



REDEEMER CHURCH

A COMMUNITY CHURCH FOR THE CITY
Elbert McGowan, Jr., Senior Pastor

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Mr. Jerome Douglas—July 6, 2025
“The Gospel of Unity”
—Ephesians 2:11-22

Reflection Quote

“We pursue doxology through diversity—joined into a cross-cultural community by a cross-cultural message about a cross-cultural Savior.”—Rev. Russ Whitfield

Welcome & Announcements

Mr. Jerome Douglas
Director of Neighborhood Outreach & Missions

Call to Worship

Psalm 117:1-2 Rev. Brian Gault
Assistant Pastor of Shepherding & Discipleship

The Praise the Lord, all nations! Extol him, all peoples! For great is his steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever. Praise the Lord!

Prayer of Invocation and Confession of Sin

Rev. Brian Gault

Assurance of Pardon

Colossians 1:13-14 Rev. Brian Gault

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

* Song of Preparation

“As The Deer”

As the deer pants for the water, o my soul longs after You.
You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship You.

You alone are my strength, my shield, to You alone may my spirit yield.
You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship You.

I want You more than gold or silver, only You can satisfy.
You alone are the real joy-giver, and the apple of my eye.

You alone are my strength, my shield, to You alone may my spirit yield.
You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship You.
You're my Friend and You are my brother, even though You are a King.
I love You more than any other, so much more than anything.

You alone are my strength, my shield, to You alone may my spirit yield.
You alone are my heart's desire And I long to worship You.

* Song of Praise

“Blessed Be Your Name”

Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful,
where Your streams of abundance flow, blessed be Your name.
Blessed be Your name when I'm found in the desert place,
though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be Your name.

Chorus: Ev'ry blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise.
When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say,

“Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name.
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name.”

Blessed be Your name, when the sun's shining down on me,
when the world's all as it should, be blessed be Your name.

Blessed be Your name on the road marked with suffering.
Though there's pain in the offering, blessed be Your name. Chorus

You give and take away, You give and take away.
My heart will choose to say, "Lord, blessed be Your name."

Old Testament Scripture Reading

Micah 4:1-5

Rev. Brian Gault

It shall come to pass in the latter days that the mountain of the house of the Lord shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and it shall be lifted up above the hills; and peoples shall flow to it, and many nations shall come, and say: "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob, that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between many peoples, and shall decide disputes for strong nations far away; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore; but they shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig tree, and no one shall make them afraid, for the mouth of the Lord of hosts has spoken. For all the peoples walk each in the name of its god, but we will walk in the name of the Lord our God forever and ever.

Pastoral Prayer

Mr. Karl Arndt, Ruling Elder

Worship in Giving

Mr. Karl Arndt

Please find the Connect Pad on your pew at this time to sign in and pass it down the row.

*Visitors: If you would like to be contacted by the church, please include your email address
Thank you to those giving online.*

Children's Church (Ages 4-5) 8:00am only

Introduction to The Apostles Creed: "From there He shall come to judge the living and the dead."

Parents: After worship in giving, you are welcome to send your child (4-5) to children's church before the end of special music.

Special Music

"My Tribute (To God Be The Glory)"

Mr. Stan Wagnon

Prayer of Illumination

Mr. Jerome Douglas

Sermon Text

Ephesians 2:11-22
Pew Bible p. 976

Sermon Title

The Gospel of Unity

*** Hymn of Faith**

"Gloria Patri"

Glory to the Father,
Glory to the Son,
Glory to the Father,
and to the Holy Ghost,
As it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be,
World without end, world without end.
Amen, Amen, Amen.
Repeat as directed.

Communion

Rev. Brian Gault and the Elders

Communion Music

Mr. Stan Wagnon

*** Benediction**

Rev. Brian Gault

*** Departing Song**

"Gloria Patri"

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

Prayer Intercessor Team

Mr. Karl Arndt & Haley Arndt (8:00am)

Mr. Marculis Mosby & Mrs. Akida Mosby (11:00am)

***Please Stand.**

(Redeemer Church, PCA, CCLI #257987)

SERMON QUESTIONS

Questions about the text:

- What were the five ways Paul says the Gentiles were separated from God in verse 12?
- What do the words “But now in Christ Jesus...” (v.13) tell us about the shift from separation to salvation?
- According to Paul, how does Jesus bring peace between us and God—and between one another?
- What does Paul mean by “breaking down the dividing wall of hostility”? (v.14)
- What do the images of “citizens,” “household,” and “holy temple” in verses 19–22 reveal about our new identity in Christ?

Application Questions

- Why do you think Paul urges us to *remember* who we were before Christ saved us?
- How does remembering your own story of separation and grace shape the way you treat others at Redeemer?
- Where in your life are you tempted to rebuild dividing walls—especially toward those from different cultures, classes, or backgrounds?
- Redeemer Church longs to reflect the unity and diversity of God’s kingdom. What’s one intentional step you can take to pursue unity across racial, cultural, or generational lines?
- Who in our church might feel like an outsider? How could you reflect the welcome of Christ toward them this week?

