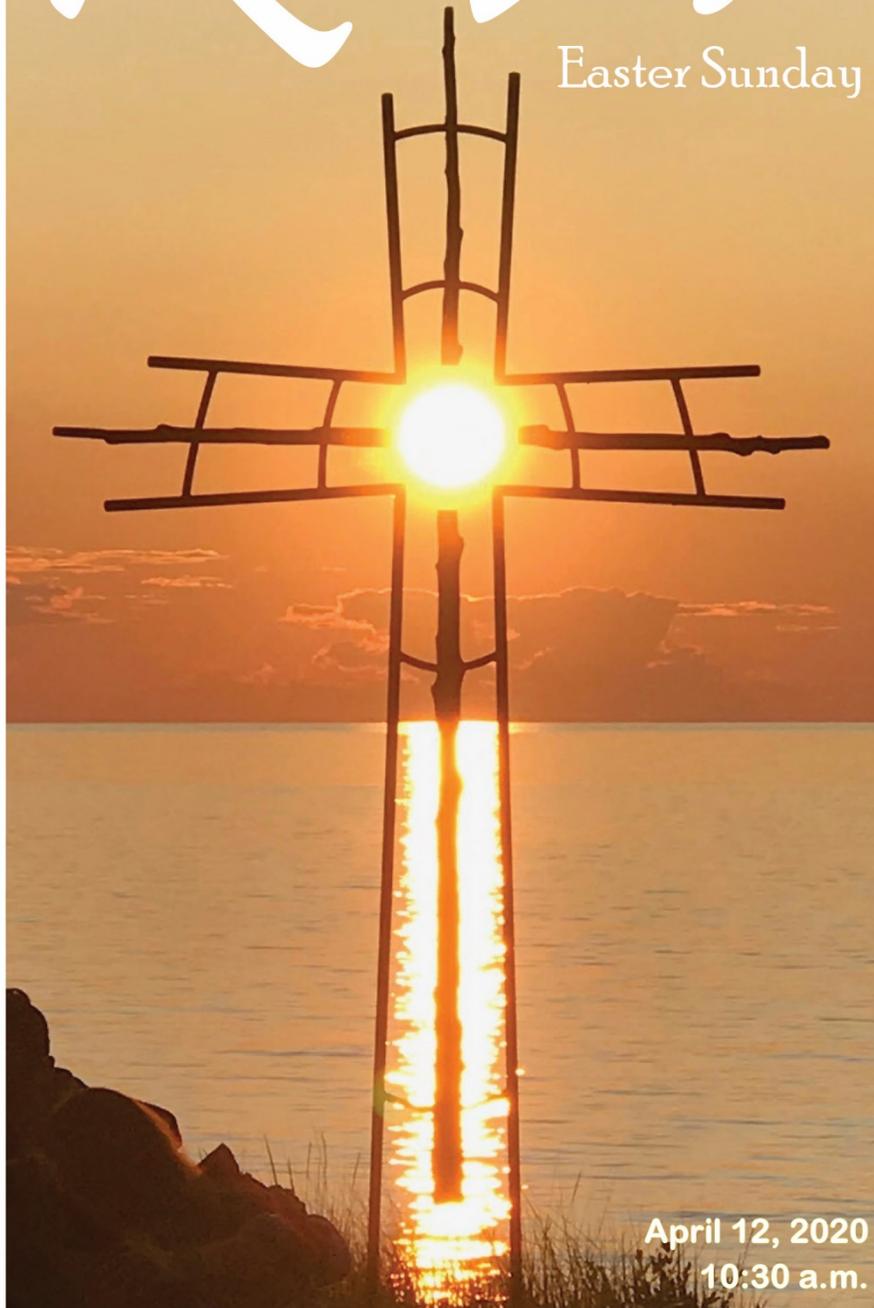


Risen

Easter Sunday



April 12, 2020
10:30 a.m.

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ORDER OF WORSHIP
Easter Sunday
April 12, 2020 – 10:30 a.m.
“He is Risen!”

As We Gather

“Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?” The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. (1 Corinthians 15:55-57)

Prelude

Rick Helderop, organist

(During the Easter Processional the Easter Fire is brought into the
Sanctuary)

Easter Processional 199 Jesus Christ is Risen Today, Alleluia!

1. Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

2. Hymns of praise, then, let us sing, Alleluia!
Unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia!
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

3. But the pains which He endured, Alleluia!
Our salvation have procured. Alleluia!
Now above the sky He’s King, Alleluia!
Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

Invocation

P: We begin our resurrection celebration in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

C:Amen.

