

REDEEMER



ORANGE COUNTY

{ *order of worship* }

# Welcome

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Grace and Peace,

David Juelfs  
Senior Pastor

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



*Eighth Sunday After Pentecost*

⋮ JULY 15, 2018

### REFLECTION

“The birth of Obed is a picture of the gospel - suffering and sacrifice, the joy of renewed life, and hope for the future all mingled together. This is the Gospel of Ruth.”

- Carolyn Custis James

### OPENING WORDS OF SCRIPTURE - MATTHEW 25:35

Jesus said, “For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me.”

### PRAYER OF PREPARATION

O welcoming and hospitable God, you are our refuge and shelter, in our faint hearts lead us to the rock that is higher than us, let us abide in your tent forever, and as you have welcomed us, this morning may we generously welcome others as Christ. 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” (John
EASTER	14:16), celebrates the work of the Spirit in the renewal of all creation, and professes its confidence and security
PENTECOST	in knowing the Spirit’s power is available for its mission.

# Calling

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Please stand.

## **CALL TO WORSHIP - BASED ON PSALM 91:2; ROMANS 10:9,13**

Minister: Let us worship God.

**People: He is our refuge and our fortress, our God, in whom we trust.**

Minister: Let us confess with our mouths, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in our hearts that God raised him from the dead.

**People: Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.**

Minister: Let us call upon our true God, believing him in our hearts, confessing him with our mouths, worshiping him in spirit and in truth.

## **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**

*And Can It Be  
Revelation Song*

( MUSIC ON PAGES 3-4 )

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.

*And Can It Be*

WORDS: CHARLES WESLEY, MUSIC: THOMAS CAMPBELL

And can it be that I should gain  
An interest in the Savior's blood?  
Died He for me, who caused His pain—  
For me, who Him to death pursued?  
Amazing love! How can it be,  
That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

*Chorus*

*Amazing love! How can it be,  
That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?*

He left His Father's throne above,  
So free, so infinite His grace!  
Emptied Himself of all but love,  
And bled for Adam's helpless race.  
'Tis mercy all, immense and free,  
For O my God, it found out me!

*Chorus*

Long my imprisoned spirit lay,  
Fast bound in sin and nature's night;  
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray—  
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;  
My chains fell off, my heart was free,  
I rose, went forth, and followed Thee.

*Chorus*

No condemnation now I dread;  
Jesus, and all in Him, is mine;  
Alive in Him, my living Head,  
And clothed in righteousness divine,  
Bold I approach th'eternal throne,  
And claim the crown, through Christ my own.

*Chorus*

*Revelation Song*

MUSIC: JENNIE LEE RIDDLE

Worthy is the Lamb  
Who was slain  
Holy holy is He  
Sing a new song  
To Him Who sits on  
Heaven's mercy seat

*Chorus*

*Holy holy holy  
Is the Lord God Almighty  
Who was and is  
And is to come  
With all creation I sing  
Praise to the King of kings  
You are my ev'rything  
And I will adore You*

Clothed in rainbows  
Of living color  
Flashes of lightning  
Rolls of thunder  
Blessing and honor  
Strength and glory  
And power be to You  
The only wise King

*Chorus*

Filled with wonder  
Awestruck wonder  
At the mention of Your name  
Jesus Your name is power  
Breath and living water  
Such a marv'lous mystery

*Chorus*

# Cleansing

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Please be seated.

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 5:8; HEBREWS 4:16**

Leader: The proof of God's amazing love is this:  
While we were sinners, Christ died for us. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Trusting in God's faithfulness and compassion, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

## **PRAYER OF REPENTANCE**

**Lord Christ,  
We confess our willingness to be loved  
but also our reluctance to love.  
We confess our readiness to accept your forgiving love  
but also our refusal to forgive.  
We confess our eagerness to grasp your offer of redeeming love  
but also our resistance to follow you without question.  
Amen.**

*SILENT CONFESSION (45 SECONDS)*

## **SONG OF COMFORT**

*Thou Lovely Source of True Delight*  
WORDS: ANNE STEELE (1760), MUSIC: KEVIN TWIT (1998)

Thou lovely source of true delight  
Whom I unseen adore  
Unveil Thy beauties to my sight  
That I might love Thee more  
Oh that I might love Thee more

Please stand.