Questions for Children & Youth

- What does it mean that Jesus brings us close to God—even when we were far away?
- Who is someone at church or school or camp you can be kind to because Jesus has been kind to you?

SERMON NOTES

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Connect Pad: Please find the Connect Pad on your pew and sign in. This helps us keep track of Members and Visitors alike.



More Information:

On the QR Code you'll find links to announcements and online giving.

***** PRAYER REQUESTS/UPDATES *****

- Parker Honeycutt's mother: Recovery from emergency hernia surgery.
- Thomas Eaves, son of Sterling & Lizzie Eaves: In remission from Leukemia.
- Tu & Caroline Combs: As Caroline undergoes treatment for stage 4 breast cancer.

See QR Code or redeemerjackson.com/this-Sunday for updates and Take Them a Meal.

***** CALLED TO CONNECT *****

Church-Wide Prayer Brunch, July 6

Join us for our monthly congregation wide brunch TODAY during the Sunday School hour! We'll enjoy food and fellowship, then spend the last 10 minutes praying together as a church. Be sure and pick up your littles from the nursery before coming to brunch, we want everyone, including our diligent nursery workers, to be able to join us!

Fellowship Potluck, July 16

Join us for our last Wednesday Fellowship Potluck of the summer! During the summer, the calendar at Redeemer slows and we take a break from our regular rhythms to rest. Wednesday Fellowship Potlucks give us a simple and easy time together to stay connected and foster hospitality, connectedness, and belonging. We'll gather in the Fellowship Hall from 6:00-7:00pm. What do I bring? If your LAST NAME starts with...

A-I: bring a dessert

J-Q: bring a main dish

R-Z: bring a side

Fathers & Brothers & Sons Pickleball, July 17, 6-8p

Are you better than Jermaine Van Buren? Can you beat Wilson Jamison? Men ages 13 & up, whether you're a 7.6 player or don't know the rules, join us at Parham Bridges July 17, 6-8p. It's \$4 cash per person, and we have ALL the courts reserved (except 1). RSVP in the Redeemer Pickleball GroupMe or to Jermaine at jvbjr2915@gmail.com.

***** NEWS TO NOTE *****

Lost & Found Clean Out

Missing a bible, coffee mug, rain jacket, or baseball card collection? Check the lost and found located under the stairs by the library! The lost and found will be cleaned out the week of July 7, be sure to claim your items before then!

Sabbatical for Zack Owens, May 30-July 18

Zack Owens is currently on Sabbatical. He will return by speaking at Lake Forest Ranch Camp the week of July 18, and will be back in the church office the week of July 28.

Now Accepting Applications for the Director of Music Ministry

Our search is underway for a Director of Music Ministry. This is a salaried, part-time position (targeting 25-30 hours/week) with potential to grow into full-time role. We are accepting applications through **Aug 17**. Know someone who might be interested? See QR code or redeemerjackson.com/this-Sunday for more information.

Summer Joint Adult Sunday School

9:45-10:35am

2025 Summer Sunday School
begins June 8 and concludes July 27.

Praying Biblical Prayers

Teachers: Brian Gault, Elbert McGowan, Jr., Wilson Jamison, Kelle Menogan,
William Stackler, Rome Douglas

Location: Sanctuary

Prayer is a vital part of the Christian life. At times we pray alone, on Sundays we pray together in corporate worship, and other times we gather to pray in small groups. As Martin Luther once said, "Let us pray—in the church, with the church, for the church!"

This summer, in our joint adult Sunday School class, we'll explore prayers found throughout Scripture—a lament in Psalm 13, a prayer of corporate repentance in Nehemiah 9, the Lord's Prayer in Matthew 6, a prayer of faith and praise in Habakkuk, and more. Through these passages, we'll consider how the content and tone of biblical prayers can shape our own rhythms of prayer. Each week, we'll conclude our time by praying one of these prayers together. Our hope is that as we open God's word and lift our voices in prayer, he would deepen our dependence on him and renew our daily habit of seeking him in all things.

Summer Children & Youth Sunday School

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begins June 8 and concludes July 27.

Youth (6th-12th): Psalms

Location: Youth Room

Teachers: Kelle Menogan, William Stackler, Ian Deffenbaugh, & Wilson Jamison

Over the summers, Redeemer Youth has leaned into habits of grace such as reading the Bible and prayer. This summer, we are focusing on the Psalms. The Psalter helps believers to connect with God through every season of life. Martin Luther described the Psalms as "a little Bible" in which everything that is in the entire Bible is comprehended most beautifully and briefly. Each week we will unpack a different psalm, discovering how it guides us in honest prayer, worship and trust. All middle school and high school students are invited to join us this summer as we reflect on the Psalms and deepen our relationship with God.

We will be doing a joint class, so middle school and high school will be together!

