

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.

You should always feel the freedom to participate actively in worship or to just listen and observe at your discretion. It is a time to process freely and safely the audacious claims of Jesus Christ, and the inevitable tension between the beauty and scandal of the historic Christian gospel.

We haven't heard the gospel for what it really is if we don't find it at once horribly offensive and staggeringly beautiful. It is both heart-breaking and heart-mending.

We are glad you are with us.
So let us explore. Let us worship.



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Exploring?

Do you have questions about the Christian faith?

Do you desire to learn more about the person and work of Jesus Christ?

Do you wonder why we, a beautiful and messy community, love and are so committed to a local church?

Do you wrestle with intellectual barriers that make belief seem implausible, even irresponsible?

Do you struggle to reconcile a good God with a hurting world?

We recognize that you may have questions. That's why:

- We desire to create a safe space and welcome people to ask questions and think differently
- We prize being a community where you can belong before you believe
- We assume, each Sunday, that there are people present who are not convinced
- We desire to talk to skeptics not about them
- We long to speak and show you how the love of Jesus Christ and a local church has changed us
- You are welcome here...

So, be curious. Ask. Explore.

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Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost ∴ NOVEMBER 10TH, 2019

Before the service, there is a time for silent prayer and meditation. You are invited to use the Reflections, Opening Words of Scripture, and/or the Prayer of Preparation as part of your individual preparation for worship.

REFLECTIONS

“Jesus is not represented simply as the one through whom we have forgiveness, or even as the one by whom the moral life is exemplified, but as the one in whom the life of discipleship takes place.”

— Grant Macaskill

“Union with Christ means that you are in Christ and Christ is in you.”

— Rankin Wilbourne

OPENING WORDS OF SCRIPTURE - EPHESIANS 1:3

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

God of grace,
you have given us minds to know you,
hearts to love you, and voices to sing your praise.
Fill us with your Spirit, that we may celebrate your glory and worship you in spirit and in truth;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CALENDAR

- ADVENT The word ‘Pentecost’ comes from the Greek meaning simply ‘fiftieth’. Pentecost Sunday ends the season of
- CHRISTMAS Easter and symbolizes a new beginning. It celebrates the unleashing of the Holy Spirit on the world and the
- EPIPHANY empowering of the church to reach the world with the gospel. In remembering Pentecost and living in light
- LENT of this powerful turning point the church expresses gratitude to Christ for sending “another counselor”
- EASTER (John 14:16), celebrates the work of the Spirit in the renewal of all creation, and professes its confidence and
- PENTECOST security in knowing the Spirit’s power is available for its mission.

Calling

Please stand.

OPENING HYMN

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing
WORDS: ROBERT ROBINSON; MUSIC: JOHN WYETH

Come Thou fount of every blessing
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace
Streams of mercy never ceasing
Call for songs of loudest praise
Teach me some melodious sonnet
Sung by flaming tongues above
Praise His name I'm fixed upon it
Name of God's redeeming love

Jesus sought me when a stranger
Wand'ring from the fold of God
He to rescue me from danger
Interposed His precious blood
How His kindness yet pursues me
Mortal tongues can never tell
Clothed in flesh till death shall loose me
I cannot proclaim it well

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.

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.

CALL TO WORSHIP - PSALM 84

Minister: How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts!

People: My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the LORD;

Minister: My heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.

People: Blessed are those who dwell in your house, ever singing your praise!

Minister: Blessed are those whose strength is in you, in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

People: For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

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.

HYMNS OF PRAISE

(MUSIC ON PAGES 3-4)

Come and Welcome

WORDS: THOMAS HAWEIS. MUSIC: MATTHEW PERRYMAN JONES

From the cross uplifted high
Where the Savior deigns to die
What melodious sounds I hear
Bursting on my ravished ear
Love's redeeming work is done
Come and welcome, sinner, come

Sprinkled now with blood the throne
Why beneath thy burdens groan
On my pierced body laid
Justice owns the ransom paid
Bow the knee and kiss the Son
Come and welcome, sinner, come

Spread for thee the festal board
See with richest dainties stored
To thy Father's bosom pressed
Yet again a child confessed
Never from His house to roam
Come and welcome, sinner, come

Soon the days of life shall end
Lo, I come, your Savior, Friend
Safe your spirit to convey
To the realms of endless day
Up to my eternal home.
Come and welcome, sinner, come.

Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder
WORDS: JOHN NEWTON; MUSIC: LAURA TAYLOR

Let us love and sing and wonder
Let us praise the Savior's name
He has hushed the law's loud thunder
He has quenched Mount Sinai's flame
He has washed us with His blood
He has washed us with His blood
He has washed us with His blood
He has brought us nigh to God

Let us love the Lord Who bought us
Pitied us when enemies
Called us by His grace and taught us
Gave us ears and gave us eyes
He has washed us with His blood
He has washed us with His blood
He has washed us with His blood
He presents our souls to God

Let us sing though fierce temptation
Threatens hard to bear us down
For the Lord, our strong salvation,
Holds in view the conqueror's crown
He, Who washed us with His blood,
He, Who washed us with His blood,
He, Who washed us with His blood,
Soon will bring us home to God

Let us wonder grace and justice
Join and point to mercy's store
When through grace in Christ our trust is
Justice smiles and asks no more
He Who washed us with His blood
He Who washed us with His blood
He Who washed us with His blood
Has secured our way to God

Let us praise and join the chorus
Of the saints enthroned on high
Here they trusted Him before us
Now their praises fill the sky
Thou hast washed us with Thy blood
Thou hast washed us with Thy blood
Thou hast washed us with Thy blood
Thou art worthy Lamb of God

Please be seated

GOSPEL READING

John 15:1-11

(Pages 901-902 in the red Bible.)

It has been the practice of the church for thousands of years to have portions of the Bible read during worship.

We do this because we are people who need to be shaped by all of God's Word.

¹ "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. ² Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit. ³ Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you. ⁴ Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. ⁵ I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶ If anyone does not abide in me he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. ⁷ If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸ By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples. ⁹ As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. ¹⁰ If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹ These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Musical interludes are included in our service in order to provide space for reflection and worship.

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

Cleansing

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.

CALL TO REPENTANCE -BASED ON ROMANS 7:15-17

Leader: "For we do not understand our own actions. For we do not do what we want, but we do the very thing we hate. It is no longer us who does it but sin that dwells within us."

Knowing the sin that dwells within all of us, let us now confess our sin together before the face of God and in the presence of the people of God.

PRAYER OF REPENTANCE

Almighty and merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. But you, O Lord, have mercy upon us miserable offenders. Spare those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to the world in Christ Jesus, our Lord. And grant, O merciful God, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous and sober life, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION (45 SECONDS)

SONG OF COMFORT

Lord Have Mercy

WORDS AND MUSIC BY STEVE MERKEL

I have built an altar
Where I've worshiped things of man
I have taken journeys
That have drawn me far from You
Now I am returning
To Your mercies ever flowing
Pardon my transgressions
Help me love You again

Lord have mercy Christ have mercy
Lord have mercy on me

Please stand.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE - BASED ON GALATIANS 2:20

Leader: Church, hear the good news of the gospel and remember who you are in Christ:

You have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer you who live, but Christ who lives in you. And the life you now live in the flesh you live by faith in the Son of God, who loved you and gave himself for you.

PASSING THE PEACE

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

People: And also with you.

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.

Constitution

Please be seated.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN'S DISMISSAL AND PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

(At the parents' discretion, children 2 years old to 5th grade may go to a Sermon Time class or remain in the service. Children 2 years through Kindergarten need to be signed into their class prior to the service or at dismissal and signed out following the sermon or after the service.)

EPISTLE READING

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

Galatians 2:15-21

(Page 973 in the red Bible.)

¹⁵ We ourselves are Jews by birth and not Gentile sinners; ¹⁶ yet we know that a person is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, so we also have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ and not by works of the law, because by works of the law no one will be justified.

¹⁷ But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we too were found to be sinners, is Christ then a servant of sin? Certainly not! ¹⁸ For if I rebuild what I tore down, I prove myself to be a transgressor. ¹⁹ For through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God. ²⁰ I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. ²¹ I do not nullify the grace of God, for if righteousness were through the law, then Christ died for no purpose.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

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.

SERMON

REV. ADAM FEICHTMANN

Union with Christ – Who Am I?

Please stand.

