



REDEEMER

ORANGE COUNTY

{ *order of worship* }



## WELCOME

We are delighted to have you with us for worship!

We hope that today will be a day that you will meet with God. We want to invite you to join with us in experiencing joy, beauty, and awe as we encounter God in the reading & preaching of the Scriptures, the offering of prayers, the singing of his praises, the sacraments of baptism & the Lord's Supper, and the fellowship of the church community.

We want you to know that Redeemer is a safe place for you to be in process. You are free to explore, voice objections, be real, and find community. We have people from diverse backgrounds and recognize that everyone is in a different place in their Spiritual journey.

As you are leaving stop by our Welcome Table in the Narthex to pick up a complimentary coffee mug. There are also Connect Cards where you can leave your contact information and be included in our Friday email newsletter. We would also love to get to know you and there is box to check if you are interested in meeting for conversation over a coffee.

## To our Families with Children

We want to be a good church to your family by helping your little ones learn to worship. A few things we do to serve families...

*Nursery* for ages 0-3 years old. Feel free to use the nursery as needed (if kids get too restless) or throughout the service.

*Children's Bulletins* to help young children in church. We know that this takes time and promise not be bothered by an occasional squeal, laugh, or tear.

*Sermon Time Class* is an age-appropriate lesson for children 3 years old to 5th grade (use at your discretion). Note: All children need to be checked in using KidCheck prior to the service or at the children's dismissal. Nursery – kindergarten children need to be checked out directly with a nursery worker or their child's teacher following the sermon.

## About our Worship Service

Our liturgy (i.e. worship service) follows the logic of the gospel and the historic pattern of God's people.

The main movements are as follows:

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

**Cleansing** - God forgives us and reminds us of his great love in Christ.

**Constitution** - God builds us up and nourishes us through the Scriptures.

**Communion** - God draws near to us and invites us to partake of his grace in the sacrament.

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

We realize that the flow and content of the service may be new so we've included a few notes in the margins that offer some explanations. Feel free to participate actively or to just listen and observe.

Again, we are glad that you have joined us today. Let us worship!

*To learn more about our church please check the following pages in the back of this Order of Worship*

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*Third Sunday in Lent* ∴ MARCH 7TH, 2021

Before the service, there is a time for silent prayer and meditation. Please remember to silence cell phones.

## WELCOME

## REFLECTION

“Male and female are ‘like opposite’ to one another. They are like two pieces of a puzzle that fit together because they are not exactly alike nor randomly different, but they are differentiated such that together they can create a whole. Each sex is gifted for different steps in the same Great Dance.”

— Tim Keller

“If the union of Adam and Eve is a great mystery in Christ and in the church, it is certain that as Eve was bone of the bones of her husband and flesh of his flesh, we also are members of Christ’s body, bones of his bones and flesh of his flesh.”

— Ambrose

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## CALENDAR

ADVENT	“A journey, a pilgrimage! Yet, as we begin it, as we make the first step into the ‘bright sadness’ of Lent, we see
CHRISTMAS	– far, far away – the destination. It is the joy of Easter, it is the entrance into the glory of the Kingdom.”
EPIPHANY	– Alexander Schmemmann. The death and resurrection of Jesus Christ are at the heart of the Christian gospel,
LENT	and Good Friday and Easter are two of the most significant celebrations of the Christian year. Lent is a season
EASTER	of preparation and repentance during which we anticipate Good Friday and Easter. Just as we carefully prepare
PENTECOST	for big events in our personal lives... Lent invites us to make our hearts ready for remembering Jesus’ passion and celebrating Jesus’ resurrection (From The Worship Sourcebook).

# Calling

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Please stand.

## **CALL TO WORSHIP - PSALM 67**

In the call to worship God begins the dialogue that occurs in worship and graciously invites his people to draw near to him.

Minister: May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us, That your way may be known on earth, your saving power among all nations.

**People: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!**

Minister: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.

**People: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!**

Minister: The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, shall bless us.

**People: God shall bless us; let all the ends of the earth fear him!**

Bold text is read together by the congregation. Plain text is read by the leader.

