# 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-Third Sunday after Pentecost NOVEMBER 17TH, 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

[The Eucharist is] the health of soul and body, the remedy for every sickness of the spirit. By it my faults are cured, my passions curbed, temptations overcome or weakened. Grace is outpoured in richer measure, virtue that has taken root is strengthened, faith is increased, hope made strong, love kindled to envelop all my being.

— Thomas à Kempis (1380-1471) The Imitation of Christ

Christ has planted his Table like an oasis along our pathway, in order that when we become weary with travel, weak and hungry in our souls, discouraged and wounded because of our false steps, stumbling, and failing, we may then enter there and be refreshed with the living Bread of Life.

— Carl Olof Rosenius (1816-1868) A Lutheran lay preacher on the Eucharist as the viaticum, the pilgrim's food

### **OPENING WORDS OF SCRIPTURE - JAMES 4:7-8**

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

### 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.

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#### 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 lig	
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

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Please stand.

#### **OPENING HYMN**

Be Thou My Vision WORDS: ELEANOR HULL, MUSIC: SLANE

> Be Thou my Vision O Lord of my heart Nought be all else to me Save that Thou art Thou my best thought By day or by night Waking or sleeping Thy presence my light

> Be Thou my Wisdom And Thou my true Word I ever with Thee And Thou with me Lord Thou my great Father And I Thy true son Thou in me dwelling And I with Thee one

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 29

Minister: Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

People: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness

Minister: The voice of the LORD is over the waters; People: the God of glory thunders, the LORD, over many waters.

Minister: The voice of the LORD is powerful; People: The voice of the LORD is full of majesty

Minister: May the LORD give strength to his people! People: May the LORD bless his people with peace!

### 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)

*God the Spirit* words: samuel j. stone (1866); music: matt boswell (2010)

> Holy Fount of inspiration By whose gift the great of old Spoke the word of revelation Marvelous and manifold

Chorus God the Spirit we adore Thee In the Triune Godhead One One in love and power and glory With the Father and the Son

Author of the new creation Giver of the second birth May thy ceaseless renovation Cleanse our souls from stains of earth

Chorus

When we wander Lord direct us Keep us in the Master's way Let Thy strong swift sword protect us Warring in the evil day

Shall the church now faint or fear When the Comforter is near

Chorus

*Revive Us Again* Words: William P. Mackay, Music: Jeffrey Mercer

We praise Thee O God! For the Son of Thy love. For Jesus who died, and now is gone above.

We praise Thee, O God! For Thy Spirit of light, Who hath shown us our Savior, and has scattered our night.

> Chorus Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Thine is the glory. Revive us again.

All glory and praise, to the Lamb that was slain. Who hath borne all our sins, and hath cleansed every stain.

All glory and praise, to the God of all grace. Who hast brought us, and sought us, and guided all our ways.

Chorus

Revive us again; Fill each heart with Thy love; May each soul be rekindled, with fire from above.

> Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Thine is the glory. Amen.

John 6:25-51 (Pages 891-892 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.

<sup>25</sup> When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" <sup>26</sup> Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you are seeking me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. <sup>27</sup> Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give to you. For on him God the Father has set his seal." <sup>28</sup> Then they said to him, "What must we do, to be doing the works of God?" <sup>29</sup> Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." <sup>30</sup> So they said to him, "Then what sign do you do, that we may see and believe you? What work do you perform? <sup>31</sup> Our fathers ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat." <sup>32</sup> Jesus then said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. <sup>33</sup> For the bread of God is he who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." <sup>34</sup> They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

<sup>35</sup> Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst. <sup>36</sup> But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. <sup>37</sup> All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. <sup>38</sup> For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. <sup>39</sup> And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. <sup>40</sup> For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day."

<sup>41</sup> So the Jews grumbled about him, because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." <sup>42</sup> They said, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How does he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" <sup>43</sup> Jesus answered them, "Do not grumble among yourselves. <sup>44</sup> No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day. <sup>45</sup> It is written in the Prophets, 'And they will all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me—<sup>46</sup> not that anyone has seen the Father except he who is from God; he has seen the Father. <sup>47</sup> Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. <sup>48</sup> I am the bread of life. <sup>49</sup> Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. <sup>50</sup> This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. <sup>51</sup> I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

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

Minister: "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

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: 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.** 

# Constitution

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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.