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.

## **WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND THE PEACE - COLOSSIANS 2:13-14**

Leader: When you were dead in trespasses, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

Leader: The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**People: And also with you.**

# Constitution

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Please be seated.

## **CHILDREN'S DISMISSAL AND PRAYER**

( 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. )

## **READING GOD'S WORD**

*Ruth 4:1-6, 13-22*

( Page 224 in the red Bible. )

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.

<sup>1</sup> Now Boaz had gone up to the gate and sat down there. And behold, the redeemer, of whom Boaz had spoken, came by. So Boaz said, "Turn aside, friend; sit down here." And he turned aside and sat down. <sup>2</sup> And he took ten men of the elders of the city and said, "Sit down here." So they sat down. <sup>3</sup> Then he said to the redeemer, "Naomi, who has come back from the country of Moab, is selling the parcel of land that belonged to our relative Elimelech. <sup>4</sup> So I thought I would tell you of it and say, 'Buy it in the presence of those sitting here and in the presence of the elders of my people.' If you will redeem it, redeem it. But if you will not, tell me, that I may know, for there is no one besides you to redeem it, and I come after you." And he said, "I will redeem it." <sup>5</sup> Then Boaz said, "The day you buy the field from the hand of Naomi, you also acquire Ruth the Moabite, the widow of the dead, in order to perpetuate the name of the dead in his inheritance." <sup>6</sup> Then the redeemer said, "I cannot redeem it for myself, lest I impair my own inheritance. Take my right of redemption yourself, for I cannot redeem it."

<sup>13</sup> So Boaz took Ruth, and she became his wife. And he went in to her, and the LORD gave her conception, and she bore a son. <sup>14</sup> Then the women said to Naomi, "Blessed be the LORD, who has not left you this day without a redeemer, and may his name be renowned in Israel!" <sup>15</sup> He shall be to you a restorer of life and a nourisher of your old age, for your daughter-in-law who loves you, who is more to you than seven sons, has given birth to him." <sup>16</sup> Then Naomi took the child and laid him on her lap and became his nurse. <sup>17</sup> And the women of the neighborhood gave him a name, saying, "A son has been born to Naomi." They named him Obed. He was the father of Jesse, the father of David.

<sup>18</sup> Now these are the generations of Perez: Perez fathered Hezron, <sup>19</sup> Hezron fathered Ram, Ram fathered Amminadab, <sup>20</sup> Amminadab fathered Nahshon, Nahshon fathered Salmon, <sup>21</sup> Salmon fathered Boaz, Boaz fathered Obed, <sup>22</sup> Obed fathered Jesse, and Jesse fathered David.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**



**PREACHING GOD'S WORD**

REV. ADAM FEICHTMANN

*Ruth: Hospitality as Mission / Hospitality through Redemption*

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.

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Please stand.

**SONG OF RESPONSE**

*In Christ Alone*

( MUSIC ON PAGE 8 )

*In Christ Alone*

WORDS AND MUSIC: KEITH GETTY & STUART TOWNEND

In Christ alone my hope is found  
He is my Light my strength my song  
This Cornerstone this solid ground  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm  
What heights of love what depths of peace  
When fears are stilled when strivings cease  
My Comforter my all in all  
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh  
Fullness of God in helpless Babe  
This gift of love and righteousness  
Scorned by the ones He came to save  
'Til on that cross as Jesus died  
The wrath of God was satisfied  
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid  
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay  
Light of the world by darkness slain  
Then bursting forth in glorious day  
Up from the grave He rose again  
And as He stands in victory  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me  
For I am His and He is mine  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life no fear in death  
This is the pow'r of Christ in me  
From life's first cry to final breath  
Jesus commands my destiny  
No pow'r of hell no scheme of man  
Can ever pluck me from His hand  
'Til He returns or calls me home  
Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand

Praying through  
the Psalms  
teaches us how  
to pray, using  
the prayer book  
of ancient Israel.  
As we pray, there  
will be pauses for  
reflection.  
Plain text is read  
by the leader and  
bold text is read  
together by the  
congregation.

