

COLLINSVILLE-TROY CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Focus on God's Word Find the Truth Follow the Lord



Sunday Worship Assembly 9:30 AM
Sunday Bible Classes (All Ages) 11:00 AM
Wednesday Adult Bible Class 1:30 PM
Wednesday Bible Classes (All Ages) 7:00 PM



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My Redeemer Lives

-Jason Wright

What do you know about the Redeemer? The song (#282 in our songbook) we sing tells us that *He lives* and that *He gives eternal life*. Who is this free gift for? Verse three says it has been given *unto sinful men*. Let's consider this idea that the Redeemer lives.

The Redeemer is Jesus Christ. We read of His death, burial, and resurrection in the gospels. He paid the price with His own body; He bought us back from sin and death. He reigns above and lives with God in Heaven (Eph. 1:20-21).

The word redeem simply means to *buy back* or to *rescue from loss, a ransom*. Notice Paul speaking to Jewish Christians in Galatians 3:13, *Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law (Old Testament), having become a curse for us (for it is written, Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree.)* Reading on we find that anyone who *has been baptized into Christ have put on Christ*. It is in baptism (immersion) that our sins are washed away. Christ freed the Jews from the Old Law so they might live under the New Covenant. For the Gentiles, Christ has bought us back; He has freed us from sin if we obey. In Jesus, we are not cursed anymore.

Redemption points to the price that has been paid to set sinners free. Since *all have sinned* (Rom. 3:23) and the *wages of that sin is death* (Rom. 6:23), we have *redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace* (Eph. 1:7). Christ has paid the price with His blood for our salvation. Let that sink in! He has done all that He needs to do so that we have the opportunity to do what we need to do to be saved, and He asks us to tell others.

My Redeemer is eternal. Going back to Romans 6:23, *but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. But He, because He continues forever, has an unchangeable priesthood* (Heb. 7:24). Remember Acts 1? What had the apostles experienced? They saw Christ crucified. He died and was buried. Then, He resurrected. He had previously told them this would happen and commissioned them to tell the world. After Jesus ascends in Acts 1:9-11, the angels asked the apostles, *why do you stand gazing up into heaven?* There's work to do; a message to share; souls to save.

Who have you told about Jesus? With whom have you shared the gospel message? Who do you know who has not been redeemed? Who do you know who is still in their sins? What is your plan for saving them? *Continues on page 2*

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Food Giveaway

Oct 4, 9:00 AM



Gospel Meeting

with Westley Hazel

October 12-15, 2025



For from you the word of the Lord has sounded forth. 1 Thessalonians 1:8

What's Next?

The Reality

- We are losing something vital- Titus 1:5, 1 Peter 5:1-3, 1 Samuel 17:34-36, Acts 20:29, Psalm 23:1-2, Acts 20:28
- We will no longer be biblically organized- Ephesians 1:22-23, Acts 14:23, Philippians 1:1, Ephesians 4:11

The Dangers

- Chaos- Numbers 27:16-17, Judges 17:6, 21:25, 1 Corinthians 14:33
- Apathy- Romans 12:11, Titus 2:14, John 15:1-11, Revelation 3:15-16
- Division- 1 Peter 5:8, Mark 3:25, Galatians 5:13-15

The Solution

- Do your part- 1 Corinthians 12:12-31, Ephesians 4:11-16, Isaiah 6:8
- Seek peace and unity- Hebrews 12:14, Romans 15:1-6, Psalm 133:1-3, John 17:20-21, Matthew 5:9

My Redeemer...

They are counting on you to teach them. Will you?

The truth of the matter is most won't listen; most won't take advantage of the opportunity; but Christ has made salvation available to all. The many will not heed the gospel call (Matthew 22:14). There's only one way to find out who the Few are. Let the lost know that My Redeemer Lives!

Worship Service

Announcements

Song: 122 Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

Prayer

Song: 764 When We Meet in Sweet Communion

Lord's Supper and Contribution

Song: 290 I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord

Song: 37 Angry Words

Scripture Reading: Psalm 133:1-3

Sermon

Song: 337 Is Thy Heart Right with God?

Song: 226 How Great Thou Art (Vs. 1)

Prayer

Psalm 133:1-3 (NKJV)

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AARON
LIKE
BEHOLD

- ¹ Behold, how good and how pleasant *it is* For brethren to dwell together in unity!
- ² *It is* like the precious oil upon the head, Running down on the beard, The beard of Aaron, Running down on the edge of his garments.
- ³ *It is* like the dew of Hermon, Descending upon the mountains of Zion; For there the LORD commanded the blessing --- Life forevermore.

Why Worship?

But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. John 4:23