

**SUNDAY OF THE PASSION
PALM SUNDAY**

April 1, 2007

We extend a warm welcome to all who have chosen to worship at Redeemer today. Following the service, please join us for coffee in the Atrium. May this time of worship encourage, inspire, and strengthen you for the days ahead. Additional information about worship at Redeemer is included on the back of the service folder.

Words to be spoken or sung by the congregation are indicated in bold type or marked with a **☑**; text marked with **☐** or **☒** is spoken or sung by a pastor or an assisting minister. Please stand or kneel as you are able for the indicated portions of the service. Please lower your kneelers quietly during prayer.

The Order of Worship at 8:15 and 11:00 AM

PRELUDE

Largo
Allegro
Yvonne Toll, Trumpet

Giambattista Martini
Georg Philipp Telemann

GATHERING

*The Holy Spirit gathers us in unity on the first day of the week,
the day of Christ's resurrection.*

INVITATION TO WORSHIP AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING THE PEACE

Standing

- ☐** Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
- ☑** **Hosanna in the highest.**

PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL

Luke 19:28-40 (Page 78)

- ☐** The holy gospel according to St. Luke, the nineteenth chapter.
- ☑** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

After the reading

- ☐** The gospel of the Lord.
- ☑** **Praise to you, O Christ.**

BLESSING OF PALMS

- ☐** The Lord be with you.
- ☑** **And also with you.**

The pastor continues with the prayer of blessing, to which the people respond:

- ☑** **Amen.**

PROCESSION

- ☐** Let us go forth in peace,
- ☑** **in the name of Christ. Amen.**

Standing
HYMN 108

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

GREETING

- P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C** **And also with you.**

KYRIE

- P** In peace let us pray to the Lord.
- P** For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.
- P** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.
- P** For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.
- P** Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.

SALUTATION

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P** Let us pray. Everlasting God, in your endless love for the human race you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross. In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** **Amen**

The Pastor will collect your prayer request cards after the children's choir sings.

Please let us know you worshiped with us today by signing the attendance register pad as it is passed down your row. As you return it, take a moment to read the names of those seated around you so you can greet them after the service.

ANTHEM

Antiphonal Hosanna
Combined Children's Choirs

John Leavitt

W O R D

God speaks to us in scriptures read, sung and preached.

Seated
THE READING

Phillipians 2:5-11 (Page 186)

After the reading
The word of the Lord.
☩ Thanks be to God.

Standing
GOSPEL VERSE

GOSPEL Luke 23:1-5 (Page 83)
☐ The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-third chapter.

After the reading
The gospel of the Lord.

Seated
SERMON *Deeds of Power* Pastor Mary Peters

Standing
HYMN 121 *Ride On, Ride On in Majesty!* THE KING'S MAJESTY

SPECIAL PRAYERS
Prayer requests submitted for congregational prayer are published and available at the Member Care table in the Atrium. Please pick up a copy and add your prayers for those in need.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION
☐ Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus,
and for all people according to their needs.
Kneeling or seated

Each portion of the prayers concludes:

☐ Lord, in your mercy,
☩ hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

☐ Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray,
trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
☩ Amen

T H A N K S G I V I N G

God's grace and mercy summon us to give thanks.

Seated
GATHERING OF GIFTS

Please remain seated during the Anthem

ANTHEM *A Stable Lamp is Lighted* Michael Larkin
A stable lamp is lighted | whose glow shall wake the sky; | the stars shall bend their
voices, | and ev'ry stone shall cry. | And ev'ry stone shall cry, | and straw like gold shall
shine; | a barn shall harbor heaven, | a stall become a shrine.

This child through David's city | shall ride in triumph by; | the palm shall strew its branches, | and ev'ry stone shall cry. | And ev'ry stone shall cry, | though heavy, dull, and dumb, | and lie within the roadway | to pave his kingdom come.

Yet he shall be forsaken | and yielded up to die; | the sky shall groan and darken, | and ev'ry stone shall cry. | And ev'ry stone shall cry, | for stony hearts of men: | God's blood upon the spearhead, | God's love refused again.

But now, as at the ending, | the low is lifted high; | the stars shall bend their voices, | and ev'ry stone shall cry. | And ev'ry stone shall cry | in praises of the child | by whose descent among us | the worlds are reconciled.

Richard Wilbur (Born 1921)

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Standing

OFFERTORY

P Let us pray. Blessed are you,

C **O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on the tree of the cross gave salvation to all, that, where death began, there life might be restored, and that he, who by a tree once overcame, might by a tree be overcome. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

P In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

C **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**

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

All who seek to meet the Risen Christ in the bread and wine
are invited to receive Holy Communion.

Communion will be offered by intinction. There are four stations: two at the altar rail and two by the chancel steps. The ushers will invite you to come forward by the center aisle and return to your seat by the side aisles.

To receive the wafer extend your hand, palm up, and then lightly touch the wafer to the burgundy wine, or the white colored grape juice held by the assistant. If you would like the pastor to place the elements on your tongue, fold your hands and keep them folded in front of you.

Children who have not received communion instruction are invited to come forward with their parents for a blessing, folding their arms across their chests as a signal to the pastor.

Communion will be served in the pews to those who cannot come forward; please inform an usher.

HYMN *Restore in us, O God* BAYLOR

HYMN 107 *Beneath the Cross of Jesus* ST. CHRISTOPHER

Standing

☞ Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage: may our fasting be hunger for justice, our alms, a making of peace, and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

☞ **Amen**

S E N D I N G

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BLESSING

☞ Almighty God, Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

HYMN 377 *Lift High the Cross* CRUCIFER

SENDING

☞ Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☞ **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE *Voluntary No. 1* William Boyce
Yvonne Toll, Trumpet

LAST WEEK AT REDEEMER

March 25, 2007 Worship services: 525

March 28, 2007 Lenten services: 152

Lutheran Community Food Ministry served 827 during the week of March 19-23

NEXT WEEK AT REDEEMER

Resurrection of Our Lord, Easter Day

Sermon by Pastor Mike Foss

Gospel: Luke 24:1-12

Anthem: *Hallelujah Chorus* (Handel)

Prelude: *Easter Carillon I* (Robert J. Powell)

Chaconne on "O Filii et filiae" (Richard Peek)

Postlude: *Toccata* from *Symphony V* (Charles-Marie Widor)

Audio recordings of today's sermon by Pastor Peters and last week's sermon by Pastor Foss are available today and will be posted on the website next week. You may purchase tapes or CDs of the sermons, as well as other Redeemer CDs, at the information desk, 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Sundays or weekdays at the receptionist desk 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. **Join our television congregation** by watching "Redeemer's Music and Message" on the AIB (Atlanta Interfaith Broadcasters) local cable network. Check your local cable system for the channel number. Times are, Wednesday at 6:30 a.m., Thursday at 11:00 p.m., and Sunday at 3:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

On Mondays at 7:00 a.m., you can view "Redeemer's Music and Message" on PAX 14, WPXA- TV. We welcome your sponsorship of Redeemer's televised programs! The cost of one program is \$250.00 but all gifts are greatly appreciated. Contact: Susan Cordell, 404-874-8664 or scordell@redeemer.org

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