



## 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 9:1-2

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart;  
I will recount all of your wonderful deeds.  
I will be glad and exult in you;  
I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.

## Hymn: Holy, Holy, Holy

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*words, Reginald Heber, 1826; music, John Bacchus Dykes, 1861; CCLI #1156*

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;  
Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, Holy, Holy! All the saints adore thee,  
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
Which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, Holy, Holy! Though the darkness hide thee,  
Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see:  
Only thou art holy, there is none beside thee,  
Perfect in power, in love and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth, and sky, and sea;  
Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty,  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

## Prayer of Adoration

# Confession of Sin

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LORD God, God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, and our God and the God of our families, we see ourselves and our sin and we see your grace and salvation through Jesus in the story of Judah and Tamar.

Grant us the gift of repentance and faith in Jesus that we may know the joy of His great redemption.

**Holy God, we repent of how sex has become an idol and addiction in our lives.**

**Holy God, we repent of how we break your command of sexual purity.**

**Holy God, we repent of not believing you can heal our sexual brokenness.**

**Holy God, we repent of our lack of trust in your loving plan in our children's lives.**

**Holy God, we repent of trying to be the Savior of our children.**

**Holy God, we repent of not fearing you and of not teaching our children to fear you as we should.**

**Holy God, we repent of not resting in your sovereign plan for our families and in the finished work of Jesus Christ for our families.**

**All this we pray in the strong name of Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. Amen.**

*Silent prayer*

# Receiving of Grace

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**Isaiah 49:15-16**

Can a woman forget her nursing child, that she should have no compassion on the son of her womb? Even these may forget, yet I will not forget you. Behold, I have engraved you on the palms of my hands; your walls are continually before me.

# 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: How Deep the Father's Love for Us

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*Lyrics and Music, Stuart Townend; Arrangement, The Dispatch*

How deep the Father's love for us  
How vast beyond all measure  
That he should give his only Son  
To make a wretch his treasure  
How great the pain of searing loss  
The Father turns his face away  
As wounds which mar the chosen One  
Bring many sons to glory

Behold the Man upon a cross  
My sin upon his shoulders  
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice  
Call out among the scoffers  
It was my sin that held him there  
Until it was accomplished  
His dying breath has brought me life  
I know that it is finished

I will not boast in anything  
No gifts, no power, no wisdom  
But I will boast in Jesus Christ  
His death and resurrection  
Why should I gain from his reward  
I cannot give an answer  
But this I know with all my heart  
His wounds have paid my ransom

# Hymn: Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

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*Don Chapman, Louisa M. R. Stead, William James Kirkpatrick;  
CCLI # 5252381*

Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus  
And to take him at his word  
Just to rest upon his promise  
Just to know, "Thus saith the Lord."

*chorus*

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him  
How I've proved him o'er and o'er  
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus  
Oh for grace to trust him more

O how sweet to trust in Jesus  
Just to trust his cleansing blood  
And in simple faith to plunge me  
'Neath the healing, cleansing flood

Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus  
Just from sin and self to cease  
Just from Jesus simply taking  
Life and rest, and joy and peace

## 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 38

**38** It happened at that time that Judah went down from his brothers and turned aside to a certain Adullamite, whose name was Hirah. <sup>2</sup> There Judah saw the daughter of a certain Canaanite whose name

was Shua. He took her and went in to her, <sup>3</sup> and she conceived and bore a son, and he called his name Er. <sup>4</sup> She conceived again and bore a son, and she called his name Onan. <sup>5</sup> Yet again she bore a son, and she called his name Shelah. Judah was in Chezib when she bore him.

<sup>6</sup> And Judah took a wife for Er his firstborn, and her name was Tamar. <sup>7</sup> But Er, Judah's firstborn, was wicked in the sight of the Lord, and the Lord put him to death. <sup>8</sup> Then Judah said to Onan, "Go in to your brother's wife and perform the duty of a brother-in-law to her, and raise up offspring for your brother."

<sup>9</sup> But Onan knew that the offspring would not be his. So whenever he went in to his brother's wife he would waste the semen on the ground, so as not to give offspring to his brother. <sup>10</sup> And what he did was wicked in the sight of the Lord, and he put him to death also.

<sup>11</sup> Then Judah said to Tamar his daughter-in-law, "Remain a widow in your father's house, till Shelah my son grows up"—for he feared that he would die, like his brothers. So Tamar went and remained in her father's house.

