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REDEEMER REDMOND

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[Join Pastor Jason Dorsey live on Facebook:](#)

- 10:30 - Gather for Worship in your home
- 10:40 - Begin liturgy
- 10:50 - Livestream music and sermon

Welcome

God welcomes us into his family not because we are worthy but because of his grace. We welcome others with the welcome God gives us.

From ancient times, God's people worshipped him in their homes, as families and as singles. Today we revive this worship. Though we are scattered, we come together in Jesus' name.

Call to Worship

God calls us and all creation to worship him. We are made for God and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in him.

From Psalm 68:1-6

God shall arise, his enemies shall be scattered; and those who hate him shall flee before him.

As smoke is driven away, so you shall drive them away;
as wax melts before fire,
so the wicked shall perish before God!

**But the righteous shall be glad;
they shall exult before God;
they shall be jubilant with joy!**

Sing to God, sing praises to his name;
lift up a song to him who rides through
the deserts; his name is the LORD;
exult before him!

**Father of the fatherless and protector of widows
is God in his holy habitation.**

**God settles the the solitary in a home;
he leads out the prisoners to prosperity,
but the rebellious dwell in a parched land.**

Hymn: In Christ Alone

music: Keith Getty; words: Stuart Townend, 2001; © CCMG

[Music Provided Here](#)

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light, my strength, my song
This cornerstone, this solid ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
My comforter, my all in all
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

Confession of Sin

We confess our sin to remember that we are broken sinners who need a Savior. We can be vulnerable and confess with boldness because we know that God our Father loves and forgives us.

Lord God, Righteous One.
You are on the side of your people,
not because they are righteous,
but because you count Christ's
righteousness to be theirs.

By your Spirit you tied us together
as brothers and sisters and command
us to love each other as you loved us.
You bind us together in the deepest
and most permanent solidarity.

We confess we fall short of the solidarity we should have with the saints, our Christian brothers and sisters.

Sometimes we are ashamed of our identity as Christians and even worse, ashamed that we bear the name of Christ our Savior.

Other times, we don't want the conflict and suffering that comes with standing on your side and being counted as your people.

We give our allegiance to political parties, people of our ethnicity, economics, or interests over solidarity with your saints.

Forgive us. We have forgotten that you stand with your sons and daughters.

We fear the judgment of our friends, family, neighbors and colleagues more than yours.

Worst of all, we have lost sight of how Jesus was not ashamed to call us brother and sisters, shared solidarity with us by being chained to our sin, and bore God's judgment in our place, so that we could be set free.

Help us to boldly confess our allegiance to Jesus, and joyfully share solidarity with our brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ. Amen.

Silent Prayer

Receiving of Grace



From Hebrews 10:19-24

Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our

bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful. And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works

Offering

We encourage our congregation to continue to give tithes and offerings to Redeemer to sustain us during this unsettled time. Thanks for your generosity.

- Write a check and mail it to PO Box 1482, Woodinville, WA 98072
- Install our mobile app:  
- Go to redeemerredmond.org and click [Online Giving](#)

Offering Prayer

Our heavenly Father, thank you for the inexpressible gift of your Son, Jesus Christ. You have provided for our every need in every generation, blessing your people abundantly for doing good works in your name. In this time of hardship, work in our hearts and help us to trust you. As we recall your incredible sacrifice for us, may our thankfulness overflow in cheerful and generous giving. We ask for your blessing upon these tithes and offerings, and for your guidance as we strive to be good stewards of all you have given us, both in our families and as a Church body. All this we pray through Jesus' holy name, Amen.

Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise him all creatures here below
Praise him above ye heavenly hosts
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost
Amen**

Scripture Reading

God's Word is the final authority, the rule and guide for our life. We stand to listen to the Word to show our honor for God's Word and that we gladly receive it as sons and daughters of God.

