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**JOSEPH**

## **REDEEMER REDMOND**

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# Welcome

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Welcome to Redeemer. We are a church where you can belong before you believe.

We invite you into our joy - a personal and intimate relationship with God our Creator and Redeemer.

## Call to Worship

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### Psalm 95:1-3

Oh come, let us sing to the LORD. Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation. Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise.

**For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.**

## Hymn: The Lord Is King!

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*Words: Josiah Conder, 1824; music: Nathan Partain, 2003;  
CCLI #4855411*

The Lord is King! Lift up your voice,  
O earth and all ye heav'ns, rejoice!  
From world to world the joy shall ring,  
"The Lord omnipotent is King!"

*chorus*

Sing his praise, sing his praise,  
Lord of lords, Ancient of Days;  
Sing his praise, sing his praise,  
All your days, all your days.

The Lord is King! Who then shall dare  
Resist his will, distrust his care,  
Or murmur at his wise decrees,  
Or doubt his royal promises?

The Lord is King! Bow down you must;  
The Judge of all the earth is just;  
Holy and true are all his ways;  
Let every creature sing his praise.

# Prayer of Adoration

## Confession of Sin

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Triune God, Father, Son and Spirit, our world, our relationships, our very selves, and our relationship with you is broken. We need the restoration that only you can do. Help us see our broken condition and trust you for mercy.

**We cling to the untruth that we can fix or hide our brokenness. Help us face the seriousness of our situation.**

**We think we can fix our relationships or we flee them with no hope. Help us believe that you can restore our relationships and heal all wounds.**

**We suppress our guilt or we try to atone it and we stew in bitterness rather than receive and share your forgiveness. Help us receive and give your forgiveness.**

**Finally, we imagine that we can win your approval or that we don't need you in our life at all. Help us to bottom out spiritually so that we see our need for your healing grace.**

**All this we pray in the precious Name of Jesus Christ, our Brother, who before the creation of the world pledged to be our Savior and in the fullness of time came into this world and lived the life we should have lived and died the death that we should have died so that we could be welcomed into the Feast of the Triune God. Amen.**

*Silent prayer*

# Receiving of Grace

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## Romans 6:23 and 5:8

For the wages of sin is death but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.”

## Prayer & Sending of the Children

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*Jesus welcomes children into his church with open arms. Parents, your children are welcome to stay with you during the entire service, but kids age 3 through 5th grade are also invited to attend Sunday School during the sermon and they will return for the final hymn.*

## Hymn: My One Comfort

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My one comfort both in life and death  
Is that I am not my own  
I was bought with blood and I confess  
I belong to you alone

By the Father's good decree  
Jesus you've delivered me  
By your spirit set me free  
To follow you

Jesus you have taken hold of me  
And in your grip of grace I'm finally free

## Hymn: Joyful (The One Who Saves)

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*Brenton Brown, Jason Ingram; CCLI#5895580*

Joyful, joyful, we adore you,  
God of glory, Lord of love;  
Hearts unfold like flowers before you,  
Opening to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;  
Drive the dark of doubt away;  
Giver of eternal gladness,  
Fill us with the light of day!

*chorus*

You are the one who saves  
You are the one who saves  
You are the one whose hands  
Lift us from the grave  
You are the light of life  
The everlasting day  
You are the one who takes  
All our sins away

You are giving and forgiving,  
Ever blessing, ever blessed,  
Fountain of the joy of living,  
Ocean depths of happy rest!

