



REDEEMER REDMOND

November 29, 2020

10:30 am



Welcome

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;
to all who mourn and long for comfort;
to all who struggle and desire victory;
to all who sin and need a Savior;
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
and to whoever will come,
this church opens wide her doors
and offers her welcome in the name
of the Lord Jesus.

First Sunday of Advent

Today we light the first candle of the Advent wreath. This is the candle of HOPE. With Christians around the world, we use this light to help us prepare our hearts and minds for the coming of God's Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ. May we receive God's light as we hear the words of the prophet Isaiah:

Advent Reading

Isaiah 9:1-7

9 But there will be no gloom for her who was in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he has made glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

² The people who walked in darkness
have seen a great light;

those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness,
on them has light shone.

³ You have multiplied the nation;
you have increased its joy;

they rejoice before you
as with joy at the harvest,
as they are glad when they divide the spoil.

⁴ For the yoke of his burden,
and the staff for his shoulder,
the rod of his oppressor,
you have broken as on the day of Midian.

⁵ For every boot of the tramping warrior in battle
tumult
and every garment rolled in blood
will be burned as fuel for the fire.

⁶ For to us a child is born,
to us a son is given;
and the government shall be upon his shoulder,
and his name shall be called
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

⁷ Of the increase of his government and of peace
there will be no end,

on the throne of David and over his kingdom,
to establish it and to uphold it
with justice and with righteousness
from this time forth and forevermore.
The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.

Let us pray:

Lord as we look to the birth of Jesus, grant that the light of your love for us will help us to become lights in the lives of those around us. Prepare our hearts for the joy and gladness of your coming, for Jesus is our hope. Amen

Hymn: Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

Meredith Andrews and Jacob Sooter; Original Words and Music by Rowland Hugh Prichard and Charles Wesley | CCLI #7096082

Come thou long expected Jesus
Born to set thy people free
From our fears and sins release us
Let us find our rest in thee

Israel's strength and consolation
Hope of all the earth thou art
Dear desire of every nation
Joy of every longing heart

chorus

Born they people to deliver
Born a child and yet a King
Born to reign in us forever
Now thy gracious kingdom bring

By thine own eternal spirit
Rule in all our hearts alone
By thine all sufficient merit
Raise us to thy glorious throne

Confession of Sin

Our LORD Jesus Christ, you are the fulfillment of Scripture.

You are the true and rightful King, the Son of David, the promised Messiah whose Kingdom will never end.

Forgive us for not rejoicing in your righteous reign and doing all we can to advance your kingdom of peace.

You are the chosen Servant of the Living God, full of the Spirit, sent to establish justice in the earth.

Forgive us for not trusting that you care for us; that a bruised reed you will not break, and a faintly burning wick you will not quench.

Even though you had no form or majesty that we should look at you, and no beauty that we should desire you, and though you were despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief, like one from whom men hide their faces, still you are the strong Arm of the LORD.

Forgive us for our messed up value system. We think more highly of outward success than inward humility. In so doing we reject you the Lamb of God.

You are the promised Healer who would bring good news to the poor, bind up the brokenhearted, proclaim liberty to the captives, and comfort those who mourn.

Forgive us not making much of your healing grace. Help us to grow into Mighty Oaks of Righteousness for the praise of your glory. Amen.

Silent Prayer

Hymn of Waiting

O Savior, Rend the Heavens Wide

words from a German spiritual song; tr. Martin L. Seltz

verse 1

O Savior, rend the heavens wide;
Come down, come down with mighty stride;
Unlock the gates, the doors break down
Unbar the way to heavens crown.

Receiving of Grace

From Isaiah 61:10-11

I will greatly rejoice in the LORD; my soul shall exult in my God, for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation.

He has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful headdress, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

For as the earth brings forth its sprouts, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to sprout up, so the LORD God will cause righteousness and praise to spring up before all the nations.