Please be seated  
for the offertory.

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

Online giving is  
available through  
our Redeemer OC  
app. Download at  
[http://get.theapp.  
co/s75k/](http://get.theapp.co/s75k/)

## **PRAYING THE PSALMS – PSALM 36:5-7**

<sup>5</sup> Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens,  
**your faithfulness to the clouds.**

<sup>6</sup> Your righteousness is like the mountains of God;  
**your judgments are like the great deep;**  
**man and beast you save, O LORD.**

<sup>7</sup> How precious is your steadfast love, O God!  
**The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings.**

## **OFFERTORY - MATTHEW 6:19-20**

Leader: Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Let us pray. Blessed are you, God of all creation; through your goodness we have these gifts to share. Accept and use our offerings for your glory and for the service of your kingdom. Blessed be God forever. Amen.

## **OFFERTORY SONG**

*Instrumental Ensemble*

# 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 for us to give him thanks and praise.**

### THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORK OF THE FATHER AND SON

Minister: Most gracious and eternal God, the helper of the helpless, the comforter of the comfortless, the hope of the afflicted, the bread of the hungry, the drink of the thirsty, and the savior of all those that wait upon you; we bless and glorify your name, and adore your goodness, and delight in your love, that you have once more given us the opportunity of receiving the greatest favor which we can receive in this world, even the body and blood of our savior, Jesus Christ, your son. Therefore we join our voices with all the saints and angels and the whole creation to proclaim the glory of your name.

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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 2000 years of worshiping Christians who have gone before.

## ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE

( Congregation sings together )

*All Creatures of Our God and King*

WORDS: ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI, MUSIC: GEISTLICHE KIRCHENGESANGE

Let all things their Creator bless  
And worship Him in humbleness  
O praise Him alleluia  
Praise praise the Father praise the Son  
And praise the Spirit Three in One  
O praise Him O praise Him  
Alleluia alleluia alleluia

## PRAYER FOR THE WORK OF THE SPIRIT

Minister: By the power of your Holy Spirit let us taste and see your graciousness. Let us feed on you by faith and thereby grow up into the people that you intended us to be and that we long to become. Make us ever mindful of your great kindness and love towards us, and may you make us loving and kind towards our neighbors.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

## MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

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

**People: Christ has died!**  
**Christ is risen!**  
**Christ will come again!**

## DISTRIBUTION OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP

( If this is your first time with us please see the communion guidelines on page 12, particularly regarding wine, gluten-free options, and children taking communion. )

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

## DISTRIBUTION OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP

### *Directions for taking communion:*

Redeemer Presbyterian Church welcomes all sincere Christians—those who are trusting in Jesus Christ for salvation, understand the meaning of the Lord’s Supper, and are in good standing with congregations that proclaim the gospel—to receive Holy Communion with us.

### *Note about the communion elements:*

Please note that we use wine for Communion; if you prefer non alcoholic grape juice, the grape juice is white and the wine is red. For those with wheat allergies, a gluten free cracker\* is available in place of the bread. Also, the bread and the wine may be eaten and drunk as they are received. Please dispose of the cups in the trash receptacle.

### *When and how to come forward for communion:*

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

### *A Word to Parents:*

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

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

## PRAYERS FOR THOSE NOT COMMUNING

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

### PRAYER FOR THOSE SEARCHING FOR TRUTH

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

### PRAYER OF BELIEF

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

### PRAYER FOR THOSE STRUGGLING WITH SIN

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

### PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

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

Please be seated.

