

# WELCOME TO THE BANQUET

THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

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## OPENING SONG

GOD WITH US

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*At this time, preschool & elementary aged children are invited to the back of the sanctuary to join kids chapel.*

## REFRAIN

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## THE GREAT COMMANDMENT

*Said by one*

Hear what the Lord Jesus Christ says:  
Love the Lord your God with all your heart,  
with all your soul, and with all your mind.  
This is the greatest and first commandment.  
And the second is like it: Love your neighbor as yourself.  
On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

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## THE CANTICLE

## SONG OF CHRIST'S GOODNESS

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*Said by all*

Jesus, as a mother you gather your people to you; \*  
you are gentle with us as a mother with her children.  
Often you weep over our sins and our pride, \*  
tenderly you draw us from hatred and judgment.  
You comfort us in sorrow and bind up our wounds, \*  
in sickness you nurse us and with pure milk you feed us.  
Jesus, by your dying, we are born to new life; \*  
by your anguish and labor we come forth in joy.  
Despair turns to hope through your sweet goodness; \*  
through your gentleness, we find comfort in fear.  
Your warmth gives life to the dead, \*  
your touch makes sinners righteous.  
Lord Jesus, in your mercy, heal us; \*  
in your love and tenderness, remake us.  
In your compassion, bring grace and forgiveness, \*  
for the beauty of heaven, may your love prepare us.

## READING

MARK 1:21-28

*Read by one*

Jesus and his disciples went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, “What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God.” But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be silent, and come out of him!” And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, “What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.” At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

## HOMILY AND CONVERSATION

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## BAPTISMAL COVENANT

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<i>Leader</i>	God is
<i>All</i>	<b>One God, the almighty, creator of heaven and earth, of all that is - seen and unseen.</b>
<i>Leader</i>	God is
<i>All</i>	<b>Jesus Christ, the eternal Son, divine and human, our Savior. His life, death, and resurrection reveal to us that God is love.</b>
<i>Leader</i>	God is
<i>All</i>	<b>The Holy Spirit, at work in the world. Speaking through prophets past and present, inspiring us, holding us accountable, leading us to grow into the full stature of Christ</b>
<i>Leader</i>	With God’s help
<i>All</i>	<b>We will continue in the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers.</b>
<i>Leader</i>	With God’s help
<i>All</i>	<b>We will persevere in resisting evil, and when falling into sin, we will repent and return to God.</b>
<i>Leader</i>	With God’s help
<i>All</i>	<b>We will proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ.</b>
<i>Leader</i>	With God’s help

All            **We will seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving our neighbor as ourself.**  
Leader       **With God's help**  
All            **We will strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity**  
                 **of every human being.**

## PRAYERS

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*You are invited to offer your own prayers after each petition either silently or aloud.*

In the silence of our hearts or in spoken words, let us pray.

In the silence of our hearts or in spoken words let us give thanks for the gift of this day and every day ...

In the silence of our hearts or in spoken words let us pray for peace and healing throughout the world ...

In the silence of our hearts or in spoken words let us pray for the church, for our ministries, and the communities in which we serve ...

In the silence of our hearts or in spoken words let us pray for our needs and for the needs of others ...

In the silence of our hearts or in spoken words let us pray for those who have died and those who grieve ...

In the silence of our hearts or in spoken words let us pray to be guided by God's wisdom, grace, and love ...

## CONFESSION

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God, you have called us to be Love in the world

**We do not always recognize our belovedness;  
We do not always recognize the belovedness of our neighbor;  
We know we harm our relationship with you  
And our relationships with each other  
With words said and unsaid  
With deeds done and undone  
We ask for your unreserved forgiveness.  
We ask for your unconditional love.**

Help us to forgive without reservation.  
Help us to love without condition.  
In Jesus' name, Amen

## ABSOLUTION

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The magnitude of your sins  
Can never compare  
With God's immeasurable grace

Out of the abundance of God's love  
You are forgiven. **Amen**

## PEACE

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The Peace of Christ be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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Walk in love, as Christ loves us

## SONG

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THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT THAT NAME

*Jesus Jesus Jesus  
There's just something about that name  
Master Savior Jesus  
Like a fragrance after the rain  
Jesus Jesus Jesus  
Let all heaven and earth proclaim  
Kings and kingdoms may all pass away  
But there's something about that name*

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# COMMUNION PRAYER

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*The Eucharistic Prayer has been adapted from St. Gregory of Nyssa Episcopal Church, San Francisco.*



The Lord be with you

**And also with you**

Let us pray,

Creator of all, it is right to give you thanks,

for your voice alone brought light and life to birth when all began.