<sup>12</sup> In the course of time the wife of Judah, Shua's daughter, died. When Judah was comforted, he went up to Timnah to his sheepshearers, he and his friend Hirah the Adullamite. <sup>13</sup> And when Tamar was told, "Your father-in-law is going up to Timnah to shear his sheep," <sup>14</sup> she took off her widow's garments and covered herself with a veil, wrapping herself up, and sat at the entrance to Enaim, which is on the road to Timnah. For she saw that Shelah was grown up, and she had not been given to him in marriage. <sup>15</sup> When Judah saw her, he thought she was a prostitute, for she had covered her face. <sup>16</sup> He turned to her at the roadside and said, "Come, let me come in to you," for he did not know that she was his daughter-in-law. She said, "What will you give me, that you may come in to me?" <sup>17</sup> He answered, "I will send you a young goat from the flock." And she said, "If you give me a pledge, until you send it—" <sup>18</sup> He said, "What pledge shall I give you?" She replied, "Your signet and your cord and your

staff that is in your hand.” So he gave them to her and went in to her, and she conceived by him. <sup>19</sup> Then she arose and went away, and taking off her veil she put on the garments of her widowhood.

<sup>20</sup> When Judah sent the young goat by his friend the Adullamite to take back the pledge from the woman's hand, he did not find her. <sup>21</sup> And he asked the men of the place, “Where is the cult prostitute who was at Enaim at the roadside?” And they said, “No cult prostitute has been here.” <sup>22</sup> So he returned to Judah and said, “I have not found her. Also, the men of the place said, ‘No cult prostitute has been here.’” <sup>23</sup> And Judah replied, “Let her keep the things as her own, or we shall be laughed at. You see, I sent this young goat, and you did not find her.”

<sup>24</sup> About three months later Judah was told, “Tamar your daughter-in-law has been immoral. Moreover, she is pregnant by immorality.” And Judah said, “Bring her out, and let her be burned.” <sup>25</sup> As she was being brought out, she sent word to her father-in-law, “By the man to whom these belong, I am pregnant.” And she said, “Please identify whose these are, the signet and the cord and the staff.” <sup>26</sup> Then Judah identified them and said, “She is more righteous than I, since I did not give her to my son Shelah.” And he did not know her again.

<sup>27</sup> When the time of her labor came, there were twins in her womb. <sup>28</sup> And when she was in labor, one put out a hand, and the midwife took and tied a scarlet thread on his hand, saying, “This one came out first.” <sup>29</sup> But as he drew back his hand, behold, his brother came out. And she said, “What a breach you have made for yourself!” Therefore his name was called Perez. <sup>30</sup> Afterward his brother came out with the scarlet thread on his hand, and his name was called Zerah.

*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: Judah and Tamar

Rev. Jason Dorsey

🔗 Story of Joseph ... Good News

What does this have to do w. it?  
Good Question!

📖 = One Story, One Author  
Children's Book Cohort

① LISTEN to the Story

📖 links to the bigger story of Joseph and, ultimately, Jesus

- ☑ Judah's wife + sons
- ☑ Er + Onan's sin
- ☑ Levirate Marriage
- ☑ Tamar's Disgrace + Silence **Alter**
- ☑ Tamar's act
- ☑ Judah's lust + identifiers **Alter**
- ☑ Judah's hypocrisy + confession
- ☑ Perez + Zerah born ► **Genealogy of Jesus**



① If Bible is essentially LAW 🚫🚫, What you must do to win God's LOVE, Judah + You + I are LOST, w/o HOPE... but

① If Bible is essentially a Story of God's LOVE for fallen, sinful humanity through Jesus Christ + You and I have HOPE

## ② LESSONS FROM THE STORY

### GODLY SEXUALITY

1. God cares about your sexual life and commands a righteous sexual life

2. Careful attention must be paid to what is permanent and binding between the OT + NT and what is transitory

☑ Transitory = Levirate Marriage

☑ Permanent = Adultery

3. God can bring grace, forgiveness + healing out of great sexual sin + sin in general

4. Bible is NOT a book of religious heroes but of sinners saved by the grace of Jesus Christ Dad, "sinner saved by grace"

## GRACE-BASED PARENTING

1.  $\Theta$  is at work in your children's lives, confronting, convicting, calling...  
Multi-tasking w. Joseph + Judah
2.  $\Theta$  is sovereign and has a plan and bring good out of disaster.
3. Sin is real and  $\Theta$  is holy and should be feared and obeyed by your kids
4. Your family's only Hope is in Jesus, the Savior of the world