Hymn: Joy to the World

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Joy to the world the Lord is come,
Let earth receive her King
Let every heart prepare him room
And heaven and nature sing
And heaven and nature sing
And heaven, and heaven and nature sing

Joy to the world the Savior reigns
Let all their songs employ
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
Repeat the sounding joy
Repeat the sounding joy
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy

He rules the world with truth and grace
And makes the nations prove
The glories of his righteousness
And wonders of his love
And wonders of his love
And wonders, wonders of his love

All Creatures of Our God & King

Brent Milligan | David Crowder | St. Francis of Assisi | William Henry Draper

All creatures of our God and King
Lift up your voice and with us sing
O praise him! Alleluia!
Thou burning sun with golden beam
Thou silver moon with softer gleam
Oh praise Him! Oh praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong
Ye clouds that sail in heaven along
O praise him! Alleluia!
Thou rising morning, praise rejoice
Ye lights of evening find a voice
Oh praise Him! Oh praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless
And worship him in humbleness
O praise him! Alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son
And praise the Spirit, Three in One!
Oh praise Him! Oh praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Offering

Methods of Giving to Redeemer Redmond

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

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

Isaiah 32

32 Behold, a king will reign in righteousness,
and princes will rule in justice.

² Each will be like a hiding place from the wind,
a shelter from the storm,

like streams of water in a dry place,

like the shade of a great rock in a weary land.

³ Then the eyes of those who see will not be closed,
and the ears of those who hear will give attention.

⁴ The heart of the hasty will understand and know,
and the tongue of the stammerers will hasten to
speak distinctly.

⁵ The fool will no more be called noble,
nor the scoundrel said to be honorable.

⁶ For the fool speaks folly,
and his heart is busy with iniquity,

to practice ungodliness,

to utter error concerning the Lord,

to leave the craving of the hungry unsatisfied,
and to deprive the thirsty of drink.

⁷ As for the scoundrel—his devices are evil;
he plans wicked schemes

to ruin the poor with lying words,

even when the plea of the needy is right.

⁸ But he who is noble plans noble things,
and on noble things he stands.

⁹ Rise up, you women who are at ease, hear my voice;
you complacent daughters, give ear to my speech.

¹⁰ In little more than a year

you will shudder, you complacent women;

for the grape harvest fails,

the fruit harvest will not come.

¹¹ Tremble, you women who are at ease,

shudder, you complacent ones;
strip, and make yourselves bare,
and tie sackcloth around your waist.
¹² Beat your breasts for the pleasant fields,
for the fruitful vine,
¹³ for the soil of my people
growing up in thorns and briers,
yes, for all the joyous houses
in the exultant city.
¹⁴ For the palace is forsaken,
the populous city deserted;
the hill and the watchtower
will become dens forever,
a joy of wild donkeys,
a pasture of flocks;
¹⁵ until the Spirit is poured upon us from on high,
and the wilderness becomes a fruitful field,
and the fruitful field is deemed a forest.
¹⁶ Then justice will dwell in the wilderness,
and righteousness abide in the fruitful field.
¹⁷ And the effect of righteousness will be peace,
and the result of righteousness, quietness and trust
forever.
¹⁸ My people will abide in a peaceful habitation,
in secure dwellings, and in quiet resting places.
¹⁹ And it will hail when the forest falls down,
and the city will be utterly laid low.
²⁰ Happy are you who sow beside all waters,
who let the feet of the ox and the donkey range
free.

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.

Behold Your God: The King

Rev. Jason Dorsey

Advent  = Jesus in Isaiah 8th Cen

4 Roles for You

KING • SERVANT • ARM • HEALER

Invite you into a personal relationship with
the TRUE JESUS

① WHAT THIS KING DOES

 Behold, a king will reign in
righteousness, and princes will rule in justice
Each will be like a hiding place from the wind...

1. Reigns in Righteousness
2. Establishes Justice
3. Animates Government / Leaders

Beautiful language that inspires hope + longing
in the  32:2

② WHY THIS KING MATTERS

 = Fallen Human Condition... Messed
up world, cries for justice...

