



REDEEMER
ORANGE COUNTY

{ *order of worship* }



Welcome

Thank you for joining us for worship today. Especially if this is your first time with us, welcome. We are glad you are here. We realize that the flow and order of our worship may be unfamiliar. We have included a few notes in the margins that will help you participate and that offer some explanations. Redeemer is a safe place to ask questions and think differently, so feel free to ask the pastors and leaders anything that might be helpful for you, and please offer your feedback.

You will notice that we follow a thoughtful and connected rhythm in our worship, sometimes called a liturgy. This is because we are gathering for the unique activity of worship, not for a lecture, a conference, or a concert; not to listen to good music or hear wise teaching. We gather for an encounter with God, and so we follow the pattern God gave his people in the scripture thousands of years ago. God speaks and we respond.

Calling - God takes the initiative, moves towards us with grace, and invites us to worship him.

Cleansing - God reminds us that we are forgiven in Christ and loved as his children.

Constitution - God builds us up and nourishes us through the scripture.

Communion - God draws us forward, as children to the father's table, to eat a covenant meal with him.

Commission - God sends us out into his world empowered to be his ambassadors.

Participating in this alternating pattern of God's words and our responses each week not only provides help for today, but shapes our faith over time to highlight the tenacity and graciousness of God's covenantal love.

We are glad you are with us. Please introduce yourself to me after our worship.

Grace and Peace,

David Juelfs
Senior Pastor

Redeemer Presbyterian Church
{Following Christ In The Renewal Of All Things}



Second Sunday after Epiphany ⋮ JANUARY 17, 2016

REFLECTION

“We can read Luke with full confidence that God is introducing us to Jesus. God reveals himself in the Word so that we may know our real need and story.”
- Darrell L. Bock

WELCOME

Arise, shine, for your light has come,
and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.
Nations shall come to your light,
and kings to the brightness of your rising.
(Isaiah 60:1,3)

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Lord God of the nations, we have seen the star of your glory rising in splendor. The radiance of your incarnate Word pierces the night that covers the earth and signals the dawn of justice and peace. May his brightness illumine our lives and beckon all nations to walk as one in your light. We ask this through Jesus Christ your Word made flesh, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, in the splendor of eternal light, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

CALENDAR

ADVENT	We know the word: a moment of piercing awareness, the sudden jolt of understanding. This is the season of
CHRISTMAS	Epiphany, a season celebrating the revelation of the Savior, the light of the world. Throughout the season we
EPIPHANY	focus on the ministry of Jesus: the calling of the disciples, the teachings of Christ, his miracles, and finally his
LENT	transfiguration. The epiphany of Epiphany is that this is no mere teacher or prophet— this is the Son of God,
EASTER	the Messiah. Epiphany calls us to live God’s mission, announcing the good news of Christ’s arrival to every
PENTECOST	culture and to those who live across the street. We, the church, are sent out as the manifestation of Jesus to a
	watching world (from Seeking God’s Face by Philip Reinders).

Calling

Please stand.

OPENING HYMN

We Have Come

WORDS: ISAAC WATTS (1707), ALT. ZAC HICKS (2008), MUSIC: ZAC HICKS (2008)

Chorus

*We have come to give You praise
Almighty God, lift up our gaze
Lord, we long to see Your face
Won't You come and fill this place?
Won't You come and fill this place?*

Come, we that love the Lord
And let our joys be known
Join in a song with sweet accord
And thus surround the throne
We now surround the throne

Our God, He rules on high
And thunders when He please
He rides upon the stormy sky
And manages the seas
He manages the seas

This awesome God is ours
Our Father and our love
He will send down His heavenly powers
To carry us above
He carries us above

So let our songs abound
And every tear be dry
We're marching through Immanuel's ground
To fairer worlds on high
We long to be on high

Chorus

We're marching up to the gates of Zion
The city of God, where the Most High dwells
Where streams make glad our fainting spirits
We now surround the throne
And worship You alone

Hallelujah to the Father
Hallelujah to the Son
Hallelujah to the Spirit
'Round the throne we have come

The call to worship establishes the lines of communication in worship. God always comes to us before we come to God. Biblical worship is a response to God's gracious revelation of himself to his people.