P: The Lord is Risen! Alleluia!

C:He is Risen indeed! Alleluia!

Dedication of the New Paschal Candles

The Paschal Candle in our Sanctuary was given to the glory of God by the Year 2 Confirmation students and their families, in loving memory of their classmate and friend, Sarah Klaus.

The Chapel Paschal Candle was given by Tom and Kathy Eley to remind us that God proved His own love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Children's Message

Gospel Announcement

Response: Glory be to Thee, O Lord!

Gospel Reading

Mark 16:1-8

(The Empty Tomb)

When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they might go to anoint Jesus' body. Very early on the first day of the week, just after sunrise, they were on their way to the tomb and they asked each other, "Who will roll the stone away from the entrance of the tomb?" But when they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had been rolled away. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they

were alarmed. “Don’t be alarmed,” he said. “You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter, ‘He is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you.’” Trembling and bewildered, the women went out and fled from the tomb. They said nothing to anyone, because they were afraid.

Response: Praise be to Thee, O Christ!

Sermon Hymn

Lift High the Cross

Refrain:

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
‘Till all the world adore His sacred name.

1. Come, Christians, follow where our Savior trod,
Our King victorious, Christ, the Son of God. Refrain
2. Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
The hosts of God in conqu’ring ranks combine. Refrain
3. So shall our song of triumph ever be:
Praise to the Crucified for victory! Refrain

Sermon

Mark 16:1-8

“Jesus”

Rev. Randall J. Schlak

Voluntary

Easter Song - Herring
Steve SeGraves, vocalist

Prayer of the Church

The Lord's Prayer

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 forever and ever. Amen.

Proclamation of Easter

P: The Lord is Risen. Alleluia!

C: He is Risen indeed! Alleluia!

P: This is the day the Lord has made.

C: We will rejoice and be glad in it.

P: The angel spoke to the disciples, "Don't be alarmed," he said. "You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene who was crucified. He is Risen." Alleluia!

C: Christ has destroyed death. Alleluia!

Voluntary

Forever - Jobe

Steve SeGraves, vocalist

Benediction: Amen! Amen! Amen!

Easter Proclamation

P: The Lord is Risen. Alleluia!

C: He is Risen indeed! Alleluia!

Recessional Hymn 200

I Know That My Redeemer Lives

1. I know that my Redeemer lives; what comfort this sweet sentence gives!
He lives, He lives, who once was dead; He lives, my ever-living head.
2. He lives triumphant from the grave, He lives eternally to save,
He lives all glorious in the sky, He lives exalted there on high.

3. He lives to silence all my fears, He lives to wipe away my tears,
He lives to calm my troubled heart, He lives all blessings to impart.
4. He lives, all glory to His name! He lives, my Jesus, still the same.
Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives, "I know that my Redeemer lives!"

Silent Prayer

Postlude

Rick Helderop, organist

Immediately following the service, Pastor Randy is going to go out on the porch of Redeemer and shout "The Lord is Risen. Alleluia!" We invite you to go outside right now as well and respond as loud as you can, "He has Risen indeed! Alleluia!"

The Paschal Candle

The Paschal Candle is a symbol of our Lord's resurrection and His visible presence here on earth during the 40 days following His resurrection. By the cross are inscribed A and the Ω , the first and last letters of the Greek alphabet. These symbolize that Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever. The numerals of the current year are inscribed to signify that the risen Christ shall be a "pillar of fire" also in this year to lead us to the heavenly promised land. In the center and in the four corners of the cross, wax nails are affixed to symbolize the five wounds of Christ. It is customary to light the Paschal candle at Baptisms because in Baptism we die with Christ and rise to new life. It is also lit at funerals to remind us that in death, we were cleansed in the waters of Baptism and like Christ, we, too, shall rise unto eternal life.

The Paschal Candle is given by:

Year 2 Confirmation students and their families (Sanctuary Candle)

Tom and Kathy Eley (Chapel Candle)



Special Thanks To:

Steve SeGraves, Director of Music

The Easter Fire was given by Richard Berndt
in loving memory of his dear wife Calleen Berndt.

Family of God Soup Kitchen sponsors for this month are Barbara and David Peterson in honor of Leslie's, Isabella's, Alexandra's and Natalie's birthdays and the Swanson family. Family of God Soup Kitchen - Positive Parenting sponsors for this month are Dee Aebersold and Susan and Steve Priest in memory of "Timmie."