## COMMUNION SONG

*Here Is Love*

WORDS: WILLIAM REES, MUSIC: ROBERT LOWRY

Here is love vast as the ocean  
Loving kindness as the flood  
When the Prince of life our ransom  
Shed for us His precious blood  
Who His love will not remember  
Who can cease to sing His praise  
He will never be forgotten  
Throughout heaven's eternal days

On the mount of crucifixion  
Fountains opened deep and wide  
Through the floodgates of God's mercy  
Flowed a vast and gracious tide  
Grace and love like mighty rivers  
Poured incessant from above  
Heaven's peace and perfect justice  
Kissed the guilty world in love

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

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Please stand.

## SONG OF DEPARTURE

*The Solid Rock*

WORDS: EDWARD MOTE (1836), MUSIC: WILLIAM BRADBURY (1863)

My hope is built on nothing less  
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness.  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,  
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

On Christ, the solid Rock I stand,  
All other ground is sinking sand;  
All other ground is sinking sand.

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

## BLESSING - NUMBERS 6:24-26

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

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

## THE DISMISSAL

Minister: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

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## FOLLOWING THE SERVICE

Immediately following worship, all are invited to the chapel hall for refreshments and conversation. To listen to sermons, view our daily morning and evening prayers, learn about upcoming events, and give online, download our Redeemer OC app at <http://get.theapp.co/s75k/>



# Redeemer at a Glance

{ FOLLOWING CHRIST IN THE RENEWAL OF ALL THINGS }

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

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

## JOIN US



NEIGHBORHOOD PARISH – Love and serve the people where you live. You are God's ambassador. Details on p. 18.



COMMUNITY GROUPS – Study the scripture and pray with a small group of six to twelve others. If you are new to studying the scripture and praying, this is the perfect place to learn without pressure. Details on p.18.



LECTURES & CLASSES – Sundays at 9am, participate in engaging lectures and classes on subjects that matter. Classes are on break and will resume Fall 2018.



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

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## **Summer Neighborhood Parish Gatherings**

As a missionary people, formed by love to love, this summer we want to intentionally gather together around tables, backyards, restaurants, the beach, and at cultural events across Orange County AND purposefully plan to invite our friends, neighbors, and co-workers to join us! For more information about hosting or attending a summer gathering in your neighborhood, go to [redeemeroc.org/summer-gatherings](http://redeemeroc.org/summer-gatherings).

## **A Gottman Marriage Retreat Workshop**

*September 28-29, 2018 - Costa Mesa | October 5-6, 2018 - Fullerton*

Redeemer is excited to announce that we are hosting a marriage retreat workshop in both Costa Mesa & Fullerton designed to help couples improve their friendship and conflict management skills! See page 17 for full details and savings up to \$100.

## **New Redeemer OC App**

We are excited to announce that we have new church app available in the the Apple, Google, and Amazon app stores! In the app you will be able to give electronically, listen to the latest sermons, follow our morning and evening daily prayers, be in the loop for our upcoming events, and much more. Download our new app at <http://get.theapp.co/s75k/>

## **Prison Ministry Bible Drive**

*Sundays, June 24 - September 2*

Our children are invited to participate in raising funds to provide bibles for the OC jails. We will be partnering with Gary and Lisa Cram, founders of the Prelude Foundation, to distribute the bibles to inmates throughout Orange County. Children are encouraged to bring their change for the collection jar by our prison ministry mailbox at the Redeemer book table. Join us in sharing God's word with those who need His message of redemption.

## **Youth Summer Events**

**Pizza & Psalms** - *Wednesdays (Highschool) and Thursdays (Jr High), 6:00-7:30pm*

Youth are invited to join us weekly for FREE pizza at Pitfire Artisan Pizza in Costa Mesa and for a study in the Psalms.

**Beach Bonfire** - *Tuesday, July 24, 6:00-9:00pm*

Youth students are invited to a bonfire at Corona del Mar beach. Join us for BBQ and s'mores, beach games, and fellowship with friends.

**Santa Barbara Retreat** - *Friday-Sunday, August 10-12*

Jr High and High School students, register now for our upcoming 3-day retreat to Santa Barbara. More information is available on our website ([go to redeemeroc.org/upcoming-events/](http://redeemeroc.org/upcoming-events/)) and at the Redeemer book table.

