

**Equip Classes** – There are two adult education classes (6<sup>th</sup> grade and up) along with a second hour of Redeemer Kids following corporate worship. Join us downstairs today!

Members' Meeting, Immediately after equip classes. We'll share a meal, admit new members, consider officers for 2025, and take up a series of amendments to our *Book of Order*. Please see page 11 to review the summary of amendments, which were presented at the August members' meeting. Covenant members can request a reprint of the motion from that meeting which included the amendments by emailing zach@redeemerhuntsville.com.

**Step in the Gap!** We're still looking for eight teachers to round out Redeemer Kids' needs for the 2025 Jan-Jun semester.

- Infants: 1 needed
- Toddlers: 2 needed
- 4s & 5s: 2 needed
- K-2<sup>nd</sup>: 2 needed
- 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>: 1 needed

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We exist to share God's good news and be equipped to love him and neighbor in every area of life in Huntsville and beyond.



Order of Worship
November 17, 2024



We are glad that you've joined us today for worship. Know that no question is off limits here. We take the gospel seriously and invite all people everywhere to enjoy the grace of God.

You can read what's coming up on the last page of the bulletin. More information can be found at redeemerhuntsville.org.

Any questions? Feel free to email us at info@redeemerhuntsville.org



#### Guests

If you are a guest, we would love to send you some more information about Redeemer. Go ahead and take out your phone. (*It's okay, we promise!*) Scan the QR code on the right to answer just three short questions.



We would also love to gift you a resource that complements our sermon series through Exodus.

## **Restrooms & Relief**

Restrooms can be found in the hallway behind the chapel. A men's restroom is on the right outside of the double doors, and the women's room is around the corner. Water and coffee are available downstairs following worship.

#### **Parents**

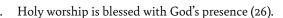
Baby changing facilities are available in the respite room to the right as you exit the chapel. Nursing mothers are welcome to feed their baby wherever they feel comfortable, but one of our hosts can also help you find a private room.

Raised with Him to endless life He will hold me fast Till our faith is turned to sight When He comes at last

## Benediction and Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow!
Praise Him all creatures here below!
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts!
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.





Welcome & Thanksgiving\* Micah 5:4-5

Hymn of Grace All Creatures of Our God and King

Scripture Reading John 7:25–36

Terry Hill

Affirmation of the Faith Orthodox Catechism (1680)

Confession & Promise of Grace John 3:16-17

**Pastoral Prayer** 

Song of the Gospel How Firm A Foundation

Song of Assurance He Will Hold Me Fast

Sermon "Holy Worship"

Zach Carter Exodus 20:23–26

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Lord's Supper

Song of Response Christ Our Hope In Life and Death (select verses)

**Benediction & Doxology** 

# Lord's Supper

If you are not 1) a baptized believer who is 2) walking with Christ in faith and 3) in good standing with your local church, we ask that you refrain from this meal and take this moment to reflect upon your life and seek the grace God freely offers to all who cast themselves upon Jesus.

All communion bread is gluten-free.

# Song of Response

He Will Hold Me Fast (select verses)

Those He saves are His delight Christ will hold me fast Precious in His holy sight He will hold me fast He'll not let my soul be lost His Promises shall last Bought by Him at such a cost He will hold me fast

[Chorus]
He will hold me fast
He will hold me fast
For my Savior loves me so
He will hold me fast

For my life He bled and died Christ will hold me fast Justice has been satisfied He will hold me fast

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# Call to Worship

## Hymn of Grace

All Creatures Of Our God And King

All creatures of our God and King
Lift up your voice and with us sing
Oh praise Him, Alleluia<sup>1</sup>
Thou burning sun with golden beam
Thou silver moon with softer gleam
Oh praise Him Oh praise Him: Alleluia alleluia alleluia

Let all things their Creator bless And worship Him in humbleness Oh praise Him, Alleluia Praise praise the Father praise the Son And praise the Spirit Three-in-One Oh praise Him Oh praise Him: Alleluia alleluia alleluia

All the redeemed washed by His blood Come and rejoice in His great love Oh praise Him, Alleluia Christ has defeated every sin Cast all your burdens now on Him Oh praise Him Oh praise Him: Alleluia alleluia

He shall return in pow'r to reign Heaven and earth will join to say: Oh praise Him, Alleluia

Then who shall fall on bended knee All creatures of our God and King Oh praise Him Oh praise Him: Alleluia alleluia alleluia

Jonathan Baird, Ryan Baird, St. Francis of Assisi, William Henry Draper CCLI Song #6529800 CCLI License #21893125 © 2013 Sovereign Grace Praise Those He saves are His delight Christ will hold me fast Precious in His holy sight He will hold me fast He'll not let my soul be lost His Promises shall last Bought by Him at such a cost He will hold me fast

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#### Sermon

"Holy Worship" Zach Carter Exodus 20: 22-26

- 1. Holy worship is prescribed by God (22-24).
- 2. Holy worship is distinct from idolatry by its form and content (23).
- 3. Holy worship is sacred and not worldly (24-25).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Alleluia is a Latinized version of the Hb. hallelujah, which is itself a compound word meaning "Praise Yahweh."