Hebrews 13:3

Remember those who are in prison, as though in prison with them, and those who are mistreated, since you also are in the body.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Gather Together

[Join Pastor Dorsey and family on Facebook at 10:50](#)

Hymn: I Will Sing of My Redeemer

words: Phillip Bliss, 1976; music: Luke Morton, 2005; performed by Judah Dorsey

I will sing of my Redeemer
And his wondrous love to me
On the cruel cross he suffered
From the curse to set me free

I will tell the wondrous story
How my lost estate to save
In his boundless love and mercy
He the ransom freely gave

Refrain:

Sing, oh sing, of my Redeemer
With his blood, he purchased me
On the cross, he sealed my pardon
Paid the debt, and made me free

I will praise my dear Redeemer
His triumphant power I'll tell
How the victory he giveth
Over sin, and death, and hell
(Refrain)

I will sing of my Redeemer,
And his heav'nly love to me;
He from death to life hath brought me,
Son of God with him to be.

Sermon

The Second Helvetic Confession states: "preaching of the Word of God is the Word of God." Through God's Word preached, God your Father speaks by his Spirit to his sons and daughters.

Christian Solidarity

Rev. Jason Dorsey

My main critique of secular ethic of America =
it's so bland, boring, ho hum in contrast w.
the Christian ethic, **ORDER of KING JESUS**

What? That's where the action is! Nah...

Today, high (est) secular ethics, ideals are
tolerance and intersectionality

So you want to talk about race, Ljeoma Oluo

"Intersectionality, the belief that our social justice movements must consider all of the intersections of identity, privilege, and oppression that people face in order to be just and effective, is the number one requirement of all the work I do."

Not bad, actually good, but bland in contrast

SECULAR ETHIC	CHRISTIAN ETHIC
Tolerance of "other"	hospitality to stranger = outsiders
Intersectionality	solidarity w. the saints = insiders

→ Frank, in spiritual family you are irreplaceable

☰☰ UNPACK HEBREWS 13:3 w. Puritan Method

① DOCTRINE

② APPLICATION

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☰☰ Look @ Words + Phrases to build the doctrine

Remember = Present, imperative [i.e. command]
Keep on remembering, active state of mind/♥

those who are in prison = context of 10:32-34

"But recall the former days when, after you were enlightened, you endured a hard struggle w. sufferings, sometimes being publicly exposed to reproach and affliction, and sometimes being partners w. those so treated. For you had compassion on those in prison, and joyfully accepted the plundering of your property, since you knew that you had a better possession and an abiding one." ▶ Jewish Christians persecuted for their faith.

as though in prison w. them = EMPATHY

Ms. Cyndy "Walk a mile in his shoes."

and those who are mistreated = Again, this in context of mistreated b/c of faith, but now it goes beyond the walls of a prison, cell, to unjust treatment, oppression, wrongdoing

Since you are also in the body (English Standard V.)

"as if yourself are suffering" (NIV)

↪ Two interpretations

1. You are a member of the church, the body of Christ, if one hurts all hurt, **Calvin**
2. You share physical, bodily existence as a human + Christian and should empathize

Both get at the same thing, really

Solidarity w. the Saints

following me?

Spell out the doctrine in 3 parts

DOCTRINE

1. Christian brothers and sisters are bound together in a spiritual solidarity that transcends race, gender, politics, economics, language as the body of Christ, as a spiritual family. Our spiritual solidarity must take priority over all other identities and tribes, allegiances. **racial, sexual, blood/family, economic, etc.**
2. Our solidarity is in, by + through the **BLOOD OF JESUS**
3. Therefore, we must stand w, in solidarity, our brothers and sisters in Jesus even if against powers of state [unjust], even if it goes against social pressure when brothers + sisters mistreated

Story of my conversation w. an elder in Indy

② APPLICATION

1. We must remember our brothers and sisters who are being persecuted for their faith, empathize, really care!

Men's Prayer = HANS... a couple of months ago, discussion w. Hans ▶ He is presence of Jesus' word + grace to Christians + non-Christians in Jail

Mission Eurasia, Thursday AM

☑ President, Sergey Rakhuba

☑ Mentor, Anita Deyneka

☑ Religious Freedom Advocate ▶ David Shestakov

☑ Early Rain Church, Wang Yi

➡➡➡ By our solidarity = You are irreplaceable!