Contact Brian Scholl, [brians@redeemeroc.org](mailto:brians@redeemeroc.org), or Pastor Adam, [adamf@redeemeroc.org](mailto:adamf@redeemeroc.org), with questions about any of our summer youth events and programs.

# A Gottman Marriage Retreat Workshop

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## **ABOUT THE WORKSHOP**

The Seven Principles Workshop for couples is a two day marriage retreat workshop based on the internationally acclaimed research of Dr. John Gottman as presented in his New York Times bestselling book—*The Seven Principles for Making Marriage Work*. This workshop is offered across the US and internationally, and has reached thousands of couples wishing to strengthen their relationship. It is designed to help couples improve their friendship and conflict management skills.

The workshop includes lectures, demonstrations, videos and private couples exercises. The activities are fun, insightful and informative. And there is no need to worry, participants will not share their personal problems in front of others.

Friday evening is specifically created to be a Date Night in a venue that you would want to go out to. Beyond the workshop itself, drinks and desserts will be provided in two of Orange County's premier event venues. We have purposefully chosen venues to cultivate date night environments.

Couples will learn and practice research-proven tools to:

- Make conflict work for your relationship
- Deepen intimacy and build trust
- Identify your solvable vs. perpetual issues
- Strengthen your foundation of friendship
- Collaborate more effectively to solve problems
- Communicate clearly and effectively (...and get more of what you want and need as a result!)

**Presenter:** Laura Heck, LMFT, MA, A Certified Gottman Therapist, and Former Director of Professional Development at The Gottman Institute

## **DATES & LOCATIONS**

Costa Mesa Workshop: Friday September 28th - Saturday September 29th at Westside Museum

Fullerton Workshop: Friday October 5th - Saturday October 6th at FLDWRK

*The workshop will be identical in both locations.*

## **REGISTRATION**

Registration is \$225 (save up to \$100 on discounted tickets) per couple and includes:

- The book *The Seven Principles for Making Marriage Work*
- Two Seven Principles workbooks
- Dessert and drinks on Friday night
- Morning coffee & tea on Saturday morning
- Lunch on Saturday

## **Three ways to get discounted tickets:**

1. Share on social media that you are attending the workshop and receive a \$25 discount.
2. Buy Early Bird Tickets by August 15th and save \$25.
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**REGISTER NOW & FIND OUT MORE AT [WWW.SEVENPRINCIPLESWORKSHOP.COM](http://WWW.SEVENPRINCIPLESWORKSHOP.COM).**

# Community Life

*Parishes, Community Groups & Studies*

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## PARISH

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

### North County

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### Beach Cities

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clint@komarinvestments.com  
949.903.4769

### Central County

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adamf@redeemeroc.org  
949.423.8692

### South County

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## COMMUNITY GROUPS

A Community Group is a small gathering of people who meet weekly to discuss scripture and pray together. If you are new to studying scripture, a community group is the perfect place to learn without pressure. **Community Groups are on break for the summer. Details below are subject to change for Fall 2018.**

### Newport-Mesa

Feichtmann Home  
Sundays, 4:00-6:00 pm  
Contact: Adam Feichtmann  
adamf@redeemeroc.org

### Irvine & Aliso Viejo

Brewer & Moore Homes  
Sundays, 5:00-6:45 pm  
Contact: Christie Brewer  
christiebrewer8301@gmail.com

### Irvine & Costa Mesa

Kornu & Yanaga Homes  
Sundays, 4:00-6:30 pm  
Contact: Christine Kornu  
kornufamily@gmail.com

### Costa Mesa

Pringle Home  
Wednesdays, 7:30-9:00 pm  
Contact: Stephanie Handley  
srhandley@gmail.com

### Newport - Men's Group

Honor Coffee, Lido Marina  
1st & 3rd Wed, 8:00-9:00 am  
Contact: Adam Feichtmann  
adamf@redeemeroc.org

### Junior High - Costa Mesa

Halecrest Back Clubhouse  
Thursdays, 6:30-8:00 pm  
Contact: Josh Cooper  
joshc@redeemeroc.org