## **Doxology**

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him, all creatures here below  
Praise Him above the Heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost, Amen

## **Passing of the Peace**

## **Scripture Reading**

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### **Genesis 43**

**43** Now the famine was severe in the land. <sup>2</sup> And when they had eaten the grain that they had brought from Egypt, their father said to them, “Go again, buy us a little food.” <sup>3</sup> But Judah said to him, “The man solemnly warned us, saying, ‘You shall not see my face unless your brother is with you.’” <sup>4</sup> If you will send our brother with us, we will go down and buy you food. <sup>5</sup> But if you will not send him, we will not go down, for the man said to us, ‘You shall not see my face, unless your brother is with you.’” <sup>6</sup> Israel said, “Why did you treat me so badly as to tell the man that you had another brother?” <sup>7</sup> They replied, “The man questioned us carefully about ourselves and our kindred, saying, ‘Is your father still alive? Do you have another brother?’ What we told him was in answer to

these questions. Could we in any way know that he would say, 'Bring your brother down'?" <sup>8</sup> And Judah said to Israel his father, "Send the boy with me, and we will arise and go, that we may live and not die, both we and you and also our little ones. <sup>9</sup> I will be a pledge of his safety. From my hand you shall require him. If I do not bring him back to you and set him before you, then let me bear the blame forever. <sup>10</sup> If we had not delayed, we would now have returned twice."

<sup>11</sup> Then their father Israel said to them, "If it must be so, then do this: take some of the choice fruits of the land in your bags, and carry a present down to the man, a little balm and a little honey, gum, myrrh, pistachio nuts, and almonds. <sup>12</sup> Take double the money with you. Carry back with you the money that was returned in the mouth of your sacks. Perhaps it was an oversight. <sup>13</sup> Take also your brother, and arise, go again to the man. <sup>14</sup> May God Almighty grant you mercy before the man, and may he send back your other brother and Benjamin. And as for me, if I am bereaved of my children, I am bereaved."

<sup>15</sup> So the men took this present, and they took double the money with them, and Benjamin. They arose and went down to Egypt and stood before Joseph.

<sup>16</sup> When Joseph saw Benjamin with them, he said to the steward of his house, "Bring the men into the house, and slaughter an animal and make ready, for the men are to dine with me at noon." <sup>17</sup> The man did as Joseph told him and brought the men to Joseph's house. <sup>18</sup> And the men were afraid because they were brought to Joseph's house, and they said, "It is because of the money, which was replaced in our sacks the first time, that we are brought in, so that he may assault us and fall upon us to make us servants and seize our donkeys." <sup>19</sup> So they went up to the steward of Joseph's house and spoke with him at the door of the house, <sup>20</sup> and said, "Oh, my lord, we came down the first time to buy food. <sup>21</sup> And when we came to the lodging place we opened our sacks, and there was each man's money in the mouth of his sack, our money in full weight. So we have brought it again with

us, <sup>22</sup> and we have brought other money down with us to buy food. We do not know who put our money in our sacks.” <sup>23</sup> He replied, “Peace to you, do not be afraid. Your God and the God of your father has put treasure in your sacks for you. I received your money.” Then he brought Simeon out to them. <sup>24</sup> And when the man had brought the men into Joseph's house and given them water, and they had washed their feet, and when he had given their donkeys fodder, <sup>25</sup> they prepared the present for Joseph's coming at noon, for they heard that they should eat bread there.

<sup>26</sup> When Joseph came home, they brought into the house to him the present that they had with them and bowed down to him to the ground. <sup>27</sup> And he inquired about their welfare and said, “Is your father well, the old man of whom you spoke? Is he still alive?” <sup>28</sup> They said, “Your servant our father is well; he is still alive.” And they bowed their heads and prostrated themselves. <sup>29</sup> And he lifted up his eyes and saw his brother Benjamin, his mother's son, and said, “Is this your youngest brother, of whom you spoke to me? God be gracious to you, my son!” <sup>30</sup> Then Joseph hurried out, for his compassion grew warm for his brother, and he sought a place to weep. And he entered his chamber and wept there. <sup>31</sup> Then he washed his face and came out. And controlling himself he said, “Serve the food.” <sup>32</sup> They served him by himself, and them by themselves, and the Egyptians who ate with him by themselves, because the Egyptians could not eat with the Hebrews, for that is an abomination to the Egyptians. <sup>33</sup> And they sat before him, the firstborn according to his birthright and the youngest according to his youth. And the men looked at one another in amazement. <sup>34</sup> Portions were taken to them from Joseph's table, but Benjamin's portion was five times as much as any of theirs. And they drank and were merry with him.