SONG OF RESPONSE

Abide With Me

(MUSIC ON PAGE 9)

Abide With Me

WORDS: HENRY FRANCIS LYTE, MUSIC: WILLIAM HENRY MONK

Abide with me fast falls the eventide
The darkness deepens Lord with me abide
When other helpers fail and comforts flee
Help of the helpless O abide with me

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day
Earth's joys grow dim its glories pass away
Change and decay in all around I see
O Thou who changest not abide with me

I need Thy presence ev'ry passing hour
What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's pow'r
Who like Thyself my Guide and Stay can be
Through cloud and sunshine O abide with me

I fear no foe with Thee at hand to bless
Ills have no weight and tears no bitterness
Where is death's sting where grave thy victory
I triumph still if Thou abide with me

Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes
Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies
Heav'n's morning breaks and earth's vain shadows flee
In life in death O Lord abide with me

Please be seated.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE – ETHIOPIA ACT & JASON POLK

We regularly pray for needs in our community, our city, and the world as an act of obedience and love, and to align our concerns with the Lord's.

If you have children with you, please feel free to use this time to teach them to pray with us.

Here the leader will lead the congregation in intercessory prayers for our church and our world. When the leader prays “Lord, in your mercy,” may we respond with all our heart and with all our mind by saying, “**Hear our prayer.**”

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 - 1 CORINTHIANS 4:7

Leader: What do you have that you did not receive?

Let us pray. All things, all gifts, come from you, O God and should be received with gratitude. In gratitude we now return to you what is yours. Receive these tithes and offerings, our tangible expressions of love and gratitude. Amen.

OFFERTORY SONG

Instrumental

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 to give him thanks and praise.

PRAYER FOR THE SACRAMENT

Minister: It is very good and right, our duty and privilege, to at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto you, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God. You laid the foundation of the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands. They shall pass away, but you shall endure. You are always the same and your years will never end. You made us in your image and called us to be your people, but we turned from you, leaving sin and death to reign. Still you loved us and sought us. In Christ your grace defeated death and opened the way to eternal life. Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her. We, the church, are his bride, his body, and his people. We, together, are the temple in which the Spirit of Christ dwells.

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.

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 2,000 years of worshipping Christians who have gone before.

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

Minister: Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore, let us keep the feast.

INVITATION

Minister: These are the Gifts of God, for the People of God. Feed on him in your hearts by faith, and with thanksgiving.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP

(Directions for taking communion are on page 13.)

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. This liturgy is adapted from passages such as 2 Thessalonians 3:16; 1 Corinthians 5:7, 11:26; and 1 Timothy 3:16.

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 Adam. 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

Have Mercy On Me

WORDS AND MUSIC: DAVID GUNGOR, LATIFAH ALATTAS, AND MADISON CUNNINGHAM

The goodness of the Lord is the kindness of the Lord
With ev'ry breath we take the gift of life and grace
The power of the Lord is the meekness of the Lord
Who bore humanity with brave humility

Chorus

*Let Your mercy flow through us
Your mercy Your mercy
Let Your mercy flow through us
Your mercy Your mercy*

The beauty of the Lord is the suffering of the Lord
Is Christ upon a tree stripped of dignity
The glory of the Lord is the mercy of the Lord
Gives life for us to see a new humanity

Chorus

When they see us
May they see Your mercy Your mercy
When they know us
May they know Your mercy Your mercy

Chorus

Bless the hands and feet of those who serve in need
Of the broken and ashamed
Bless the weary soul the Lord will make us whole
God speak peace to those afraid
May the words we speak build a bridge for peace
Your loving-kindness shows the way
Open up our doors
Giving refuge for all the weary and afraid

Chorus

Please stand.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Lord, you have put gladness in our hearts; you have satisfied our hunger with good things. In giving all, you have not withheld from us your own dear Son. How can we withhold anything from you, our Lord and our God? Renew us day by day with the gift of your Spirit, that we may give ourselves completely to your service and walk with joy in the footsteps of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

Commission

SONG OF DEPARTURE

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

WORDS: HENRY J. VAN DYKE; MUSIC: LUDWIG VAN BEETHOVEN

Joyful joyful we adore Thee
God of glory Lord of love
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee
Opening to the sun above
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness
Drive the dark of doubt away
Giver of immortal gladness
Fill us with the light of day

All Thy works with joy surround Thee
Earth and heaven reflect Thy rays
Stars and angels sing around Thee
Centre of unbroken praise
Field and forest vale and mountain
Flowery meadow flashing sea
Chanting bird and flowing fountain
Call us to rejoice in Thee

Thou art giving and forgiving
Ever blessing ever blest
Wellspring of the joy of living
Ocean depth of happy rest
Thou our Father Christ our brother
All who live in love are Thine
Teach us how to love each other
Lift us to the joy divine

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

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.