### High School - Costa Mesa

Cooper Home  
Wednesdays, 6:30-8:00 pm  
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joshc@redeemeroc.org

## MID-WEEK STUDIES

During the week we offer studies on specific faith and culture topics to help us learn how to live the kingdom life together. **Studies are on break for the summer. Details below are for 2017-18. Information for 2018-19 will be announced later in the summer.**

### Men's Study

*Seven Deadly Sins*  
Costa Mesa  
Greenleaf on 17th St.  
Monthly, 4th Tuesday  
7:30-9:00 pm  
Leader/Contact:  
Adam Feichtmann  
adamf@redeemeroc.org

### Women's PM Study

*Gospel of John*  
Costa Mesa  
Scanlon Home  
Every other Tuesday  
7:00-8:45 pm  
Leader/Contact:  
Stephanie Handley  
srhandley@gmail.com

### Women's AM Study

*Gospel of John*  
Newport Beach  
Hodson Home  
Weekly Wednesdays  
9:15-11:00 am  
(Childcare available)  
Contact: Ashley Moore  
ashley.moore05@gmail.com

### Newcomer Study

*Gospel in Life - Keller*  
Location TBD  
Day/Time determined by  
interest.  
Leader: David Juelfs  
Contact: Kem Erskine  
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# Building a Beautiful Neighborhood

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a: Write the names of the people who live in the house represented by the box. If you can give first and last names, that's great. If it's only first names, that's fine too.

b: Write down some relevant information about each person, some data or facts about him or her that you couldn't see just by standing in your driveway, things you might know if you've spoken to the person once or twice. We don't mean drives a red car or has yellow roses by the sidewalk, because you could see that from your driveway. We mean information you've gathered from actually speaking to a neighbor, such as grew up in Idaho, is a lawyer, plays golf, is from Ethiopia, had a father in World War II.

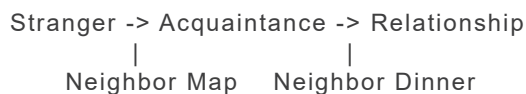
c: Write down some in-depth information you would know after connecting with people. This might also include their career plans or dreams of starting a family or anything to do with the purpose of their lives. What motivates them to do what they do? What would they say about God? What do they most fear? What are their spiritual beliefs and practices? Write down anything meaningful that you've learned through interacting with them.

*"The majority of the issues that our community is facing would be eliminated or drastically reduced if we could just figure out a way to become a community of great neighbors."*

- Bob Frie, former mayor of Arvada, CO

*"God is already working in your neighborhood. Being a good neighbor simply means slowing down and being aware of what he is designing. By developing real relationships, you'll find out how God is already moving in a person's life."*

- Dave Runyon



# Global Partnership

*Ethiopia*

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## **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.

## **Update**

Although the current state of emergency instated in Ethiopia has presented challenges, Ethiopia ACT continues to move forward in serving the local communities in Addis Ababa. Over the coming months, ACT will be adding 100 non-HIV families to their program, further extending their efforts in meeting the physical and spiritual needs of their neighbors.

A previous prayer request was for members of the Suki community who were facing the destruction of their homes. Because government focus has been shifted elsewhere, the tearing down of these homes has been put on hold, and it does not appear that it will move forward. Praise God that those residents have not been displaced, and please pray for their continued wellbeing and provision.

The Polk family continues to do well, but as always, continue to lift them up in prayer as they labor and pour themselves out for the city of Addis Ababa.

Finally, ACT is in the process of registering with the Ethiopian government and asks for prayer that the process progresses smoothly.

## **Prayer Requests**

- For sustained strength, energy and safety for the Polk family and the Ethiopia ACT staff in Addis Ababa.
- For the current state of emergency in the country due to regional protests, and for peaceful resolution.
- That visiting teams being delayed or unable to travel would not have a negative impact on medical clinics or other services ACT provides.
- For a smooth process registering Ethiopia ACT with the government.
- For ACT to be able to meet the physical and spiritual needs of the new families being added to the program.

