



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 City Church 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.



Ephesians

RICHES OF GRACE

February 27, 2022 – Eighth Sunday after Epiphany

Season of the Cross: Green for Ordinary Time

The Season after Epiphany is one of two periods in the Church calendar known as "ordinary time;" and it runs from Epiphany until Ash Wednesday. During Epiphany we focus on the mission of the Church to reach all the peoples of the earth, and the great gift of God's grace in revealing the Light to the world.

Call to Worship

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

Leader: Let not the wise boast in their wisdom; let not the mighty boast in their might; let not the rich boast in their riches;

ALL: We will boast in the Lord - who practices steadfast love, justice and righteousness in the earth.

Leader: Come, let's boast in Him together!

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.

Praise to the Lord

Reading of the Law: Romans 3:10b-18

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.

"None is righteous, no, not one; no one understands; no one seeks for God. All have turned aside; together they have become worthless; no one does good, not even one." "Their throat is an open grave; they use their tongues to deceive." "The venom of asps is under their lips." "Their mouth is full of curses and bitterness." "Their feet are swift to shed blood; in their paths are ruin and misery, and the way of peace they have not known." "There is no fear of God before their eyes."

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.

Come Ye Sinners

Assurance of Pardon: Romans 3:22b-27

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

For there is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus. Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith.

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

O Lord My Rock and My Redeemer
Jesus There's No One Like You

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.

Announcements & 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.

Ephesians 2:8-10 *(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.

Great That Is Greater/I Love You Lord

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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8 For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, 9 not a result of works, so that no one may boast. 10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

Pg. 976 (Ephesians 2:8-10 ESV)

Resources

Eugene Peterson, *Practicing Resurrection*

John Stott, *The Message of Ephesians*

Carl Trueman, *The Rise and Triumph of the Modern Self*

Philip Yancey, *What's So Amazing About Grace?*

Family Worship/Group Discussion Questions

1. Prayerfully reflect on your heart, circumstances, relationships, etc. How did you "come" into worship today?
2. Where did the gospel "dwell in you richly" in the service today? In the prayers? In the singing? In the sermon?
3. Specifically, how were you led to turn from sin and trust in Jesus?
4. What is the one thing from the sermon this morning that you would most want to pass on to someone else?

Sermon Discussion Questions

1. Faith is resting in Jesus' works not your own works. How are you resting?
2. When you're not resting you start boasting. Where are you most tempted to boast?
3. You are God's workmanship. How do you uniquely image God? What good works has God prepared for you? What's keeping you from giving yourself to those good works?

Sermon Series: Ephesians: Riches of Grace

Sermon Title: God's Workmanship

Date: February 27, 2022

I. GRACE NOT WORKS

II. WORKS OF GRACE

"Grace is opposed to merit, not effort." – Dallas Willard

Announcements

Saturday in the Psalms (Zoom): Kick-off your weekend by joining us as we look at our weekly Psalm together. We'll meet briefly **via Zoom on Saturdays at 8am**. Visit redeemerwh.org/cbr to join.

Person of Jesus Study: Heart for Winter Haven is hosting a community wide Person of Jesus Study on the **2nd & 4th Wednesdays of each month from 12-1pm** lunch is provided. Their office is located on the second floor of the BB&T Building downtown.

Men's Retreat: Guys, our men's retreat is **March 4-5 at Dark Hammock Ranch**. Visit redeemerwh.org/rsvp for more details and to register. **The deadline to register is February 27.**

Spring BUILD: We are continuing our midweek BUILD classes on **Wednesday at 6:30pm**. We're meeting weekly through March 16.

Men's CBR: Our men's Community Bible Reading Group has resumed on **Tuesdays at 6:30am**.

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).

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 Jonathan Winfree, jonathan@redeemewinterhaven.org.

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