BLESSING

Minister: May Christ, the Son of God,
be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world;
and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

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.redeemerc.org/resources/sermons

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. Small 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. 19



SMALL GROUPS – Beyond Sunday, one of the most important ways to get involved in the life of our congregation is to join a small group, where we cultivate our communion with God and friendships with others. Details on pgs. 18-19



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.

Announcements & Events

Congregational Meeting

Sunday November 24, following the worship service

Join us for our annual congregational meeting to hear about new candidates for elder, deacon, and deaconess, a draft church budget for next year, and our vision for 2020.

Classes and Candidates for Elders, Deacons, and Deaconess

Below is a list of the classes for current and candidates for elders, deacons, and deaconess. We are grateful for the service of our current elders, deacons, and deaconess and excited to announce new candidates! Please see pages 22 & 23 to read about Redeemer's Session & Diaconate structure and responsibilities and the process for becoming an elder, deacon, and deaconess.

Elders

Carl Messenger – Class of 2019
Andrew Duncan – Class of 2019
Rob Mouw – Class of 2019
Cameron Moore – Class of 2020
Chris Stratton (candidate) - Class of 2021

Deacons

Larry Wormald – Class of 2020
Michael Maxwell – Class of 2021
Andrew Evans - Class of 2021
Guy Erskine (candidate) – Class of 2023
Clint Knox (candidate) – Class of 2023

Deaconess

Anita Regehr – Class of 2019
Nancy Cox – Class of 2019
Stephanie Handley – Class of 2021
Christie Brewer – Class of 2021
Jill Nelson (candidate) – Class of 2023
Kim Riley (candidate) – Class of 2023
Heather Scanlon (candidate) – Class of 2023
Sarah Stratton (candidate) – Class of 2023
Beckie White (candidate) – Class of 2023

Church Calendar Updated & Available for Download

We have made some improvements to our Redeemer Website and App. You will now have the ability to download the full church calendar onto your personal google calendar or you can download an individual ministry calendar (Men's, Women's, Youth or Children's Ministry) by going to the ministry page and selecting that particular calendar. Click on the QR code to review the new calendar. If you have any questions please contact Danielle Smith, danielles@redeemeroc.org



Redeemer 101 Seminar

Saturday, December 7th | 8:30 - 11:30am

This seminar is the first step in becoming a member of Redeemer. Whether you have attended Redeemer for 1 week or 1 year, this class is designed to teach you the basics about Redeemer and give you a forum to ask questions. The seminar will give you an overview of Redeemer's identity, membership, doctrine, history, and ministry opportunities. The seminar will be held at the Redeemer Church Office located at 3700 Campus Drive, Suite 200, Newport Beach, 92660. If you have questions or would like to RSVP please contact Pastor Adam Feichtmann, adamf@redeemeroc.org or scan the QR Code to register.



Small Groups

SMALL GROUPS

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COMMUNITY GROUPS

Join one of our Community Groups for common life, common tables, and common prayer and reading of scripture.

Newport Mesa Community Group

Begins 9/15 through 11/24

Format: Potluck Dinner concluding with Redeemer's Evening Prayer together

When: Sundays, 4:30 - 6:30pm

Regularity: Every other week

Location: Feichtmann home in Costa Mesa

Host/Contact: Adam & Karina Feichtmann

adamf@redeemeroc.org

Eastside Costa Mesa

Begins 9/18

When: Wednesdays, 7:30 - 9:00pm

Regularity: Weekly

Location: McCaslin Home in Costa Mesa

Leader: Remy Lamons

remy.lamons@LW.com

MORNING PRAYER GROUPS

Join one of our Morning Prayer Groups as they pray and read scripture through Redeemer's Daily Morning Prayer emails.

Men's Morning Prayer Group

Begins 9/19

When: Thursdays, 7:00 - 8:00AM

Regularity: 1st & 3rd Thursdays of the month

Location: Redeemer Church Office
3700 Campus Drive Ste. 200 Newport Beach, 92660

Host/Contact: Adam Feichtmann

adamf@redeemeroc.org

Men's Morning Prayer Group over Zoom

Begins 9/18

When: Wednesdays, 6:40-7:00AM

Regularity: Weekly

Location: Over Zoom – Sign up and you will be given the call login details

Host/Contact: Adam Feichtmann

adamf@redeemeroc.org

BIBLE & BOOK STUDY GROUPS

Join one of our Bible or Book Study Groups as they study scripture and/or discussion a book and cultivate community.

