



Episcopal Church of

The Redeemer

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THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

FEBRUARY 22, 2026

8:00 AM

Welcome to The Redeemer. We're glad you're here!

Worship at The Redeemer

The order for worship is found within this leaflet. The Book of Common Prayer page numbers for the liturgy are indicated throughout. If you are a visitor, we invite you to sign the guest book in the entrance or fill out one of the cards in the pew and make yourself known to those around you—parishioners and staff will be happy to answer any questions you may have about our liturgy, programs or facilities. Information on parish activities can be found in the enclosed *News from The Redeemer* and on www.TheRedeemer.org.

Sunday

8:00am-Rite I

Holy Eucharist: without music

9:30am-Holy Eucharist

last Sunday of the month

Choral Matins with Communion

& via Livestream

5:00pm

1st & 3rd Sundays

Choral Evensong

8:00pm-Compline via Zoom

Tuesday & Thursday

9:00pm-Compline via Zoom

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.
People **His mercy endureth for ever.**

SUMMARY OF THE LAW

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Presider Hear what our Lord Jesus saith:

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets. *Matthew 22:37-40*

KYRIE

Presider Lord, have mercy upon us.
People **Christ, have mercy upon us.**
Presider Lord, have mercy upon us.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**
Presider Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted of Satan: Make speed to help thy servants who are assaulted by manifold temptations; and, as thou knowest their several infirmities, let each one find thee mighty to save; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The congregation is seated.



READING from the Book of Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

Following the reading:

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 32:1-6, 11-12

Beati quorum (Blessed are they)

said by all

- 1 **Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, *
and whose sin is put away!**
- 2 **Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt, *
and in whose spirit there is no guile!**
- 3 **While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, *
because of my groaning all day long.**
- 4 **For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; *
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.**
- 5 **Then I acknowledged my sin to you, *
and did not conceal my guilt.**
- 6 **I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." *
Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.**
- 11 **Great are the tribulations of the wicked; *
but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD.**
- 12 **Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD; *
shout for joy, all who are true of heart.**

GOSPEL from *The Gospel According to Matthew 4:1-11*

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew.

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Following the reading:

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

SERMON

The Rev. Jeremy R. O'Neill

NICENE CREED, *said by all, standing*

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**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**
**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God,
Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.**
**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the
Virgin Mary, and was made man.**
**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**
**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**
**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**
**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who,
with the Father and the Son, is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN, *all kneeling*

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Presider Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Presider and People **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.**

Presider Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE, *all standing*

BCP page 332

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome to receive Communion. Please proceed by way of the center aisle and return to your pew via the side aisles. To receive the bread, simply extend your hands.

If you wish to partake of the wine, do so by intinction, dipping the host in the wine.

If you do not wish to take wine or you wish to receive a blessing, cross your hands over your chest.

Infants and children may also receive Communion or a blessing,

according to their or their parents' wishes.

If you need a gluten free wafer, please ask for it from the person administering Communion.

The congregation is invited to stand.

PRAYER OF REMEMBRANCE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer II

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Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

People **It is meet and right so to do.**

Presider It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. . .

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

SANCTUS, *said by all*

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.
Blessed is he who cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The people kneel.

The presider continues,

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER, *said by all*

BCP page 336

Presider And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Presider

**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,
and the power,
and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread

Presider Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER, *said by all, kneeling*

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After Communion, the Presider says: Let us pray.

Presider and People

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

BLESSING

DISMISSAL

Priest Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

GRACE NOTES. . .

small things that herald greater ones.

All by Raimond Gaita: Justice and Hope

Compiled by the Rector

Affliction teaches us that the human soul hungers for meaning.

[Our responsibility is to] put in the way of children the things in our tradition that they could worthily and clear-sightedly love.

[Every day provides the opportunity for] the rediscovery of the world of which I have the joy of being a part.