2. More broadly, we must empathize and stand in solidarity w. our Christian brothers + sisters who are being oppressed and mistreated for any reason Specifically our black brothers + sisters

Black Community in Indy,
Saturated w. Christians, Our/
My brothers and sisters in Christ.

Ahmad Arbury tragedy... Pastor's
Conversation ► Call to Donteau,
"let's do this."

☑ Our brothers and sisters in
Jesus are being mistreated b/c
of race. Remember

☑ They feel/experience racial prison
Ljeoma Oluo... Others

⇒ I'm repenting, acting on it, and will fight!

Now I recognize that there are both
mighty forces, both in our hearts + external
to us, that keeps us from solidarity.

Name...

☑ Comfort = want to avoid the conflict
and social stigma that comes w. it

☑ Apathy/Resignation = the problem is
too big, systemic, ingrained What
if Wilberforce had said that?

☑ Overload of causes, needs, injustices
over social media "Outrage Porn"

☑ Latent racism of our hearts, churches
Cyndy's Story

☑ Pride, we don't really empathize w. them, see them as "other," have distance

My experience this week... What will you say?

How will we do this? What will move us?

What is your narrative, how will you empathize?

☑☑ You were in Prison, "slavery" 2:14ff

Since the children have flesh and blood, he too shared in their humanity so that by his death he might destroy him who holds the power of death - that is the devil - and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by their fear of death "

☑ Jesus solidarity w. us by incarnation came into our prison

☑ By his death, he paid our penalty, crushed Prison Master, sets us free.

☑ We have nothing to fear, not even death

If that's your story, you will empathize

➡➡➡ As your pastor **you are irreplaceable!**
I will fight to death racism in ♥ + church!
I will drag you into my solidarity

Hymn: And Can It Be

Music: Charles Wesley | John Purifoy; Words: Public Domain

And can it be that I should gain
An interest in the Savior's blood
Died He for me who caused his pain
For me who him to death pursued
Amazing love how can it be
That thou my God shouldst die for me
Amazing love how can it be
That thou my God shouldst die for me

'Tis mystery all th'Immortal dies
Who can explore his strange design
In vain the firstborn seraph tries
To sound the depths of love divine
'Tis mercy all let earth adore
Let angel minds inquire no more
'Tis mercy all let earth adore
Let angel minds inquire no more

He left his Father's throne above
So free so infinite his grace
Emptied himself of all but love
And bled for Adam's helpless race
'Tis mercy all immense and free
For O my God it found out me
'Tis mercy all immense and free
For O my God it found out me

Long my imprisoned spirit lay
Fast bound in sin and nature's night
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray
I woke the dungeon flamed with light
My chains fell off my heart was free
I rose went forth and followed Thee
My chains fell off my heart was free
I rose went forth and followed Thee

No condemnation now I dread
Jesus and all in Him is mine
Alive in him my living Head
And clothed in righteousness divine
Bold I approach th'eternal throne

And claim the crown through Christ my own
Bold I approach th'eternal throne
And claim the crown through Christ my own

Responding to God's Word

Heidelberg Catechism, Question and Answer #1

We confess our faith to be reminded of what we believe and to stand with the saints of olden time who found courage and hope in these words. We can too.

