

REDEEMER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

An Evangelical Presbyterian Church
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Sunday Morning Worship
Pentecost Sunday

Holy Communion

June 4, 2017

Worship Theme: "God empowers us, by the Holy Spirit, to serve as His ambassadors and do His work in our world."

Gathering Music: *Prelude on "Hyfrydol"*Carter
Shirley W. Wilson, Organist

Welcome and Announcements..... Robert LeSuer

Introduction of Today's Worship..... Susan Brooks

Prelude: *Search Me, O God*..... arr. Hustad

Search me, O God, and know my heart today,
Try me, O Savior, know my thoughts, I pray;
See if there be some wicked way in me;
Cleanse me from every sin, and set me free.

Call to Worship: *(responsively)* Susan Brooks

Liturgist: By grace we have been saved through faith.

Congregation: And this is not our own doing; it is the gift of God.

Liturgist: For we are God's handiwork, redeemed in Christ Jesus for good works,

Congregation: works that God has prepared for us, that we should walk in them.

Liturgist: Praise the Lord!

Congregation: The Lord's name be praised.

***Hymn No. 466:** *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing* AZMON

(...continued over...)

Prayers of Confession..... Susan Brooks

We will begin by praying silently, confessing our personal sins.
Then, we will join in a unison prayer of corporate confession.

Great God of all, we come into Your presence humbled by Your majesty and ashamed of the many ways we fall short of Your desires for our lives. You create us to live in community, yet we distance ourselves from one another. You call us to follow You, yet we shirk our responsibilities. We expect much from You and want to give little of ourselves.

With Your help may we turn away from sin and toward You. Strengthen our faith and our obedience, that our lives may show forth Your praise. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon *(responsively)* Susan Brooks

Liturgist: This is the message we have heard from Him and to declare to you; God is light; in Him is no darkness at all.

Congregation: If we claim to have fellowship with Him yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live by the truth. But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin. —1 John 1: 5-7, NIV

Thanks be to God!

***Response Hymn:** *Gloria Patri*..... GREATOR EX

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!

***Passing of the Peace** *(to one another)*..... Susan Brooks

Moments of Thanksgiving and Praise Susan Brooks

Prayers of Petitions of the People..... Susan Brooks

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 11:1-9Judy Bloeser

Sermon: “Holy Ghost Power” Rev. Christopher W. Mathewson

Sermon Text: Acts 2:1-21

Offering: *Every Time I Feel the Spirit*..... arr. Carter

***Doxology**.....*OLD HUNDRETH*

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

***Prayer of Dedication for Our Offering** (*unison*) Susan Brooks

All knowing God and Father, You look not only upon our deeds, but also upon our hearts. Remembering this to be Your command, it is in a spirit of reconciliation with You and one another that we bring our offering this day. By the power of the Holy Spirit, use these gifts to strengthen the mission of this church and to serve those in need—through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Holy Communion

Invitation to the Lord's Table..... Rev. Christopher W. Mathewson

Opening Prayer/Lord's Prayer (*debts/debtors*)

Words of Institution

Distribution of the Bread: *The body of Christ, given for you.*

As you pass the bread, please say to the next person:
“The body of Christ, given for you.”

Upon receipt of the bread, please eat it without waiting, as a sign of your individual and personal relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ.

Distribution of the Cup: *The blood of Christ, shed for you.*

As you pass the cup, please say to the next person:
“The blood of Christ, shed for you.”

Upon receipt of the cup, please hold it until all have been served so that we can partake of the cup together, as a sign of our oneness in Christ and membership in His corporate body—the Christian Church.

Please use the baskets we have provided in alternate rows for disposal of the used communion cups

Prayer following Communion.... Rev. Christopher W. Mathewson

***Hymn No. 423:** *Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun*..... *DUKE STREET*

***Benediction** (*unison*) Rev. Christopher W. Mathewson

At the conclusion of the Benediction, the Congregation is dismissed.

Postlude: *Go, My Children, with My Blessing*arr. Leavitt

** Congregation please stand, if you are able to do so.*

Nursery Available

We offer Nursery Care during our Worship Service. You will find the caregivers in the Joyce Parlor.

After the Worship Service

We invite you to join us for a time of fellowship with coffee and cookies after the worship service in the Joyce Parlor.

If you wish to have a time of personal prayer for any needs in your life, please speak to Bob LeSuer, Jennifer Pontzer, or Dean Wilson and they will arrange for someone to meet with you today and pray with you.

Mark Your Calendar: Church Picnic—July 26, 2017

Redeemer Presbyterian Church will hold a Church Fellowship Picnic at Glenwood Park on **Wednesday, July 26, 2017** at 6:00 p.m. until ????. We will make more information available closer to the date of the picnic. In the meantime, please save the date.

If you have questions, see Jennifer Pontzer, or Jamie Stahl.