Men's PM Study Group

Begins 9/17 through 11/26

Format: A book/bible study group that will go through Eugene Peterson's A Long Obedience in the Same Direction

When: Tuesday Evenings, 7-8:30PM

Regularity: 1st & 3rd Tuesdays

Location: Norling Home in Costa Mesa

Host/Contact: Bob Norling

bcnorling@gmail.com

Men's North County Study Group

When: Wednesday Evenings

Regularity: Every other week

Contact: Drew Duncan

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Small Groups

BIBLE & BOOK STUDY GROUPS CONTINUED

Women's Morning Bible Study

Begins 9/20 through 11/22

Format: Psalms: Managing our Emotions (Christianity Today)

When: Fridays, 9:30-11AM

Regularity: Weekly

Location: Hodson Home in Newport Beach

Leaders: Sarah Pringle & Sarah Stratton

Contact: Sarah Pringle, sarahbpringle@gmail.com

Childcare is limited. RSVP required for gate code.

Women's Evening Bible Study Group

Begins 9/17 through 11/26

Format: In All Things (a study on Philippians by Melissa Kruger)

When: Tuesday Evenings, 7-9PM

Regularity: Every Other Tuesday

Location: Heather Scanlon's home in Costa Mesa

Contact: Kem Erskine, kemerskine@yahoo.com

Women's North County Study Group

When: Wednesday Evenings

Regularity: Every other week

Contact: Stacey Duncan, stacey.duncan@hotmail.com

Book Study Group (NB, CM, & Irvine)

When: Mid-week evenings, probably Thursdays, 1.5 hours

Regularity: Every other week

Location: Rotation of home in Irvine, Newport Beach, and Costa Mesa

Leader/Contact: Joshua Norton, joshua.d.norton@gmail.com

NEIGHBORHOOD PARISH LUNCH/DINNER & SOCIAL GROUPS

Join one of our Neighborhood Parish Lunch/Dinner & Social Groups as they have no special agenda, simply a time to gather around tables (and the beach) with friends and neighbors.

Contact Pastor Adam Feichtmann - adamf@redeemeroc.org

Fountain Valley Neighborhood Parish Lunch Group

Format: Potluck Lunch

When: Sundays 12-2PM

Regularity: First Sunday of the Month (10/6 & 11/3)

Location: Kwak Home

Hosts/Contacts: Ben & Joyce Kwak

benjamin.kwak@yahoo.com / joleekwak@gmail.com

North County Neighborhood Parish Dinner Group

Format: Potluck Dinner

When: Sundays, 4-6pm

Regularity: TBD

Location: Duncan Home

Hosts/Contact: Stacey Duncan | stacey.duncan@hotmail.com

Corona Del Mar Family & Friends Beach Days

Format: Enjoy the sun, sand, and beach with Redeemer families & friends.

When: Sundays, 12:30 – 3:30PM

Regularity: Every other week – Starting 9/15

Hosts/Contacts: Stratton & Pickavance Families gracekey@mac.com & jamienuts@gmail.com

The group will meet to the left of Tower 4 (looking at the ocean from the parking lot). All ages welcome!

INTEREST GROUPS

Join one of our Interest Groups as they gather together around a specific interest.

Men's Surfing Group

A group of men who regularly surf together

When: When the surf is good/decent

Regularity: Several times a week, normally early mornings

Location: Mainly across Newport Beach

Contact: Adam Feichtmann (949-423-8692) to be added to the text thread

Missional Partnerships

REFORMED UNIVERSITY FELLOWSHIP (RUF) AT UC IRVINE

RUF is the university ministry of the Presbyterian Church in America. However, RUF is more than just a ministry on the university campus, RUF seeks to be a ministry for the university. They strive to serve in this unique stage of a student's life in the world they live in, exploring together how the Lordship of Christ informs every area of life.

RUF at UC Irvine gatherings for a Large Group on Wednesdays at 6:00PM, in Small Groups through the week, retreats several times throughout the year, plus a lot of hanging out and eating food.