1      *You spoke each one of us into being,  
         and named us with the name that you alone could speak.*

2      *You called us to be lovers of creation,  
         and to care for each other as you care for us.*

**But we betrayed your trust —**

**and we in turn became the victims of betrayal.**

The bond of trust became the bondage of division:

male and female, Jew and Gentile,

enslaved and free, oppressor and oppressed.

Our hearts became the haunt of demons;

sin and sickness held us captive;

and our own kin cast us out.

Yet you did not desert us,  
but instead sent your Word of Love to seek us out,  
to gather in the lost and outcast.

1        *Jesus did not turn away from us,  
             but called us to your table and made us partakers in your life.*

2        *He threw open the doors of freedom, casting out the shadows of our hearts  
             and greeting us as God's beloved community.*

1        *In place of judgment, Christ gave compassion;*

2        *in place of condemnation, healing.*

**And even as Christ came to share our suffering,  
he called us to be a witness to his own;  
to follow in the way that led to the cross;  
and to see with our own eyes the depths of your forgiveness.**

And when the night was darkest, and our loss complete,  
Jesus broke upon us like the dawn,  
and shattered death itself within the empty tomb.  
He called us once again by name,  
and chose us to be bearers of the Word of Love.

For on the night he was handed over to suffering and death,  
our Savior Jesus Christ took bread,  
and when he had given thanks to you,  
he broke it and gave it to them and said :

“Take, eat: This is my body which is given for you.  
Do this in remembrance of me.”

After supper he took the cup of wine,  
and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them and said:

“Drink of this, all of you.

This is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins.  
Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore, Faithful God,  
of all the things that are yours, we offer you these,  
which are yours especially.  
We offer them gladly, as he told us,  
giving thanks for his death and resurrection.  
And having seen the glory of the Risen Christ,  
we praise you and we bless you:

**We praise you, we bless you, and we give thanks to you, Lord our God.**

Now, we pray,  
send your loving Spirit upon this bread and this wine,  
that it may be the life-giving body and blood of your Christ,  
and send your spirit upon us to make us one with Christ in your covenant of love.

Give us courage not to cling to what is past, but to proclaim the freedom of new life,  
as together with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven,  
we are bold to say:

**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 trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. AMEN.**

## BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Presider*

Be what you see; receive who you are. The Body of Christ.





## COMMUNION MUSIC

ALMIGHTY GOD

### Verse 1

*Almighty God to You all hearts are open  
Search and know our thoughts and anxious fears  
Wash us in the fountain of Your mercy  
Come with Your light we cannot hide from You*

### Verse 2

*Almighty God to You all hearts are open  
With gratitude we raise our song to You  
Come and fill the praises of Your people  
In grace and truth You make us new again*

### Chorus

*Hallelujah  
Hallelujah  
Hallelujah*

### Verse 3

*Almighty God to You all hearts are open  
We long for more than what this world provides  
No shallow spring will ever satisfy us  
But Your river deep floods over everything*

### Verse 4

*Almighty God to You all hearts are open  
You take away our sickness and our sin  
Oh Lamb of God we gather at Your table  
In bread and wine You have supplied our needs*

*Ending*

*Almighty God to You all hearts are open  
Almighty God to You all hearts are open  
Almighty God to You all hearts are open*

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## PRAYER OF SAINT FRANCIS

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*Said by all, please turn to face the rear of the nave, as we prepare to go into the world.*

**Lord, make us instruments of your peace.**

**Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon;  
where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith;  
where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light;  
where there is sadness, joy.**

**Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;  
to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love.**

**For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;  
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.**

## BLESSING

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## DISMISSAL

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**Go now to love and serve the Lord. Go in peace.**

**We go in the name of Christ. Thanks be to God.**

PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

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Celebrant .....	The Rev. Herschel Wade
Preacher .....	The Rev. Philip DeVaul
Deacon .....	The Rev. Gary Lubin
Scripture Reading .....	Sarah Kate Rasche
The Great Commandment .....	Andrea Rogers
Intercessor.....	Maria Cole
Chalice Bearer.....	Andrea Rogers, Sarah Kate Rasche
Greeter .....	Taylor Craig
Sacristan .....	Kelli Wisecup
Ushers .....	Lisa & Ryan Andrews
Bread Guild .....	Brian Babb
Altar Guild .....	Andrea Rogers, Julia Joyce, Amanda Rasche, Sarah Kate Rasche
Flower Guild.....	Angela Lyman, Michelle Kirk, Lynne Zajac, Anna Kamphaus

IN THANKSGIVING & MEMORY

The flowers that beautify our worship spaces are given to the glory of God in loving memory of David Knoll by Pat Knoll, Jane Killen in honor of our wedding anniversary by Bill Killen; and in thanksgiving for 18 years of beautiful flowers on the receptionist desk by Missy Darling.

