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REDEEMER REDMOND

May 31st, 2020

[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 16:1-6, 11

Preserve me, O God, for in you I take refuge.
I say to the LORD, "You are my Lord;
I have no good apart from you."

As for the saints in the land, they are the excellent ones, in whom is all my delight.

The sorrows of those who run after another god shall multiply; their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names on my lips..

The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot. The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.

You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

Hymn: O Worship the King

words Robert Grant, 1833; from William Kethe in Genevan Psalter, 1561, Public Domain; music Nathan Partain, 2002; UBP [Music Here](#)

O worship the King, all glorious above,
O gratefully sing his wonderful love;
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,
Pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.

O tell of his might, O sing of his grace,
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space,
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,
Dark is his path on the wings of the storm.

Thy Bountiful care, what tongue can recite,
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light,
It streams from the hills it descends to the plain,
And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
In thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail;
Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end,
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend.

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, our King and our Master,
You are our portion and our inheritance.
You have promised to never leave us
or forsake us. In your presence is fullness
of joy; at your right hand are pleasures
forevermore.

**We confess that we have not loved you
with all our heart, sought you with all our
passion, trusted in your promises, and
enjoyed your spiritual pleasures.**

**Instead we have loved the god of money and
served money as a master to get us security,
approval, significance, power, control and
comfort.**

**We have not been content with what your
hand has given us, or stewarded our stuff
to glorify your name. Instead we long
for more.**

**Our emotions and attitudes display the
idol of money imbedded in our hearts.
We lack contentment in your provision
and presence with us.**

**We are anxious about losing our money
or that we don't have enough.**

**We justify our spending by what we save
or what we can make off our purchase.**

We use money as a scorecard, and view those with more ahead of those with less.

We hold on to our possessions because we trust them more than you for security and to satisfy our hearts.

LORD God, forgive us for making money an idol. Help us to profane money, putting it in its place. Help us to look to Jesus for the power to do this. All this we pray in Jesus' Name.

Amen.

Silent Prayer



Receiving of Grace

From II Corinthians 8:9

For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich.

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 13:5-6

⁵ Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for he has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." ⁶ So we can confidently say,

"The Lord is my helper;
I will not fear;
what can man do to me?"

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Gather Together

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

Hymn: Before the Throne of God Above

words: Charitie Lees Bancroft (1841-1892); alternate words and music: vikki Cook, 2006

Before the throne of God above,
I have a strong, a perfect plea,
A great High Priest whose name is "Love,"
Who ever lives and pleads for me.

My name is graven on his hands,
My name is written on his heart;
I know that while in heaven he stands,
No tongue can bid me thence depart.
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair,
And tells me of the guilt within,
Upward I look and see him there
Who made an end to all my sin.

Because the sinless Savior died,
my sinful soul is counted free;
For God, the Just, is satisfied
To look on him and pardon me.
To look on him and pardon me.

Behold him there! The risen Lamb,
My perfect, spotless Righteousness,
The great unchangeable I AM,
The King of glory and of grace!

One with himself I cannot die,
My sould is purchased by his blood;
My life is hid with Christ on high,
With Christ, my Savior and my God.
With Christ, my Savior and my 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.

Free from the Love of Money and Content

Rev. Jason Dorsey

3 Confusing orders today vs. clear + comprehensive orders of King Jesus Love as brothers, show hospitality to strangers, remember those in prison, honor marriage, keep your life free from the love of \$

➔ Christian lifestyle at all times + all places + for all Christians You + Me!

MONEY ESPECIALLY RELEVANT TODAY

- ☑ god of **M**ONEY reigns today east side
- ☑ great economic crisis we face covid-19
- ☑ idol of **M**oney, sin of greed, hardest to spot

Pastor Tim Keller, Counterfeit Gods, Sermon series on 7 deadly sins. Packed house + people confessing "lust," "wrath," "pride." But nobody thinks they are greedy! "Greed hides itself from the victim. The money god's modus operandi includes blindness to your own heart."