Audio/Video Operators

Walt Sweitzer and David Hardoin

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Announcements for the week of April 12, 2020

Visit us at: www.redeemberirmingham.org for more detailed information

Welcome to Redeemer! We are pleased to have you worship with us. We pray you will return and share God's Word with us again. For information on membership, contact Laura McDonald at (248) 644-4010.

Mission: Bringing the love of Christ to a searching world.

Worship Schedule

Sunday

10:30am – Livestream

NEXT SUNDAY

April 19, 2020

Facing Your Goliaths

Comforting Scripture

God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.

Psalm 46:1 (NIV2011)

Verse of the month

He is not here; HE HAS RISEN, just as he said.

Come and see the place where he lay.

- Matthew 28:6

What's Going on at Redeemer during the Coronavirus?

Redeemer has a lot to offer during our “Stay Home, Stay Safe” time! Go to our website: www.redeemberirmingham.org and on the home page scroll down and click on the coronavirus picture - here you will find:

- A note from the Pastor
- A place to click and print/view our weekly bulletin & announcements
- Bible Study – click the image to see what Bible Studies we are offering on Zoom –
 - *contact the group leader to be included in the virtual Bible Study
- How I can help Redeemer Families – see what you can do to be involved
 - *ie: Operation make someone Smile!
- Staff Daily Devotion – click on and find a daily devotion from all our staff members by week – there are lots of them out there for everyone!
- Livestream – Since there is **no public worship service at this time**, you can watch our worship services on Livestream at livestream.com/RedeemerBirmingham – watch them anytime, you can even go back and watch one of your favorites from way back when!

Don't let staying home keep you away from church activities – stay involved!



Ways to Serve the Community

DONATE TO FAMILY OF GOD

Looking for a great way to help others in need? Please consider sponsoring a meal for the Family of God soup kitchen. The 2020 Sign-Up Sheets are up! We need **SIX families** each month to donate \$100 towards items needed to make warm meals for the people of Detroit. Please contact Laura (laura@redeemberirmingham.org) and she will help you get signed up.

FAITH WORKS 2020!

This year Redeemer is supporting Samaritas, a social services organization, by helping the foster children celebrate their birthday. **We will still be helping Samaritas with their Birthday Bags but it will be delayed until a later date.** If you have donated items already thank you so much! If you have items collected at your house please hold on to them. If you are willing to help, there are still tags available. You can contact me at nolds@redeemberirmingham.org with any questions.

Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

- Psalm 23:4

Mother's Day Men's Chorus

Calling all singing men at Redeemer! You're invited to honor your wives and/or mothers, and all mothers, by singing in a Mother's Day Men's Chorus on **Sunday, May 10th**. Please contact Steve SeGraves, or any member of the choir for more information. Sunday rehearsal opportunity is (tentatively) Sunday, May 3rd directly following the 10:30 worship service. We will also rehearse the piece in the music room at 7:30pm during choir rehearsal on the first Thursday night in May. Come out and be a part of this great tradition!

WAYS TO SERVE REDEEMER

AV Operator: Our audio-visual program has evolved into an important aspect of our Worship ministry, especially at this challenging time. The best evidence of this is the number of phone calls received by the office on Monday should the livestream of our 10:30 service fail to get out. As in all organizations, there is inevitable turnover of personnel. If this is not to become a burden for our current operators, a few new operators are needed. Computer expertise is not necessary. If anyone would be willing to contribute to this important Ministry, please contact Don Meier (248-338-0610) or one of our Pastors.

THANK YOU!

Thanks and gratitude to our palm cross team - Kathy and Tom Eley, Arnie Glessman, Sarah Johns, Cheryl Schiller and those who cut out flowers for Easter Sunday - Beth Kavanagh, Deb Howe, Stacey Glime, Jan Kanka, Kris Ortale, Lynn Kartz, Laura Lonze, Jeni Beckeman, Kristen May, Nicole Olds & Pat Raezler.

COUNSELING OPPORTUNITIES

- Dr. Sandy Pourcho and the counseling staff is available to talk with anyone over the phone during these times of trial. Call Dr. Pourcho at 248-568-6040 to make an appointment. Don't forget we also have a male Christian Counselor for you here at Redeemer - Dr. Travis Knight that you can talk to man to man. Don't hesitate to call Dr. Travis at 248-677-1090 to make an appointment.
- **Strong Interest Inventory!** Dr. Sandy Pourcho has set up an opportunity for Redeemer's youth to take a career assessment, the Strong Interest Inventory. If your child is in middle school or high school, then he/she can take this online assessment for only \$15.95! After the test is taken, you will receive a detailed report of your child's interests and strengths that can help with decisions about the future – like educational paths and career choices. The report even shows job openings that match the results! PLUS – Dr. Pourcho will even give

some of her time and sit down with you to go over the results, free of charge! If you are interested, or to learn more, please contact Laura (laura@redeemberirmingham.org).