CALL TO WORSHIP - PSALM 27:1,6

Minister: The LORD is our light and our salvation; whom shall we fear?

People: The LORD is the stronghold of our life; of whom shall we be afraid?

Minister: Now our heads shall be lifted up above our enemies all around us, and we will offer in his tent sacrifices and shouts of joy.

People: We will sing and make melody to the LORD.

PASTORAL PRAYER OF ADORATION

Prayer concludes by saying in unison:

Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Jesus Is Our Great Salvation
(MUSIC ON PAGE 4)

Bold text is read together by the congregation. Plain text is read by the leader. Responsive readings remind us that during corporate worship God speaks to his people and we respond together as a community.

JESUS IS OUR GREAT SALVATION

WORDS: JOHN ADAMS, MUSIC:CLINT WELLS

Jesus is our great salvation,
Worthy of our best esteem;
He has saved his favorite nation;
Join to sing aloud of him.
He has saved us!
Christ alone could us redeem
He has saved us!
Christ alone could us redeem.

When involved in sin and ruin,
And no helper there was found,
Jesus our distress was viewing;
Grace did more than sin abound.
He has called us,
With salvation in the sound.
He has called us,
With salvation in the sound.

Let us never Lord forget thee;
Make us walk as children here.
We will give thee all the glory
Of the love that brought us near.
Bid us praise thee,
And rejoice with holy fear.
Bid us praise thee,
And rejoice with holy fear.

Free election known by calling,
Is a privilege divine;
Saints are kept from final falling;
All the glory Lord be thine!
All the glory,
All the glory, Lord is thine!
All the glory,
All the glory, Lord is thine!

Cleansing

Please be seated.

CALL TO REPENTANCE -BASED ON JOHN 3:19

The light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. Let us confess our sin to God.

The call to
repentance
invites us
to honest
expression
within the
context of
our covenant
relationship
with God, a
relationship in
which honesty
about our sin
is welcome and
safe.

PRAYER OF REPENTANCE

Almighty and merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you and one another in both our actions and our inactions. We recognize that in Jesus Christ our light has come, yet often we choose to walk in shadows and ignore the light. Gracious God, forgive our sins and remove from us the veil of darkness that shrouds our lives. Illumined by your Word and sacrament, may we rise to the radiance of Christ's glory. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION (45 SECONDS)

SONG OF COMFORT

Friend of Sinners

WORDS: AUGUSTUS M. TOPLADY, MUSIC: JEFF KOONCE AND BRIAN T. MURPHY

Redeemer whither should I flee
Or how escape the wrath to come?
The weary sinner flies to Thee
For shelter from impending doom
Smile on me gracious Lord
And show Thyself a friend of sinners now
Smile on me gracious Lord
And show Thyself a friend of sinners now

Please stand.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND THE PEACE - FROM JOHN 1:9,12

We greet one
another with
joy after the
assurance of
pardon because
God's pardon of
us sets us free to
love and forgive
one another.

Minister: The true light, which gives light to everyone, was coming into the world. But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God.

Minister: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Constitution

Please be seated.

CHILDREN'S DISMISSAL AND PRAYER

(At the parents' discretion, children 2 years old to 5th grade may go to Sermon time class or remain in the service. Children will return to the worship service at the end of the sermon.)

READING GOD'S WORD

Luke 1:1-4

(Page 460 in the red Bible.)

The Word of
God is the chief
and final means
through which
God speaks
to us;
the principle
and most direct
way we hear
from God in
worship.

¹ Inasmuch as many have undertaken to compile a narrative of the things that have been accomplished among us, ² just as those who from the beginning were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word have delivered them to us, ³ it seemed good to me also, having followed all things closely for some time past, to write an orderly account for you, most excellent Theophilus, ⁴ that you may have certainty concerning the things you have been taught.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

PREACHING GOD'S WORD

REV. DAVID JUELF'S

Whom to Trust?

