

Welcome to Redeemer!

We're glad you've joined us for worship this morning.

We hope you feel welcomed and loved as we worship our great God together. Please use the attendance pad in the pew to tell us a little about yourself.



What's Happening

☞ To keep up with church events and details, subscribe to Thursday's Email Blast (our weekly newsletter) on our website or Facebook page.

☞ See the back of this bulletin for upcoming ministry opportunities.

☞ Check out our Blog for pictures, stories, and news.



Ways to Connect

☞ Community groups meet around Charleston during the week. Find a current list on page 8.

☞ Weekly Women's Bible studies, women's special events, and men's events: redeemer-charleston.org

☞ Use our online directory to encourage one another during the week.

☞ Equip-Hour classes (like Sunday School) for all ages Sundays, 9:15 am

Redeemer Presbyterian exists to glorify God as a Gospel presence in downtown Charleston by being a grace-filled community that worships Christ and develops disciples who serve Him in our families, neighborhoods, and the nations.

Order of Worship

September 9, 2018

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 29

LEADER: Ascribe to the Lord, you heavenly beings, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength. Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness.

PEOPLE: The voice of the Lord is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the Lord thunders over the mighty waters.

LEADER: The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is majestic.

PEOPLE: The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars; the Lord breaks in pieces the cedars of Lebanon.

LEADER: The voice of the Lord strikes with flashes of lightning.

PEOPLE: The voice of the Lord shakes the desert;

LEADER: The voice of the Lord twists the oaks and strips the forests bare.

ALL: (with a loud voice) And in his temple all cry, "Glory!"

PEOPLE: The Lord sits enthroned over the flood; the Lord is enthroned as King forever.

LEADER: The Lord gives strength to his people; the Lord blesses his people with peace.

WE SING PRAISES TO GOD

PRAISE TO THE LORD THE ALMIGHTY

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, The King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him,
For He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, Now to His temple draw near;
Join me in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, Who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth
Shelters thee under His wings,
Yes, so gently sustaineth!
Hast Thou not seen, How all thy longings have been
Granted in what He ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath,
Come now with praises before Him.
Let the amen sound from His people again:
Gladly for aye we adore Him.

YOU ARE GOD ALONE

You are not a god created by human hands.
You are not a god dependent on any mortal man.
You are not a god in need of anything we can give.
You are God and that's the way it is. (repeat)

*You are God alone. From before time began,
You were on Your throne, You were God alone.
And right now, in the good times and bad,
You are on Your throne, You are God alone.*

You're the only God whose power none can contend.
You're the only God whose name and praise will never end.
You're the only God who's worthy of everything we can give.
You are God and that's the way it is. (chorus)

Unchangeable. Unshakable.
Unstoppable. That's who You are. (repeat) (chorus)

Wee Ones

Children are a blessing to the Redeemer family! For all nursery-related questions, find our Welcome Desk attendant in the Education Building.

☞ A nursery is provided on the first floor of the Education Building for children up to 3 years.

☞ Pick up a kids' clip case (black for ages 3-6; blue for ages 7-10) on your way into the service. Return to the baskets afterward.

☞ During the offertory, feel free to walk with and sign in your children (3K-5K) at the Welcome Desk for Children's Worship where they'll sing songs, receive age-appropriate, Gospel-centered teaching, and make crafts. Pick up your child after the service from the Redeemer Kids Room on the first floor.



Washroom

Restrooms and water coolers are located on the first and second floors of the Education Building.



Ways to View

Ask a greeter for LARGE PRINT edition or QR code to access electronic version on our website.

Who's Who

Senior Pastor

Craig Bailey

Relationship Ministry

Chris Yates Jarvis

Music, Sound

Fred Hudson

Office Admin

Chris Bennett

Project Coordinator

Rosie Riddle

Communications

Gray Morgan

Nursery Ministry

Amanda Dolinski

Children's Ministry

Kaitlin Nichols

Elders

Kurt Brewer

Todd Christian

Chris Yates Jarvis

Deacons

Phillip Anderson

William Burk

Jordan Busch

Vince Dammai

Kent Lowry

Tyler Martin

Kent McKerihan



Welcome Home

If you'd like more information about church membership, attend one of our inquirers' classes. Our list of scheduled class dates is available on our website.