*This is the Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

# 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.

## The Gospel According to Joseph: The Drama of Restoration

Rev. Jason Dorsey

↳ The Drama of Restoration *Slo Mo*  
Joseph's Story ▶ **☰☰**'s Story ▶ Christian.  
Story ▶ Can be your story, try it out

### ① Why You Need It

#### 1. Physical Restoration

Now the famine was severe in the land, vs 1

From birth to old age [our parents] we have physical needs

#### 2. Relational Restoration

Context of Deadlock (43:1-10) =

✓ Favoritism of Jacob ✓ Naivety of Joseph  
✓ Jealousy + Attack of Brothers ✓ Lie to Father

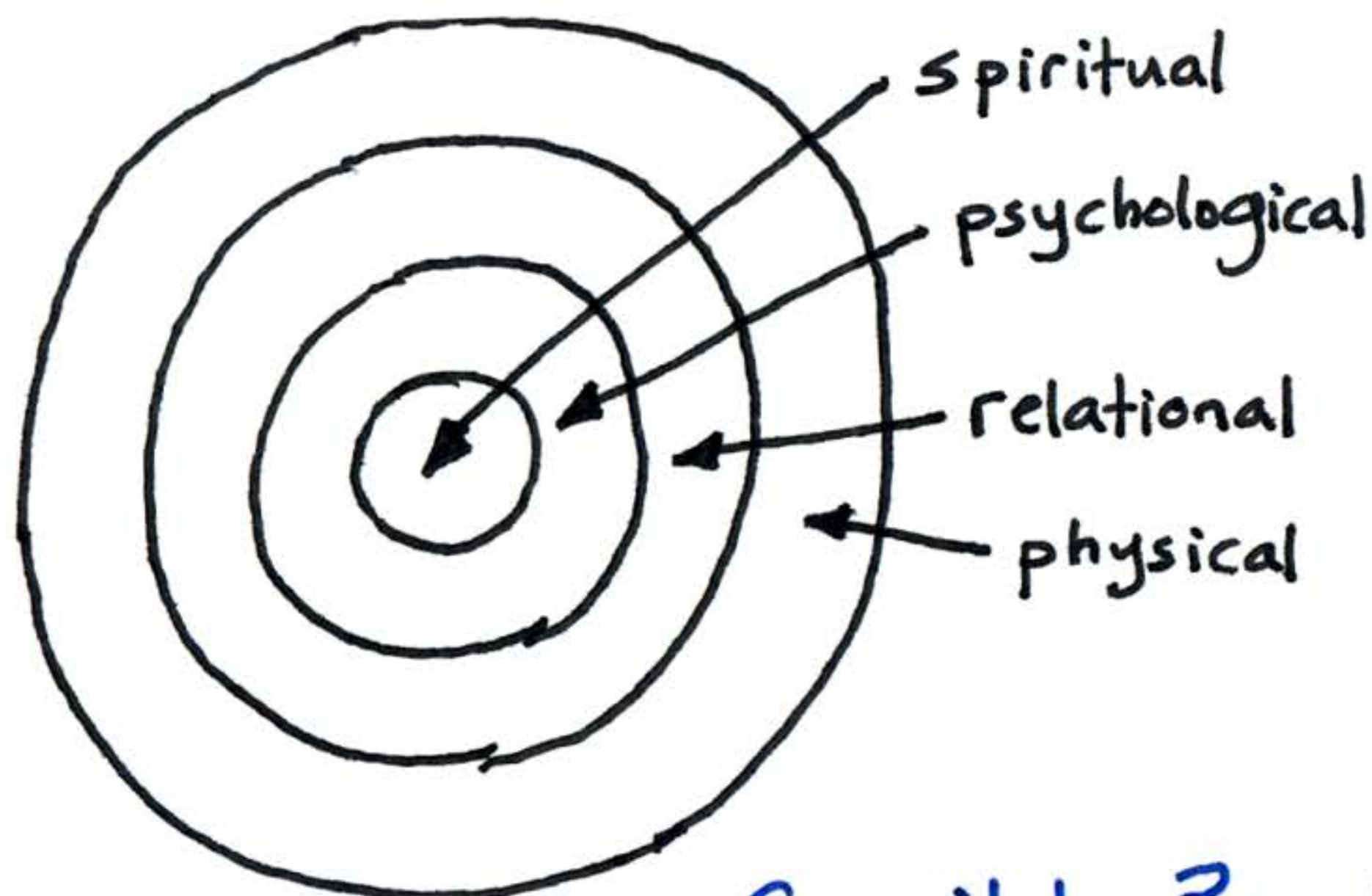
#### 3. Psychological Restoration

Jacobs "self-absorption" (Kidner) +  
Brothers guilt + untruth

#### 4. Spiritual Restoration

Reliance on **Θ Almighty**, "a title ...  
evocative of the Covenant with Abraham,  
move from untruth to trust in **Θ** vs 11-14





How  
Will All  
OF This  
be  
Restored?

Can it be? = YES

## ② What The Drama of Restoration It Is

1. The situation must be squarely faced

Judah speaks truth to Jacob

☰☰ The wages of sin is death, Romans 6:23

2. A brother-leader must become the pledge

Judah's pledge → Kings → Jesus

☰☰ Son of  $\Theta$  + Covenant of Redemption

3. The debt must be paid

"Present" (vs 11) Robert Alter ▶ Joseph's  
Forgiveness

☰☰  $\Theta$  pays debt "but the free gift  
of  $\Theta$  is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."  
Romans 6:23

4.  $\Theta$  Almighty Must be Trusted

"May  $\Theta$  Almighty grant you mercy" (14)

Brothers in Joseph's home ▶ Joseph could  
fall upon them for revenge ▶ But instead  
shows grace + compassion weeps, 25-31

☰☰ "But God shows his love for us in  
that while we were still sinners, Christ  
died for us" Romans 5:8

## 5. A feast is Celebrated

 **Joseph's Feast + Provision** points to the Ultimate **Brother-Savior Jesus** who welcomes us to His Father's Table

Have you seen how a feast can restore?  
**Babel's Feast** ▶ **Heaven's Feast**

In light of our story what kind of people should we be?

A People of Forgiveness



A People of Feasting

## Responding to God's Word

### Offering

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#### Methods of Giving to Redeemer Redmond

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