Political Rhetoric
+ Pandemic Rhetoric
=  Longing for Righteousness/Justice

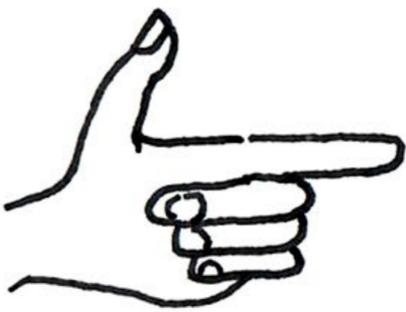
With Me?

- ☑ eyes closed vs. 3
- ☑ ears not paying attention vs. 3
- ☑ hasty don't know/understand vs. 4
- ☑ stammerer doesn't speak distinctly vs. 5
- ☑ fool is called noble vs. 5
- ☑ the poor are oppressed vs. 6-7

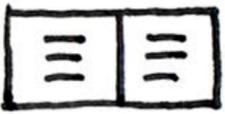
J. Alec Motyer "These opposites express totality; a wholly transformed society... Isaiah looks forward to a true aristocracy of character."

Sceptic What leader could so transform society? Make me a hiding place... shelter from the storm, stream of water in a dry place, shade of a rock in weary land... Noble?
 Latin: noblesse oblige How? Who?

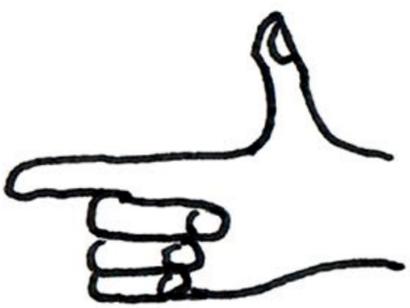
③ HOW THIS KING ENNOBLES



Society/Religion = You out there are bad and deserve condemnation and judgment



Teaches a very different way! Behold
vs. 1



Christian = I have broken the LAW of the King ☰☰, I am unrighteous and unjust + deserve judgment!

I'm a Felon... Isaiah

➡ But



The True +
Rightful King
Came to
execute
Justice +
Righteousness
Child, Is 9:6
+ 11:1ff

He laid aside His
Crown and took a
Crown of thorns



Isaiah 53



And on the Cross took upon Himself
Our Rap Sheet/Record **Felony** to
forgive us, give us his record + make
us sons **Princes + Princesses, Is. 53**

Aside

Originally planned to end sermon
there **32:1-8**. While Biblically/Theologically true
the doctrine of the "Great Exchange" is not
the point of this text!

What is? = Gift of the Holy Spirit
that empowers and animates the righteous



Until the Spirit is poured upon us from
on high... **32:15ff**

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"And the effect of righteousness will
be peace, and the result of
righteousness, quietness and trust forever."

= Personal righteousness, peace,
quietness + trust

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"My people will abide in a peaceful
habitation, in secure dwellings, and
in quiet resting places."

= Social righteousness + peace

Do you want this King? Will you submit to his terms?

Communion

Redeemer welcomes all Christians who are willing to forsake their sin and trust in Jesus Christ for salvation, who are baptized members of congregations which proclaim the gospel, to receive Communion with us.

Hymn: There Is a Redeemer

Keith Green, 1982

There is a redeemer: Jesus, God's own Son
Precious lamb of God, Messiah,
Holy One

chorus

Thank you, O my Father
For giving us your son
And leaving your Spirit til
The work on earth is done

Jesus my redeemer, Name above all names
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah,
Hope for sinners slain

chorus

When I stand in glory, I will see his face
And there I'll serve my King forever
In that holy place

chorus

Last Hymn to Christ

Benediction

I Timothy 3:16

Great is the mystery of godliness.
**He was manifested in the flesh,
vindicated by the Spirit,
seen by angels,
proclaimed among the nations,
believed on in the world,
taken up to glory.**

Go in the Peace of Christ the King



Announcements

Gather for Worship

Youth Group

Sundays at 9:00 am live and via Zoom | [Learn More](#)

Sunday Worship Services

Worship Service and Live Broadcast at 10:30

[RSVP to attend live](#) at Hilton Garden Inn, Redmond.

Get on our [mailing list](#) to receive announcements and the weekly Worship Guide in your inbox.