If you are a UC Irvine student and haven't already, we would love for you to connect with RUF. Please reach out to the RUF UCI Campus Minister, Derek Rishmawy. He would love to buy you lunch or dinner!

If you are a member of Redeemer and would like to directly fund the ministry of RUF at UCI, volunteer, or help in other ways, please contact Derek Rishmawy directly.

Website: www.ruf.org/ministry/university-of-california-irvine

Contacts: Derek Rishmawy (derek.rishmawy@ruf.org) Hailey Kim (haily.kim@ruf.org)

ETHIOPIA ACT

Ethiopia ACT is an organization in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia that works to reconcile people to God through Jesus Christ, and to reconcile them to themselves, others and creation—all resulting in the planting, growing and maturing of churches that in turn transform lives and communities through faithful witnesses to the Gospel. They began as a ministry to reduce the impact of HIV/AIDS on extremely poor families, but have grown to include other public health strategies that serve the wider community, as well as educational and psychological support for vulnerable children. Church planting and renewal is central to all their activities and a primary goal for their team.

Jason Polk, an ordained PCA minister, together with his wife Liz and their three children, is the family that we directly support, as he oversees the spiritual care for Ethiopia ACT and its work to grow a gospel-centered church planting movement among the poor communities of Addis Ababa.

Every November Redeemer sends a missions team to run medical clinics, assist with church planting efforts, and reach out to children & families. If you are interested in joining an upcoming team, please contact Pastor Adam Feichtmann (adamf@redeemeroc.org), we would love for you to help us make a difference in Ethiopia.

Website: www.ethiopiaact.org

REDEEMER CITY TO CITY – JAPAN

Redeemer City to City is a movement which helps local leaders start churches in global cities by providing content resources, renewable grants, local networks and comprehensive training. Within the Redeemer City to City network, we are specifically supporting the church-planting efforts of Seima Aoyagi, an ordained PCA minister, together with his wife Naoko and their four children, Pastor of Grace Harbor Church in Tokyo, Japan.

Grace Harbor Church is a bilingual church plant with the vision to see the Tokyo Waterfront become an area overflowing with the grace and blessings of Jesus Christ. An area where people can get a rest from the stormy world, recover, and then be sent out again on their next voyage, as salt and light, to make the Tokyo Waterfront more beautiful than ever with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Websites: www.redeemercitytocity.com, www.graceharborchurch.jp

How Can I Serve?

Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. (Romans 12:11)

We are called to serve, not to be served. As Jesus came into the world to serve rather than to be served (Mark 10:42-45), our desire is that we as a church would regularly serve each other and also the under-resourced and marginalized of our county.

SERVING IN OUR CHURCH

We value — and rely on — a collaborative culture at Redeemer. We're not here to consume or spectate, but to lean in, take ownership, and serve, no matter what we bring to the table. We honor God with what he's given us and seek to bless those around us, as a family, on Sundays and throughout the week. Review the list of service opportunities and contact Pastor Adam (adamf@redeemeroc.org) if you are interested in serving.

Service & Sound Teams – Physical set up and tear down, coffee & bagels, communion set up and clean up, and ushering needs before, during, and after church on Sundays.

Welcome Team – Welcoming members and guests at the welcome table and handing out orders of worship.

Worship Guild – Support our Sunday worship services by reading scripture, leading the prayers of the people, and serving communion.

Hospitality Team – Helping plan and create a hospitable atmosphere at our church events like Advent wreath making, the Easter celebration, Summer Lunch, and Fall Kick-Off.

Small Group Hosts and Leaders – Hosting or leading a small group.

Children's & Youth Ministry Leaders – Volunteering in our children's or youth ministries.

Women's & Men's Ministry – Help with planning of retreats, groups, and socials for our women & men.

Meals Ministry – Help provide meals for individuals (making meals or purchasing meals to be delivered) who have just had a baby, gone through a surgery, or dealing with long-term illness.

Musicians – Join our team of talented musicians to play during worship services on Sundays! If you have a skill as a vocalist or instrumentalist, we'd love to connect with you.

Elders, Deacons, & Deaconess – Reference the page titled "Process for becoming an Elder, Deacon, or Deaconess."

SERVING IN OUR COUNTY

Seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you. (Jeremiah 29:7)

As a church 'not just for ourselves,' there are also lots of ways to serve and seek the well-being of our county through Redeemer. We are primarily interested in connecting volunteers to vital service organizations already serving for the sake of renewal, mercy, and justice. Review the list and see if you can serve with one of these organizations.