## **PASTORAL PRAYER OF ADORATION**

*Prayer concludes by praying 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.**

## OPENING SONG

### *Behold Our God*

MUSIC & WORDS BY: JONATHON BAIRD, MEGHAN BAIRD, RYAN BAIRD & STEPHEN ALTROGGE

Who has held the oceans in His hands?  
Who has numbered every grain of sand?  
Kings and nations tremble at His voice  
All creation rises to rejoice

#### *Chorus*

*Behold our God seated on His throne  
Come let us adore Him  
Behold our King nothing can compare  
Come let us adore Him!*

Who has given counsel to the Lord?  
Who can question any of His words?  
Who can teach the One who knows all things?  
Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds?

#### *Chorus*

Who has felt the nails upon His hands,  
Bearing all the guilt of sinful man?  
God eternal humbled to the grave,  
Jesus Savior risen now to reign!

#### *Chorus*

You will reign forever. Let your glory fill the earth.  
You will reign forever. Let your glory fill the earth.  
You will reign forever. Let your glory fill the earth.  
You will reign forever. Let your glory fill the earth.

# Cleansing

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Please be seated.

## CONFESSION OF SIN

In the prayer of  
repentance we  
speak honestly  
with God about  
ourselves by  
confessing our  
sins and  
shortcomings  
and seeking  
forgiveness in  
Christ.

**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*

## SONG OF COMFORT

*Thy Mercy, My God*

WORDS: JOHN STOCKER; MUSIC: SANDRA MCCrackEN

Thy mercy, my God, is the theme of my song,  
The joy of my heart and the boast of my tongue;  
Thy free grace alone, from the first to the last,  
Hath won my affections, and bound my soul fast.

*Alleluia*

Great Father of mercies, Thy goodness I own,  
And the covenant love of Thy crucified Son;  
All praise to the Spirit, Whose whisper divine  
Seals mercy, and pardon, and righteousness mine.  
All praise to the Spirit, Whose whisper divine  
Seals mercy, and pardon, and righteousness mine.

*Alleluia*

Please stand.

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Having been  
forgiven by  
God, we greet  
one another  
with joy and  
speak peace to  
each other.

Minister: May the Almighty and merciful Lord grant us absolution and remission of all our sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of His Holy Spirit.

## PASSING THE PEACE

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

# Constitution

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## SONG OF PRAISE

*Jesus With Thy Church Abide*

WORDS: THOMAS POLLOCK, MUSIC: CHRISTOPHER MINER

Jesus, with Thy church abide;  
Be her savior, Lord, and Guide,  
While on earth her faith is tried:  
*We beseech Thee, hear us,*  
*We beseech Thee, hear us.*

Keep her life and doctrine pure;  
Grant her patience to endure,  
Trusting in Thy promise sure:  
*We beseech Thee, hear us,*  
*We beseech Thee, hear us.*

May she one in doctrine be,  
One in truth and charity,  
Winning all to faith in Thee:  
*We beseech Thee, hear us,*  
*We beseech Thee, hear us.*

May she guide the poor and blind,  
Seek the lost until she find  
And the brokenhearted bind:  
*We beseech Thee, hear us,*  
*We beseech Thee, hear us.*

Please be seated.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayer Requests?  
Let us know  
how we can  
pray for you. Fill  
out the Prayer  
Request form on  
our church app  
or website by  
scanning the QR  
Code.



## CHILDREN'S DISMISSAL

*(At the parents' discretion, children 2 years old to 5th grade may go to a Sermon Time class or remain in the service. Children nursery age - kindergarten need to be checked in using KidCheck prior to the service or at this dismissal and checked out directly with their child's teacher following the sermon.)*

## NEW TESTAMENT READING

*Ephesians 5:18 - 33*

<sup>18</sup> And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, <sup>19</sup> addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart, <sup>20</sup> giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>21</sup> submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

<sup>22</sup> Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. <sup>23</sup> For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church, his body, and is himself its Savior. <sup>24</sup> Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands.