1 Corinthians 10:14-22 (Pages 957-958 in the red Bible.)

<sup>14</sup> Therefore, my beloved, flee from idolatry. <sup>15</sup> I speak as to sensible people; judge for yourselves what I say. <sup>16</sup> The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ? <sup>17</sup> Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread. <sup>18</sup> Consider the people of Israel: are not those who eat the sacrifices participants in the altar? <sup>19</sup> What do I imply then? That food offered to idols is anything, or that an idol is anything? <sup>20</sup> No, I imply that what pagans sacrifice they offer to demons and not to God. I do not want you to be participants with demons. <sup>21</sup> You cannot drink the cup of the Lord and the cup of demons. <sup>22</sup> Shall we provoke the Lord to jealousy? Are we stronger than he?

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.** 

#### **REV. JOSH HAHNE**

#### SERMON

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.

Union with Christ & The Lord's Supper

Please stand.

#### SONG OF RESPONSE

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Here, O my Lord, I see Thee face to face (MUSIC ON PAGE 9)

Here, O my Lord, I see Thee face to face WORDS: HORATIUS BONAR (1855); MUSIC: FREDERICK C. ATKINSON (1870)

> Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face; here would I touch and handle things unseen, here grasp with firmer hand th'eternal grace, and all my weariness upon thee lean.

> Here would I feed upon the bread of God, here drink with thee the royal wine of heav'n; here would I lay aside each earthly load, here taste afresh the calm of sin forgiv'n.

This is the hour of banquet and of song; this is the heav'nly table spread for me: here let me feast, and feasting, still prolong the brief, bright hour of fellowship with thee.

I have no help but thine, nor do I need another arm save thine to lean upon: it is enough, my Lord, enough indeed; my strength is in thy might, thy might alone.

Mine is the sin, but thine the righteousness; mine is the guilt, but thine the cleansing blood; here is my robe, my refuge, and my peace: thy blood, thy righteousness, O Lord my God.

## Please be seated. AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – WESTMINSTER SHORTER CATECHISM QUESTION 92-97

Leader: What is a sacrament?

People: A sacrament is an holy ordinance instituted by Christ; wherein, by sensible signs, Christ, and the benefits of the new covenant, are represented, sealed, and applied to believers.

Leader: Which are the sacraments of the New Testament? People: The sacraments of the New Testament are baptism, and the Lord's Supper.

Leader: What is the Lord's supper?

People: The Lord's supper is a sacrament, wherein, by giving and receiving bread and wine according to Christ's appointment, his death is showed forth; and the worthy receivers are, not after a corporal and carnal manner, but by faith, made partakers of his body and blood, with all his benefits, to their spiritual nourishment and growth in grace.

Leader: What is required to the worthy receiving of the Lord's supper? People: It is required of them that would worthily partake of the Lord's supper, that they examine themselves of their knowledge to discern the Lord's body, of their faith to feed upon him, of their repentance, love, and new obedience; lest, coming unworthily, they eat and drink judgment to themselves.

**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

Completed in 1647, the Westminster Shorter Catechism's question and answer format has been used for generations to train God's people in the rich biblical theology summarized in the Westminster Confession of Faith.

All we have

is given to us

by God. Our offerings express

our commitment

to join God in his work of renewal.

this joyful dependance and

# Communion

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## 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.

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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 worshiping 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

We Will Feast in the House of Zion SANDRA MCCRAKEN AND JOSHUA MOORE

#### CHORUS

We will feast in the house of Zion We will sing with our hearts restored He has done great things, we will say together We will feast and weep no more

> We will not be burned by the fire He is the LORD our God We are not consumed, by the flood Upheld, protected, gathered up

#### CHORUS

In the dark of night, before the dawn My soul, be not afraid For the promised morning, oh how long? Oh God of Jacob, be my strength

#### CHORUS

Every vow we've broken and betrayed You are the Faithful one And from the garden to the grave Bind us together, bring shalom

#### 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

Doxology WORDS BY THOMAS KEN; MUSIC BY LOUIS BOURGEOIS

Praise God from whom all blessings flow Praise Him all creatures here below Praise Him above ye heavenly host Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost Amen

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

#### **BLESSING - 2 CORINTHIANS 13:14**

Minister: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

#### THE DISMISSAL

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.

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 .....

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		
<b>11</b>		MEN'S AND WOMEN'S MINISTRY – Yearly retreats and regular gatherings to deepen our relationships and support each other.		
f:	FAMILY MINISTRY – Whether it's a new baby or a house full of teenagers, Redeemer is a place to grow as a family.			
9,1,1		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 on Sunday Nov 24, following the worship service. In the meeting Pastor Hahne will present updates on the ministry and vision of Redeemer, the congregation will vote to elect Rev. Chris Stratton to the office of elder, and there will be an update on the church's finances.