Orange County Rescue Mission / The Village of Hope | Tustin | www.rescuemission.org

Food service, spiritual & personal development, counseling services, parenting & child enrichment, etc.

Safe Families | Orange County | www.olivecrest.org/safe-families-for-children/

Volunteer as a host family caring for a child in your home on a short-term basis.

Trellis | Costa Mesa | www.wearetrellis.com

Education, homelessness, and immigration initiatives.

School on Wheels | Orange County | www.schoolonwheels.org

One-on-one tutoring and other educational services for homeless children.

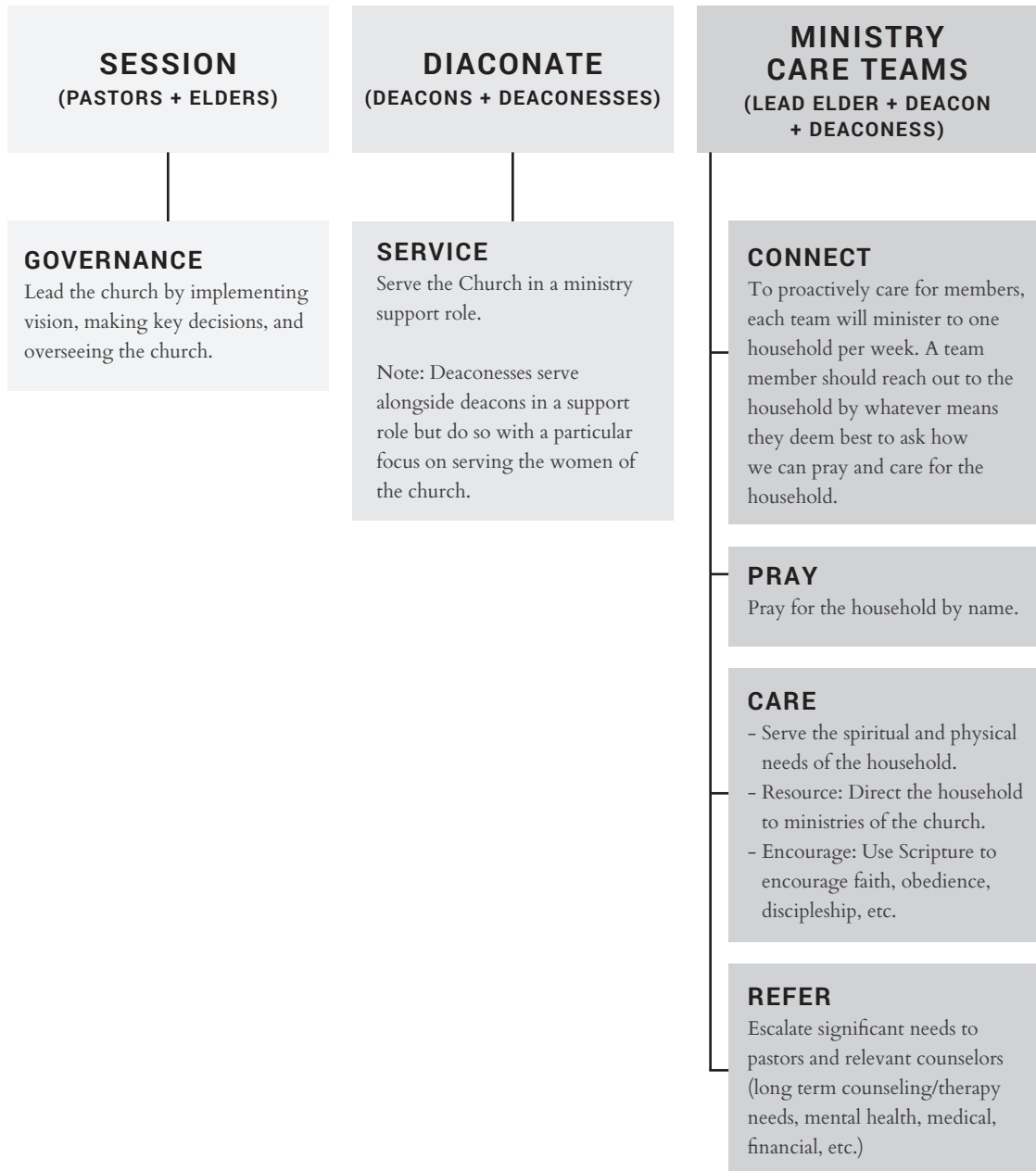
Second Harvest Food Bank | Irvine | www.feedoc.org

Food drives, food rescue, harvesting, and food, education, and advocacy for the hungry.