<sup>25</sup> Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, <sup>26</sup> that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, <sup>27</sup> so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish. <sup>28</sup> In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. <sup>29</sup> For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church, <sup>30</sup> because we are members of his body. <sup>31</sup> "Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." <sup>32</sup> This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church. <sup>33</sup> However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**



## OLD TESTAMENT READING

*Genesis 2:18-25*

<sup>18</sup> Then the LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him." <sup>19</sup> Now out of the ground the LORD God had formed every beast of the field and every bird of the heavens and brought them to the man to see what he would call them. And whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. <sup>20</sup> The man gave names to all livestock and to the birds of the heavens and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper fit for him. <sup>21</sup> So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. <sup>22</sup> And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. <sup>23</sup> Then the man said,

"This at last is bone of my bones  
and flesh of my flesh;  
she shall be called Woman,  
because she was taken out of Man."

<sup>24</sup> Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. <sup>25</sup> And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

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**Offertory:** In response to God's grace, we worship him and seek to honor him with our lives. One way that we do so is by giving financially to Christ and the work of his Church. We invite all who are a part of this church to continue their worship in this way (Philippians 4:18-19; 2 Corinthians 8-9; 1 Corinthians 16:1-3; Malachi 3:6-12; Matthew 6:24). If you are visiting with us today please do not feel any pressure to contribute.

During our outdoor service, we encourage you to give electronically and you may also give in person at the Welcome Table. To donate through our church APP, download the APP on your smartphone and set up a Subsplash account.

To donate online, scan the QR code.



The Spirit uses  
the reading and  
preaching of  
God's Word  
to impart new  
Spiritual life as  
well as to nourish  
and comfort  
God's people in  
their faith.

## **SERMON**

REV. ADAM FEICHTMANN

### *The Goodness of Marriage*

Please stand.

## SONG OF RESPONSE

*Be Thou My Vision*

WORDS: ELEANOR HULL, MUSIC: TRADITIONAL IRISH MELODY

Be thou my vision,  
O Lord of my heart;  
naught 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,  
I thy true son;  
thou in me dwelling,  
and I with thee one.

Be thou my shield,  
and my sword for my fight;  
be thou dignity,  
thou my delight,  
thou my soul's shelter,  
thou my high tow'r:  
raise thou me heav'n-ward,  
O Pow'r of my pow'r.

Riches I heed not,  
nor man's empty praise,  
thou mine inheritance,  
now and always;  
thou and thou only,  
first in my heart,  
High King of heaven,  
my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven,  
my victory won,  
may I reach heaven's joys,  
O bright heav'n's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart,  
whatever befall,  
still be my vision,  
O Ruler of all.

# Communion

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Our communion liturgy is adapted from Scripture as well as the earliest traditions of the church. The liturgy begins with *The Sursum Corda* which is Latin for “lift up your hearts,” and calls us to be heavenly minded in the Lord’s presence (cf. Psalm 25:1; 2 Thessalonians 3:16).

*The Sanctus* is a prayer that has been used by the church since the first century to respond to the mystery of Christ’s presence in the sacrament (cf. Psalm 118:26; Isaiah 6:3; Revelation 4:8).

*The Memorial Acclamation* is a triumphant declaration of the gospel of Christ as portrayed in this holy meal (cf. 1 Corinthians 5:7, 11:26; 1 Timothy 3:16).

## INTRODUCTION TO THE SACRAMENT

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.**

Minister: It is right, our duty and privilege, to at all times, and in all places, give thanks to you, O Lord God almighty. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we praise and magnify your glorious name; saying together:

**ALL: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the Name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!**

## PRAYER & WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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

**ALL: 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.**

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

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Communion (i.e. the Lord’s Supper or Eucharist) is a holy meal in which we remember Jesus’ life, death, and resurrection. In the sacrament, God comes near to his church and we experience his grace anew.

*Who should participate?* This is a meal for all those who have been made a part of a Christian church by baptism, who profess faith in Christ, and who endeavor to live for him. If this does not describe you, we encourage you not to partake, but instead to use this time to consider the things you have seen and heard, including God’s love for humanity as portrayed in this meal. You may come forward to receive prayer (simply cross your arms over your chest as you pass the servers) or, if you prefer, simply remain in your seat.

*How should I participate?* Starting with the front rows, come forward. As you are served, partake of the bread and wine then return to your seat.  
Note: We use bread and red wine, but gluten free wafers (containing organic brown and white rice flour only) and white grape juice are also available.