*Flowers in our worship spaces are a beautiful gift to God, those who attend worship, and those being honored or remembered. A contribution to the Flower Fund is a meaningful way to honor or remember a loved one for special life events such as birthdays, anniversaries, baptisms, confirmations, in thanksgivings for, in memory of, or to beautify our spaces.*

*If you would like to make a donation of \$50.00 please use our online form under the give tab on the website, [www.redeemer-cincy.org](http://www.redeemer-cincy.org), or call the church office.*

# PARENTS OF YOUNG CHILDREN

Welcome to The Episcopal Church of the Redeemer!

We love the sound of kids in our service.

Here are some ideas to keep them engaged:

**Relax:** It's OK for kids to be kids. We offer coloring pages, worship bags, and books they can use during the service.

**Sit Close:** Consider sitting up front where it's easier for kids to see.

**Explain:** Kids are curious! Explain what's happening in the service.

**Participate:** Kids learn by mimicking what you do. So sing, pray, respond, etc. and kids will follow your lead.

**Wander:** It's OK to move around. Sometimes it's easier to let fidgety kids wander.

**Need to Leave?** No problem, there are spaces to take a break - kids need that sometimes. Come back when you're ready!

**Ask:** Questions or need help? Just ask our ushers.

Jesus said, "Let the children come to me, and do not stop them, for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs."

**Matthew 19:14 NRSV**

## WELCOME TO CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER!

### VISITING OR CHECKING US OUT TODAY? THINKING OF JOINING?

Church of the Redeemer may be the place for you. Here's how to connect:

**JOIN US** for coffee and hospitality after the worship services.

**ASK QUESTIONS** and join our Newcomer group at our Welcome Table, found in the Narthex (Lobby). If you like, sign-up for a name tag. Greeters, ushers, clergy, and friendly people would love to talk to you!

**CHILD CARE** is available in the Playroom for children (**age 3 and younger**) each Sunday beginning at 8:45 am through 12:15 pm. During 10:00 am education hour, children (**age 3-6**) may join Godly Play in the Playroom; (**grades 1-4**) are invited to Club CoR in the Great Hall (Cloister Side) and youth (**grades 5-8**) gather in the Library for Middle CoR.

Questions about children's programming? Contact our Minister for Children and Families, Hannah Teetor at [hannah@redeemer-cincy.org](mailto:hannah@redeemer-cincy.org).

### HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED? Contact Nancy Schwartz, Director of Operations:

[nancyschwartz@redeemer-cincy.org](mailto:nancyschwartz@redeemer-cincy.org) or 513.321.6700



Church of the Redeemer has at its center the love of God in Jesus Christ. We are nourished by this love, empowered by the knowledge that we belong to God unconditionally, and equipped by our church to share love and blessing with the world around us. The gift you make facilitates the blessing of our community and the spiritual nourishment of so many. You are contributing to practical ministries that are transforming lives every day. You are not paying the church back for what it is doing in your life, you are

paying it forward to create opportunities for everyone who connects with our church. You are helping the church grow. You make this church what it is. You empower blessing and belonging. **Please make your 2024 financial commitment now. Simply use the Giving button on your CoR App or the QR Code to your right.**



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**YOUR NAME**  
Here

**REMEMBER TO WEAR YOUR NAMETAG** - As we gather together for worship today it is important to wear your nametag to help us all remember names or just meet for the first time. Don't have a nametag yet? Sign-up for one in the narthex/lobby near the entrance to the chapel. It will be ready for you next Sunday in the nametag cabinet.



**JOIN OUR NEWCOMER GROUP** - New to Church of the Redeemer? Ready to learn more about our ministries? Considering membership? Use the QR code at the left to join our Newcomer group and receive information about ministries, events, membership and access to our CoR App.

**TODAY'S OFFERING** - We encourage you to give your offering electronically today through our CoR App. (Search Redeemer Cincy in your app store.) Or you may choose to give online via our secure online system here: <https://redeemercincy.tpsdb.com/Give/offering>. There are also two collection spots in the narthex (look for the Give Here signs) where you may deposit your offering safely.



## WEEKDAY SERVICES

**Tuesday:** Morning Prayer Podcast  
**Wednesday:** 6:00 pm Holy Eucharist, Rite II  
**Thursday:** Morning Prayer Podcast

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## CALENDAR

*Look for more details on events on our website: [redeemer-cincy.org/events](http://redeemer-cincy.org/events).*

Church of the Redeemer offers a variety of worship, education, and fellowship events for all ages. A quick glance at our calendar provides a look at both our recurring opportunities, as well as those special events we have throughout the year. You can access the church calendar on our website under the Connect tab, on our CoR App using the Calendar button, on our TV sign in the narthex (lobby), and by using the QR code at right.



## VESTRY OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

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