Surfrider Foundation | Newport Beach | www.newportbeach.surfrider.org

Beach and harbor cleanups and regular ocean awareness events.

Redeemer Session & Diaconate: Structure & Responsibilities



Process for becoming an Elder, Deacon, Deaconess

NOMINATION

Every year during the month of March members submit nominations for elder, deacons, and deaconesses. At Redeemer, elders lead in governance by implementing vision, making key decisions, and overseeing the church. Whereas deacons and deaconesses serve the church in a ministry support role. Elders, deacons, and deaconesses also work together on ministry teams which care for the Spiritual and physical needs of the church. The positions of elder and deacon are open to men and position of deaconess open to women.



INITIAL EVALUATION

During April the pastors and elders perform a preliminary evaluation of those who have received several independent nominations. Do these nominees meet the five qualifications of calling, character, competency, compatibility and comprehension? If the session believes a nominee is ready to proceed, then he or she becomes a candidate and their candidacy is announced to the church.



CANDIDACY

From May through November candidates undergo training and testing. Training includes participating in meetings with the present leadership, beginning to do the work of the respective position under the oversight of another elder/deacon/deaconess, and growing in the ability to lead and serve the body. Testing includes interviews with the candidate and their spouse and written examinations on Scripture, theology, and The Book of Church Order.



ELECTION

If a candidate has satisfactorily completed the testing and training the session recommends him or her to the church for election to the position of elder, deacon, or deaconess during the annual congregational meeting in November. Candidates which are elected by the church begin their three year term of service upon ordination/installation in January-February.

At the conclusion of a term, a leader may serve an unlimited number of consecutive terms if he or she is re-examined and recommended to the church by the session, then re-elected by the congregation. If a leader's term concludes and they are not re-elected they cease to be an elder/deacon/deaconess at our church.

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.

Proper 27

Sunday

Evening: Psalm 34 / Luke 14:12-24

Monday

Morning: Psalm 80 / Nehemiah 9:1-25 / Revelation 18:1-8

Evening: Psalms 77, 79 / Matthew 15:1-20

Tuesday

Morning: Psalm 78:1-39 / Nehemiah 9:26-38 / Revelation 18:9-20

Evening: Psalm 78:40-72 / Matthew 15:21-28

Wednesday

Morning: Psalm 119:97-120 / Nehemiah 7:73-8:3; Nehemiah 8:5-18 / Revelation 18:21-24

Evening: Psalms 81, 82 / Matthew 15:29-39

Thursday

Morning: Psalms 23, 27, 83 / Revelation 19:1-10

Evening: Psalms 85, 86 / Matthew 16:1-12

Friday

Morning: Psalm 88 / Revelation 19:11-16

Evening: Psalms 91, 92 / Matthew 16:13-20

Saturday

Morning: Psalms 87, 90 / Revelation 20:1-6

Evening: Psalm 136 / Matthew 16:21-28

Sunday

Morning: Psalms 66, 67 / Acts 28:14-23

To sign up for our daily morning and evening prayer emails with these scripture readings along with prayers and liturgy from the Order of Worship, go to redeemerc.org/resources/daily-scripture-reading-prayer/sign-up/ or scan the QR code.



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PRAYER REQUESTS & COMMENTS

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

Name: _____

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

(_____) _____
 Day Evening

Please deposit this card in the offering plate as it comes by or give it to an usher or greeter.

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.

Name: _____

Spouse: _____

Children: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Spouse Cell: _____

Spouse Email: _____

Please add me to the church directory.

Please add me to the church email list.

Please Let Us Know If You Are:

First Time Visitor

Repeat Visitor

Please Contact Me About:

Joining a Community Group

Membership at Redeemer

Welcome to Redeemer Lunch

Getting Involved

Meeting with a Pastor

Use your smart phone to scan the QR code or use the url below if you prefer to complete this form online: redeemeroc.org/response-card



The cover painting
The Burning Bush is
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Maja Lisa Engelhardt