



**REDEEMER**  
TR A V E R S E   C I T Y

Nevertheless, I tell you the truth:  
it is to your advantage that I go away,  
for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you.  
But if I go, I will send him to you.

—John 16:7

*The Lord's Service*  
*April 18, 2019*  
*Maundy Thursday*

## **Welcome To Redeemer!**

We are a church that exists to glorify God by making disciples, living in community, and doing good to all. If you are visiting our church today, we welcome you to our worship service and Christian community. Our facility is equipped with a **hearing assistance system**. Please ask one of the Deacons for a receiver.

Tonight's **Maundy Thursday** service commemorates the final night in the life of Jesus before his suffering and death on the cross. On this night Jesus instituted the Lord's supper, washed his disciples feet, and gave us his new commandment to love one another just as he has loved us. As we worship tonight, we pray that God will help us to receive in a powerful way His love for us in Christ so that we are able to go out and follow His example of love and service for others.

*Good Friday Service, 7 pm*

*Easter Sunday Services, 9 & 11 am*

# The Lord's Service

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## Welcome and Announcements

## Prelude

## Silent Prayer of Preparation

*The Call to  
Worship gives  
God the first  
word in our  
service. God  
always comes  
to us before we  
come to him.  
God graciously  
invites us to  
enter His pres-  
ence with  
Thanksgiving!*

## Call to Worship

*Psalm 118:1*

Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;  
for his steadfast love endures forever.

Pastor Chris Stevens

† = Stand if able

**Bold Words** = Congregation

# † Opening Hymn #457 “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

♩ D A<sup>7</sup> D A G D A<sup>7</sup> D

1. Come, thou fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
 2. Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer; hith - er by thy help I'm come;  
 3. O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con - strained to be;

A<sup>7</sup> D A D G D A<sup>7</sup> D

streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.  
 and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.  
 let that grace now, like a fet - ter, bind my wan - d'ring heart to thee.

A<sup>7</sup> D G D A<sup>7</sup> D G D

Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove;  
 Je - sus sought me when a strang - er, wan - d'ring from the fold of God:  
 Prone to wan - der—Lord, I feel it—prone to leave the God I love:

A<sup>7</sup> D A G D A<sup>7</sup> D

praise the mount! I'm fixed up - on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love.  
 he, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.  
 here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.

## † Invocation

*Psalm 124:8*

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

**People: Who made heaven and earth.**

Pastor: Let us pray.

*The Call to Confession invites us to honest expression before God that we are not as we were made to be. The church is not a gathering of perfect people, we are all sinners in various stages of recovery.*

## Confession of Sin

*John 13:34*

A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another.

**God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you, and turned aside from your way. We have not loved others as you have loved us, but instead have looked down on them. We have not served others as you have served us, but instead have sought to be served. We have not counted the interests of others more significant than our own, but instead have thought far too much of ourselves. Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

*The Declaration of Forgiveness breaks through the accusations of our conscious, the lies of the evil one, and proclaims the amazing truth of the gospel to our heart!*

## Declaration of Forgiveness

*Psalm 103:11-13*

For as high as the heavens are above the earth,  
so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;  
as far as the east is from the west,  
so far does he remove our transgressions from us.  
As a father shows compassion to his children,  
so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear him.

## † Hymn of Assurance “See The Destined Day Arise”



1. See the des - tined day a - rise! See a wil - ling sac - ri - fice!  
2. Who but Christ had dared to drain, steeped in gall, the cup of pain,  
3. Ho - ly Je - sus, grant us grace in that sac - ri - fice to place



Je - sus, to re - deem our loss, hangs up - on the shame - ful cross;  
And with ten - der bo - dy bear thorns, and nails, and pierc - ing spear?  
All our trust for life re - newed, Par - doned sin, and prom - ised good.



Je - sus, who but You could bear wrath so great and just - ice fair?  
Slain for us, the wa - ter flowed, ming - led from your side with blood;  
Grant us grace to sing your praise, 'round your throne through end - less days,



Ev - ery pang and bit - ter throe, fin - ish - ing your life of woe?  
Sign to all at - tes - ting eyes of the fin - ished sac - ri - fice.  
Ev - er with the sons of light: "Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, might!"



Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Lamb of God for sin - ners slain!



Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Je - sus Christ, we praise your name!

## Scripture Reading

*John 7:35-39*

This is the Word of the Lord!