My early assessment ... OK... then saw Discontent

BE OPEN TO god of \$ presence in your life.

① The god of **M**oney

Protest! Where do you see any god of \$
Good Question, here's why

- ☑ **Free** = Money is personified, as a Master who enslaves "No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money. literally, Mammon

➔➔➔ Money, stuff, possessions can enslave

☑ Love = You can only love, treasure, pursue, seek, find security and comfort in Θ or Money.

➔➔➔ Quotes Ancient Promise that should reign in our \hearts "I will never leave you nor forsake you" ▶ Love of \hearts

☑ Greek Wd, "Unmercenary" = unconcerned with possessions and not servants of Mammon. Profane \$

☑ When the presence, and promises, and passion for Θ fills your \hearts ,
When Θ , The Holy, Immense, Beautiful, Awesome, Infinite, Personal LORD Θ is your portion = "be content w. what you have" bc he/she who has Θ has everything!

Hard to overstate the pervasive hold, enslavement Money has in our life + world.

But before we go there we must see that in itself money is not evil, but when we love, worship + serve it takes on godlike power in our life.

Jacque Ellul on Money

② 10 Signs of an idol of \$

My experience this week... I'm OK...
Then saw discontentment, drive to take
on more ▶ projects, land, expand

Story of the garden Jenny + I planted
Pre-wedding

Just be open to spotting idol of \$ in
your ♥

All about your lens. What/Who you are
comparing yourself to ▶ JESUS

☑ All people affirm Jesus as a holy,
good man, moral example

☑ Christians are to look to Jesus in
our race as the founder + perfecter
of our faith

Are you with me to use Jesus as Lens? 

Sign #1 Anxiety + Worry about \$, possessions

Example = "I don't love \$. I worry about it."

Jesus taught + lived: "Do not be anxious...
your heavenly father knows that you need them
all." Matthew 6:25 Daily trust like the birds

Any worry? Anxiety?

Sign #2 Security in \$, possessions

Example = "having money in the bank as my security. In a sense that is a lack of faith."

Jesus for 3 years of ministry homeless, no fixed income yet most secure person ever in Θ 's love.

He taught "Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth + rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal." 6:19

Sign #3 Emotional Roller Coaster of \$


Example = Financial Planning ▶ You need this much to retire ▶ Stock Market  Emotions

Jesus trusted Θ 's provision + taught "Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they?" Are you not of more value?

Sign #4 \$ as Validation


Example = Not a desire to have a lot of money or make a lot of \$. What \$ shows is level of success.


Bought old jet ski for \$700⁰⁰ fix it up + sell it for 2K, validates purchase, good job ▶ success

Jesus: If \$ validates success, what does this say about Jesus who died penniless 

Does \$ validate you or Jesus?

Sign #5 \$ as Status Symbol

Example = Different income level = different social strata, In our heart we see ourselves as separated by what we have. See this in ?

Jesus: You are saved by a poor, penniless, homeless man! How should this change your ?

Sign #6 \$ as Scorekeeping

Example = "I love fairness + justice. Remember that 'fair' has nothing to do w. it. If \$ is keeping score, I start with 99 points, the other person with 1. I have friends, two zeros less income than me, not less content, and friends two zeros more income than me, not more happy." **DON'T USE \$**
Jesus: born into poverty, died in poverty. **TO KEEP SCORE!**

Sign #7 Over attachment or Under attachment to your possessions

Example of Over Attachment = Every item you keep is loaded w. sentimental value or potential need of that nut or screw. Hoarding + Cleaning, letting go

Example of Under Attachment = You want something, desire it, buy it, then lose interest in it, discard.

One man father said, not buy you a bike but fix up a bike together and treasure it.

Jesus = leave all, take up cross + follow me
Ellul, in Bible, Love is totalitarian, all of you.

Sign #8 The more you have, the more you want, the more you work ▶ rat race

Example = My♥, Take on more + more, trying to keep up + frustrated vs. joy

Jesus = Had nothing, so he had time, energy, focus to care for people, most important

Sign #9 You possess vs. Steward your stuff

Example = you view your stuff, money, land as yours vs. a gift from Θ that you should steward for his glory and others good.

