



Redeemer Lincoln Square

October 25, 2026

Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

Please take this bulletin with you to use for personal worship and devotional time throughout the week.

Welcome

We're glad you've joined us today!

New to LSQ?

- ▶ **Say Hi:** Fill out a Connect Card at redeemerlsq.com/connectcard or scan the QR code. We'd love to hear from you!
- ▶ **Learn More:** Visit our website at redeemerlsq.com to meet our team, explore upcoming events, and discover ways to get involved.
- ▶ **Have children?** We have Sunday classes for babies through 5th graders and Youth Community Groups for 6th - 12th graders. Ask an usher or email kariann.tilson@redeemerlsq.com to learn more.



Following the service

Question and Response: We hold a time of Q&R after service each week with Pastor Michael. If you have any questions about the elements of our service or faith in general, you can text them anonymously to **657-777-2754**.

Prayer: Church leaders, men and women who serve as elders, deacons and deaconesses, will be standing next to the "Pray" signs in both corners of the Auditorium (behind the orchestra section). They would love to pray for you after the Benediction. You can also submit requests at redeemerlsq.com/prayer.

Coffee Hour: Join us for coffee and tea after service. Connect with others and make a new friend!

Vision: Rooted in God's Love for the Joy of the City

Mission

- To be a church not for ourselves, but for others
- To value questions and the people who ask them
- To be a place where members of our community are known, loved and cared for



Reflection Quote

“To know oneself is, above all, to know what one lacks. It is to measure oneself against Truth, and not the other way around. The first product of self-knowledge is humility . . .”

—Flannery O’Connor

“Pride makes us artificial; humility makes us real.”

—Thomas Merton

Preparation — Carolann Hicks

Call to Worship — from Psalm 149:1-4

Leader: Sing to the Lord a new song,

All: his praise in the assembly of his faithful people.

Leader: Let Israel rejoice in their Maker;

All: let the people of Zion be glad in their King.

Leader: Let them praise his name with dancing

All: and make music to him with timbrel and harp.

Leader: For the Lord takes delight in his people;

All: he crowns the humble with victory.

Notes

Please use the notes in the margins to guide you through each aspect of today’s service. If you have any questions, email Isq@redeemerlsq.com.

Preparing for worship

With so many distractions vying for our attention, this is a time to listen to the prelude music, read the reflection quotes, and prepare for the service.

Call to Worship

We give our affections and loyalties to those things we believe secure our value and worth: success, status, power, and comfort, to name a few. The “call to worship” is an invitation to redirect our affections and loyalties to God.

PRAISE

This medley celebrates that "the joy of the Lord is our strength" (Nehemiah 8:10), reminding us that true gladness comes from God's presence with us. As we lift our voices and hearts in giving thanks, his joy grows in us.

Song of Praise — The Joy

This is
The day you made
So I'll rejoice and be glad
Rejoice and be glad in it
This is
Where I believe
You are more than enough
More than enough for me

You are faithful to your promise
You are strong when I am weak
When I'm standing in your presence
I have everything I need

Chorus:
The joy of the Lord
The joy of the Lord is my strength
The joy of the Lord
The joy of the Lord is my strength
O my soul, bless his name
All that is within me say
The joy of the Lord
The joy of the Lord is my strength

Jesus
Come what may
You are worthy of all
Worthy of all my praise
You are faithful to your promise
You are strong when I am weak
When I'm standing in your presence
I have everything I need

(Chorus)

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee
God of glory, Lord of love
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before thee
Op'ning to the sun above
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness
Drive the dark of doubt away
Giver of immortal gladness
Fill us with the light of day

(Chorus)

Song of Praise — Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Come thou fount of every blessing
Tune my heart to sing thy grace
Streams of mercy never ceasing
Call for songs of loudest praise

Teach me some melodious sonnet
Sung by flaming tongues above
Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it
Mount of God's redeeming love

Here I raise my ebenezer
Hither by thy help I'm come
And I hope by thy good pleasure
Safely to arrive at home

Jesus sought me when a stranger
Wand'ring from the fold of God
He to rescue me from danger
Interposed his precious blood

Oh to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be
Let thy goodness like a fetter
Bind my wandering heart to thee

Prone to wander Lord I feel it
Prone to leave the God I love
Here's my heart O take and seal it
Seal it for thy courts above

Written by a young believer in the 18th century, this hymn stirs our souls to sing of God's pursuing grace. It reminds us that God is willing to anchor even the most restless heart in his relentless love.

Prayer

In prayer, we thank and praise God for who he is and what he has done for us. We also tell God all of our cares and concerns for ourselves, neighbors, and the world. Sometimes we do not know how to pray. In these moments, we can use the prayer Jesus taught us in Matthew 6:9-13.

Prayer of Adoration

(Concluded by the Lord's Prayer)

All: 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.