Your pathway shall lie
My grace all-sufficient
Shall be your supply
The flame shall not hurt you
I only design
Your dross to consume and
Your gold to refine :||

The soul that on Jesus
Has leaned for repose
I will not I will not
Desert to his foes
That soul though all hell
Should endeavor to shake
I'll never no never
No never forsake:

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# Song of Assurance

He Will Hold Me Fast

When I fear my faith will fail Christ will hold me fast When the tempter would prevail He will hold me fast I could never keep my hold Through life's fearful path For my love is often cold He must hold me fast

[Chorus]
He will hold me fast
He will hold me fast
For my Savior loves me so
He will hold me fast

# Scripture Reading

John 7:25-36

#### Can This Be the Christ?

<sup>25</sup> Some of the people of Jerusalem therefore said, "Is not this the man whom they seek to kill? <sup>26</sup> And here he is, speaking openly, and they say nothing to him! Can it be that the authorities really know that this is the Christ? <sup>27</sup> But we know where this man comes from, and when the Christ appears, no one will know where he comes from." <sup>28</sup> So Jesus proclaimed, as he taught in the temple, "You know me, and you know where I come from. But I have not come of my own accord. He who sent me is true, and him you do not know. <sup>29</sup> I know him, for I come from him, and he sent me." <sup>30</sup> So they were seeking to arrest him, but no one laid a hand on him, because his hour had not yet come. <sup>31</sup> Yet many of the people believed in him. They said, "When the Christ appears, will he do more signs than this man has done?"

#### Officers Sent to Arrest Jesus

<sup>32</sup> The Pharisees heard the crowd muttering these things about him, and the chief priests and Pharisees sent officers to arrest him. <sup>33</sup> Jesus then said, "I will be with you a little longer, and then I am going to him who sent me. <sup>34</sup> You will seek me and you will not find me. Where I am you cannot come." <sup>35</sup> The Jews said to one another, "Where does this man intend to go that we will not find him? Does he intend to go to the Dispersion among the Greeks and teach the Greeks? <sup>36</sup> What does he mean by saying, 'You will seek me and you will not find me,' and, 'Where I am you cannot come'?"

### Affirmation of the Faith

Orthodox Catechism (1680) Lesson 7

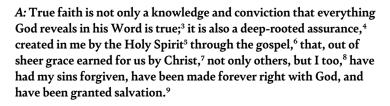
Q20: Are all saved through Christ just as all were lost through Adam?

A: No. Only those are saved who by true faith are grafted into Christ and accept all his blessings.<sup>2</sup>

O 21: What is true faith?

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Matt. 7:14; John 3:16, 18, 36; Rom. 11:16-21



### Q 22: What then must a Christian believe?

A: Everything God promises us in the gospel. <sup>10</sup>That gospel is summarized for us in the articles of our Christian faith--a creed <sup>11</sup> beyond doubt, and confessed throughout the world.

#### Q 23: What are these articles?

A: I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended to heaven and is seated 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. $^{12}$ 

#### Confession and Promise of Grace

John 3:16-18

<sup>16</sup>"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. <sup>17</sup> For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. <sup>18</sup> Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God.

## **Pastoral Prayer**

# Song of the Assurance

How Firm A Foundation

How firm a foundation You saints of the Lord Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word What more can He say Than to you He has said To you who for refuge To Jesus have fled:|| Fear not I am with you Oh be not dismayed For I am your God And will still give you aid I'll strengthen you help you And cause you to stand Upheld by My righteous Omnipotent hand:||

## When through fiery trials

Creeds, such as this one, were important tools to combat the false teachers and heresies which threatened Christian unity in the first 300 years because they summarized the Bible's teaching in memorable and concise language.

<sup>3</sup> John 17:3, 17; Heb. 11:1-3; James 2:19

<sup>4</sup> Rom. 4:18-21; 5:1; 10:10; Heb. 4:14-16

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Matt. 16:15-17; John 3:5; Acts 16:14

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Rom. 1:16; 10:17; 1 Cor. 1:21

<sup>7</sup> Rom. 3:21-26; Gal. 2:16; Eph. 2:8-10

<sup>8</sup> Gal. 2:20

<sup>9</sup> Rom. 1:17; Heb. 10:10

<sup>10</sup> Matt. 28:18-20; John 20:30-31

 $<sup>^{11}</sup>$  We need not be afraid of a word like "creed." The word comes into English from the Lt. *credo* which simply means "I believe." So, a creed is a summary of what one believes.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Summary, credal statements such as this date back to the earliest decades of the church combating early heresy. This *Apostles' Creed* itself has roots in the early second century, but the textual connections to even earlier writings such as those of Irenaeus, a disciple of the Apostle John, (*Letter to the Trallians*) show the early church was never confused about the identity and mission of Jesus Christ.