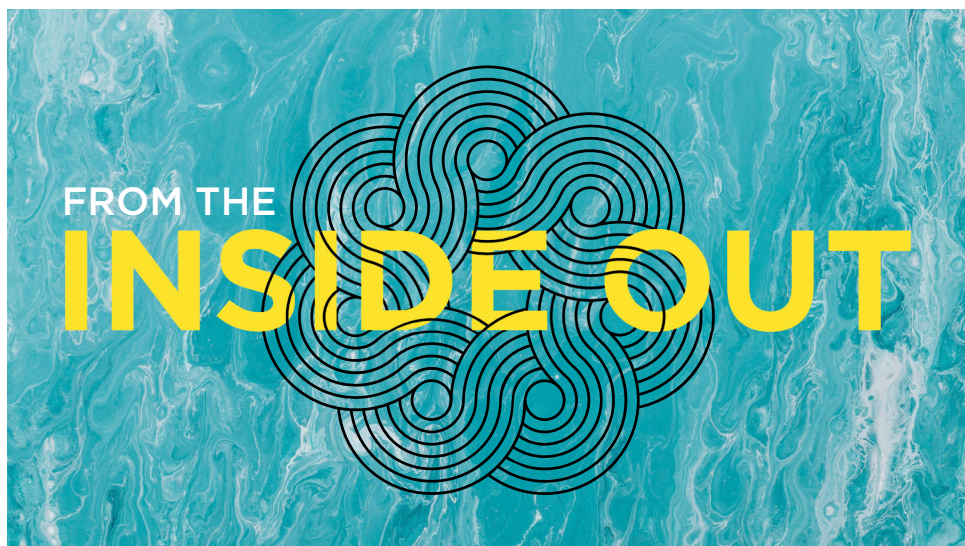




To all who are weary and desire rest, to all who mourn and long for comfort, to all who sin and need a Savior, Redeemer City Church opens wide its doors with a welcome from King Jesus the mighty Friend of sinners, the Ally of his enemies, the Defender of the indefensible.



July 7, 2019 – Fourth 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.

Song of Gathering and Preparation

We prepare our hearts, and bodies for worship by singing about the God we serve.

Come As You Are

Call to Worship: Psalm 46:1-3, 6-7

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

Leader: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Congregation: Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling.

Leader: The nations rage, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts.

Congregation: The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Songs of Adoration

We respond to God's invitation with songs of praise. These songs are designed to draw our attention to the wonder and glory of God.

Amen (Because He Lives)

Reading of the Law: Genesis 4:3-7

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.

In the course of time Cain brought to the Lord an offering of the fruit of the ground, and Abel also brought of the firstborn of his flock and of their fat portions. And the Lord had regard for Abel and his offering, but for Cain and his offering he had no regard. So Cain was very angry, and his face fell. The Lord said to Cain, "Why are you angry, and why has your face fallen? If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin is crouching at the door. Its desire is contrary for you, but you must rule over it."

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).

Assurance of Pardon: Titus 2:11-14

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 the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.

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

His Mercy is More
Broken Vessels

Worship Through Giving

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.

(see insert)

Confession of Faith: Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Sacrament of Communion

The ritual meal of Communion is a sign and seal of the grace we have in Jesus. That is, it symbolizes the work Christ did for our salvation (sign) and communicates the grace and mercy we have been given (seal) as a result of His death and resurrection.

Flesh and Blood

Song of Response

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

All Must Be Well

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.

Proclamation of God's Word: See Below for Pew Bible Page Numbers
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3 His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence, 4 by which he has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire. 5 For this very reason, make every effort to supplement your faith with virtue, and virtue with knowledge, 6 and knowledge with self-control, and self-control with steadfastness, and steadfastness with godliness, 7 and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love. 8 For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they keep you from being ineffective or unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Pg. 1018 (2 Peter 1:3-8 ESV)

28 A man without self-control is like a city broken into and left without walls.

Pg. 547 (Proverbs 25:28 ESV)

32 Whoever is slow to anger is better than the mighty, and he who rules his spirit than he who takes a city.

Pg. 540 (Proverbs 16:32 ESV)

10 The name of the LORD is a strong tower; the righteous man runs into it and is safe. 11 A rich man's wealth is his strong city, and like a high wall in his imagination.

Pg. 541 (Proverbs 18:10-11 ESV)

15 Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, 16 making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. 17 Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. 18 And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit.

Pg. 978 (Ephesians 5:15-18 ESV)

7... For God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control.

Pg. 995 (2 Timothy 1:7 ESV)

Sermon Series: From the Inside Out
Sermon Title: The Beauty of Self-Control
Date: July 7, 2019

I. THE NECESSITY OF SELF-CONTROL

Why is self-control so critical to a life of moral excellence?

II. THE CHALLENGE OF LIVING WITH SELF-CONTROL

Our culture is held captive by urgency, breaking news, and constant connectivity, making self-control elusive.

III. THE POWER FOR SELF-CONTROL

Being fortified internally will lead to self-control externally.

Announcements

Greeting this morning is the **Beatty** Community Group.

Summer Schedule: Remember that **through August 4 we will have only one service at 10am**. We'll resume our normal schedule of two services on August 11.

Women's Bible Study: Women's Summer Book Study on *Even Better Than Eden* by Nancy Guthrie will meet next on **Monday, July 8 in Covenant Hall from 6:30-8:00 pm**. We will be studying Chapter 6 - "The Story of the Sabbath."

REMAINING SCHEDULE

July 8 - The Story of the Sabbath
July 22 - The Story of the Offspring
August 5 - The Story of the Dwelling Place
August 19 - The Story of the City

Marriage Conference: Join us for two nights away on a marriage retreat with video teachings by Pastor, Marriage Counselor, and Author Dr. Paul Tripp. There will be four group sessions, a night out together for dinner and fun, and also a date night. Save the date and begin to secure childcare if needed. The conference will be held **October 4-6 at the Terrace Hotel in downtown Lakeland**. **The price to attend is \$250 per couple**, this does not include food costs. **Space is limited, reserve your spot with a \$50 deposit**. Visit redeemerwh.org/marriage for registration and a conference trailer.

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.

2019 General Fund Summary
Needs to Date: \$289,052
Received to Date: \$297,381



PLEGGED: \$684,532
RECEIVED: \$245,605

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