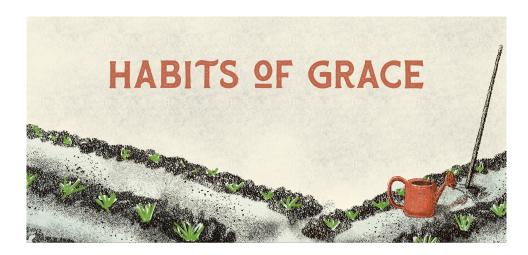


To all who are weary and desire rest, to all who mourn and long for comfort, to all who sin and need a Savior, Redeemer City Church opens wide its doors with a welcome from King Jesus the mighty Friend of sinners, the Ally of his enemies, the Defender of the indefensible.



July 25, 2021 – Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Call to Worship: Psalm 77:13-15; 95:1 We read God's Word, the Bible, together. It reminds us of who God is and what He expects from us.

Leader: Your ways, God, are holy. What god is as great as our God?

ALL: You are the God who performs miracles; you display your power among the peoples. With your mighty arm you redeemed your people.

Leader: Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord;

ALL: Let us shout aloud to the Rock of our Salvation!

Songs 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.

Only A Holy God

Reading of the Law: Isaiah 51:1, 4-8

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.

"Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness, you who seek the LORD: look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug...Give attention to me, my people, and give ear to me, my nation; for a law will go out from me, and I will set my justice for a light to the peoples. My righteousness draws near, my salvation has gone out, and my arms will judge the peoples; the coastlands hope for me, and for my arm they wait. Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and they who dwell in it will die in like manner; but my salvation will be forever, and my righteousness will never be dismayed. "Listen to me, you who know righteousness, the people in whose heart is my law; fear not the reproach of man, nor be dismayed at their revilings. For the moth will eat them up like a garment, and the worm will eat them like wool, but my righteousness will be forever, and my salvation to all generations."

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.

We Are Waiting

Assurance of Pardon: Isaiah 35:1-4

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

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad; the desert shall rejoice and blossom like the crocus; it shall blossom abundantly and rejoice with joy and singing. The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it, the majesty of Carmel and Sharon. They shall see the glory of the LORD, the majesty of our God. Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who have an anxious heart, "Be strong; fear not! Behold, your God will come with vengeance, with the recompense of God. He will come and save you."

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

Nothing But The Blood It Was Finished Upon That Cross

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.

Mark 1:35-39; Luke 12:22-30 (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.

Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah

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.

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.

Proclamation of God's Word

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

35 And rising very early in the morning, while it was still dark, he departed and went out to a desolate place, and there he prayed. 36 And Simon and those who were with him searched for him, 37 and they found him and said to him, "Everyone is looking for you." 38 And he said to them, "Let us go on to the next towns, that I may preach there also, for that is why I came out." 39 And he went throughout all Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out demons.

Pg. 837 (Mark 1:35-39 ESV)

22 And he said to his disciples, "Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat, nor about your body, what you will put on. 23 For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. 24 Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! 25 And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? 26 If then you are not able to do as small a thing as that, why are you anxious about the rest? 27 Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. 28 But if God so clothes the grass, which is alive in the field today, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you, O you of little faith! 29 And do not seek what you are to eat and what you are to drink, nor be worried. 30 For all the nations of the world seek after these things, and your Father knows that you need them.

Pg. 871 (Luke 12:22-30 ESV)

Resources

Nicholas Carr, **The Shallows**John Michael Comer, **The Ruthless Elimination of Hurry**Alan Noble, **Disruptive Witness**Sherry Turkle, **Alone Together**

Discussion Questions

- 1. Have ever thought to connect your anxiety and distractedness to your use of technology? Do you think there might be a connection?
- 2. What are your technology habits? How much time do you spend on your devices every day? Does anything seem out of balance?
- 3. What one change might you engineer with your technology use that would bring you the most personal benefit?

Sermon Series: Habits of Grace

Sermon Title: Technology and the Eremos Life

Date: July 25, 2021

I. BUSY BUT NOT ANXIOUS

"The only person who never suffered from a Messiah complex was the Messiah." - Philip Yancey

II. THINK

"We become what we think." - Nicholas Carr

III. EREMOS HABITS

"We've been duped into calling 'dead space' what is in truth holy ground." – Mark Buchanan

Application: Technology

Announcements

Ladies Night Out: Ladies, please plan to join us Thursday, August 5, from 6-8pm at Montigne Hassett's home (423 Horseshoe LN NE) for a ladies night out. Bring a friend and your favorite dessert or appetizer and we'll provide the drinks. This is a great event to come and catch up with other Redeemer ladies and meet new people. Please help us prepare by providing a quick RSVP: redeemerwh.org/rsvp.

Splash Bash: Our Children's Ministry is happy to announce our annual Splash Bash at **Lake Eva Water Park in Haines City** on **Saturday, August 14, from 9:30-11:30am**. Come out and help us kick-off the school year. We will be reserving the entire park so please invite friends and neighbors to this event.

Men's Workday: Guys, join us for a morning of landscaping work at the church on **Saturday, August 7, from 7-10am**. We'll be pulling weeds, removing some plants, etc. Help us plan by providing a quick RSVP at **redeemerwh.org/workday**. Breakfast will be provided.

Women's Retreat: Ladies, registration is now open our upcoming Women's Retreat on **October 1-3, 2021.** Please visit: **redeemerwh.org/retreat** to register. Our speaker will be Abby Hutto, author of **God for Us**.

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/RCCmusic**.

MISSION FUND

GOAL: \$50,000 **RECEIVED:** \$15,607





PLEDGED: \$751,789 **RECEIVED:** \$727,323

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