## Redeemed, How I Love to Proclaim It!

It's Sunday morning! A regular Sunday morning, but then every Sunday morning is special—the most important day of the week.

We gather with fellow believers ... to worship (Heb. 10:25).

Each element of this gathering time is an act of worship. We've come to praise our Father/Creator. To thank our Jesus/Savior for the work of the cross, for our redemption, our salvation. To listen to the voice of Holy Spirit as He prompts us to participate in each act of worship.

We can start by greeting others and letting them know how God has worked in our lives in the past week, listening to them as well.

We can listen to the music that is probably playing, prompting our spirits to praise, to worship, to focus on why we are there.

We can listen as prayers are offered, agreeing with the words being spoken, offering our own prayers as well. (Matt. 21:22)

We can sing as we are led to participate—our song is a sacrifice of praise (Heb. 13:15).

Give, return to Him that portion of what He has given to us (Mal.3:10).

Pray as Scripture is read, that it might take hold in your heart, really listening to the message God has given. Pray that the messenger's words will be God's words, regardless of what the messenger has prepared. (1 Thess. 2:13)

Expect God to move—in your heart, in the hearts of your loved ones, in the hearts of strangers. Expect it. He will do it.

So, is this a special day?

Redeemed by the blood of the Lamb, ... His child and forever I am.

Dr. Terry C. Terry and his wife Marvis live in the Nashville area. They look forward to opportunities to worship—Sunday mornings and other times as they present themselves.

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FOR YOU KNOW THAT YOU WERE REDEEMED FROM YOUR EMPTY WRY OF LIFE ... WITH THE PRECIOUS BL000 OF CHRIST, LIKE THAT OF AN UNBLEMISHED **AND SPOTLESS** LAMB.

1 PETER 1:18-19 (CSB)

#### SAPPONY BAPTIST CHURCH

# Rev. Michael Dickey

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#### Invocation and welcome

Hymn No. 483

"Footsteps of Jesus"

Hymn No. 569

"Make Me a Blessing"

Missionary Prayer Calendar

**Debbie Spiers** 

**Pastoral Prayer** 

Offertory Hymn 559

"Rescue the Perishing"

Doxology

Scripture

1 John 3:13-24

Sermon

Rev. Mike Dickey

"Because We Love"

Invitation Hymn 576 "Take the Name of Jesus"

Benediction

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Be in prayer for our sick and shut-ins as they are unable to be here with us.

The children will be collecting soap and washcloths for the month of April for The Shoe Box Ministry.

Streets of Gold will be at Sharon United Methodist Church on Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup>. Covered dish supper at 6:00p.m. Music at 7:00pm.

PBA Complex Clean-up Day is on Sat. May 18<sup>th</sup> from 8-noon. Please join us as we purge unused items no longer needed at the PBA Complex. Everyone is invited to join in, but especially men and youth would be welcome for this endeavor.

Look for our daily devotional on our website www.sapponybaptist1773.com.

To subscribe to our text alerts, text "JOIN" to 804-430-6282. We send out prayer requests and reminders.

Missed a sermon? Or just want to hear it again? Our past sermons are available on our website, Facebook, Youtube, and your favorite podcast app.

PRE-READ FOR NEXT WEEK: 1 John 4:7-21