I do not think that a day has passed in my life in which I have failed to look with fresh amazement at the miracle of nature.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Traditional - Rite I

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted of Satan: Make speed to help thy servants who are assaulted by manifold temptations; and, as thou knowest their several infirmities, let each one find thee mighty to save; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Contemporary - Rite II

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

READING from the Book of Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the LORD God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die." Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?'" The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the

garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'" But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

PSALM 32:1-6, 11-12

1. Blessed is he whose unrighteousness is forgiven and whose sin is covered.
2. Blessed is the man unto whom the Lord imputeth no sin and in whose spirit there is no guile.
3. For while I held my tongue my bones consumed away through my daily complaining.
4. For thy hand is heavy upon me day and night and my moisture is like the drought in summer.
5. I will acknowledge my sin unto thee and mine unrighteousness have I not hid.

Beati quorum (Blessed are they)

6. I said, I will confess my sins unto the Lord and so thou forgavest the wickedness of my sin.
11. Great plagues remain for the ungodly but whoso putteth his trust in the Lord, mercy embraceth him on every side.
12. Be glad, O ye righteous, and rejoice in the Lord and be joyful, all ye that are true of heart.

READING from The Letter of Paul to the Romans 5:12-19

As sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned-- sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come. But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following

one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ. Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

GOSPEL from The Gospel According to Matthew 4:1-11

Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." But he answered, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'" Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you,' and 'On their hands they will

bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'" Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'" Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

ANTHEM TEXT

God so loved the world John Stainer

God so loved the world, that He gave His only-begotten Son,
that whoso believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.
For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world;
but that the world through Him might be saved. Amen.

DID YOU KNOW

Did you know, as the active Stewardship Campaign ends with the Annual Meeting this Sunday there is a lot of wonderful news to celebrate? Thank you to ALL Redeemer households who contributed to the success of the 2026 campaign. 2026 had an 11% increase in total dollars raised over the previous year with 51% of households generously pledging more than in 2025. 31% renewed their support and 12% decreased. Overall, 6% of the pledges were from new, or lapsed, participants. These statistics show the tremendous support, and commitment, of so many households and shows the strength of The Redeemer. Thank you to all who pledged for making Stewardship 2026 another record-breaking year for our collective church community.

Pledge Stats
300 Pledges
\$1,200,535.32
pledged
11% increase

... Now that's Ministry and your Stewardship makes it happen!

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by Win & Cannie Shafer in memory of: Edwin H. Shafer II & Rosemary G. Crysler and by Devika Singh in memory of: Premlata Singh.

SERVING THE PARISH

8:00am

Lector: Blair Stambaugh

Eucharistic Minister: Arden Saligman

Altar Guild Team: Jane Hastings, Carol Harris, Charlotte Maclean,
Sook He Yoo

Clergy: Jeremy O'Neill-Preacher, Peter Vanderveen-Officiant/Celebrant

Flower Guild: Susan Bloom, Sallie Geenough, Roz Pendergast

Ushers: Gloria dePasquale, Lisa McLean

9:30am

Lector: Sam Chew

Eucharistic Minister: Tracey Steele

Acolytes: William O'Neill, June Winfield, Sophia Scott,
Henry Winfield,

Altar Guild Team: Jane Hastings, Carol Harris, Charlotte Maclean,
Sook He Yoo

Choir: Chancel Choir

Children's Chapel: Glen Beamer, Jo Ann Jones

Clergy: Jeremy O'Neill-Preacher, Jo Ann Jones-Celebrant,
Peter Vanderveen, Officiant

Eucharistic Visitor: Barbara Billings

Flower Guild: Susan Bloom, Sallie Geenough, Roz Pendergast

Greeter: Kate Chojnacki

Director of Music & Organist: Andrew Senn

Organ Scholar: Daniel Colaner

Livestream Operator: David Woods

Ushers: TBD

Vergers: Bob Mikrut-Head Verger, Conor Beamer, Trish Bennett,
Grace Vauclain