HOPE OF THE WORLD

Jesus Christ the King of Kings, Heaven sent to set us free
Clothed in everlasting light, You're bringing hope to life

Son of God left Heaven's throne, To redeem the wayward
ones, On the cross he hung condemned, With nail-pierced
Holy hands

Jesus, Jesus, Hope to the hopeless, Light in the darkness

Jesus, Jesus, You are the hope of the world

Laid to rest inside the grave, Buried with the weight of sin
Death's dark grip could not contain

All hail the risen King! *(chorus)*

Jesus reigns on Heaven's throne, Hope renewed, the light of
dawn, Clothed in everlasting light, Our hope is now alive!
Our hope is now alive! *(chorus)*

GOD REVEALS HIS WILL FOR OUR LIVES

from Acts 2:36-39

[Peter said], "Let all the house of Israel therefore know for
certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this
Jesus whom you crucified."

Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said
to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Brothers, what shall we
do?" And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every
one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of
your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.
For the promise is for you and for your children and for
all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to
himself."

from the Westminster Shorter Catechism, Question 87

LEADER: What is repentance unto life?

**PEOPLE: Repentance unto life is a saving grace, whereby
a sinner, out of a true sense of his sin, and
apprehension of the mercy of God in Christ, does,
with grief and hatred of his sin, turn from it unto**

God, with full purpose of, and endeavor after, new obedience.

WE CONFESS OUR SINS TO GOD

GOD ASSURES US OF OUR FORGIVENESS

from Acts 11:16-18

[Peter said], “And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he said, ‘John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.’ If then God gave the same gift to them as he gave to us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could stand in God’s way?”

When they heard these things they fell silent. And they glorified God, saying, “Then to the Gentiles also God has granted repentance that leads to life.”

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, with my soul, It is well, It is well, with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, tho’ trials should come,
Let this blest assurance control;
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
And hath shed His own blood for my soul. (*chorus*)

My sin, O the bliss of this glorious tho’t,
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! (*chorus*)

O, Lord haste the day when my faith shall be sight,
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll;
The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend,
“Even so” it is well with my soul. (*chorus*)

Within Community

Community Groups are the main ministry of Redeemer outside of Sunday morning worship. Connect with a community group during the week for great fellowship and Bible study.

However, community groups at Redeemer Presbyterian Church in Charleston, SC, are much more than just Bible studies. These groups are like “house churches” where we want to live in community with each other like Luke writes about in Acts 2:42-47 because we’re a *family on mission together*.

Community groups are where we can learn together as disciples, take care of one another as neighbors, and reach out to our communities in love.

Within our community groups we also organize weekly women’s Bible studies meeting in neighborhoods around Charleston.

☞ See page 8 for a list of community groups and contacts who can tell you what’s offered in your area, or visit our website: [redeemer-charleston.org/
community-groups](http://redeemer-charleston.org/community-groups).

Where in the World

WE GIVE TO THE LORD (OFFERING)

Parents, if you'd like for your children (3K-5K) to participate in Children's Worship during the sermon, please walk with them to the Welcome Desk in the Education Building to sign them in. More information about Children's Worship is printed in the sidebar on page 3.

WE PRAY FOR GOD'S PEOPLE, WORK, AND WORLD

See left sidebar for information about this week's world region of focus, including three Redeemer-supported missionary families.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD (SERMON) Rev. Michael Walters

from Isaiah 55:6-9

How Are We to Seek God?

1. Call on the Lord (6)

- A. With dependence
- B. With hope

"He says he is near when he opens the door and gently invites us to come to him. We do not need to seek far or make long circuits...for he exhibits himself to us in his word that we on our part may draw near to him." --Calvin

- C. With urgency

2. Repent of your sins (7)

- A. Forsake sin *"true sense of his sin, grief and hatred of his sin"*
- B. Guilt of sin is no reason to avoid God *"apprehension of the mercy of God in Christ"*
- C. Forsake your way *"turn from it unto God"*
- D. Forsake your thoughts *"with a full purpose of and endeavor after new obedience" "repentance unto life is a saving grace"*

3. Believe in his promises (7b)

- A. Believe in God's Compassion
- B. Believe in the abundance of God's pardon

4. Look at the stars (8-9)

- A. Profound difference
- B. God's ways immeasurably better
- C. Desire to be near to God and to enjoy God

WE ACKNOWLEDGE THE GOODNESS OF THE LORD

HOW GREAT IS OUR GOD

The splendor of a King, Clothed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice, All the earth rejoice

He wraps Himself in light, And darkness tries to hide
It trembles at His voice, Trembles at His voice