REDEEMER SUMMER KAMP

It's never too early to start thinking about KAMP!!!!!!

Kamp 2020 dates are August 1st - August 7th!

Registration is now open to all! There is "Early Bird Pricing" available for registering before May 15th! To register and find more information please visit the Kamp section of the church website. **We have reached capacity the past few summers...so register early!** All questions can be directed to the Kamp Director, Tim Springer Jr. at redeemerkamp@gmail.com / 248-930-2215.

Portals of Prayer: There is a stack of the new Portals of Prayer on a small table outside the door of the Town Square (west entrance) for anyone who wishes to pick one up. You can also go on www.cph.org and read the portals of prayer devotion each day during the covid-19 shutdown.

Favorite Hymns: We want to sing your favorite hymn! Almost every Sunday our worship service will contain a favorite hymn chosen by members of our church family. We would love to know what your favorite hymns are! You can let us know your favorite hymn by going on the website under the "welcome"/ "I'm a member" tab and scroll down to fill out the form. Your name will be listed in the bulletin along with your selection. Later in the year, if you'd like to add any hymns, you are welcome to fill out another card and we will add it to your list of favorite hymns. Thank you for your participation.

All Flower Orders Canceled: If you signed up for Sanctuary and/or Chapel flowers and have already paid for them, we can reimburse you, postpone your order to a future date, or donate your payment to help families in need at Redeemer. Please let us know what you prefer by emailing us at office@redeemberirmingham.org.

If you lose a loved one during this time, the elders, in discussion with the pastors, would encourage a memorial service to be planned for a later date. Pastors are available to do a committal during this time, but please be aware that some cemeteries are only allowing 2 witnesses.

Operation Make Someone Smile! We're all staying home, doing our part to slow the spread of COVID-19... but that doesn't mean that we can't make others smile while we're hunkered down! **Nicole Olds**, **Eric Wisniewski**, **Gia Scheidt**, and **Laura McDonald** are collaborating to bring you a GERM-FREE way to encourage others. It's called... "Operation Make Someone Smile"! We'll assign you 3-5 Redeemer households (or more if you desire!). You will then mail each of your assigned households a letter, note, card, drawing, or anything uplifting! BE CREATIVE... but we can give you ideas if you need them! If you'd like to participate... email Laura (laura@redeemberirmingham.org).



Give Online For your convenience, use a QR code reader on your smart phone to give.

Prayer and Praise List

For those grieving the loss of loved ones:

- ✦ For the family and friends of Rosemary Quasarano, who was called to her heavenly home.

For those facing health concerns:

- ✦ Kristen Greener and Tom Lalonde, friends of Dan and Denise McNaughton
- ✦ Tom Eley
- ✦ Ginny Lagergren
- ✦ Peni Colville, Pam Dundas' sister
- ✦ John McKewan

- ✘ Caroline Lane, friend of Cherisse & Ken Baetz
- ✘ Mike Kowalski & Victor Hickman, friends of Myrna Orava
- ✘ Jan Hogan
- ✘ Pat Nehls
- ✘ Izzy Sherman, niece of Jon Duff
- ✘ Sharon Frey
- ✘ Dennis Ainhorn, friend of Jane Bacon
- ✘ Marcia Bergemann, friend of Carol & Tim Frost
- ✘ Chris Decker, friend of Pat Nehls
- ✘ Charlene, friend of Bonnie Ernewein
- ✘ Kurt Jung
- ✘ Bruce Landino and Joe Cotant, friends of Terry & Jean Roberts

For those in hospice care:

- ✦ Margot Gray
- ✦ Fred Rohrbach

Special Petitions:

- ✠ For Betty Owens, Redeemer member who is homebound: pray for strength and encouragement.
- ✠ For all those suffering from the coronavirus and all healthcare workers devoting themselves to helping everyone who is sick.
- ✠ President Trump and all world leaders, that God surround them with wise counsel.
- ✠ All those who are serving in the military, police & fire-fighters
- ✠ For all caregivers of those facing health concerns.

Prayers of Thanksgiving:

- For those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries

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