Doxology

All ye who are of tender heart
Forgiving others take your part
Sing his praises, alleluia
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear
Praise God and on him cast your care
O praise him, O praise him
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Let all things their creator bless
And worship him with humbleness
O praise him, alleluia
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son
And praise the Spirit three in one
O praise him, O praise him
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Prayer of Confession

O gracious and gentle and condescending God, God of peace, Father of mercy, God of all comfort: we confess before you the evil of our hearts; we acknowledge that we are too inclined toward comparison and envy, to ambition and pride, to anger and revenge, which gives rise to bitter feelings between us and others, as well as ingratitude and disregard for your many blessings. Too often we have both offended and grieved you, our good Father. Forgive us our sin and free us to be your peacemakers in the world you love. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Private Confession

Words of Encouragement — From 2 Corinthians 5:17

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!

RENEWAL

Confession

Confession is the practice of being honest about ourselves. In so doing, we see our need for grace and how God freely gives us his help.

This modern hymn celebrates the good news that Christ's perfection is enough to secure our salvation. Nothing we do can earn God's favor. Jesus' life, death, and resurrection have accomplished all we need, giving us access to hope now and life forever in his presence.

Song of Renewal — All Sufficient Merit

All sufficient merit shining like the sun
A fortune I inherit by no work I have done
My righteousness I forfeit at my Savior's cross
Where all sufficient merit did what I could not
In love he condescended eternal now in time
A life without a blemish the maker made to die
The law could never save us our lawlessness had won
Until the pure and spotless lamb had finally come

Chorus:

It is done it is finished
No more debt I owe
Paid in full
All sufficient merit now my own

I lay down my garments any empty boasts
Good works all corrupted by the sinful host
Dressed in my Lord Jesus a crimson robe made white
No more fear of judgement his righteousness is mine

(Chorus)

All sufficient merit firm in life and death
The joy of my salvation shall be my final breath
When I stand accepted before the throne of God
I'll gaze upon my Jesus and thank him for the cross
Yes I'll thank you for the cross

(Chorus 2x)

Merit now my own (Repeat 2x)

Song of Praise — Banner

Lord, you are greatly to be praised
And your faithfulness surrounds you
As all of Heaven stands amazed
And creation bows before you
Lord, we'll bow before you

There's only one who is worthy
Who overcomes, who will never fail
Light of the world, everlasting
Jesus, you are Lord of all

For all your promises are sure
And your name is our strong tower
And now salvation is secure
Through the cross forever

There's only one who is worthy
Who conquered death and who rose again
Light of the world everlasting
Jesus you are Lord of all

So let our praise build an altar
Christ forever, and no other
Jesus, your name, be the banner over us
Great in mercy, great in power
Christ forever, what a savior
Jesus, your name, be the banner over us
Be the banner over us

There's only one who is worthy
Who is our king, who will come again
Light of the world, everlasting
Jesus, you are Lord of all
(Repeat)

This song reminds us that there is only one God who deserves our praise—the world is under his command, and still, he would come to us and offer us eternal salvation.

Membership Vows and Baptisms

Membership Vows

Kristina Coleman
Cameron Coleman
Oliver Howard
Josh Kim
Katherine Wells
Clay Wells

Infant Baptisms

Stetson Coleman
Malachi Lo
Reagan Wells
Savannah Wells

The Peace of Christ

K-8th Grade and High School boys are dismissed at this time.

Announcements

For today's highlighted announcements and updates, see the back cover.

Passing of the Peace

This ancient practice reminds us of our infinite dignity and worth. As we greet each other despite our differences, we pass the peace.

New Here?

Complete our Connect Card at redeemerlsq.com/connect — we'd love to hear from you.

Scripture Reading — Luke 18:9-14

⁹ To some who were confident of their own righteousness and looked down on everyone else, Jesus told this parable: ¹⁰ “Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹ The Pharisee stood by himself and prayed: ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other people—robbers, evildoers, adulterers—or even like this tax collector. ¹² I fast twice a week and give a tenth of all I get.’

¹³ “But the tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, ‘God, have mercy on me, a sinner.’

¹⁴ “I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God. For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.”

Sermon — The Failures of the Faithful

Eighth sermon in series:

Reasonable Doubts: A Series for Skeptics and Believers

Dr. Michael Keller

HEAR

Scripture

The Bible is more than a collection of rules and platitudes. In it, we see who God is, what has gone wrong with our world, and how he puts it right through Jesus. The values our culture holds most dear, like human dignity, compassion, and justice, are found within this story.

Sermon

Our sense of identity and purpose are shaped by the stories around us. The sermon helps us hear and understand the story of God's great love for us found in the Bible. When this story becomes the foundation of our lives, everything changes.

RESPOND

Offertory

The offering is a time for reflection and a way to respond joyfully to God. Money so often defines our identity and worth, so we practice giving to declare that our security doesn't come from what we have, but from the God who shares all that he has with us.

redeemerlsq.com/giveonline

Offertory — I Need Thee Every Hour

I need thee every hour
Most gracious Lord
No tender voice like thine
Can peace afford

Chorus:

I need thee o I need thee
Every hour I need thee
Bless me now my Savior
I come to thee

I need thee every hour
Stay thou near by
Temptations lose their pow'r
When thou art nigh

(Chorus)

In every moment for my next breath
From where I'm standing to my next step
I know you're with me my closest friend
From the beginning until the end

In every season through every storm
When chaos comes when oceans roar
You are my anchor my only hope
I place my trust in you alone

(Chorus)

Final Song — I Need Thee Every Hour

I need thee o I need thee
Every hour I need thee
Bless me now my Savior
I come to thee

Benediction

Dismissal

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

All: Thanks be to God!