## LIFE OF FAITH



1.  $\Theta$  can make sinners, sexual strugglers, into leaders thru Jesus Judah
2.  $\Theta$ 's plan of salvation through Jesus is long-term and continues in your family when you are gone Jacob
3.  $\Theta$  redeems sinners... Judah's intercession  
You + your kids!
4. Tamar listed in Jesus' chronology...  
Your name listed in Jesus' Book of Life

# 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 of Response: Speak O Lord

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*Words and Music, Keith Getty & Stuart Townsend, 2005; CCLI# 4615235*

Speak O Lord as we come to you  
To receive the food of your holy word  
Take your truth plant it deep in us  
Shape and fashion us in your likeness  
That the light of Christ might be seen today  
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith  
Speak O Lord and fulfill in us  
All your purposes for your glory

Teach us Lord full obedience  
Holy reverence true humility  
Test our thoughts and our attitudes  
In the radiance of your purity  
Cause our faith to rise  
Cause our eyes to see  
Your majestic love and authority  
Words of power that can never fail  
Let their truth prevail over unbelief

Speak O Lord and renew our minds  
Help us grasp the heights of your plans for us  
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time  
That will echo down through eternity  
And by grace we'll stand on your promises  
And by faith we'll walk as you walk with us  
Speak O Lord till your church is built  
And the earth is filled with your glory

# 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: Nothing but the Blood of Jesus**

*words: Robert Lowry. Public Domain; music Nathan Partain, 2004, UBP*

What can wash away my sin?  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
What can make me whole again?  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

*Refrain:*

Oh! precious is the flow,  
That makes me white as snow;  
No other fount I know,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

For my pardon, this I see,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
For my cleansing this my plea,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus. *(Refrain)*

Nothing can for sin atone,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
Naught of good that I have done,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus. *(Refrain)*

This is all my hope and peace,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
This is all my righteousness,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus. *(Refrain)*

Now by this I'll overcome,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
Now by this I'll reach my home,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus. *(Refrain)*

## **Hymn: Children of the Living God**

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*Fernando Ortega, 1996; CCLI #2069618*

Children of the living God  
Come and sing, sing out loud  
Children of the living God  
Sing to the living God

Sing of the wonders he has made  
Bird in flight falling rain  
Sing of the wonders he has made  
Sing to the living God

*chorus*

How he loves us with great love  
He who sits enthroned above  
For our lives he spilled his blood  
Sent his spirit like a flood  
Children of the living God  
Sing to the living God

Sing of his gentle healing hands  
How they found the lowliest man  
Sing of his gentle healing hands  
Sing to the living God

Sing of the mercy that he gives  
Though we sin, he forgives  
Sing of the mercy that he gives  
Sing to the living God

*chorus*

Sing for the morning when he comes  
In the clouds glorious Son  
Sing for the morning when he comes  
Sing to the living God

*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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### Children's Sunday School Starts Today!

Sunday School will take place during the sermon for children from 3 years old to 5th grade. We will continue with The Gospel Project from where we stopped last spring. [Register Here!](#) Invite your friends and neighbors to join us! We still need one more volunteer, a Preschool Helper. No preparation required. Contact [Linda Huston](#) for more details.

Upcoming Schedule:

9/18 - (Big Truth) The Bible Helps Us Live for God (2 Tim 3)

9/25 - God Defeated Jericho (Josh 2, 6)

10/2 - God Gave the People the Land (Josh 7-11)

### Church Hike, Oct 22nd

Our next church hike (or snowshoe if God is gracious) and opportunity to enjoy creation and fellowship will be October 22nd. Meet at the Redmond Middle School parking lot at 7:30 am. If you have any questions contact [Scott](#) or [John](#).

### Young Adult Bible Study

The Young Adults Bible Study of the Book of John is ongoing, the first and third Thursdays at 7pm. We are using Josh Moody's [John 1-12 For You](#). See [Emily](#) with questions or more details.

## 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.

## Go in Mission

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### Sacred Road Trip 2023

We are excited to announce next year's Sacred Road trip is reserved! We will travel to the Yakama Reservation July 1st-8th, 2023. We are looking to add a team member to handle worship time while on the trip. If you need more information on this role, or want to sign up for this trip, please see either [Emily Huston](#) or [Jim Gibons](#). We currently have space for 10 people. Please continue to pray for this ministry.

### Counseling and Deaconal Support

If you have a need for counseling or other 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."

