



Prelude — *Theme from Cinema Paradiso* — Ennio Morricone

Welcome — Paul Yoo

Call to Worship and Prayer — from Ephesians 2 and 1 Peter 2

Leader: Remember at one time we were separated from Christ, excluded from citizenship in Israel and

foreigners to the covenants of the promise, without hope and without God in the world.

All: But now in Christ Jesus we who once were far away have been brought near through the blood of Christ.

Leader: For you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.

All: Once we were not a people, but now we are the people of God. Once we had not received mercy, but now we have received mercy. Praise be to our God!

Hymn — Rejoice the Lord is King

Rejoice the Lord is King, your Lord and King adore
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore
Lift up your hearts! Lift up your voice! Rejoice, again, I say rejoice!

His kingdom can not fail, he rules o'er earth and heav'n
The keys of death and hell are to our Jesus giv'n
Lift up your hearts! Lift up your voice! Rejoice, again, I say rejoice!

Rejoice in glorious hope, our Lord, the Judge, shall come
And take his servants up to their eternal home
Lift up your hearts! Lift up your voice! Rejoice, again, I say rejoice!

Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)

Almighty God, gracious Father, we confess that we are not worthy of your presence, but we look now to the Lamb of God, who takes away our sin. Through him we would now come near to you, listening to your voice, trusting in your love, delighting in your Word, and leaning on your arm. We joyfully beg to see your face! Now cleanse our minds of all error and our hearts of all idols that we may shine in the world with the radiant light of your Spirit and your character. In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Confessional Response — Alas and Did My Savior Bleed

Alas and did my Savior bleed, and did my Sovereign die
Would he devote that sacred head for such a worm as I
Was it for crimes that I had done, he groaned upon the tree
Amazing pity, grace unknown, and love beyond degree

Well might the sun in darkness hide and shut his glories in
When Christ the mighty Maker died for man the creature's sin
Thus might I hide my blushing face when his dear cross appears
Dissolve my heart in thankfulness, and melt my eyes in tears

But drops of grief can ne'er repay the debt of love I owe
Here, Lord, I give myself away; 'tis all that I can do
Alas and did my Savior bleed, and did my Sovereign die

Would he devote that sacred head for sinners such as I

Words of Encouragement — Hebrews 12:2

Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Prayers of the People (*concluded by the Lord's Prayer*) — Christie Ray Harrison

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 debts as we forgive our debtors. 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.

Scripture Reading — Nehemiah 2:1-8

¹ In the month of Nisan, in the twentieth year of King Artaxerxes, when wine was before him, I took up the wine and gave it to the king. Now I had not been sad in his presence. ² And the king said to me, "Why is your face sad, seeing you are not sick? This is nothing but sadness of the heart." Then I was very much afraid. ³ I said to the king, "Let the king live forever! Why should not my face be sad, when the city, the place of my fathers' graves, lies in ruins, and its gates have been destroyed by fire?" ⁴ Then the king said to me, "What are you requesting?" So I prayed to the God of heaven. ⁵ And I said to the king, "If it pleases the king, and if your servant has found favor in your sight, that you send me to Judah, to the city of my fathers' graves, that I may rebuild it." ⁶ And the king said to me (the queen sitting beside him), "How long will you be gone, and when will you return?" So it pleased the king to send me when I had given him a time. ⁷ And I said to the king, "If it pleases the king, let letters be given me to the governors of the province Beyond the River, that they may let me pass through until I come to Judah, ⁸ and a letter to Asaph, the keeper of the king's forest, that he may give me timber to make beams for the gates of the fortress of the temple, and for the wall of the city, and for the house that I shall occupy." And the king granted me what I asked, for the good hand of my God was upon me. (ESV)

Homily — *Breakthrough in Risk* — Rev. Joel Kady

Offertory — *Si dolce e' il tormento* — Claudio Monteverdi/arr. Birkey

Final Song — Total Praise

Lord, I will lift my eyes to the hills, knowing my help is coming from you
Your peace you give me in time of the storm
You are the source of my strength, you are the strength of my life
I lift my hands in total praise to you. Amen.

Pastoral updates

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- Start a recurring gift to support Redeemer West Side | westside.redeemer.com/give
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Benediction and Dismissal

Minister: Let us go forth to serve the world as those who love our
Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

All: Thanks be to God!

Postlude — *Miracle* — Abraham Laboriel