*Parents:* If your children are too young to understand the meaning of this meal please instruct them to cross their arms over their chest. As soon as they are able to appreciate these things in an age appropriate way our leaders would love to meet with them, hear of their faith, and admit them to the table.

## COMMUNION SONG

### *Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah*

WORDS: WILLIAM WILLIAMS, MUSIC: JEREMY CASELLA

Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah  
Pilgrim through this barren land  
I am weak but thou art mighty  
Hold me with thy powerful hand  
Bread of heaven, Feed me now and evermore;  
Bread of heaven, Feed me now and evermore

Open now the crystal fountain  
Whence the healing waters flow  
Let the fiery cloudy pillar  
Lead me all my journey through  
Strong deliverer, Be thou still my strength and shield;  
Strong deliverer, Be thou still my strength and shield

When I tread the verge of Jordan  
Bid my anxious fears subside  
Death of death and hell's destruction  
Land me safe on Canaan's side  
Songs of praises, I will ever give to thee;  
Songs of praises, I will ever give to thee

Land me safe on Canaan's side  
Bid my anxious fears, Bid my anxious fears  
Land me safe on Canaan's side  
Bid my anxious fears, Bid my anxious fears goodbye

Please stand

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**Generous God, you have given yourself to us and made us yours. You prepared a table before us, led us to it, and fed us abundantly. Thank you, great God, for your life-giving gifts. Thank you for uniting us with you and with each other, for giving us new life and new hope, and for preparing us to live as your people. May our lives joyfully display our hope in you. In the power of your Holy Spirit we pray. Amen.**

# Commission

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## SONG OF DEPARTURE

*Gloria Patri*

MUSIC: PATRICK DOYLE

Glory be to thee oh Father,  
Glory be to thee oh Son,  
Glory be to thee, oh Holy Ghost,  
the blessed three in one!  
As it was in the beginning,  
is now and ever shall be;  
for evermore, world without end.  
*Amen, Amen, Amen*

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

## BLESSING

The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be with you, and remain with you always.

## THE DISMISSAL

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

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FOLLOWING THE SERVICE

Sermons can be streamed and downloaded by scanning the QR code.



# Redeemer at a Glance

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*Our rhythm of our life together follows this pattern:*

- WORSHIP } is the primary activity of our church. It is the rationale for creation and the goal of redemption. We believe that a day is coming when our present fallen world will be engulfed by the New Heavens and the New Earth, where shalom will abound, where all things will be to the praise of God's glory.
  - FORMATION } occurs as people are transformed by the gospel. It begins as we first believe and continues throughout our life of faith as we seek to love God with heart, soul, mind & strength as well as our neighbors as ourselves. Spiritual formation takes place in community where God is present and active through Scripture, prayer, sacraments, and fellowship of the church.
  - MISSION } is the story of Scripture in which God is at work to redeem the world. This story culminates in Jesus Christ, who was lovingly sent by God the Father to seek and to save the lost. In his life, death, and resurrection, God has been victorious. And now, the church is sent into the world—into Orange County & beyond—with the Spirit, to continue the work of redemption.
  - CULTURE } takes place as individual Christians are sent into the world to be faithful and present in their communities. Through their families, friendships, and ordinary vocations Christians love their neighbors by contributing to and celebrating truth, goodness, and beauty.
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*Get involved in our regular ministries:*



SMALL GROUPS – Prayer Groups, Study Groups, Community Groups and Interest Groups



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



CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRIES – Whether it's a new baby or a house full of teenagers, Redeemer is a place for your family.



RUF - Reformed University Fellowship is our Ministry to the college campus.



LOCAL SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES - Love and serve Orange County.

# Announcements & Events

(To see additional announcements & events please visit the Redeemer website, calendar and app)

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## **Nominations for New Ruling Elders, Deacons, and Deaconesses**

*Monday, March 1st - March 31st, 2021*

Nominations for Elders, Deacons, and Deaconesses are now open! The nomination period is March 1st to March 31st, 2021. Redeemer is committed to developing men and women as new leaders of our congregation for our growth and maturity in years to come. For more information on how to nominate an individual(s), the process and qualifications for nominees, and other relevant information please scan the QR Code below or email [Joshh@redeemeroc.org](mailto:Joshh@redeemeroc.org) or [adamf@redeemeroc.org](mailto:adamf@redeemeroc.org).



