



REDEEMER

CITY CHURCH

BY FAITH

HEBREWS 11

March 21, 2021 – Fifth Sunday of Lent

Call to Worship: Psalm 145:2-4

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

Leader: Every day I will praise you and extol your name forever and ever.

ALL: Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom.

Leader: One generation commends your works to another; they tell of your mighty acts.

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.

Doxology (Romans 11)

Reading of the Law: Deuteronomy 7:9-14

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.

Know therefore that the LORD your God is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, to a thousand generations, and repays to their face those who hate him, by destroying them. He will not be slack with one who hates him. He will repay him to his face. You shall therefore be careful to do the commandment and the statutes and the rules that I command you today. "And because you listen to these rules and keep and do them, the LORD your God will keep with you the covenant and the steadfast love that he swore to your fathers. He will love you, bless you, and multiply you. He will also bless the fruit of your womb and the fruit of your ground, your grain and your wine and your oil, the increase of your herds and the young of your flock, in the land that he swore to your fathers to give you. You shall be blessed above all peoples.

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).

Confession of Sin: "Your Footsteps" Kari Kristina Reeves

In a culture that avoids talk of sin and culpability, regular prayers of confession foster honesty and openness in our relationship with God. We confess sin in the context of the covenant Lord's love shown to us through Jesus Christ. We offer our confession as part of a covenantal relationship.

Teach me to walk in your footsteps.

Your footsteps lead through the wilderness of temptation.

Your footsteps mark my way.

Teach me to walk in your footsteps.

Your footsteps lead to victory over Satan.

Your footsteps are my inheritance, by faith.

Teach me to walk in your footsteps.

Your footsteps lead to resurrection.

Your footsteps are my freedom, and my healing.

Teach me, Jesus, to walk in your footsteps, and lead me out.

Lord God, in your mercy, lead me out.

Assurance of Pardon: Romans 9:10-16

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

And not only so, but also when Rebekah had conceived children by one man, our forefather Isaac, though they were not yet born and had done nothing either good or bad—in order that God's purpose of election might continue, not because of works but because of him who calls— she was told, "The older will serve the younger." As it is written, "Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated." What shall we say then? Is there injustice on God's part? By no means! For he says to Moses, "I will have mercy on whom I have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I have compassion." So then it depends not on human will or exertion, but on God, who has mercy.

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.

Song 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

Who You Say I Am
The Love of 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.

Announcements & Kids' Worship Dismissal: 9am

*Children **only through 3 years old** 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.

Hebrews 11:8-10, 20-21

Song of Response & Sending

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

Cornerstone

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.

Proclamation of God's Word

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

8 By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. 9 By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. 10 For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God.

20 By faith Isaac invoked future blessings on Jacob and Esau. 21 By faith Jacob, when dying, blessed each of the sons of Joseph, bowing in worship over the head of his staff.

Pg. 1008 (Hebrews 11:8-10, 20-21 ESV)

Sermon Series: By Faith

Sermon Title: Blessing Future Generations

Date: March 21, 2021

I. FOUNDATIONS

What you're looking for cannot be found in this world.

II. BLESSING

You already have divine authorization for a life of mission.

III. GRACE

Family identity is given (as a gift) not earned.

Lenten Devotional

WEEK 5: CONFESSION

SCRIPTURE: READ PSALM 38

This is David's prayer of confession. It's his prayer to expose the lifelessness of empty sins.

Confession is the act of "saying the same thing as God" or naming reality. We grow in our love for God by being honest about who we are and how we live. We lower the façade and tell the truth: "We are not a peaceful community," "I don't like serving the poor," "I don't believe God is concerned or cares for me," or "I love sin, and this is how I sin."

Confession is how we bring our true selves before God. In fact, Jesus was not too welcoming to the self-righteous and the hidden hypocrite. Jesus says He came for the sick in need of a doctor. The only pre-requisite for joining Jesus's entourage was to be honest with who you were: a human tainted by sin. Jesus ate with sinners. Jesus forgave sinners.

Ironically, Christian communities have become hiding places for sinners to pretend they don't need Christ, but we cannot grow in our love for God (with all our hearts, minds, and strength) until we tell the truth about our hearts, minds, and strength. This is the beginning of transformation.