The Spirit makes
the reading and
preaching of
God's Word a
powerful means
of nourishing and
comforting God's
people,
and awakening
people to new
faith.

Please stand

SONG OF RESPONSE

Speak O Lord
(MUSIC ON PAGE 8)

SPEAK O LORD

WORDS AND MUSIC: KEITH GETTY AND STUART TOWNEND

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

PROFESSION OF FAITH – WESTMINSTER SHORTER CATECHISM (Q1 & Q2)

Minister: What is the chief end of man?

People: Man's chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy him forever.

Minister: What rule hath God given to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy him?

People: The Word of God, which is contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, is the only rule to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy him.

All we have is
given to us by
God. Our offerings
express this joyful
dependance and
our commitment
to join God in his
work of renewal.

OFFERTORY - PSALM 24:1

"The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live it."

Minister: Emmanuel, God with us, the Magi followed the star to find you. Amazed, they gave gifts. We too are amazed by your presence among us, by the gift that you are to us. With joyful hearts, we bring you our gifts of time, of money, of ourselves. Use these and us to serve you and your world. Amen.

OFFERTORY SONG

(Instrumental ensemble followed by congregation singing together.)

There Is A Redeemer

WORDS AND MUSIC: MELODY GREEN

There is a Redeemer
Jesus God's own Son
Precious Lamb of God Messiah
Holy One

Thank You O my Father
For giving us Your Son
And leaving Your Spirit
Till the work on earth is done

Communion

INVITATION TO THE SACRAMENT

SURSUM CORDA

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right for us to give him thanks and praise.

THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORK OF THE FATHER AND SON

Minister: With joy we praise you, gracious God, for you have created heaven and earth, made us in your image, and kept covenant with us – even when we fell in sin. We give you thanks for Jesus Christ, our Lord, who came as the light of the world to show us your way of truth in parables and miracles. Therefore, we join our voices with all the saints and angels and the whole creation to proclaim the glory of your name.

ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE

(Congregation sings together)

Thou Lovely Source of True Delight

WORDS: ANNE STEELE (1760), MUSIC: KEVIN TWIT (1998)

Jesus my Lord my life my light
Oh come with blissful ray
Break radiant through the shades of night
And chase my fears away
Won't You chase my fears away

Please stand for the Sursum Corda.

Sursum Corda is Latin for “lift up your hearts.” One of the oldest liturgical pieces still in use, it calls us to be heavenly minded and summons us into the Lord’s presence. Along with the voices around you, hear the echo of 2000 years of worshiping Christians who have gone before.

PRAYER FOR THE WORK OF THE SPIRIT

Minister: Eternal God, let your Holy Spirit move in power over us and over these earthly gifts of bread and wine, that our sharing of them may be for us the communion of the body and blood of Christ. May his coming in glory find us ever watchful in prayer, strong in truth and love, and faithful in the breaking of the bread. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Minister: Therefore, let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

People: Christ has died!

Christ is risen!

Christ will come again!

DISTRIBUTION OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP

(Directions for taking communion are on page 12.)

Communion (i.e. the Lord's Supper or Eucharist) is a covenant renewal meal, instituted by Jesus the night before his crucifixion. It points back to the cross, forward to the return of the King, but also, when we receive it in faith, it is true fellowship with King Jesus, in his presence and at his table.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP

Directions for taking communion:

Redeemer Presbyterian Church welcomes all sincere Christians—those who are trusting in Jesus Christ for salvation, understand the meaning of the Lord’s Supper, and are in good standing with congregations that proclaim the gospel—to receive Holy Communion with us. Please note that we use wine for Communion; if you prefer non alcoholic grape juice, the grape juice is white and the wine is red. For those with wheat allergies, a gluten free cracker* is available in place of the bread. Also, the bread and the wine may be eaten and drunk as they are received. Please dispose of the cups in the trash receptacle.

When and how to come forward for communion:

Starting with the first row walk towards the center aisle and come forward. Once you have received the elements you may eat and drink at anytime.

A Word to Parents:

Children are welcome at the communion table. To receive the Lord’s Supper, a child must have been baptized and been formally received as a communing member by the Session of this church or the governing body of the church to which you belong. If you have any question about how the process works, please contact Pastor David. Children may take the wine at their parents’ discretion.

