

Questions for Reflection

What stood out from the passage and/or the sermon that was most encouraging and/or challenging? Why do you think that is?

Where in your life do you need to be reminded of Jesus' triumph over death, his victory over evil?

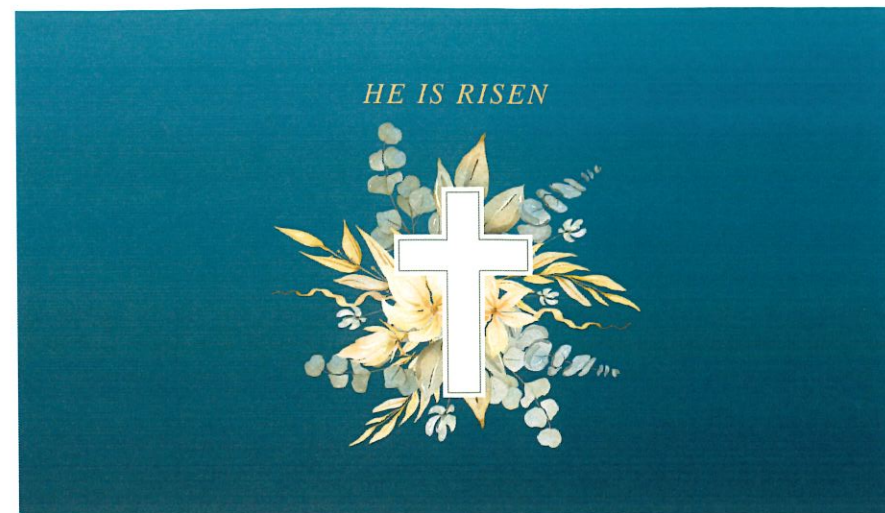
How might Jesus be gently drawing you to himself? Are you willing to give in?

Our Elders

Jonathan Sgalambro (Lead Pastor), Lee West, Sesky Paul, Tim Bowditch
Dan Bosak, Anthony Piloza, Scott Stengele

Our Deacons

Rich Cromwell, Nancy McKay, Matt Mandracchia, Courtney Mandracchia,
Ellie Post, Scott Daily



Redeemer Fellowship

Sharing Together in the Life of Christ by Loving God and Loving Neighbor

April 20, 2025

Welcome!

We are glad you decided to join us this morning. It is our prayer that you enjoy this time of worship and meet with Jesus.

Redeemer Fellowship, 1644 N. Bay Avenue, Toms River, NJ 08753
732.914.8885 info@redeemernj.com

Save The Date

Prayer

Every Sunday, 9 AM

Every Tuesday, 12 PM

RedeemerYouth

Every Thursday, 6:30 PM

Contact: Anthony Savasta

Opportunities to Serve

Audio-Visual - Contact Dick Abanto (richardabanto@netzero.net)

Greeters - Contact Courtney Mandracchia (cjmtmandra@gmail.com)

Hospitality Committee - Contact Teddi Burzon (tabnj3@yahoo.com)

Nursery - Contact Debbie Stengele (debbie@redeemernj.com)

RedeemerKids - Contact Linda Wells (lindamillswells@gmail.com)

RedeemerMen - Contact Sesky Paul (sesky@redeemernj.com)

RedeemerWomen - Contact Deanna Sgalambro (dsgalambro@gmail.com)

RedeemerYouth - Contact Anthony Savasta (anthonysavasta@redeemernj.com)

Ushers - Contact Matt Mandracchia (mtmandra@gmail.com)

Nursery Schedule

This Week: Suzanne Piloza, Kieryn Barker

Next Week: Deb Stengele/Shealynn Barker

Those In Need of Prayer

Janet Jaeger: is experiencing some difficulties with her heart.

Ritchie Diaz: recovering well but slowly from his heart surgery.

Those with Long-Term Needs: AnnMarie Mastropiero, Terry Mastropiero, John Ongrady, Janet Jaeger, Rob Keen, Wendy Napoliello, Mike Pintilie, Lee Ritchings, Rebekah Ritchings, Pastor Sesky, Jim McCombs, Stephanie Paul, Rosemarie Eurell

Pray for our Elders

Our Missionaries: Harbours (Taiwan), Terranovas (Spain), Nick Bataggia (Fellowship of Christian Athletes), Smolas (Czech Republic), Bechtles (Canary Islands), Dwinells (Philippines),

There are brothers and sisters in our church family who are hurting and though their names are not listed here, please pray for them.

Those Unable to Attend Church

Janet Jaeger, Flo Owen

Redeemer Fellowship		
General Fund Dashboard		LAST WEEK'S GF GIVING
April 16, 2025		\$6,791
	Total to Date	Wkly Average
Budget Required	\$104,085	\$6,939
GF Giving Received	\$112,075	\$7,472
Over/Under	\$7,990	\$533

Please make checks payable to: Redeemer Fellowship a NJ Non-Profit Corporation
(There is a stamp on the offering box for your use.)



John 12:12-26

13 That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, 14 and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened. 15 While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. 16 But their eyes were kept from recognizing him. 17 And he said to them, "What is this conversation that you are holding with each other as you walk?" And they stood still, looking sad. 18 Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?" 19 And he said to them, "What things?" And they said to him, "Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, 20 and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him. 21 But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened. 22 Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning, 23 and when they did not find his body, they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive. 24 Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but him they did not see." 25 And he said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! 26 Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" 27 And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

28 So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if he were going farther, 29 but they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent." So he went in to stay with them. 30 When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. 31 And their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And he vanished from their sight. 32 They said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?" 33 And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem. And they found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together, 34 saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!" 35 Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Made Known through the Breaking of Bread

(Luke 24:13-35)

Main Point: Jesus draws near in our doubts and unmet expectations with mercy and grace, revealing himself to us, that he has done what he promised, and he did it for us.

But We Had Hoped... (v.v. 12-24):

Was it Not Necessary? (v.v. 25-29):

When He Was At Table (v.v. 31-35):