**Website:** [www.ethiopiaact.org](http://www.ethiopiaact.org)

# Global Partnership

*Japan*

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## **REDEEMER CITY TO CITY - JAPAN**

Redeemer City to City is 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.

### **Update**

Grace Harbor continues to reach many in Tokyo with the gospel and love of Christ. With the addition of a new staff member, Seita Sakaguchi, they have been able to start a new church plant in Toyosu which is in the waterfront area of Tokyo. Yuki, who became a Christian a year ago after serving as a musician at Grace Harbor for 2 years, reached out with a desire to use her musical gifts to share the joy of the gospel with others. This desire led to a Jazz and Gospel Concert in Tsukishima, a prospective site for a new worship location. The event brought 180 people many of whom had never been to church before. Grace Harbor held their Christmas Eve service in Tsukishima bringing many to a Christian worship service for the first time through personal friendships with Seima and others in the congregation. Several missions teams from the US came to help with community outreach over the past year including 2 Kids English Camps, an English communication program at a local elementary school (who wants them to come back!), and a Christian ballet company with a performance about Jesus' passion story at the city hall in Toyosu.

While there are many good things happening, there are also some very real challenges. Several key staff members are transitioning away - 2 staff are leaving for seminary and the Pfeils family with MTW will be in the US for 7 months - which will leave Seima as a solo pastor. This transition is already causing some anxiety and concern among the members, but could be an opportunity to shift the church from staff-dependent to more volunteer-based. Pray for them as they trust in God to guide them in this transition and raise up lay leaders in the congregation. Another challenge is that financial support has been diminishing as Seima is not able to leave Grace Harbor to raise more support.

### **Prayer Requests**

- That God raise up lay leaders among the congregation.
- That Grace Harbor Church would transition to become a more volunteer-based church.
- That Seima will not be overwhelmed while the Pfeils are away.
- That the new church plant, Toyosu Community Church, would effectively share the gospel with non-Christians in Toyosu and be a blessing to the area.
- That God will give them broader and deeper connections to the non-Christians in Tsukishima area, so that someday we could start the another worship site for our church.
- That God changes the hearts of non-Christians and call them to accept Christ as their Savior.
- That our family be united by the Spirit and be dependent on the Lord always through prayer.

**Websites:** [www.redeemercitytocity.com](http://www.redeemercitytocity.com), [www.graceharborchurch.jp](http://www.graceharborchurch.jp)

## THE REAL PRESENCE OF CHRIST

BY WAYNE GRUDEM

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

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

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

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

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

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



# Daily Scripture Readings

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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 10

### Sunday

Evening: Psalms 114, 115 / Mark 1:21-27

### Monday

Morning: Psalms 25 / Joshua 2:1-14 / Romans 11:1-12

Evening: Psalms 9, 15 / Matthew 25:1-13

### Tuesday

Morning: Psalms 26, 28 / Joshua 2:15-24 / Romans 11:13-24

Evening: Psalms 36, 39 / Matthew 25:14-30

### Wednesday

Morning: Psalms 38 / Joshua 3:1-13 / Romans 11:25-36

Evening: Psalms 119:25-48 / Matthew 25:31-46

### Thursday

Morning: Psalms 37:1-18 / Joshua 3:14-4:7 / Romans 12:1-8

Evening: Psalms 37:19-42 / Matthew 26:1-16

### Friday

Morning: Psalms 31 / Joshua 4:19-5:1,10-15 / Romans 12:9-21

Evening: Psalms 35 / Matthew 26:17-25

### Saturday

Morning: Psalms 30, 32 / Joshua 6:1-14 / Romans 13:1-7

Evening: Psalms 42, 43 / Matthew 26:26-35

### Sunday

Morning: Psalms 63, 98 / Joshua 6:15-27 / Acts 22:30-23:11

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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/daily/](http://redeemeroc.org/daily/) or scan the QR code.

To view the daily prayers, listen to sermons, learn about upcoming events, and give online, download our Redeemer OC app at <http://get.theapp.co/s75k/>





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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.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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*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.

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