



**First Sunday Prayer and Praise—Tonight, 6:00-7:00pm.** New time! Join us for an hour of prayer every first Sunday. If you have prayer needs, submit them online or in the Church Center app.

**Summer Women's Bible Study—June 5.** Study the seven "I Am" statements of Jesus, following Courtney Doctor's *Behold and Believe*. There are supplemental videos as well for those who wish to dig deeper. Hosted at the Wests' house in Jones Valley. For more information, contact Susan Morgan or Kari West.

**Redeemer Students—June 6, 6:00-8:30pm.** Pickleball at Sandra Moon! Join us for a night of pickleball and more. Reach out to Noah for more information!

**Elder Affirmation—June 15, immediately following corporate worship.** The congregation will respond by ballot to the elders' recommendation that Brandon Ash should be set apart and join the elder board at Redeemer. Members are encouraged to meet Brandon in the days prior to this consideration.

**Upcoming Sermon on Biblical Sexuality—June 29.** The last week of June will feature a frank, but holy sermon on biblical sexuality from Rom 1:24-27, 1 Cor 6:9-10, et al. Additional classes for worship care kids under 12 will be available that morning. If you're willing to be on call that day for Redeemer Kids, please email [noah@redeemerhuntsville.org](mailto:noah@redeemerhuntsville.org).



We are rooted in the past  
and working for the future.



Redeemer  
Church

Order of Worship

June 1, 2025



## Welcome to Redeemer!

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](http://redeemerhuntsville.org).

Any questions? Feel free to email us at [info@redeemerhuntsville.org](mailto: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.



### 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.

### Giving

Redeemer relies upon the generosity of her members to support the ministries and missions of the church. You can make a one-time gift by dropping funds into the black box at the rear of the sanctuary or electronically by scanning the QR code on the right.



## 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

*There Is A Fountain* (select verses)

Dear dying Lamb, Thy precious blood  
Shall never lose its pow'r  
'Til all the ransomed church of God  
Be saved to sin no more (x3)  
'Til all the ransomed church of God  
Be saved to sin no more

When this poor, lisping, stamm'ring tongue  
Lies silent in the grave  
Then in a nobler, sweeter song  
I'll sing Thy pow'r to save (x3)  
Then in a nobler, sweeter song  
I'll sing Thy pow'r to save

## Doxology

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

*As you exit the chapel this morning, please be sure to collect any of your personal belongings and trash. We look forward to joining you downstairs for coffee and tea before our adult and children education classes.*



## Sermon

“Marks of Gospel Friendship”

Romans 1:8-15

Zach Carter

1. Gospel friendship is marked by constant prayer for one another.
2. Gospel friendship is marked by longing to impart spiritual strength.
3. Gospel friendship is marked by mutual encouragement by faith.
4. Gospel friendship is marked by transparent motivations.



Welcome & Thanksgiving\*

John 15:15

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## Call to Worship

John 15:15

<sup>15</sup>No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you.

## Song of Praise

*In Christ Alone*

In Christ alone my hope is found  
He is my light my strength my song  
This Cornerstone this solid Ground  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm  
What heights of love what depths of peace  
When fears are stilled when strivings cease  
My Comforter my All in All  
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh  
Fullness of God in helpless babe  
This gift of love and righteousness  
Scorned by the ones He came to save  
Till on that cross as Jesus died  
The wrath of God was satisfied  
For every sin on Him was laid  
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay  
Light of the world by darkness slain  
Then bursting forth in glorious Day  
Up from the grave He rose again  
And as He stands in victory  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me  
For I am His and He is mine  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life no fear in death  
This is the power of Christ in me



'Til all the ransomed church of God  
Be saved to sin no more

E'er since by faith I saw the stream  
Thy flowing wounds supply  
Redeeming love has been my theme  
And shall be 'til I die (x3)  
Redeeming love has been my theme  
And shall be 'til I die

When this poor, lisping, stamm'ring tongue  
Lies silent in the grave  
Then in a nobler, sweeter song  
I'll sing Thy pow'r to save (x3)  
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Charitie Lees Bancroft, Vikki Cook  
CCLI Song #2306412  
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Thou and Thou only  
Be first in my heart  
High King of heaven  
My treasure Thou art

High King of heaven  
When vict'ry is won  
May I reach heaven's joys  
O bright heaven's Sun  
Heart of my own heart  
Whatever befall  
Still be my vision  
O Ruler of all

