



Welcome to Redeemer!

GUESTS

Help us get to know you and pray for you by filling out the **Newcomer Form** on the back page.

PARENTS

The **Nursery** for infants through age 4 is available during worship in our downstairs children's area.

The **Mother's Room** is located on the right side of the sanctuary as you enter.

PreK–3rd graders are dismissed to Children's Church prior to the sermon. Children are escorted to class after prayer in the front of the sanctuary, then rejoin their families after the sermon.

ACCESSIBILITY & TRANSLATION

Visit the sound board to request an assistive hearing device or real-time language translation.

SEPTEMBER 20, 2026
Ordinary Time

Worship Leader: Cory Sellers



God Calls Us

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship *(from Psalm 36)*

Leader: Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens,
your faithfulness to the clouds.

**People: Your righteousness is like the mountains of God;
your judgments are like the great deep;
How precious is your steadfast love, O God!**

Leader: The children of mankind take refuge
in the shadow of your wings.
For with you is the fountain of life;
in your light do we see light.

**All: Oh, continue your steadfast love to those who know you,
and your righteousness to the upright of heart!**

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Joyful, joyful we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love.
Hearts unfold like flowers before thee, opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee, Earth and heav'n reflect thy rays;
stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea,
singing bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest,
Well-spring of the joy of living, ocean-depth of happy rest!
Thou the Father, Christ our brother, all who live in love are thine;
teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.

Mortals join the happy chorus which the morning stars began.
Father love is reigning o'er us, brother love binds man to man.
Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife;
joyful music leads us sunward in the triumph song of life.

Prayer of Adoration & Invocation – *Laura Clousing*

————— *God Sanctifies Us* —————

Call to Confession (*Psalms 24:3–5*)

- ³ Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord?
And who shall stand in his holy place?
⁴ He who has clean hands and a pure heart,
who does not lift up his soul to what is false
and does not swear deceitfully.
⁵ He will receive blessing from the Lord
and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

Corporate Confession

All: Almighty God, you have sent us the promised gift of your Holy Spirit to bring life and hope, and yet we confess that we do not always trust your promise.

We live in fear and strive to uphold a law that is powerless to save. We boast in our own power and righteousness and live in vain comparison with others. We forget that our salvation and our sanctification are gifts from you.

Forgive us for our pride and lack of trust and help us live in gratitude and peace. We pray this through Christ our Lord, in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Silent Confession

Please reflect on the words above in your silent confession.

Word of Absolution (*Isaiah 55:1–3*)

¹ “Come, everyone who thirsts,
 come to the waters;
and he who has no money,
 come, buy and eat!
Come, buy wine and milk
 without money and without price.

² Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,
 and your labor for that which does not satisfy?
Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good,
 and delight yourselves in rich food.

³ Incline your ear, and come to me;
 hear, that your soul may live;
and I will make with you an everlasting covenant,
 my steadfast, sure love for David.

People: Thanks be to God!

Leader: O Lord, open our lips,

All: and our mouths will declare your praise!

Doxology

All ye who are of tender heart,
Forgiving others take your part.
Sing his praises. Alleluia!
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,
Praise God and on him cast your care.
O praise him! O praise him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless,
and worship him in humbleness.
O praise him. Alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit, Three in One.
O praise him! O praise him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Passing of the Peace

Leader: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

The people greet one another with Christ's peace.

Prayer with Children

Children PreK–3rd grade are invited to the front of the sanctuary for prayer. They will then will be escorted to Children's Church. After the sermon, they will be brought back to the sanctuary.

Alternatively, children are always welcome to remain in the sanctuary to worship alongside the adults for the duration of the service.

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father!
There is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not.
As thou hast been, thou forever will be.

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see.
All I have needed thy hand hath provided.
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above,
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide.
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine with ten thousand beside!

Cherokee Update – Laurel Barnes

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer – Laura Clousing

**All: Our Father, who art in heaven,
 hallowed be thy Name,
 thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
 on earth as it is in heaven.
 Give us this day our daily bread.
 And forgive us our trespasses,
 as we forgive those who have trespassed against us.
 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
 For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
 and the glory forever,
 and ever.
 Amen.**

SERMON SERIES: For the Sake of the World
Bearing Witness to the Power of the Spirit

PASTOR CHRIS HILDEBRAND

Acts 2:1–21

¹ When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. ² And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. ⁴ And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance. ⁵ Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. ⁶ And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language.