### Hymn: I Will Sing of My Redeemer

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words: Phillip Bliss, 1876; music: Luke Morton, 2005, UBP

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

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.

## **Prayers of the People**

### **Heidelberg Catechism**

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#### **Question #1**

What is your only comfort  
in life and in death?

*Answer*

**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.**

# Communion

## Hymn: What Wondrous Love

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*words, Alexander Means, 1811; music William Walker, 1835; public domain; CCLI # 197297*

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul  
What wondrous love is this, O my soul  
What wondrous love is this, that caused the Lord of bliss  
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul  
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul

To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing  
To God and to the Lamb I will sing  
To God and to the Lamb who is the great I AM  
While millions join the theme I will sing, I will sing  
While millions join the theme I will sing

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on  
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on  
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on and joyful be  
And through eternity I'll sing on I'll sing on  
And through eternity I'll sing on

## Hymn: I'll Fly Away

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*Words, Hartford Music Co, 1932; Arr by Albert E. Brumley, 1960; CCLI #26399*

Some glad morning when this life is o'er  
I'll fly away  
To a home on God's celestial shore  
I'll fly away

*Chorus*

I'll fly away O glory I'll fly away  
When I die hallelujah by and by  
I'll fly away

When the shadows of this life have grown  
I'll fly away  
Like a bird from prison bars has flown  
I'll fly away  
*chorus*

Just a few more weary days and then  
I'll fly away  
To a land where joys shall never end  
I'll fly away  
*chorus*

## **Benediction**



# Announcements

## Gather for Worship

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### Sunday Worship Services

Worship Service and Live Broadcast at 10:30

Chat and fellowship begins at 10:20

### Sunday School

Ages 3 through 5th grade - During the sermon

### Connect

Get on our [mailing list](#) for latest news in your inbox.