Eleanor Henrietta Hull, Mary Elizabeth Byrne  
Tune: Slane, traditional Irish folk song  
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## Hymn of Assurance

*There is a Fountain*

There is a fountain filled with blood  
Drawn from Immanuel's veins  
And sinners plunged beneath that flood  
Lose all their guilty stains  
And sinners plunged beneath that flood  
Lose all their guilty stains

The dying thief rejoiced to see  
That fountain in His day  
And there have I, though vile as he  
Wash all my sins away (x3)  
And there have I, though vile as he  
Wash all my sins away

Dear dying Lamb, Thy precious blood  
Shall never lose its pow'r  
'Til all the ransomed church of God  
Be saved to sin no more (x3)



From life's first cry to final breath  
Jesus commands my destiny  
No power of hell no scheme of man  
Can ever pluck me from His hand  
Till He returns or calls me home  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

Keith Getty, Stuart Townend  
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## Scripture Reading

John 16:25–17:5

### I Have Overcome the World

<sup>25</sup>“I have said these things to you in figures of speech. The hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figures of speech but will tell you plainly about the Father. <sup>26</sup>In that day you will ask in my name, and I do not say to you that I will ask the Father on your behalf; <sup>27</sup>for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from God. <sup>28</sup>I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father.”

<sup>29</sup>His disciples said, “Ah, now you are speaking plainly and not using figurative speech! <sup>30</sup>Now we know that you know all things and do not need anyone to question you; this is why we believe that you came from God.” <sup>31</sup>Jesus answered them, “Do you now believe? <sup>32</sup>Behold, the hour is coming, indeed it has come, when you will be scattered, each to his own home, and will leave me alone. Yet I am not alone, for the Father is with me. <sup>33</sup>I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world.”

### The High Priestly Prayer

**17** When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, “Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, <sup>2</sup>since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. <sup>3</sup>And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. <sup>4</sup>I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do. <sup>5</sup>And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed.



## Affirmation of the Faith

*Orthodox Catechism* (1680)

Q 89: What are the keys of the kingdom?

**A: The preaching of the holy gospel and Christian discipline toward repentance. Both preaching and discipline open the kingdom of heaven to believers and close it to unbelievers.<sup>1</sup>**

Q 90: How does preaching the gospel open and close the kingdom of heaven?

**A: The kingdom of heaven is opened by proclaiming and publicly declaring to all believers, each and every one, that, as often as they accept the gospel promise in true faith, God, because of what Christ has done, truly forgives all their sins.**

**The kingdom of heaven is closed, however, by proclaiming and publicly declaring to unbelievers and hypocrites that, as long as they do not repent, the anger of God and eternal condemnation rest on them.**

**God's judgment, both in this life and in the life to come, is based on this gospel testimony.<sup>2</sup>**

Q 91: How is the kingdom of heaven closed and opened by Christian discipline?

**A: Those who, though called Christians, profess unchristian teachings or live unchristian lives, and after repeated and loving counsel refuse to abandon their errors and wickedness, and after being reported to the church, that is, to the entire congregation, fail to respond also to their admonition--such persons the elders are to exclude from the Christian fellowship by withholding the sacraments from them, and God himself excludes them from the kingdom of Christ.<sup>3</sup>**

**Such persons, when promising and demonstrating genuine reform, are eagerly received again as members of Christ and of his church.<sup>4</sup>**

<sup>1</sup> Matt. 16:19; John 20:22-23

<sup>2</sup> Matt. 16:19; John 3:31-36; 20:21-23

<sup>3</sup> Matt. 18:15-20; 1 Cor. 5:3-5, 11-13; 2 Thess. 3:14-15

<sup>4</sup> Luke 15:20-24; 2 Cor. 2:6-11



## Confession and Assurance of Pardon

John 6:37-40

<sup>37</sup> All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. <sup>38</sup> For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. <sup>39</sup> And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day.

<sup>40</sup> For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day."

## Pastoral Prayer

### Hymn of the Gospel

*Be Thou My Vision* (Slane)

Be Thou my vision  
O Lord of my heart  
Naught be all else to me  
Save that Thou art  
Thou my best thought  
By day or by night  
Waking or sleeping  
Thy presence my light

Be Thou my wisdom  
Be Thou my true Word  
I ever with Thee  
And Thou with me Lord  
Thou my great Father  
I Thy true son  
Thou in me dwelling  
And I with Thee one

Riches I heed not  
Nor man's empty praise  
Thou mine inheritance  
Now and always