Song Leaders

Ginny Owens
Micayla Pollock
Sawyer Pollock

Scripture Reader

Sawyer Pollock

Musicians

Rachel Choo - Keys
Eric Halvorson - Drums
Hidayat Honari - Acoustic Guitar
Sean Ng - Keys
Mike Rosengarten - Electric Guitar
Sue Williams - Bass

Prayer of Belief

Lord Jesus Christ, I admit I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but, through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. Thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment and clothing me in your righteousness. Help me to live a life of service and obedience in gratitude for your great gift of salvation. I turn from my sins and receive you as Savior. Amen.

(If you are saying this prayer for the first time today, please notify a church leader standing in the far wings of the orchestra by the 'PRAY' signs, or let one of the pastors know.)

Morning Prayer Call

You're invited to join our Prayer team on Zoom each weekday morning from 8 to 8:30 a.m. Learn more at redeemerlsq.com/prayercall.

Benediction

The benediction is not an ending, but a sending. It's not a prayer, but rather a blessing with the charge to go back into our city, our jobs, and our relationship with the hope, joy, and love of the good news.

Continue to reflect this week

We encourage you to use this bulletin during the week to reflect on what you heard and experienced during worship. You can use the prayers, confessions and scripture for personal worship and devotional time at home.

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UPCOMING AT LSQ

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Volunteer at The Bowery Mission

Join us on Nov 6 from 4:30 to 7 p.m. to serve dinner and lead chapel. Sign up:

redeemerlsq.com/bowerymission

Woman2Woman Quarterly Gathering

This is our prayer partner and mentorship initiative. Interested in becoming a mentor or having a prayer partner? Join us on Nov 5, at 6:30 p.m. for a pre-dinner presentation on W2W. At 7 p.m., current W2W participants will join us for dinner and conversation.

redeemerlsq.com/w2w

Men's Roundtable: Navigating Failure & Success

Join us Nov. 4, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., as entrepreneur, management consultant, and executive coach Carter Hinckley shares lessons on failure, success, and leadership through the lens of the gospel. To register, visit: redeemerlsq.com/mensrt

Redeemer Network Prayer & Praise Night

Join us on Nov 19, at Redeemer West Side (150 W 83rd St), at 7 p.m. This is a great time to connect with people at other Redeemer churches to worship and pray together. To register, visit:

redeemerlsq.com/network

Volunteer at St. Paul's House

Join us on Nov 20 from 7 to 9 a.m., to serve breakfast at St. Paul's House. Sign up to volunteer:

redeemerlsq.com/stpaulshouse

Newcomer Lunch

New to LSQ? We invite you to join us for our next Newcomer Lunch, taking place on Nov 22 after church. This is a great time to learn more about LSQ and meet others. To register, visit: redeemerlsq.com/newcomer

Leader Nominations Now Open

LSQ members can nominate fellow members to serve as elders, deacons, and deaconesses. To learn more and submit a nomination, visit: redeemerlsq.com/nominate

His Toy Store Is Coming

Hope For New York's beloved Christmas outreach will be fundraising for families in need! Continue a 30-year tradition of filling "pop-up" stores with toys, games, and more. Give today! hfn.org/hts



LINQ GROUPS

Connect via shared interests

Arts & Culture Group

Email for more info

lsqartsculture@gmail.com

Running Club

Saturday, Nov 14

Meet at Bethesda Fountain at 9 a.m.

lsqrclub@gmail.com

Women's Book Club

Tuesday, Nov 10

"The Correspondent" by Virginia Evans

lsqwomensbookclub@gmail.com



COFFEE CLUBS

Meet others in your neighborhood

Harlem

Second and fourth Tuesdays from 8 to 9 a.m.

The Oma Shop (2754 Frederick Douglass Blvd)

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Origin Cafe (23-11 44th Dr)

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Upper West Side

Fridays from 8 to 9 a.m.

Solid State Coffee (104 W 71st St)

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Today's highlighted announcements



Church-Wide Friendsgiving

**Saturday, November 14
6-8 p.m. at LSQ Office**

All are welcome! LSQ will provide all the food. Just bring yourself!

redeemerlsq.com/friendsgiving



REDEEMER LSQ DECEMBER 2026

SAVE THE DATE

Christmas Party
Sundays, December 6 at 7 PM

Lessons and Carols
Sundays, December 13
9 AM & 11 AM



EXODUS SEMINAR

**Saturday, November 7
3-6 p.m.**

Come join an interactive session on the book of Exodus! Dr. Nathan Lovell will be teaching this seminar and is a visiting professor from George Whitefield College (GWC) in South Africa.

redeemerlsq.com/exodus

A generous church for the good of the city

Giving through Oct 18 was \$3.05M, which is \$127k ahead of our year-to-date goal. We need to receive \$1.15M by the end of the year to meet our goal of \$4.2M.



Would you prayerfully consider investing in the ministry of LSQ through a financial gift?

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