Q. What is your only comfort in life and in death?

**That I am not my own, but belong -
body and soul, in life and in death -
to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ.
He has fully paid for all my sins
with his precious blood, and has set
me free from the tyranny of the devil.
He also watches over me in such a way
that not a hair can fall from my head
without the will of my Father in heaven;
in fact, all things must work together
for my salvation.**

**Because I belong to him, Christ,
by his Holy Spirit, assures me
of eternal life and makes me
wholeheartedly willing and ready
from now on to live for him.**

Benediction

God gave these words to the priests to bless his people with, and to put his name on them. Leaders of households can also use them to bless their children and all who dwell in their home:

From Numbers 6:22-27

The LORD bless you and keep you;
the LORD make his face to shine upon you
and be gracious to you;
the LORD lift up his countenance upon you
and give you peace.



Announcements

Gather for Worship

Youth Group

Sundays at 9:00 am via Zoom
See [Jordon](#) for details

Home Worship on Sundays

- Gather at 10:30 am
- Sermon at 11:00 am

Install our [Mobile App](#) for ease of finding the Worship Guide, Facebook link, and a handy Note-taking link.
(search your app store for Redeemer Redmond)

Grow in Community

Survey Update

Thank you to those who have already completed the survey sent last week regarding worship locations through the summer. If you still intend to complete it, please do so today. Thank you for your feedback!

Goodbye Tribute for Ms. Cyndy

Cyndy Crowner will be moving back home to the Eastcoast soon - possibly before we are able to gather together again in person. Therefore Jason put together a goodbye video for her. [View it here](#). Also, if you haven't already done so, check out this week's Newsy Newsletter containing some of Cyndy's cookie recipes!

Newsy Newsletter

Submit prayer requests and news items for the Newsy Newsletter to commo@redeemerredmond.org.

Church Newsletter

Please send requests to be added to the church newsletter mailing list to [John Sanford](#).

Parish Email Groups

Email groups have been created where the pastor, parish elder and community group leaders will communicate with parish members. Parish members are also invited to share needs, ask for help, or communicate through this group email. If you'd like to be added to one of Redeemer's Parishes, please contact [Pastor Dorsey](#) or Administrator, [John Sanford](#).

Men's Prayer

Men's prayer is gathering virtually on Wednesday morning at 6:30 using Zoom (ID: 266 395 515). All Redeemer men are welcome to join for this time of sharing and prayer. Contact [Jim Gibons](#) to be invited.

Women's Group

[Jenny Dorsey](#) is leading a virtual group for Women on Zoom. For information on how to join the calls via Zoom, [CLICK HERE](#).

Community Groups

We encourage our Community Groups to use Zoom, Google Hangouts, or another platform to stay connected, encourage, and pray for each other.

Fellowship via Zoom

We have purchased a license for Zoom to host virtual meetings in our community. Contact [John Sanford](#) for more information.

Go in Mission

Outreach efforts

The deacons have been hard at work looking for ways to utilize the deacon fund during the current COVID-19 crisis. Thank you, Deacons! They are working closely with each parish to determine needs and then to support with items like grocery gift cards. If you have a need during this time contact [Jim Gibons](#) or one of our deacons, Frank, Gerald or Drew. You can email Frank at flehuston@frontier.com and he will take your need to the other deacons for consideration.

Prayer Warriors

We are looking for ways to support each other in prayer during this time. We had multiple prayer requests during men's prayer this week and we are looking for a way to expand this and develop a way we can pray for the church, our friends and families, and each other during this time. Watch for more to come. If interested in joining a prayer team, email [Jim Gibons](#).

30 Days of Prayer

The Muslim month of fasting, Ramadan, begins on April 24. You can join millions of Christians around the world praying during Ramadan for the good news of God's love to reach Muslims. At www.30daysprayer.com you can order the *30 Days of Prayer for the Muslim World* (adult or children's edition) booklet, or tune in for daily prayer food during Ramadan. Also, LoveMuslims.org will be posting Ramadan-oriented prayer videos starting April 23.

Counseling Initiative

The counseling initiative has been structurally moved to be managed by the Deacon Team. If you have a counseling need the deacons are looking into ways that folks can be helped virtually during the current Covid-19 crisis. Please contact [Frank Huston](#) or one of the deacons for counseling support.