## **Pastoral Housing at Redeemer**

We're raising special funds to support pastoral housing at Redeemer. The funds we raise during this season will be used to help the Feichtmann family purchase a home in Costa Mesa, and will be used by future pastors as well. To learn more about this unique giving opportunity scan the QR code and/or contact Cameron Moore, [camerondavidmoore@gmail.com](mailto:camerondavidmoore@gmail.com).



## **Lent Guide**

Pick up our 2021 Lent Guide at our Welcome Table. The Guide introduces the season of Lent and gives helpful and creative tips of how to keep a holy Lent for individuals and families. If you don't want a hard copy guide, sign up for our Lent Daily Prayer emails by scanning the QR code:



## **Safe Families for Children Presentation**

*Today, Sunday March 7 | During & After the Worship Service*

Join us today to hear a personal story of a mom and her children whose lives were changed by Safe Families! We will hear a brief testimony during the service and then have a full presentation of the organization after the service. Safe Families for Children has offered sanctuary to thousands of children, minimizing the risk for abuse or neglect and giving parents the time and tools they need to help their families thrive. The ultimate goal is to strengthen and support parents so they can become Safe Families for their own children. Learn more at [www.olivecrest.org/safe-families-for-children](http://www.olivecrest.org/safe-families-for-children)

## **Q & A Session**

*Sunday, March 14th | after the service*

Join us on Sunday, March 14th for a 20 minute Q & A after the service about our sermon series. No nursery will be provided.



# How Can I Serve?

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## **SERVING IN OUR CHURCH**

Contact Pastor Adam ([adamf@redeemeroc.org](mailto:adamf@redeemeroc.org)) for more information or to get involved.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

## **SERVING IN OUR COMMUNITY**

Members of Redeemer partner with the following organizations to serve the well-being of our community (Jeremiah 29:7).

**Kidworks** | Santa Ana | [www.kidworksoc.org](http://www.kidworksoc.org)  
Educational programs serving children, youth & parents at learning centers in central Santa Ana.

**Orange County Rescue Mission / The Village of Hope** | Tustin | [www.rescuemission.org](http://www.rescuemission.org)  
Food service, spiritual & personal development, counseling services, parenting & child enrichment, etc.

**Safe Families** | Orange County | [www.olivecrest.org/safe-families-for-children/](http://www.olivecrest.org/safe-families-for-children/)  
Volunteer as a host family caring for a child in your home on a short-term basis.

**Trellis** | Costa Mesa | [www.wearetrellis.com](http://www.wearetrellis.com)  
Education, homelessness, and immigration initiatives.

**Surfrider Foundation** | Newport Beach | [www.newportbeach.surfrider.org](http://www.newportbeach.surfrider.org)  
Beach and harbor cleanups and regular ocean awareness events.

