road CG	1 st & 3 rd Wednesdays	5:00pm	Enoch: +91 77603 00155
Kothanur CG	1 st & 3 rd Sundays	5:00pm	Rakshith: +91 95352 89184

Current Sermon Series: Living in the Last Days | 1&2 Thessalonians

In a world marked by uncertainty, anxiety, and change, Paul's letters to the Thessalonians offer ancient wisdom for modern discipleship. These letters remind us: The last days are not primarily about dates and predictions. They're about faithfulness, holiness, and hope lived out today. As we study together, expect encouragement for anxious hearts, correction for wandering paths, and motivation for service in God's kingdom. Join us as we learn to wait actively, watch soberly, and work faithfully — until Jesus returns.

Sips and Snacks: September 19th, 10:00 AM

Ladies, please join us for a time of brunch and fellowship on September 19th at 10:00 AM at Redeemer. Bring a snack to share and join us for our quarterly ladies gathering!

Confident Christianity: Saturdays in October and November

Ladies are invited to our annual large group study beginning October 4th! We will meet each Saturday morning at Redeemer from 10:00-11:30 AM. This year, we will study the book of Colossians together, focusing on our Saviour in all of his glory and beauty! We will only become "confident Christians" by looking at our Christ. Please reach out to any of the women's council members to register or with questions! (Kelley Beth, Susan, Annie, Samantha, and Jojou)



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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.