* Gluten-free crackers contain organic brown and white rice flour only.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE NOT COMMUNING

(Because Redeemer is a church that is not only for convinced Christians, but also for people at different stages in their spiritual journey, we gladly extend room for you to process, think, and dialogue. Use the prayers provided below as guides to reflect upon and respond to what God is doing in your life.)

PRAYER FOR THOSE SEARCHING FOR TRUTH

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

PRAYER OF BELIEF

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross, and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as Savior and Lord. Amen.

PRAYER FOR THOSE STRUGGLING WITH SIN

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my need, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking to you, the Pioneer and Perfecter of my faith. Amen.

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship in your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with your people, and live in the fullness of your Spirit. Amen.

Please be seated.

COMMUNION SONG

O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

WORDS: SAMUEL TREVOR FRANCIS, MUSIC: WELSH MELODY (ADAPT. THOMAS JOHN WILLIAMS)

O the deep, deep love of Jesus,
Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free!
Rolling as a mighty ocean
In its fullness over me!
Underneath me, all around me,
Is the current of Thy love
Leading onward, leading homeward
To Thy glorious rest above!

O the deep, deep love of Jesus,
Spread His praise from shore to shore!
How He loveth, ever loveth,
Changeth never, nevermore!
How He watches o'er His loved ones,
Died to call them all His own;
How for them He intercedeth,
Watcheth o'er them from the throne!

O the deep, deep love of Jesus,
Love of every love the best!
'Tis an ocean vast of blessing,
'Tis a haven sweet of rest!
O the deep, deep love of Jesus,
'Tis a heaven of heavens to me;
And it lifts me up to glory,
For it lifts me up to Thee!

Please stand.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**O amazing God,
You come into our ordinary lives
and set a holy table among us,
filling our plates with the bread of life
and our cups with salvation.
Send us out, O God, with tenderheartedness
to touch an ordinary everyday world
with the promise of your holiness. Amen.**

Commission

Please stand.

SONG OF DEPARTURE

Lead On, O King Eternal

WORDS: ERNEST W. SHURTLEFF, ALT. JEFF PARDO, MUSIC: JEFF PARDO

Lead on, O King eternal,
We follow, not with fears,
For gladness breaks like morning
Where'er Thy face appears.
Thy cross is lifted over us,
We journey in its light;
The crown awaits the conquest;
Lead on, O God of might.

Lead on, O King, lead on, O King
Lead on, O King, lead on

Just as we begin
with with
God's gracious
invitation, so
we end with
God's promise
to always be
with us.

BLESSING - NUMBERS 6:24-26

The LORD bless you and keep you;
the LORD make his face to shine upon you
and be gracious to you;
the LORD turn his face toward you
and give you peace.

It is appropriate
to lift our heads
as a symbol that
through Christ
God graciously
lifts our head,
and we hold out
our hands palms
up to symbolize
our need and
eagerness to
receive God's
blessing.

THE DISMISSAL

Minister: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People: Thanks be to God.

FOLLOWING THE SERVICE

Immediately following worship, all are invited to the chapel hall for refreshments and conversation.
Sermons can be streamed and downloaded at www.redeemeroc.org/resources/sermons

Announcements & Events

Youth Winter Retreat

Friday-Sunday, January 29-31

Redeemer's youth are heading up into the mountains and snow for a winter retreat in Green Valley Lake (near Big Bear). Students will build relationships with one another as they enjoy the snow, play games in a warm cabin, study the Bible, and hang out with friends. This experience will not only be memorable and impactful, it will also be well supervised and SAFE with quality adult leaders. The cost is \$100 per person (checks payable to Redeemer, memo: "youth winter retreat"). Contact Pastor Adam, adamf@redeemeroc.org, to register or for more information.

Women's Fellowship Night

Tuesday, January 26, 7:00pm

Ladies, join us for Taco Night! We will gather at the home Stacey Duncan in Fullerton to enjoy a taco bar with all of the fixings. Just bring yourself and a hearty appetite. See you there! Contact Stacey Duncan, stacey.duncan@hotmail.com, with questions or to RSVP.