Jesus: had no \$ but he stewarded his life for your good + world's salvation

Sign #10 Not known as a breathtakingly
GENEROUS PERSON

Example: John Wesley, Methodist Movement Leader,
"Make all you can, save all you can, give all you can."
Died w. a few coins + spoons.

JESUS = For you know the grace
of our LORD Jesus Christ, that
though he was rich, yet for
your sake he became poor, so
that you by his poverty might
become rich." II Corinthians 8:9




Don't you see. He died b/c of your + my
idolatry to \$, to set us free from Tyranny of
Money, rest + contentment as sons + daughters
of Heavenly Father.

You have to choose! Either Love Jesus +
Treasure Him + Lift Him up in your ♥ +
Profane \$ (or)

Lift up \$ in your ♥, Treasure it, seek
it, value it, pursue it... BUT YOU CAN'T
HAVE BOTH!
How? ➡

③ Replacing \$ with God + God's Promise

☰☰ Be content with what you have,
for he [the Infinite, Personal,
Loving, Sovereign, Compassionate,
Faithful, Eternal God who is the
Creator + Owner of all things]
has said, "I will never leave you
or forsake you."

If Θ is your portion, if your  + life + desires are full of Θ , you will displace + profane $\$$. Looks like this ►

"So we can confidently say,

'The LORD is my helper;
I will not fear; what can
man do to me.'

Can you say that today?

Yes, let us say this till our dying breath

Hymn: The Lord Will Provide

*words: John Newton, 1775; alt words and refrain by Nathan Partain;
music: Nathan Partain, 2012*

The birds, without garner or storehouse, are fed;
From them let us learn to trust God for our bread.
His saints what is fitting shall ne'er be denied
Just as long as it's written, "The Lord will provide."

Though troubles assail us and dangers affright,
Though friends should all fail us and foes all unite,
Just one thing secures us, whatever betide,
His Spirit assures us, "The Lord will provide."

Refrain:

And this promise remains,
Our Lord has redeemed us, our Lord will provide.
Through all ages unchanged,
Our Lord has redeemed us, our Lord will provide.
In all our want, in our pain,
Our Lord has redeemed us, our Lord will provide.
Faithful through all our days.

Satan assails us to stop up our path,
And courage all fails us, we stand but by faith.
He cannot take from us, though oft he has tried,
This heart gladdening gospel, "The Lord will provide."

We're told we are weak, and our hope is in vain,
The good that we seek we shall never obtain,
But when such suggestions, our graces have tried,
This answers all questions, "The Lord will provide."

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

Church Without Walls

The church elders have put together a plan for moving forward out of the COVID-19 Lockdown, as guided by the state 4-phase plan, which is ever changing. We are calling this plan Church Without Walls. Read the full details of the plan [HERE](#).

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

Youth Group Social, June 6th

Through the lockdown period, the youth group has been meeting every two weeks on Saturdays at 6 PM for a social event over Zoom and Discord. Examples include watching a movie, playing Jack Box games, or Minecraft. These events are for youth and friends. Contact for details on the upcoming event.

Welcome New Members

Redeemer is thrilled to welcome three families as members of our church family!