How great is our God, sing with me
How great is our God and all will see
How great, how great is our God

Age to age, He stands, And time is in His hands
Beginning and the end, Beginning and the end

The Godhead Three in One, Father, Spirit, Son
Lion and the Lamb, Lion and the Lamb (*chorus*)

BENEDICTION

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WELCOME TO MICHAEL WALTERS: Michael is a native and current resident of Summerville. He comes to us today from our brothers and sisters in Christ at Church Creek Presbyterian in West Ashley where he serves as an assistant pastor. Ordained in the PCA in 2004, Michael first served as an assistant pastor at Church Creek. In 2007 he took a call as a solo pastor at Faith Presbyterian in Florence, SC. In 2013 he returned to the Lowcountry and is currently serving as a volunteer assistant pastor at Church Creek and a full-time employee at Jones Ford in North Charleston. Michael is here today with his wife Rachel and his two sons Thomas (8) and Jonathan (2).

Wentworth Parking

☞ Show your bulletin on Sunday mornings for free parking in the garage at 69 Wentworth St.

☞ Parking stickers are available in the church office for use on Sunday in any of our parking lots, including the lot across Wentworth Street, the bank lot, and the lot on the corner of Meeting and Hasell streets.



Ways to Contact

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Twitter | [@RedeemerChas](https://twitter.com/RedeemerChas)

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

EQUIP HOUR: We kicked off our new semester of Equip classes this morning with a yummy breakfast! Starting this fall, we're renaming our Christian Education hour to Equip. This small change is to make clear that the purpose of this hour is not to simply be educated, but rather to be equipped to live out being a *Family On Mission Together*. To hear more, join us NEXT Sunday, September 16 at 9:15 am as our classes for all ages continue in the Education Building: Adults meet in the Fellowship Hall; High school youth meet in the conference room on the second floor; Middle school youth meet in the office on the third floor; and all children should check in at the Welcome Desk before heading to their rooms on the first floor.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES: We're excited to announce several women's Bible studies beginning this fall that are sprinkled around Charleston, from West Ashley to Hanahan to Mt. Pleasant! And we're so happy to offer an EVENING Bible study for women on Mondays, beginning September 10 at 7 pm at the church. Brooke Bailey is leading this study, so contact her for more information at 843-478-3961. For a list of all our women's Bible studies, visit redeemer-charleston.org/womens-bible-studies-for-fall-begin-soon.

Our weekly email newsletter "The Blast" is the number one way we communicate announcements, information about church life, and details about upcoming events. Our current edition is always available at redeemer-charleston.org/email-blast.

CURRENT LIST OF COMMUNITY GROUPS:

redeemer-charleston.org/community-groups

DOWNTOWN

Tuesdays, 6:45 pm | Laura B. 314-306-4496

JAMES/JOHNS ISLANDS

Tuesdays, 6:30 pm | Beth Plante 843-270-7542
Sundays, 5 pm | Kara Wilson 402-578-2744

MOUNT PLEASANT

Wednesdays, 6 pm | Liz Jarvis 703-999-9424

NORTH AREA

Tuesdays, 6 pm | Gray Morgan 843-478-7127
Saturdays, 5:30 pm | Tiffany Koch 843-607-4518

WEST ASHLEY

Tuesdays, 6:30 pm | Amanda Dolinski 616-638-5389
Wednesdays, 6 pm | Lisa Christian 843-224-6631
Thursdays, 6 pm | Debbie Philips 843-607-5532

CURRENT SCHEDULES FOR SERVING

Nursery Coordinator: Amanda Dolinski, 616-638-5389, amanda@redeemer-charleston.org

September 9

Welcome Desk - Sarah Gardella
Equip Hour - Brian & Claire Gottshalk
Baby - William & Emily Burk
Toddler - Cyndee Busco, Juniper Dolinski
Floater - Amanda Dolinski
Children's Worship - Madison & Lindsay Rice
Security - David Ivey
Sound Engineer - Mary Chapman

September 16

Welcome Desk - Eileen Mills
Equip Hour - Mary Beth Anderson, Anna O'Neil
Baby - Tiffany Koch, Justin & Jenny Burk
Toddler - Hannah W., Julianna W., Jeremiah Eddy
Floater - Evangelin Dolinski
Children's Worship - Hub & Anni Blankenship
Security - David Eddy
Sound Engineer - Andrew Tsafos