Men's Retreat

Fri-Sun, February 26-28

Men, save the date for our 2016 Men's Retreat. We will have the privilege of Rev. Jason Harris from Central Presbyterian Church, NYC, as our guest speaker. Jason will be teaching on the topic of "Friendship." The men will be returning to Serra Retreat Center, a beautiful sacred space nestled in the hills of Malibu with breathtaking ocean views. Registration is due by Sunday, February 7th. For more information, contact Adam Feichtmann, adamf@redeemeroc.org.

Town Hall Meeting

Sunday, January 31, following worship

Plan to remain after worship on January 31st for an update from our treasurer on our 2016 Budget. Nursery childcare will be extended for the meeting.

Women's Acts Study

Every other Tuesday, Next meeting on January 19, 7:00-9:00 pm

The Redeemer women's study on the book of Acts has resumed. Join us every other week at Panera Bread at the Bluffs (MacArthur and Bison in Newport Beach). We are using John Stott's *Acts: Seeing the Spirit at Work* which is available for purchase at the book table in the chapel hall. Contact Stephanie Handley, srhandley@gmail.com, with questions.

Classes, Workshops, & Sunday School

Winter Class Dates: Sundays, January 10 - February 14, 9:00 - 9:50 am

WINTER CLASS SCHEDULE

Session 1: 1/10 - 2/14

SESSION 1 ADULT CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

The Meaning of Marriage Workshop

Location: MPR Area, Room 9

Join us for a six-week video study through Timothy Keller's *The Meaning of Marriage*. We will discuss practical wisdom from the scriptures and Keller's book that neither idealizes nor rejects the institution but points us to the relationship between God and man. The result is a vision for marriage that is refreshingly frank and unsentimental - yet hopeful, beautiful, and relevant for Christians and non-Christians, as well as those married and single. Books and study guides will be available at the book table.

Redeemer 101 Class

Location: MPR Area, Room 10

Class dates: 1/31-2/14 (3 weeks)

This class will begin on January 31st during our Session 1 winter classes. It is the first step in becoming a member of Redeemer. Whether you have attended Redeemer for 1 week or 5 years, this class is designed to teach you the basics about Redeemer and give you a forum to ask questions. The class will give you an overview of Redeemer's identity, membership, doctrine, history, and ministry opportunities.

JR. HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL WORKSHOP

Teacher: Josh Cooper

Location: MPR Area, Room 2

We invite our youth to join us for a fun, creative, and relationally-based workshop, focused on studying the Bible and the catechisms.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

Early Childhood - Kindergarten (2yrs-Kinder)

Teachers: Drew & Stacey Duncan

Location: MPR Area, Room 3

Lower Elementary (1st - 3rd grades)

Teachers: Jason & Anna Tester

Location: MPR Area, Room 5

Upper Elementary (4th - 5th grades)

Teachers: Beckie White

Location: MPR Area, Room 8

These classes teach children Bible truths through simple questions and answers, promoting memorization using Bible teaching, music, & activities. Children will learn that they are made for God's glory and enjoyment in him and how to apply that truth to their lives. We will be using the *Show Me Jesus* curriculum.

NURSERY

Children 6 months to 2 years

Location: Room directly outside the chapel.

Available during Classes & Workshops, and the worship service.

Community Life

Parishes & Community Groups

PARISH

We love Orange County and count it a joy to serve the communities where we live. Redeemer is organized into neighborhood groups called parishes. Parishes are designed to help us connect with the Redeemer people we live close to and to empower our local Redeemer communities to contribute to the health of our cities. See information for each parish neighborhood listed below.

