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REDEEMER REDMOND

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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 149:1

Praise the LORD!

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.

Hymn: Praise the Lord Almighty

By Joachim Neander

God calls us to worship him. We respond to God with a song of praise. We thank and praise God for he is good and his mercies to us are new every morning. Here is a link you can use to sing along.

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!

O my soul, praise Him, for he is thy health and salvation!

All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near, Join me in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen how all thy longings have been Granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee! Surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee; Ponder anew what the Almighty can do If with his love he befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the amen sound from his people again; Gladly forever adore him.

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 Jesus Christ, your blood shed for us made a way for us to come into the presence of God with assurance and confidence.

You call us to draw near to God, to hold onto our hope in your promises, to stir one another up to love and good deeds, to not give up meeting together, and to encourage one another as we wait for the day of your return.

LORD Jesus Christ, forgive us. We have not drawn near to God with confidence and assurance. We struggle with guilt and shame.

We have wavered in holding fast to your promises. We struggle with doubt and unbelief.

We have not considered how to stir up one another to love and good deeds.

We struggle with complacency and apathy.

We have neglected meeting together. We struggle to prioritize being with your people and worshipping you together.

Lord Jesus, grant us the grace of repentance. Help us see the fearful consequences of deliberately walking away from you. Remind us of our first love for you, and of the great reward of faith.

Receiving of Grace

From Hebrews 10:12

Let your hearts be glad.

Jesus has put away your sin.

Hear these words of the gospel:

"when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, he sat down

at the right hand of God."

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

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 10: 19-39

¹⁹ Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰ by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, ²¹ and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²² 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. ²³ Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful. ²⁴ And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, ²⁵ not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

²⁶ For if we go on sinning deliberately after receiving the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins, ²⁷ but a fearful expectation of judgment, and a fury of fire that will consume the

adversaries. ²⁸ Anyone who has set aside the law of Moses dies without mercy on the evidence of two or three witnesses. ²⁹ How much worse punishment, do you think, will be deserved by the one who has trampled underfoot the Son of God, and has profaned the blood of the covenant by which he was sanctified, and has outraged the Spirit of grace? ³⁰ For we know him who said, "Vengeance is mine; I will repay." And again, "The Lord will judge his people." ³¹ It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.

³² But recall the former days when, after you were enlightened, you endured a hard struggle with sufferings, ³³ sometimes being publicly exposed to reproach and affliction, and sometimes being partners with those so treated. ³⁴ For you had compassion on those in prison, and you joyfully accepted the plundering of your property, since you knew that you yourselves had a better possession and an abiding one. ³⁵ Therefore do not throw away your confidence, which has a great reward. ³⁶ For you have need of endurance, so that when you have done the will of God you may receive what is promised. ³⁷ For,

"Yet a little while, and the coming one will come and will not delay; ³⁸ but my righteous one shall live by faith, and if he shrinks back, my soul has no pleasure in him."

³⁹ But we are not of those who shrink back and are destroyed, but of those who have faith and preserve their souls.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Sermon

The Second Helvitic 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. You can watch Pastor Dorsey share this sermon on Redeemer Redmond's Facebook Page at 11 am.

Click here for video sermon via Facebook: The Assurance and Endurance of Faith in Christ Rev. Jason Dorsey

Hymn: Hold Thou My Hand

By Fanny Crosby

Judah Dorsey will lead us in this song over Facebook Live. It may be new to many of you. You're welcome to sing along, or listen and say these words in your heart to God as a prayer.

Hold thou my hand; so weak I am, and helpless, I dare not take one step without thy aid; Hold thou my hand; for then, O loving Savior, No dread of ill shall make my soul afraid.

Hold thou my hand, and closer, draw me closer, To thy dear self - my hope, my joy, my all; Hold thou my hand, lest haply I should wander, And, missing thee, my trembling feet should fall.

Hold thou my hand; the way is dark before me, Without the sunlight of thy face divine; But when by faith, I catch its radiant glory, What heights of joy, what rapturous songs are mine!

Hold thou my hand, that when I reach the margin, Of that lone river thou didst cross for me, A heavenly light may flash along its waters, And every wave like crystal bright shall be.

Hold thou my hand; so weak I am, and helpless, I dare not take one step without thy aid; I dare not take one step without thy aid.

Responding to God's Word

Family Discussion

How can you apply God's word to your life today?

Heidelberg Catechism, Question and Answer #1 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.

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:
- Goto redeemerredmond.org and click Online Giving

Blessing

God gave these words to the priests to use 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 shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace.



Announcements

Gather for Worship

Home Worship on Sundays

- Gather your household for worship at 10:30 am
- Tune in to Facebook at 11:00 am for Pastor Jason's sermon and recorded music.

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

Being a Spiritual Community During the Shutdown

Dietrich Bonhoeffer famously said in *Life Together* that "Christianity is community in Jesus Christ and through Jesus Christ." The need for "social distancing" during the Coronavirus pandemic has made it difficult to be physically present with one another as a church. Thankfully, we can fulfill the exhortation of Hebrews

10:25 to "not neglect to meet together" by staying connected through modern technology. We will remain connected to Christ and each other through the challenging days ahead in these ways and others:

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. 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. There is also a private group just for women on Redeemer's facebook page. CLICK HERE for information on how to join the calls via Zoom.

Community Groups

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

Fellowship via Zoom

We have purchased a license for Zoom to host virtual meetings in our community. Contact Jim Gibons for more information.

Go in Mission

Prayer during COVID-19

Pray that we can band together as a church to support, encourage and assist each other during this time. Pray for the Stoms, our Missionary family in South Africa, as the virus spreads to that community and they must decide whether or not to return to the US. As we hear some encouraging news on medicines, pray that the great minds God has put in place can bring forth a quick end to this virus threatening our daily lives. Pray that in this challenging time people can come to know Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.

Redmond School Break Food Box Program

We have an emergency need in the community. Kristin Muscott and her team is attempting to put together 300 boxes over the next 5 weeks. The Deacons approved a generous donation to this program and we are looking to help where we can in delivering boxes. The first delivery of 150 boxes was this week; the need is great. Kristin has started a GoFundMe campaign to purchase the canned goods and food from QFC to minimize risk of germs, and will purchase "clean" boxes for transport from Staples. They are at 12K of their 20K goal, please consider a donation. For updates CLICK HERE.

Sacred Road

We had a March 10th commitment date to let Warm Springs and Sacred Road know our count for this summer's mission trip. Veronica with Sacred Road let us know that this date has been pushed out until further notice. Stephanie Locke will keep the team and youth updated over the coming weeks.

Counseling Initiative

Redeemer Redmond has counseling services available to support those in need. We offer counseling support with both counselors within Redeemer and outside the church. If you are in need of these services for yourself, a family member or even someone outside the church reach out to Frank Huston.