Install our [mobile app](#) for easy access to resources

*(search your app store for "Redeemer Redmond")*

## Grow in Community

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### Reformation Dinner, Oct 29th

Pastor Jason and Jenny Dorsey will host Redeemer's annual Reformation Feast at their home on Saturday, October 29. Come at 5:00 pm for appetizers and drinks in the garage. At 6:00pm we will enjoy the potluck feast followed by a program celebrating the great doctrines of grace proclaimed during the Reformation and singing the hymns of our faith. We will close with a time of prayer asking for God's Spirit to once again renew and enflame our hearts with Gospel power and joy. Jason and Jenny live at 15788 NE 101st Ct, Redmond, WA. Park on the street where 160th St. dead ends. Please RSVP on [SignUpGenius](#) - email was sent this week.

### Jason Dorsey's 25th Ministry Anniversary, Nov 6th

Our Worship Service on November 6th is going to be a special day, as we celebrate Pastor Jason's 25th Anniversary since Ordination! There will be a time of refreshments to follow the service. More details to come soon.

### Pie Social, Nov 20th

Mark your calendar and start thinking about what pie you will make for the rest of us to enjoy. This will be held following the worship service. Details to follow.

## Community Groups

If you aren't already part of a Community Group, see our [information sheet](#) for more information on who leads one in your neighborhood and their contact details. See [John Sanford](#) with further questions.

## Children's Sunday School

Sunday School will take place during the sermon for children from 3 years old to 5th grade. We are using The Gospel Project curriculum, starting this year in Joshua. The Gospel Project is a Christ-centered, chronological Bible study about God's plan to rescue his people through his Son, Jesus Christ. Invite your friends and neighbors to join us! [Register Here!](#) Contact [Linda Huston](#) at 425-894-3469 for details.

Upcoming Schedule:

10/23 - The People Kept Sinning (Judges 2)

10/30 - God Used Samson (Judges 13-16)

11/6 - No Sunday School (25th Anniversary Service)

## Go in Mission

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### Angel Tree Donations Coming Soon

We are participating in the Angel Tree ministry as a church body to support children of parents who are incarcerated by providing their children with gifts for Christmas. Stay tuned for more details on how you can help with this ministry. See [Frank Huston](#) or another Deacon with questions.

### Sacred Road Trip 2023

We have scheduled our next trip to Sacred Road on the Yakama Reservation July 1st-8th, 2023. We are looking for two people to fill roles of Team Leader and Worship Leader. Please see either [Emily Huston](#) or [Jim Gibons](#). We currently have space for 10 people on the team. Please continue to pray for this ministry.

## **Counseling and Deaconal Support**

Counseling scholarships from the Deacon Fund are available. If you have need of counseling or other deaconal support, please contact [Frank Huston](#) or one of the deacons.

## **Emergency Relief for Ukrainian Refugees**

Our church is supporting [Mission Eurasia](#) to provide food packages for Ukrainian refugees streaming into Poland, Moldova, Romania, and Hungary. Pastor Jason has been a board member of Mission Eurasia for over 10 years. If you would like to donate funds, goto <https://missioneurasia.org/donate> and select "Ukraine Emergency Relief Fund."

## **Ministries and Neighbors We Support**

Please pray for these ministries that the Lord will strengthen them and give them courage to continue to look to him for sustenance and direction, and to maintain the hope they have in him:

- Jay Stoms' Family mission in South Africa
- RUF Western Washington and UW
- Northlake Young Life
- Youth for Christ
- Redmond School Break Food Lunch Program
- Congregant ministries and outreach efforts
- Mission Eurasia

