



August 9, 2026

Our Mission Statement

We are a community of praying Christians called by God to worship Him; intentionally share Jesus' story with others; baptize those who accept Christ, enfolding them into the family of God; and joyfully disciple Christians to think Biblically about life.

(Matthew 28:16-20)

Order of Worship

Call to Worship

Invocation Prayer

Hymns of Praise: *Take My Life and Let It Be*

The Church's One Foundation

Scripture Reading: *Deuteronomy 6:1-15*

Confession of Sin & Assurance of Pardon

Hymn: *Lord, I Need You*

Collection of our Tithes to the Lord

Dismissal of Children: *3-5 yrs. old & K-2nd*

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture: *Luke 14:25-35*

(Genesis 29:30-31. Matt. 10:37-38. Colossians 1:15-20)

Sermon: *Prioritizing Our Loves*

Benediction

Closing Hymn: *Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken*

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Thought for the Week

When young Christians are greatly comforted with the Lord's love and presence, their doubts and fears are for that season at an end. But this is not *assurance*; so soon as the Lord hides His face, they are troubled, and ready to question the very foundation of hope. Assurance grows by repeated conflict, by our repeated experimental proof of the Lord's power and goodness to save; when we have been brought very low and helped, sorely wounded and healed, cast down and raised again, have given up all hope, and been suddenly snatched from danger, and placed in safety; and when these things have been repeated to us and in us a thousand times over, we begin to learn to trust simply to the word and power of God, beyond and against appearances; and this trust, when habitual and strong, bears the name of *assurance*.

John Newton

August Bible Memory Verse

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:6-7

Confession of Sin & Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Heavenly Father, we bow our heads before you and confess that we have too often forgotten that we are yours and that we are safe in Christ.

Congregation: Sometimes we carry on our lives as if there was no loving God and we fall short of being a credible witness for you. For these things we ask your forgiveness and ask for your strength. Give us clear minds and faithful hearts. Help us love you first and foremost, and give us the power to be a blessing to others. Amen.

Silent Moment for Private Prayer

Assurance of Pardon: For those who have trusted in the Lord Jesus Christ, Scripture declares to you – your sins are forgiven you. Christ has now reconciled you in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before God.

Colossians 1:21-22

Events & Announcements

- ❖ **Thank you** to our Redeemer Church family for the lovely flowers. Words cannot express how your thoughtfulness, love, and prayers were so greatly appreciated during the passing of husband, father, and grandfather—Charles Harrah. A special thank you to Barrett for the God-centered sermon and to the Praise Team for providing the music. NEVER STOP LOOKING UP, Peggy Harrah, Jan Holstein, & family.
- ❖ Redeemer is hosting **CEF of Greater Huntington's Annual fall training on August 15, 9:00am-3:00 pm**. This training is for both seasoned and new volunteers! We need volunteers to help with this event. **Sign-up sheets are now out in the Narthex at the guest center!** Questions? Call Betsy Neal or Sue Hill.
- ❖ **Communion** is next Sunday. Prepare your heart for this special time with the Lord. **Snacks** will follow the worship service.
- ❖ Save the Date! **VBS 2027 will be July 18-21** with prep days possibly being July 11 & the 17th!
- ❖ RPC will be **volunteering at the Christian Community Cupboard in September**. Redeemer is responsible for **September 1, 4, 8, 11, 15**. Volunteers need to be at the Cupboard by 8:15 AM. See QR code below to sign up!



Missionary of The Month Tommy & Elizabeth - Closed Country

Sermon Notes

Hate = figure of speech meaning “to love less.” Genesis 29:30-31. Matthew 10:37-38. Colossians 1:15-20.

Take up your Cross = metaphor for denying to self; publicly standing with Christ in this world.

Salt = a life of obedience to Christ resulting in real positive results in other lives.

Weekly Bible Reading Plan

Aug 9 – 1 Corinthians 5:1-13 & Psalm 31:1-8

Aug 10 – 1 Corinthians 6:1-20 & Psalm 31:9-18

Aug 11 – 1 Corinthians 7:1-24 & Psalm 31:19-24

Aug 12 – 1 Corinthians 7:25-40 & Psalm 32:1-11

Aug 13 – 1 Corinthians 8:1-13 & Psalm 33:1-11

Aug 14 – 1 Corinthians 9:1-18 & Psalm 33:12-22

Aug 15 – 1 Corinthians 9:19-10:13 & Psalm 34:1-10

Volunteer Schedules

Children's Church

Today: Tony Erwin, Barb Treola
8/16 Scott Smolder, Stacey Holley
8/23 Harry Griffin, Miriam Gillispie

Toddler Worship

Today: Sue Hill, Marybeth Witkowski
8/16 Kurt Gray, Tiffany Carter
8/23 Ashley Smolder, Audrey Gray

Greeting Team

Today:
8/16 Matt & Lizzie O'Dell
8/23 David Heis, Judie Smith

Nursery

Today: Sandy Finley, Cathy Stover
8/16 Lizzie O'Dell, Brian & Betsy Plants
8/23 Abbey Stover, Wendi O'Dell

Church Staff & Leadership

Elders: Barrett Jordan, Kurt Gray, Steve Gray, Jim
Mayfield, Carlos Parra, Harry Yates

Deacons: Travis Ballengee, Scott Gray, Harry Griffin,
Mike Hall, Tom Lyvers, Craig O'Dell, Tom Ogle,
Josh Potter, Bill Stevens (emeritus)

Administrative Assistant: Heather Hall

Youth: Caleb Carter

Praise Team: Bret Johnston

Church Information

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YTD Financial Summary

2026 Total Budget	\$612,376.00
2026 Tithes Collected to Date	\$528,852.78
2026 Faith Promise Commitment	\$63,000.00
2026 Faith Promise Collected	\$37,415.00
Building Campaign Pledged	\$854,037.00
Building Campaign Collected	\$866,330.95