## 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.





# Advent & Christmas

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Mark your calendars for the following dates to celebrate Advent and Christmas at Redeemer

## WORSHIP SERVICES

Advent Sundays | December 1, 8, 15 & 22 at 10:00AM

Lessons & Carols Christmas Eve Service | December 24 at 5:00PM

**Sundays After Christmas** | December 29 & January 5 at 10:00AM Celebrate the 12th Day of Christmas & Epiphany with us on January 5th. Following the worship service we will enjoy plenty of Three Kings Cake.

## ADVENT EVENTS

Advent Wreath Making Event | December 1 at 11:15AM

Children's Christmas Party | December 8 at 11:15AM

Ethiopia Trip Presentation | December 15th at 11:15AM

Discovering the 12-Days of Christmas Presentation | December 22 at 11:15AM

### **MID-WEEK PARTIES**

Women's Christmas Party & Ornament Exchange | December 9 at 7:00PM

Youth Ugly Sweater & White Elephant Exchange Christmas Party | December 15 at 7:00PM

# Small Groups

# 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. Review the different formats of groups below and reach out to the contact individual to get connected.

## 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 aduncan@waxie.com

# 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 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

Format: Potluck Dinner

When: Sundays, 4-6pm Regularity: TBD

Location: Duncan Home

#### 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

#### **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 Familes 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

#### 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

North County Neighborhood Parish Dinner Group

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

#### **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* 

# Redeemer Session & Diaconate: Structure & Responsibilities

SESSION (PASTORS + ELDERS)

## GOVERNANCE

Lead the church by implementing vision, making key decisions, and overseeing the church.

# DIACONATE (DEACONS + DEACONESSES)

## SERVICE

Serve the Church in a ministry support role.

Note: Deaconesses serve alongside deacons in a support role but do so with a particular focus on serving the women of the church.

# MINISTRY CARE TEAMS (LEAD ELDER + DEACON + DEACONESS)

# CONNECT

To proactively care for members, each team will minister to one household per week. A team member should reach out to the household by whatever means they deem best to ask how we can pray and care for the household.

### PRAY

Pray for the household by name.

# CARE

- Serve the spiritual and physical needs of the household.
- Resource: Direct the household to ministries of the church.
- Encourage: Use Scripture to encourage faith, obedience, discipleship, etc.

# REFER

Escalate significant needs to pastors and relevant counselors (long term counseling/therapy needs, mental health, medical, financial, etc.)

# Process for becoming an Elder, Deacon, Deaconness

# NOMINATION

Every year during the month of March members submit nominations for elder, deacons, and deaconesses. At Redeemer, elders lead in goverance 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 evalutation 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/instillaton 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/deaconness at our church.

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 28

Sunday Evening: Psalms 19, 46 / Luke 16:1-13

Monday Morning: Psalm 89:1-18 / Revelation 20:7-15 Evening: Psalm 89:19-52 / Matthew 17:1-13

# Tuesday

Morning: Psalms 97, 99, 100 / Revelation 21:1-8 Evening: Psalms 94, 95 / Matthew 17:14-20

# Wednesday

Morning: Psalms 101, 109:1-30 / Revelation 21:9-21 Evening: Psalm 119:121-144 / Matthew 17:22-27

# Thursday

Morning: Psalm 105:1-22 / Revelation 21:22-22:5 Evening: Psalm 105:23-45 / Matthew 18:1-9

# Friday

Morning: Psalm 102 / Revelation 22:6-13 Evening: Psalm 107:1-32 / Matthew 18:10-20

# Saturday

Morning: Psalms 107:33-108:13 / Isaiah 65:17-25 / Revelation 22:14-21 Evening: Psalm 33 / Matthew 18:21-35

# Sunday

Morning: Psalm 118 / Luke 19:11-27

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 redeemeroc.org/resources/daily-scripture-reading-prayer/sign-up/ or scan the QR code.



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Worship Time:

Sunday 10:00 AM

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#### Download Our App:

Go to http://get.theapp.co/s75k/ or scan the QR code.



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#### **PRAYER REQUESTS & COMMENTS**

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

Name:

I would like to speak with someone 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 areeter.

## *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 recieve 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:
<ul> <li>Please add me to the church directory.</li> <li>Please add me to the church email list.</li> </ul>
Please Let Us Know If You Are:
First Time Visitor     Repeat Visitor
Please Contact Me About:

	Joining a	Community	Group
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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