Beach Cities

Newport Beach, Costa Mesa, Huntington Beach
Contact: Adam Feichtmann
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Central County

Irvine, Tustin, Orange, Santa Ana
Contact: Shawn Monterastelli
smonterastelli@hotmail.com
949.933.0085

North County

Anaheim, Fullerton, North Orange, LA County
Contact: Drew Duncan
aduncan@waxie.com
714.614.7953

South County

Lake Forest, Mission Viejo, Laguna Niguel, Ladera Ranch
Contact: Adam Feichtmann
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949.423.8692

COMMUNITY GROUPS

A Community Group is a small gathering of people who meet weekly to discuss scripture and pray together. If you are new to studying scripture, a community group is the perfect place to learn without pressure. **Winter Community Groups times and locations are listed below.**

Beach Cities Groups

Newport-Mesa/Feichtmann Home
Sundays, 4:00-6:00 pm
Contact: Adam Feichtmann
adamf@redeemeroc.org
949-423-8692

Newport Beach/TBY
Sundays, 4:00-6:00 pm
Contact: Mike Maxwell
michael.maxwell3@gmail.com
714-376-2900

Newport Beach/Port Street Homes
Sundays, 7:00-9:00 pm
Contact: Erik Rannala
rannala.erik@gmail.com
415-309-5109
Adults only (infants welcome)

Newport Beach/TBY
Every other Sunday, after worship
Next Meeting: 1/10/16
Contact: Carl Messenger
carl.messenger@cox.net
949-374-0711

*Costa Mesa/Erskine Home
Tuesdays, 7:00-9:00 pm
Contact: Kem Erskine
kemerskine@yahoo.com
949-468-6227
** New Community Group*

Costa Mesa/Pringle Home
Wednesdays, 7:30-9:00 pm
Contact: Stephanie Handley
srhandley@gmail.com
619-665-7952

North County Group

Fullerton/Duncan Home
Every other Sunday, 4:00-6:30 pm
Next Meeting: 1/10/16
Contact: Tim & Jamie Pickavance
timandjamie@gmail.com
timpick@gmail.com
714-869-3077

Central County Group

Irvine/Kornu & Moore Homes
Sundays, 5:00-6:30 pm
Contact: Roger & Christine Kornu
kornufamily@gmail.com
949-559-5502

Jr High & High School Group

Vitaly Cafe @ The Camp, Costa Mesa
Thursdays, 7:00-8:30 pm
Contact: Josh Cooper
joshc@redeemeroc.org
949-784-9853

Redeemer at a Glance

{ FOLLOWING CHRIST IN THE RENEWAL OF ALL THINGS }

Thank you for joining us. We hope you are encouraged and empowered. A church is not simply a Sunday morning experience, but a community of people following Jesus together. The rhythm of our life together follows this pattern:

- WORSHIP } Responding to God as he speaks through his word and sacraments.
- NURTURE } Learning how to live the kingdom life together. Community groups, classes and workshops, men's and women's ministry, family ministry, and simply having a good time together.
- MISSION } Making Jesus known among our neighbors and working to heal our neighborhoods. Get involved with your neighborhood parish.
- CULTURE } Celebrating and creating the good and the beautiful.

JOIN US



NEIGHBORHOOD PARISH – Love and serve the people where you live. You are God's ambassador. Details on p. 17.



COMMUNITY GROUPS – Study the scripture and pray with a small group of six to twelve others. If you are new to studying the scripture and praying, this is the perfect place to learn without pressure. Details on p.17.



CLASSES AND WORKSHOPS – At 9 a.m. on Sunday, take engaging classes on subjects that matter. Details on p. 16.



MEN'S AND WOMEN'S MINISTRY – Yearly retreats and regular gatherings to deepen our relationships and support each other.



FAMILY MINISTRY – Whether it's a new baby or a house full of teenagers, Redeemer is a place to grow as a family.



MEMBERSHIP – Membership is our commitment to live our kingdom life together.

THE REAL PRESENCE OF CHRIST

BY WAYNE GRUDEM

The Lord's Supper is not simply an ordinary meal among human beings— it is a fellowship with Christ, in his presence and at his table. We must avoid the idea that any automatic or magical benefit comes from sharing in the Lord's Supper, whether a person participates in faith or not. But when a person participates in faith, renewing and strengthening his or her own trust in Christ for salvation, and believing that the Holy Spirit will bring spiritual blessing through such participation, then certainly additional blessing may be expected.