# Process for becoming an Elder, Deacon, Deaconess

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## NOMINATION

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



## INITIAL EVALUATION

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



## CANDIDACY

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



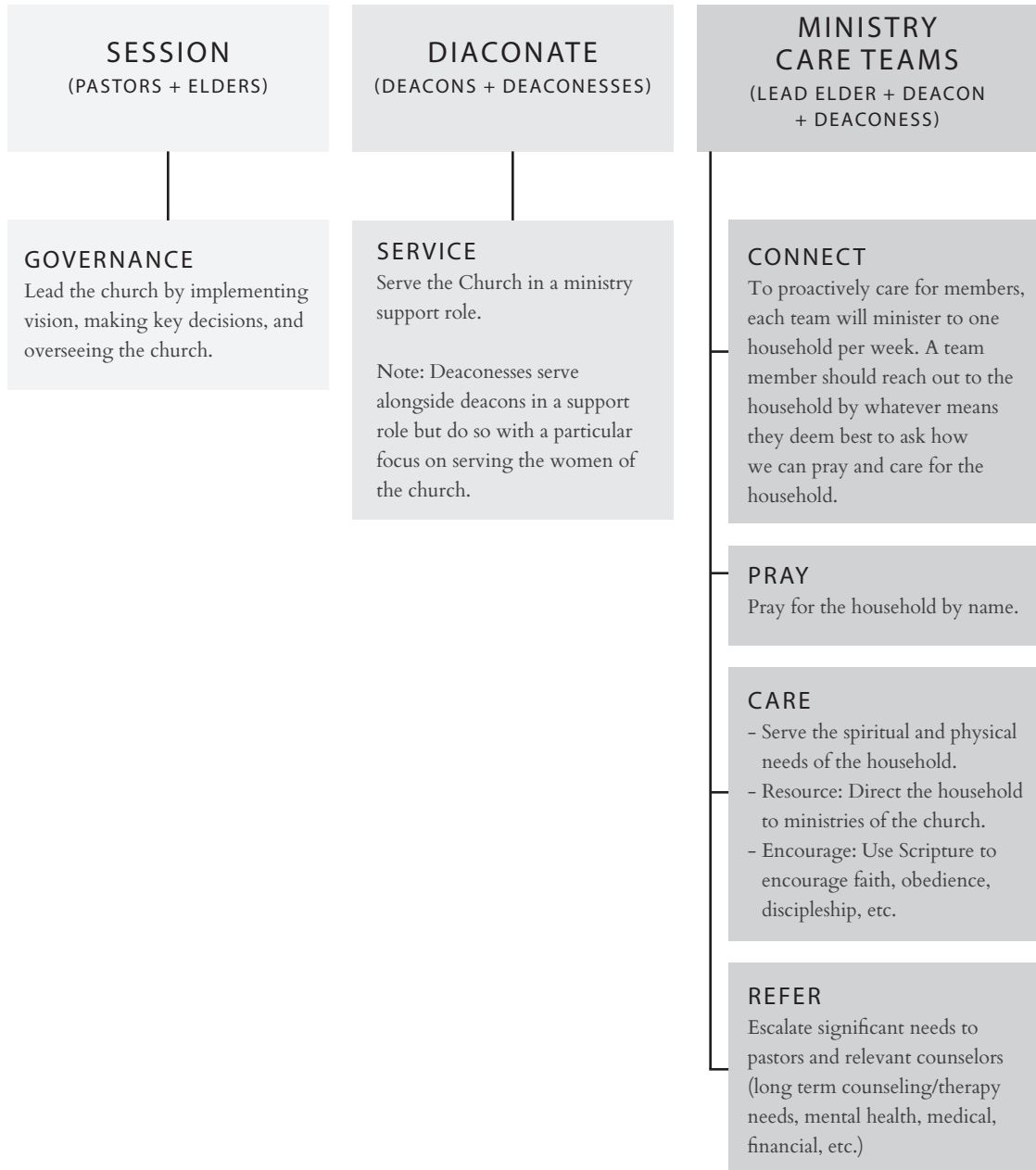
## ELECTION

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

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

# Redeemer Session & Diaconate: Structure & Responsibilities

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# Small Groups

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Get involved in the life of our congregation beyond Sunday by joining a small group, where we cultivate our communion with God and friendships with others. If you would like to host and/or lead a group, please contact Pastor Adam, [adamf@redeemeroc.org](mailto:adamf@redeemeroc.org)

## COMMUNITY GROUPS

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

### Newport Mesa Community Group

*Format:* Potluck Dinner & Prayer

*When:* Sundays, 4:30 - 6:00PM

*Regularity:* Every other week

*Location:* Feichtmann Home in Costa Mesa

*Host/Contact:* Adam & Karina Feichtmann

[adamf@redeemeroc.org](mailto:adamf@redeemeroc.org)

*\*Currently on pause until Covid numbers decrease*

### Weekly Community Group via Zoom

*Format:* Study through the Psalms

*When:* Sundays, 4:00 - 5:00PM, via Zoom

*Regularity:* Every Sunday

*Host/Contact:* Beckie White & Gary Mull

[rewhite@westmont.edu](mailto:rewhite@westmont.edu)

### Costa Mesa Community Group

*Format:* Potluck Dinner & Prayer

*When:* Sundays, 4:30 - 6:30PM

*Regularity:* 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month

*Location:* Riley Home in Costa Mesa

*Host/Contact:* Kim Riley

[kimsmailbox@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kimsmailbox@sbcglobal.net)