⁷ And they were amazed and astonished, saying, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?” ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? ⁹ Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, ¹¹ both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.” ¹² And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” ¹³ But others mocking said, “They are filled with new wine.”

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¹⁴ But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them: “Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. ¹⁵ For these people are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. ¹⁶ But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ ““And in the last days it shall be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams;

¹⁸ even on my male servants and female servants
in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹ And I will show wonders in the heavens above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke;

²⁰ the sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day.

²¹ And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name
of the Lord shall be saved.”

Professing Our Faith – *The Apostles' Creed (A.D. 390)*

Leader: Christian, what do you believe?

**All: I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The “holy catholic Church” refers to the entire company of God’s redeemed people throughout the world and across the centuries.

The Offering

Children's Church students rejoin their families.

The Church's One Foundation

The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord,
She is his new creation by water and the Word.
From heaven he came and sought her to be his holy bride;
With his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

Elect from every nation, yet one over all the earth;
Her charter of salvation, one Lord, one faith, one birth;
One holy Name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.

Though with a scornful wonder men see her sore oppressed,
By schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed,
Yet saints their watch are keeping; their cry goes up, "How long?"
And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.

Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation of peace forevermore;
'Til, with the vision glorious, her longing eyes are blessed,
And the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One,
and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won.
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we
Like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

————— *God Strengthens Us* —————

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Consecration

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Sanctus

All: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Words of Institution

Leader: Therefore we proclaim the mystery of the faith:

All: Christ has died! Christ is risen! Christ will come again!

Communion trays include red wine and white grape juice.
The bread is gluten-free.

Prayer for When Struggling with Shame & Guilt

Lord Jesus, help me believe that there is full forgiveness for those who repent and put their faith in you. Give me faith to believe that sinners are welcome to the Lord's Supper to receive real forgiveness, grace, and strength. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking to you, the founder and perfecter of my faith. Amen.

Prayer for When Searching for the Truth

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open me to the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

Prayer of Belief

Lord Jesus Christ, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever dared admit, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt on the cross, taking what I deserved in order to offer me complete forgiveness. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and Lord. Amen.

10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

Bless the Lord, oh, my soul, oh, my soul.

Worship his holy name.

Sing like never before, oh, my soul.

I worship your holy name.

The sun comes up. It's a new day dawning.

It's time to sing your song again.

Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me ...

Let me be singing when the evening comes.

You're rich in love and you're slow to anger.

Your name is great and your heart is kind.

For all your goodness, I will keep on singing ...

Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

And on that day when my strength is failing,

the end draws near and my time has come.

Still, my soul will sing your praise unending ...

Ten thousand years and then forever more.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

**All: Gracious Father, we thank you for feeding us at your family feast
with the food and drink of life in your Son. As you send us now
from this table, may your Spirit give us hope and trust in your
great promise and strengthen us for the journey ahead, through
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Benediction



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COMMUNITY LIFE AT REDEEMER

TODAY

Sunday School 9:30 am

Refuge (6th–12th grade) 5–7:30 pm

PRAYER

How can we pray for you?

Fill out the form on the back cover or visit bit.ly/COTRprayer

- Submit a prayer update
 - Read the weekly prayer guide
 - Join our online prayer meeting (Wednesdays at 8 pm)
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GIVING



Support Redeemer by giving via mail, bank transfer, or online at bit.ly/Give-Redeemer

Stock donations: Email seya@redeemeratlanta.org

Text2Give: Text “GIVE” and any dollar amount to 888-302-4859

SMALL GROUPS



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EVENTS

Sunday School

Sundays, 9:30 am

Classes for all ages have resumed, with a 7-week study for adults led by Pastor Chris on prayer.

Children and youth meet by age.

Nursery provided. No classes October 4.

Community Groups & Studies

Connect with a Redeemer community group or study! Groups are kicking off for the fall, with new location-based groups forming around the city.

Newcomers are always welcome.

Visit bit.ly/Redeemer-Groups.



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- 2026 Giving: \$639,936
- 2026 Expenses: \$646,730