Install our [Mobile App](#) for ease of finding the Worship Guide, Facebook link, full Bible, and notes
(search your app store for Redeemer Redmond)

Hilton Garden Inn Logistics:

►Parking

Suggested Arrival: 10:10 - 10:15am. Park in the underground garage and take the elevator to the second floor. Exit the elevator to the left and follow wayfinding signs to the Auditorium. Plan for time to park, take the elevator and grab a cup of complimentary coffee at the back of the auditorium. If you arrive early, enjoy conversation on the outdoor terrace or invite someone to sit by the fireplace in the 2nd floor lounge, both of which are adjacent to the auditorium.

►RSVP for Online and In-Person Worship

To RSVP for the service, click the link found on our website under Sunday Morning or in our App. Please reserve your spot to let us know you will be worshipping with us so that we can keep total attendance under 50 people (25% capacity) per service. This will also help us with contact tracing.

Let us know how many will be attending. Only one registration per household - count yourself and anyone else coming with you. If your plans change, please use the same link to update your status and free up space for others.

►Nursery

The Nursery will not be staffed but you can reserve a family room (if you need one). See the Signup Genius link for details.

Grow in Community

Baby Celebration for Mothers and New Babies

Mark your calendar! The end of 2020 is right around the corner! On Wednesday, January 20th at 8pm we will light candles and offer prayers of blessings for our new 2020 babies. Please plan to join us for this very special (virtual) event. Contact: [Jenny Dorsey](#)

Men's Prayer

Men's prayer is gathering virtually on Wednesday morning at 6:30 using Zoom. All Redeemer men welcome. Contact: [John Sanford](#)

Community Groups

We encourage our Community Groups to use Zoom, Google Hangouts, or another platform to stay connected, encourage, and pray for each other. Contact [John Sanford](#) to reserve a Zoom meeting

Go in Mission

Deacon Fund Special Offering, Nov 29th

This Sunday, we have an opportunity to share our blessings with others in need through a special Deacon Fund offering. Deacon funds are used for helping our Church body and neighbors both near and far for a variety of human needs: food, furnishings, housing, counseling, campus ministries, and missions. Whether giving online or in person, please specify "Deacon's Fund" on your checks or [online donations](#).

Redeemer Officer Election, Dec 15th

Redeemer's elders are calling a congregational meeting via Zoom for Tuesday, December 15, at 7:00pm to vote on two candidates they have tested and recommend to serve as church officers: Jim Gibons to serve as a ruling elder and Christopher Maffucci to serve as a deacon. All members are encouraged to participate. If you are unsure if you are a member or if you do not receive your Zoom link by the day prior to election, please contact [John](#). Since this will be the first time that Redeemer holds a congregational meeting on Zoom we want to take some time to answer questions you may have. Please [Click Here](#) for more information.

Angel Tree Gift Giving, Dec 6-20

Our Church will once again participate in the Angel Tree ministry which provides children with Christmas gifts on behalf of parents who are incarcerated in this season. Gift tags will be available through our website/app here: [Angel Tree Gift and Delivery Signup](#). Plan to return gifts starting December 6th to gather them for delivery. Gifts can be brought to the Hilton, to the Huston home, or pickup can be arranged. Contact [Frank or Linda Huston](#), or 425-894-3470.

Partner Ministry Update

► **RUF UW** - The deacon fund recently gave a distribution to Ali at RUF UW. Ali was very thankful for the help. Jim let her know we are praying for her during covid for faith and perseverance. [Read More](#)

► **RUF Western** and Nathaniel Thompson are raising funds for the coming year. They have a donor to match your donation. [Donate Here](#)

► **North Lake Young Life** has met their fundraising goal of \$83,000! Their giving page is still open, if you still want to give. [Read More](#)

We appreciate these Gospel centered ministries serving the youth and young adults in our communities.

Sacred Road

We are prayerfully considering a church mission trip (adult and youth) for this summer. If you feel called to join us in mission or want more information, please reach out to either [Jordon Lewis](#) or [Jim Gibons](#).

A reminder of ministries and neighbors we support:

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

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 during this time, and to maintain the hope they have in him.

Counseling and Deaconal Support

If you have a need for counseling or other support, please contact [Frank Huston](#) or one of the deacons.