Confession is not just about speaking about how bad our circumstances or we are but about speaking to God about how good He is in our circumstances. Confession is also about speaking the truth about God—who He is and what He has done.

David was the confession expert. He offered God his true feelings of fear, anger, resentment, disappointment, and doubt while simultaneously speaking of God's great works, kindness, and power. David confessed his life was on shaking soil and needed saving and that God alone could save him. God was David's refuge because David confessed he couldn't find rest anywhere else in the world—despite his best efforts.

PRACTICE CONFESSION

This week's prayer time will be a practice in confession using Psalm 38. Write down your thoughts then pray through them.

Part 1 (vs. 1–2): What sin is God exposing in your life through Lent?

Part 2 (vs. 3–12): What is the fruit of this sin? What does your life look like because of it? What is the state of your soul?

Part 3 (vs. 13–14): How are you cold to rebuke and repentance? How do you avoid it?

Part 4 (vs. 15–20): Confess your sin to God and seek forgiveness.

In Christ, God has heard you, and God hears you. God hears our request. God accepts your prayers; He longs to hear them.

How has God conquered the enemy and put them to shame? How has God defeated sin? How have you experienced His steadfast love?

MORE RESOURCES

Visit redeemerwh.org/lent for playlists and daily devotionals

Announcements

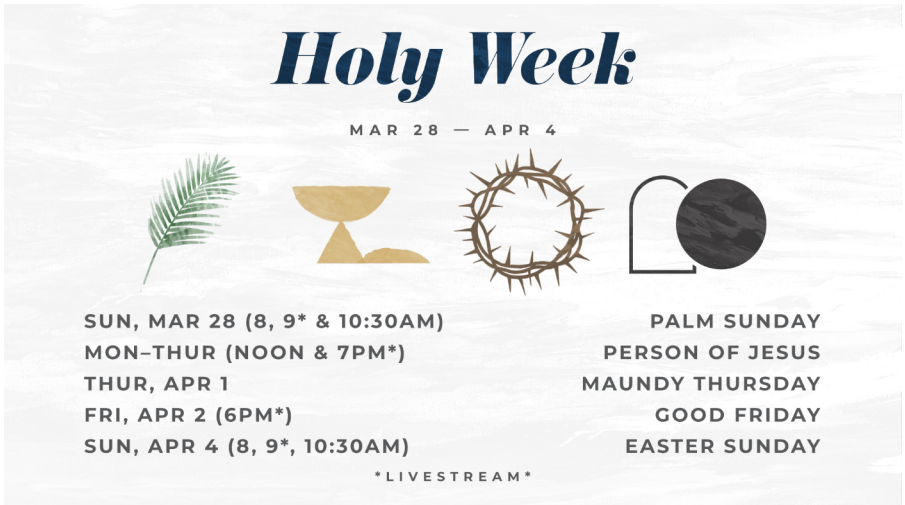
Men's Hangout: Our men's hangout has been rescheduled for **Saturday, April 17, 6pm** at Charlie Reynolds' house (2045 W Lake Hamilton Dr).

Men's Bible Study: Guys, our Men's Bible Study will resume on **Tuesday, April 6, at 6:30am** in Covenant Hall. No RSVP or prep work necessary. *We will NOT meet March 23 or 30.*





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).

Online Directory: Redeemer City Church's online directory is provided for Regular Attendees and Members. The great thing about this platform is that you can upload your own photo or edit your profile's information and it automatically syncs with our database. Visit redeemerwh.org/directory to access your profile.

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/RCCmusic.



Holy Week
MAR 28 — APR 4

SUN, MAR 28 (8, 9* & 10:30AM)
MON-THUR (NOON & 7PM*)
THUR, APR 1
FRI, APR 2 (6PM*)
SUN, APR 4 (8, 9*, 10:30AM)

PALM SUNDAY
PERSON OF JESUS
MAUNDY THURSDAY
GOOD FRIDAY
EASTER SUNDAY

LIVESTREAM



PLEGGED: \$751,789

RECEIVED: \$710,146

Grace Abounding is Redeemer's campaign to raise funds for repairs and maintenance to the existing facility. Campaign information is available at graceabounding.org.

redeemerwinterhaven.org | (863) 298-9849

Mobile App: redeemerwh.org/app | facebook.com/redeemerwhc