



REDEEMER
CITY CHURCH

Isaiah

Comforting the Disturbed | Disturbing the Comfortable

November 14, 2021 – Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Call to Worship: Psalm 135:1-4

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

Leader: Praise the Lord! Praise the name of the Lord, give praise, O servants of the Lord, who stand in the house of the Lord, in the courts of the house of our God!

**ALL: Praise the Lord, for he is good; sing to his name, for it is pleasant!
For the Lord has chosen Jacob for himself, Israel as his own possession.**

Leader: Let us worship God!

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.

All Creatures of Our God and King

Reading of the Law: Psalm 32:1-5

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.

Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit. For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

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.

Psalm 32:1-5

Assurance of Pardon: Psalm 103:8-12

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 LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us."

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

It Was Finished Upon That Cross Graves Into Gardens

Receiving New Members

As was the case for believers in the Old and New Testaments, we are called to publicly confess our faith in the grace of God, to participate in the rituals of entrance into the people of God (circumcision in the Old and baptism in the New), and to acknowledge our membership with His people.

Ben & Alison Shipps (*communing*)

Rhett, Josie, & Eleanor Shipps (*non-communing*)

Sacrament of Baptism

The ritual of baptism is a sign and seal of the grace we have in Jesus. That is, it symbolizes the cleansing all people need before they are acceptable to God (sign), and it marks, tangibly to our senses, how real God's promise is for all who will trust in Him (seal).

Rhett Charles Shipps

Josephine James Shipps

Eleanor Tysor Shipps

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.

Isaiah 63:15-16; 64:1-9 (*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.

O Great God

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.

15 Look down from heaven and see, from your holy and beautiful habitation. Where are your zeal and your might? The stirring of your inner parts and your compassion are held back from me. 16 For you are our Father, though Abraham does not know us, and Israel does not acknowledge us; you, O LORD, are our Father, our Redeemer from of old is your name.

Pg. 623 (Isaiah 63:15-16 ESV)

1 Oh that you would rend the heavens and come down, that the mountains might quake at your presence— 2 as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil— to make your name known to your adversaries, and that the nations might tremble at your presence! 3 When you did awesome things that we did not look for, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. 4 From of old no one has heard or perceived by the ear, no eye has seen a God besides you, who acts for those who wait for him. 5 You meet him who joyfully works righteousness, those who remember you in your ways. Behold, you were angry, and we sinned; in our sins we have been a long time, and shall we be saved? 6 We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a polluted garment. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. 7 There is no one who calls upon your name, who rouses himself to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have made us melt in the hand of our iniquities. 8 But now, O LORD, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. 9 Be not so terribly angry, O LORD, and remember not iniquity forever. Behold, please look, we are all your people.

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Resources

Dane Ortland, *Gentle and Lowly*

Sermon Series: Isaiah

Sermon Title: Disturbance Promised, Comfort Sought

Date: November 14, 2021

I. "OH THAT YOU WOULD _____" (V. 1-3)

How do you fill in that blank when talking to God? How does Israel?

II. MELTING IN SIN'S HANDS (V. 5-7)

Isaiah puts his finger on the core of the problem...God is lovingly furious at sin.

III. A LOOKING FATHER, A COMPASSIONATE POTTER

How does calling God "our Father" comfort? What does God's looking lead to? God's furious love flows from deep emotion!

Announcements

Thanksgiving Service: Please join us **Wednesday, November 24 at 6:30pm** for a brief service as we give thanks to God for who He is and all that He has done. Childcare will be available through pre-k.

Christmas Party: Our Christmas Party will be **Sunday, December 5 at 5pm at the Sizemore's Home (227 Lake Link Rd)**. This event is for adults only. Childcare will be available at the church from 5-7pm.

Men's Retreat: Guys, save the date **(Feb 4-5)** for our Redeemer Men's Retreat. We'll be staying at Dark Hammock Ranch in Lake Placid.

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.

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@redeemervinterhaven.org.

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