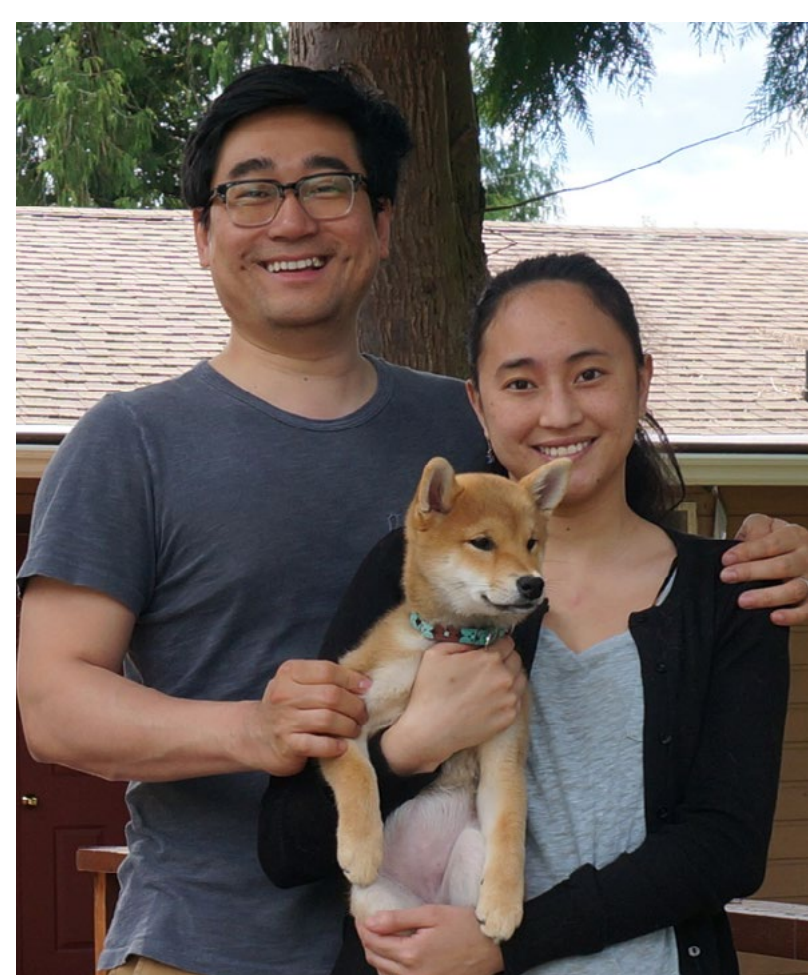


Dismas and Shannon Smith have been friends with Pastor Jason and Jenny Dorsey since the late 1980s. Dismas serves on the Sunday set up team, and is well known at Redeemer as a coffee guru and amazing chef. Shannon works as Redeemer's Communications Administrator and serves on the AV team. They have four children: Aubrey, Micah, Justin and Xavier.

We are also glad to have Ryan and Emily Holden join us. Ryan and Emily started coming to Redeemer while they were dating and were married last summer. Ryan works in finance, and is Redeemer's new Director of Finance.



Emily is a nurse and has gone back to school recently to get a doctorate in nursing. She and Ryan are members of the Redmond Community Group that meets at the Dorsey's apartment, and both serve on the Hospitality team.



And last but not least, we welcome Harry and Anna Hao as members at Redeemer. We have enjoyed getting to know Harry and Anna first as a couple who were dating, and now for a year as a married couple. Anna works as a nurse

and Harry works at Microsoft. They participated in the 2018-2019 Identity Mapping cohort and recently joined Redeemer's AV team. They are graciously opening their home for house church worship. And their traditional wedding pictures in China are stunning!



Passing the Financial Baton



You should have received a letter this week from Rob Fisher, Finance Director, announcing that he and Kristen Iverson, Financial Administrator, who have been serving Redeemer these past three years are both stepping down at the end of May. They are passing the baton to Ryan Holden as Director and Destiney Noor as Administrator. We are so thankful for their faithful service and financial guidance. If you haven't already done so, please read Rob's letter and final Redeemer financial update. [READ MORE](#)



Goodbye Tribute for Ms. Cyndy



Cyndy Crowner will be moving back home to the East Coast this week. If you haven't already seen it, Jason put together a goodbye video for her.

[View it here.](#)

Newsy Newsletter

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

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

Tues, 10-11 am - Walk & Talk on Rivertrail in Redmond
Thur, 8-9 pm - Women's Bible Study on Ephesians

Check Facebook for zoom log in info or email [Jenny](#) for more information. The women's group is a private group, so by invitation only.

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.

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.

Ministries Redeemer Supports

Below is a list of the ministries we regularly 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 during this time, and to maintain the hope they have in him.

- Jay Stoms' 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

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.

