

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.



October 25, 2020 – Twenty-First 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.

Call to Worship: Based on Isaiah 55

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

Leader: The Lord says, "Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price."

All: Lord, all that you require is that we come thirsty and with empty hands. Help us realize our great thirst and know our great need. You will not turn us away.

Leader: Let us worship God!

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.

O Great God Come Thou Fount (Above All Else)

Reading of the Law: Isaiah 57:15

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.

For thus says the One who is high and lifted up, who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy: "I dwell in the high and holy place, and also with him who is of a contrite and lowly spirit, to revive the spirit of the lowly, and to revive the heart of the contrite.

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: Matthew 11:28-30

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

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

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 Build My Life

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 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.

Galatians 5:22-23; James 1:19-20, 3:13-18 Galatians 6:1-2; 2 Timothy 2:24-26

Song of Response & SendingWe respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace by singing again of His goodness and greatness.

Jesus There's No One Like You

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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22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.

Pg. 975 (Galatians 5:22-23 ESV)

19 Know this, my beloved brothers: let every person be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger; 20 for the anger of man does not produce the righteousness of God...

Pg. 1012 (James 1:19-20 ESV)

13 Who is wise and understanding among you? By his good conduct let him show his works in the meekness of wisdom. 14 But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast and be false to the truth. 15 This is not the wisdom that comes down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic. 16 For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there will be disorder and every vile practice. 17 But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere. 18 And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.

Pg. 1012 (James 3:13-18 ESV)

1 Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted. 2 Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

Pg. 975 (Galatians 6:21-22 ESV)

24 And the Lord's servant must not be quarrelsome but kind to everyone, able to teach, patiently enduring evil, 25 correcting his opponents with gentleness. God may perhaps grant them repentance leading to a knowledge of the truth, 26 and they may come to their senses and escape from the snare of the devil, after being captured by him to do his will.

Pg. 996 (2 Timothy 2:24-26 ESV)

Resources

Dane Ortlund, *Gentle and Lowly*Ken Sande, *Peacemakers*

Sermon Series: Character in Crisis: The Fruit of the Spirit

Sermon Title: Gentleness in a Time of Outrage

Date: October 25, 2020

I. GOD'S GENTLE HEART

We are to be gentle because God is.

II. WISE AND UNDERSTANDING

Gentle does not mean conflict avoidant.

III. PEACEABLE, GENTLE, FULL OF MERCY

Kindness leads to repentance.

IV. THICK SKIN, SOFT HEARTS
The gentleness of God for you can make you gentle.

Announcements

Guys' Hangout: Guys, mark your calendars for our next hangout at Charlie Reynolds' home (2045 W Lake Hamilton Dr.) on **November 14 from 5-8pm**. As always, bring your appetite and some friends. We'll also be giving more details about our upcoming men's retreat which will be **January 29-30**.

Heart for Winter Haven Virtual Banquet: We're excited to be a venue for Heart for Winter Haven's virtual vision banquet. Save the date for **the evening of Thursday, November 12**. More info regarding the time and registration will be available soon.

Through Stained Glass: Check out our new podcast **Through Stained Glass.** The first season is called **How to Disagree Well.** We'll release new episodes on Wednesdays. Visit **redeemerwh.org/podcast** to find the podcast in your favorite podcasting apps or on the RedeemerWH app.

Person of Jesus Study: Join us on **Wednesdays at noon (thru November 4)** for the Person of Jesus Study (POJ). We'll spend 6 weeks walking through the Gospels looking at the compassion of Jesus. **Note:** Due to COVID we will not be providing lunch this semester. Please bring your own lunch (we will provide drinks).

Women's Fall Bible Study (Sermon on the Mount): There are two opportunities to join the Women's Fall Bible Study on *The Sermon on the Mount*.

For addition information or to RSVP for either the Zoom or in-person meeting, please contact either Sally Goodwill (sallyg1110@aol.com or 863.325.5200) or Gigi Savant (gigisavant@gmail.com or 863.258.0268).

Mondays, 6:30-8pm in Covenant Hall following COVID protocols Thursday, 9:30-11am via Zoom

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**.



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