Children's (K4-5th): New City Catechism

This summer, during our six-week Sunday School series, children will explore foundational truths about God, Creation, and God's Law using the New City Catechism. Each week, they will engage with a key question and answer from the catechism, helping them understand who God is, why He created the world, and what His commandments teach us about living for Him. Through age-appropriate lessons, activities, and Scripture memory, our children will be encouraged to grow in their faith and love for God.

We're excited to walk with your children through these important truths!

K4-K5: Room 209/211

Teachers:

Jajuan McNeil, Rachel Harbarger, Amanda McGuffey, Beth Clarke, Morgan Barber

3rd Grade: Room 207

Teachers:

Christa Williams, Page Callen, Andrea Burks

1st & 2nd Grade: Room 210

Teachers:

Emmaline Smith, Krisan Parish, Claire Graves, Gene Everitt, KK Harrington

4th & 5th Grade: Room 205 & 206

Teachers:

Angela Simpkins, Samuel Bolen, Tyler Espinoza

Nursery (2-3):

Exploring God's Word Through the Old Testament

This summer, our Nursery Sunday School classes will be looking at God's faithfulness in the lives of his Old Testament saints from Moses to Daniel and God's fulfillment of his promises, especially the very best promise to send Jesus the Savior. In every lesson they will be pointed to Jesus and their need for Him.

***** Redeemer Kids *****
K4-5th Grade

Upside Down Returns Aug 20

Upside Down, our weekly programming for K4-5th grade will return on Aug 20.

***** Redeemer Youth *****
6th-12th Grade

Summer Small Groups (6th-12th)

A time for a devotional, prayer, fellowship, and learning a practical skill. We'll meet on Mondays from 3:30-5:00pm on June 30 and July 14. Guys will be at Wilson's House and Girls at Stephanie's House. Visit the Redeemer Youth Group-Me for addresses and more information.

Mayday Meetups (6th-8th)

A come and go hangout with friends, youth leaders, and ice cream (\$2 Kids Scoops)! Our last meeting is from 4:00-5:00pm on July 15.

Snack Stops (9th-12th)

Come grab a bite to eat and hang out with your friends and youth leaders! Check the GroupMe for location/meeting time. We will change it up week to week. Our last week to meet is July 14!

Crossroads Returns Aug 20

Crossroads, our weekly programming for students 6-8th grade will return on Aug 20.

Rooted Returns Aug 24

Rooted, our weekly programming for 9th-12th grade will return on Aug 24.

THIS WEEK

Deacon on Call Week of July 6

Jake Garner, 601.540.6410

Sunday, July 6

Communion

8:00am Worship Service

Livestream Available

9:45am Church-Wide Prayer Brunch

11:00am Worship Service

Monday, July 7

Tuesday, July 8

7:00pm Choir Practice

Wednesday, July 9

Thursday, July 10

Friday, July 11

Saturday, July 12

8:30am Men's Basketball

Sunday, July 13

8:00am Worship Service

Livestream Available

9:45am Church-Wide Prayer Brunch

11:00am Worship Service

STAFF

Elbert McGowan, Jr., Senior Pastor

Brian Gault, Asst Pastor of Shepherding & Discipleship

Zack Owens, Asst Pastor of Congregational Care

Wilson Jamison, Asst Pastor of Youth Ministry

Stephanie Greer, Assistant Youth Director

Jajuan McNeil, Director of Children's Ministry

Joya McNeil, Children's Ministry Assistant

Jerome Douglas, Dir Neighborhood Outreach & Missions

Katie Drake, Director of Women's Ministry

Velma Warner, Nursery Coordinator

Corrie Keplinger, Coordinator of Communications

& Operations, Assistant to The Pastor

Tina Collier, Administrative Assistant

Josh Anderson, Intern

Joshua Coleman, Intern

Ian Deffenbaugh, Intern

Chael Williams, Intern

Interim Music Ministry Team:

Joyce Hamme, Arthur Phillips, Meg Mills, Akida Mosby

RULING ELDERS

Karl Arndt

Grant Callen

Tu Combs

Gene Dent

Baskin Jones

Scott Marshall

Barry McCay

Kelle Menogan, Sr.

Marculus Mosby

CL Pearce

Herb Sanders

Andy Sauerwein

William Stackler

Rob Vickery

Trey Watkins

DEACONS

Grafton Bragg

Philip Carter

Preston Denley

Davidson Forester

Jon Fults

David Garner

Jake Garner

Clayton Gressett

Reid Haygood

Detrick Johnson

Blaise King

Jonathan Lancaster

Lane Morgan

Greg Ross

Jaimar Scott

Seth Shannon

Jonathan Shull

Jeremy Smith

Ellis Tucker

Johnston Walker

Tamarco White

COMING UP:

July 19-23: RedeemerKids to Lake Forest Ranch

Aug 3: Church-Wide Brunch

Aug 4: Session & Diaconate Meetings

Aug 10: Fall Sunday School Begins

Aug 20: Upside Down Begins

Aug 20: Crossroads Begins

Aug 24: Rooted Begins

Sept 3: Mom's Bible Study Begins

Sept 1: Church Office Closed

Sept 7: Church-Wide Prayer Brunch

Sept 28: College Sunday



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