### Westside Costa Mesa Community Group

*When:* Wednesdays, 7:30 - 9:00PM

*Regularity:* Every week

*Location:* McCaslin home in Costa Mesa

*Leader/Contact:* Remy Lamons

[remy.lamons@LW.com](mailto:remy.lamons@LW.com)

*\*This group meets outside so no masks required*

### North County Community Group

*Format:* Potluck Dinner, group scripture reading & prayer

*When:* Sundays, 4:00 - 6:30PM

*Regularity:* Every other Sunday

*Location:* various homes in North Orange County

*Leader/Contact:* Andrew Evans

[andrewmadison.evans@gmail.com](mailto:andrewmadison.evans@gmail.com)

## 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:* Kyle Pringle (714-606-4215)

## MORNING PRAYER GROUPS

Join one of our Prayer Groups as they pray & read scripture

### Men's Morning Prayer Group via Zoom

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

*Regularity:* Weekly

*Location:* ANYWHERE - via Zoom

*Host/Contact:* Guy Erskine

[g.man.reborn@gmail.com](mailto:g.man.reborn@gmail.com)

### Men's Morning Prayer Group via Zoom

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

*Regularity:* Every other week

*Location:* ANYWHERE - via Zoom

*Host/Contact:* Adam Feichtmann

[adamf@redeemeroc.org](mailto:adamf@redeemeroc.org)

## BIBLE & BOOK STUDY GROUPS

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

### Women's Evening Bible Study

*Format:* *The Good Book Guide to Micah* by Stephen Um

*When:* Tuesdays, 7PM

*Regularity:* 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the month

*Location:* Online Zoom Meeting

*Host/Contact:* Kem Erskine

[kemerskine@yahoo.com](mailto:kemerskine@yahoo.com)

### Men's Evening Bible Study Group

*When:* Tuesdays, 7PM

*Regularity:* 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the month

*Location:* Norling House in Costa Mesa

*Host/Contact:* Bob Norling

[bcnorling@gmail.com](mailto:bcnorling@gmail.com)

## YOUTH GROUPS

### Jr. High Youth Group

*Regularity:* Two Sundays a month

*When:* Sundays, 4:00 - 5:15PM

*Location:* Pastor Josh's house in Newport Beach and/or

Cliff Drive park, 2907 Cliff Drive, Newport Beach

*Contact:* Danielle Smith for specific dates & locations

[danielles@redeemeroc.org](mailto:danielles@redeemeroc.org)

### High School Youth Group

*Regularity:* Two Sundays a month

*When:* Sundays, 5:15 - 6:30PM

*Location:* Pastor Josh's house in Newport Beach and/or

Cliff Drive park, 2907 Cliff Drive, Newport Beach

*Contact:* Danielle Smith for specific dates & locations

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# 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.

## Lent 3

### Sunday

Evening: Psalm 34 / Mark 5:1-20

### Monday

Morning: Psalm 80 / Jeremiah 7:1-15 / Romans 4:1-12

Evening: Psalms 77, 79 / John 7:14-36

### Tuesday

Morning: Psalm 78:1-39 / Jeremiah 7:21-34 / Romans 4:13-25

Evening: Psalm 78:40-72 / John 7:37-52

### Wednesday

Morning: Psalm 119:97-120 / Jeremiah 8:18-9:6 / Romans 5:1-11

Evening: Psalms 81, 82 / John 8:12-20

### Thursday

Morning: Psalms 42, 43, 83 / Jeremiah 10:11-24 / Romans 5:12-21

Evening: Psalms 85, 86 / John 8:21-32

### Friday

Morning: Psalms 88, 95 / Jeremiah 11:1-8, 11:14-20 / Romans 6:1-11

Evening: Psalms 91, 92 / John 8:33-47

### Saturday

Morning: Psalms 87, 90 / Jeremiah 13:1-11 / Romans 6:12-23

Evening: Psalm 136 / John 8:47-59

### Sunday

Morning: Psalms 66, 67 / Jeremiah 14:1-9, 14:17-22 / Galatians 4:21-5:1

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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.





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