We must be careful here to avoid the mistake of overreacting to Roman Catholic teaching and maintaining that the Lord's Supper is merely symbolic and not a means of grace. Paul says, "The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not a participation (Gk. *koinonia*, "sharing," "fellowship") in the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not a participation [*koinonia*] in the body of Christ?" (1 Cor. 10:16).

Because there is such a sharing in the body and blood of Christ (apparently meaning a sharing in the benefits of Christ's body and blood given for us), the unity of believers is beautifully exhibited at the time of the Lord's Supper. "Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread" (1 Cor. 10:17). And since we are participants at "the table of the Lord" (1 Cor. 10:21), Paul warns the Corinthians that they cannot participate in the Lord's table and also participate in idol worship: "You cannot partake in the table of the Lord and the table of demons" (1 Cor. 10:21). There is a spiritual union among believers and with the Lord that is strengthened and solidified at the Lord's Supper, and it is not to be taken lightly.

This is why the Corinthians were experiencing judgment for their abuse of the Lord's Supper (1 Cor. 11:29-30). But if Paul says there will be judgment for wrong participation in the Lord's Supper, then certainly we should expect blessing for right participation in the Lord's Supper.

When we obey Jesus' command, "Take, eat" (Matthew 26:26), and go through the physical activity of eating and drinking at the Lord's table, our physical action pictures a corresponding spiritual nourishment, a nourishment of our soul that will occur when we participate in obedience and faith. Jesus says, "For my flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him" (John 6:55-6).

Certainly Jesus is not speaking of a literal eating of his flesh and blood. But if he is not speaking of a literal eating and drinking, then he must have in mind a spiritual participation in the benefits of the redemption he earns. The spiritual nourishment, so necessary for our souls, is both symbolized and experienced in our participation in the Lord's Supper.

Daily Scripture Readings

Please use your Order of Worship as a personal, family or group worship resource for prayers, hymns and readings this week. The scripture readings below are part of a two-year cycle that will take you through the Old Testament once, the New Testament twice and the Psalms frequently.

Week 2 of Epiphany

Sunday

Evening: Psalms 114, 115 / John 4:27-42

Monday

Morning: Psalms 25 / Isaiah 44:6-8,21-23 / Ephesians 4:1-16

Evening: Psalms 9, 15 / Mark 3:7-19a

Tuesday

Morning: Psalms 26, 28 / Isaiah 44:9-20 / Ephesians 4:17-32

Evening: Psalms 36, 39 / Mark 3:19b-35

Wednesday

Morning: Psalms 38 / Isaiah 44:24-45:7 / Ephesians 5:1-14

Evening: Psalms 119:25-48 / Mark 4:1-20

Thursday

Morning: Psalms 37:1-18 / Isaiah 45:5-17 / Ephesians 5:15-33

Evening: Psalms 37:19-42 / Mark 4:21-34

Friday

Morning: Psalms 31 / Isaiah 45:18-25 / Ephesians 6:1-9

Evening: Psalms 35 / Mark 4:35-41

Saturday

Morning: Psalms 30, 32 / Isaiah 46:1-13 / Ephesians 6:10-24

Evening: Psalms 42, 43 / Mark 5:1-20

Sunday

Morning: Psalms 63:1-11, 98 / Isaiah 47:1-15 / Hebrews 10:19-31

You can follow the daily readings online at redeemeroc.org/resources/daily-scripture-reading-prayer/

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We want to pray for you and hear your comments, suggestions and praises. Please write them in the space below.

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I would like to speak with someone about the prayer request or other concern. Please contact me at:

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 Day Evening

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Prayer of Belief

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope.

I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross, and offering me new life.

Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and Lord.
AMEN.

If you are praying this for the first time, please let a Christian friend or pastor know.

We Are Glad You Are Here Today!

We know it can be hard to connect with a new church. We want to help you in any way we can. Feel free to fill out the tear-off card below to let us know what information would be helpful. Place it in the offering plate or give it to an usher or leader. Don't hesitate to check the box to meet with a pastor to help you learn more about Redeemer. We are here to serve you.

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