**Thanks be to God!**

*The reading and preaching of the Bible is central to strengthening and comforting believers and equipping us to live faithfully each week.*

## † Sermon Text Reading

*John 16:1-8*

“I have said all these things to you to keep you from falling away. <sup>2</sup> They will put you out of the synagogues. Indeed, the hour is coming when whoever kills you will think he is offering service to God. <sup>3</sup> And they will do these things because they have not known the Father, nor me. <sup>4</sup> But I have said these things to you, that when their hour comes you may remember that I told them to you.

“I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. <sup>5</sup> But now I am going to him who sent me, and none of you asks me, ‘Where are you going?’ <sup>6</sup> But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. <sup>7</sup> Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. <sup>8</sup> And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment .

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**Sermon** “Loss As Gift; Grief Into Rejoicing”

Reverend Chris Stevens

† **Sermon Hymn #252** “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

**Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,  
save in the death of Christ my God:  
all the vain things that charm me most,  
I sacrifice them to his blood.**

## **Holy Communion**

### **Invitation to the Lord's Table**

*We celebrate communion each week to remember what Christ has done and to be nourished spiritually.*

We warmly welcome to the table all who trust in Jesus Christ for their salvation, have been baptized and have publicly professed their faith as members of any evangelical Christian church. We encourage families to come forward together, but ask that young children not partake of the elements until they have met with their Elders to make a profession of their faith.

### **Affirmation of Faith** Heidelberg Catechism Question and Answer #1

*We recite a creed each week as a way to prepare for communion and also to connect our worship to generations of Christians who have gone before us.*

What is your only comfort in life and death?

**That I, with body and soul, both in life and death,  
am not my own,  
but belong unto my faithful Savior Jesus Christ,  
who with his precious blood has fully satisfied for all my sins,  
and delivered me from all the power of the devil,  
and so preserves me  
that without the will of my heavenly Father  
not a hair can fall from my head;  
indeed, that everything must fit his purpose for my salvation,  
therefore by his Holy Spirit he also assures me of eternal life  
and makes me heartily willing and ready,  
always, to live for him.**

## Prayer of Thanksgiving and Consecration

The Lord be with you.

Ruth 2:4

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts!

Lamentations 3:41

**We lift them up to the Lord!**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. Psalm 118:1

**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is truly right to give you thanks and praise, eternal and ever blessed God Lord of heaven and earth. Through your living Word you created all things and pronounced them good. You made human beings in your own image, to share your life and reflect your glory. In the fullness of time you gave Christ to us as the way, the truth, and the life. In the upper room Christ gave us this supper, that we should celebrate the memorial of the cross and resurrection, by which he became the source of salvation for all who put their trust in him. Therefore, with the whole company of saints in heaven and earth, with all creation in all time, we magnify your glorious Name, evermore praising you and singing:

## Sanctus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts. The

whole earth is full of his glo - ry, the whole earth is full of his glo - ry, the

whole earth is full of his glo - ry. Ho - ly is the Lord.

## Words of Institution and Breaking of the Bread

**Music for Meditation** “Beautiful, Terrible Cross”

*Sung by Lindsay Korljan and Teresa Kott*

There is a beautiful, terrible cross  
Where, though You committed no sin  
Savior, You suffered the most cruelest fate  
On the cruelest creation of man

Yet on that beautiful, terrible cross  
You did what only You could  
Turning that dark inspired evil of hell  
Into our soul's greatest good

We see the love that You showed us  
We see the life that You lost  
We bow in wonder and praise You  
For the beautiful, terrible cross

There on that beautiful, terrible cross  
Though darkness was strong on that hill  
You remained sovereign, Lord, still in control  
As Your perfect plan was fulfilled

We see the love that You showed us  
We see the life that You lost  
We bow in wonder and praise You  
For the beautiful, terrible cross

## **Closing Prayer** (in unison)

O Lord, in this wondrous sacrament you have left us a remembrance of your passion. Grant that we may so receive the sacred mystery of your body and blood that the fruits of your redemption may continually be manifest in us; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

**Reading of the Passion History:** “The Betrayal” *Luke 22:39-53*

## **Stripping of the Table**

The Elders will assist the Pastor in stripping the Table in preparation for Good Friday.

## **† Benediction**

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**The Session (Pastors and Elders)**

Rev. Scott Korljan, Pastor  
Rev. Chris Stevens, Associate Pastor  
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Fred Janke  
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**Worship Service: 10:15 AM**

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