



REDEEMER

WINTER HAVEN

To all who are weary and desire rest, to all who mourn and long for comfort, to all who sin and need a Savior, Redeemer opens wide its doors with a welcome from King Jesus the mighty Friend of sinners, the Ally of his enemies, the Defender of the indefensible.



GALATIANS

KEEP YOURSELF
IN GOD'S LOVE

November 10, 2024 – Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Season of the Cross: Green for Ordinary Time

Ordinary Time is the long season that takes up three quarters of the church year. This portion of Ordinary Time runs between Pentecost and Advent. Ordinary Time has traditionally been devoted to seeking our Lord in the simple, ordinary day-in and day-out rhythms of life. It is a time in which we are all invited to order our lives around Christ's life and teaching.

Call to Worship: Psalm 104

We read God's Word, the Bible, together. It reminds us of who God is and what He expects from us.

Leader: O Lord, we look to You.

People: When you hide your face, we are dismayed. When you send forth Your Spirit, we are created; and you renew all things.

Leader: May the glory of the Lord endure forever!

People: I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God to my last breath.

Song of Ascent

The first song we sing together guides us as we "go up" or approach the presence of God to worship Him. This song is meant to rouse us to worship and awaken our hearts.

For the Beauty of the Earth

Reading of the Law: Matthew 22:36-39

While the law cannot justify us or make us righteous; it is a teacher given to lead us to Christ, the fulfiller of the law.

36 "Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?" 37 And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. 38 This is the great and first commandment. 39 And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

We pray together, praising God for who He really is (Adoration) and admitting our inability to live up to what He expects of us (Confession).

Song of Repentance

In this song of repentance we acknowledge our sin and our need of a Savior.

Christ the Sure and Steady Anchor

Assurance of Pardon: Romans 8:14-16

We read God's Word together and are reminded that grace and mercy are freely given to all who have faith in Jesus Christ.

14 For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. 15 For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!" 16 The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God

Greeting

In Jesus, we have not only been reconciled to God, we have also been reconciled to one another. Therefore, we greet one another as brothers and sisters.

Songs of Praise and Celebration

Our response to God's free grace is celebratory worship. We express our praise to God for who He is and what He has done to save us

God is For Us
O Great God

Worship Through Giving: Give Online at redeemerwh.org/give

We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace for us in Jesus by giving generously to the work of this church and the kingdom of God.

Kids' Worship Dismissal

*Children **through fifth grade** are dismissed for kids' worship.*

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Intercession

We again express in prayer our gratitude to God for what he has done and ask him to continue to act for our good and the good of others in our community and the world.

Proclamation of God's Word

A small portion of God's Word is explained to us and applied to our own lives.

Galatians 5:16-24 (see insert)

Song of Response & Sending

We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace by singing again of His goodness and greatness.

Christ Be All Around Me

Benediction

Because the hand of God's wrath was raised against Jesus, we now receive the hand of God's blessing as we are sent out to live our lives to the glory of God.

May the LORD bless you and keep you;
May the LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;
May the LORD turn His face toward you and give you His peace,
Both now and forevermore. Amen.

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16 But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh.

17 For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do. 18 But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. 19 Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, 20 idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, 21 envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. 24 And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

Pg. 975 (Galatians 5:16-24 ESV)

Resources

Jonathan Edwards, *Charity and Its Fruits*

Tim Keller, *"Living Grace" Sermon*

C.S. Lewis, *Screwtape Letters*

Eugene Peterson, *Traveling Light*

Sermon Series: Galatians: Keep Yourself in God's Love

Sermon Title: Battle Royale: Flesh vs Spirit

Date: November 10, 2024

Hook: *Which is more important - talent or character?*

I. CONTRAST

"A life determined by compulsions results in chaos, while a life of freedom falls naturally and easily into designs of beauty." - Eugene Peterson

II. CONFLICT

"Be killing sin or it will be killing you." - John Owen

III. CONQUEST

"The only way to really wound your self and repent of bad things is with joy." - Tim Keller

Takeaway: *Sanctification is a community project.*

Announcements

Fall Fest: Our Fall Fest & Chili Cook Off is **Saturday, November 16 at 3pm in the Twelve Oaks Neighborhood (879 Twin Oaks Ln)**. We'll have inflatables and a hayride for the kids; and of course, a bunch of chili!! So get your recipes ready and invite some friends! redeemerwh.org/chili

9 & Dine: Guys, join us on **Friday, November 22 for a 9 & Dine at the Country Club of Winter Haven**. A 9 hole scramble will begin at 2:30pm with dinner to follow at 5:30pm. The green fee is \$53. There is no cost for dinner — you can also opt to join for dinner only. The deadline to sign up is November 15. redeemerwh.org/golf

Thanksgiving Service: Our annual Thanksgiving Service will be **Wednesday, November 27 at 6pm**. This is a brief service where we give thanks to God for who He is and all that He has done. Childcare will be available through Pre-K.

Person of Jesus Study: Join us for the Person of Jesus study on **Thursdays from 12-1pm (through November 21)** in Covenant Hall. Lunch & Childcare will be provided. This is a co-ed study open to anyone.

Get Connected: The best way to stay up-to-date with what's happening at Redeemer is through our online newsletter (redeemerwh.org/newsletter) and our mobile app (redeemerwh.org/app).

Worship Playlists: Follow our weekly set list on Spotify and Apple Music so that you can become familiar with the songs that we'll be singing on Sundays. You can find the playlist on the "RedeemerWH" app (above) or at: (redeemerwh.org/worship).

Our Mission

Our mission is to make Jesus' invisible kingdom visible in Winter Haven, Polk County, and the world.

Church Planting

One of the ways we hope to accomplish our mission is by planting new churches throughout Polk County. We proudly partner with Renew Polk (renewpolk.org) and the Florida Church Planting Network (flchurchplanting.org).

Community Groups

We also meet during the week in homes for what we call Community Groups. They are intended to be the primary "church" experience for all who are a part of Redeemer. If you are interested in visiting a community group, contact Ashley Bennett, ashmbennett1013@gmail.com.

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2024 GOAL: \$50,000
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