

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.



November 1, 2020 - Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

Call to Worship: Psalm 84:1-4

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

Leader: How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!

All: My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the Lord; my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.

Leader: Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, at your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

All: Blessed are those who dwell in your house, ever singing your praise!

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.

Seek First

Reading of the Law: Isaiah 33:2-6

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.

O LORD, be gracious to us; we wait for you. Be our arm every morning, our salvation in the time of trouble. At the tumultuous noise peoples flee; when you lift yourself up, nations are scattered, and your spoil is gathered as the caterpillar gathers; as locusts leap, it is leapt upon. The LORD is exalted, for he dwells on high; he will fill Zion with justice and righteousness, and he will be the stability of your times, abundance of salvation, wisdom, and knowledge; the fear of the LORD is Zion's treasure.

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: Philippians 3:20; 4:1, 4-5

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

But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ... Therefore, my brothers, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm thus in the Lord, my beloved... Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand

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

In Christ Alone Thank You Jesus

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 kindergarten 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.

Genesis 3:14-15; Psalm 37:1-11

Confession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed
As an expression of our faith in Jesus Christ in solidarity with his people, we declare the substance of what we believe.

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 Pontus 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.

A mercy offering will be collected following the end of the service

Song of Response & Sending

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

Take My Life

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.

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14 The LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you above all livestock and above all beasts of the field; on your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. 15 I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel."

Pg. 3 (Genesis 3:14-15 ESV)

1 Fret not yourself because of evildoers; be not envious of wrongdoers! 2 For they will soon fade like the grass and wither like the green herb. 3 Trust in the LORD, and do good; dwell in the land and befriend faithfulness. 4 Delight yourself in the LORD, and he will give you the desires of your heart. 5 Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him, and he will act. 6 He will bring forth your righteousness as the light, and your justice as the noonday. 7 Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him; fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his way, over the man who carries out evil devices! 8 Refrain from anger, and forsake wrath! Fret not yourself; it tends only to evil. 9 For the evildoers shall be cut off, but those who wait for the LORD shall inherit the land. 10 In just a little while, the wicked will be no more; though you look carefully at his place, he will not be there. 11 But the meek shall inherit the land and delight themselves in abundant peace.

Pg. 466 (Psalm 37:1-11 ESV)

Sermon Series: Citizens in Heaven | Exiles on Earth

Sermon Title: The Coming Serpent-Crusher

Date: November 1, 2020

Notes:

"A continual looking forward to the eternal world is not a form of escapism or wishful thinking, but one of the things Christians must do. It does not mean that we are to leave the present world as it is. If you read history you will find that the Christians who did the most for the present world were just those who thought most of the next. The apostles themselves all left their mark on Earth, precisely because their minds were occupied with Heaven. It is since Christians have largely ceased to think of the other world that they have become so ineffective in this one... Aim at Heaven and you will get earth 'thrown in': aim at earth and you will get neither." — C.S. Lewis

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. Please join us in Covenant Hall **Thursday, November 12, at 6:30pm**.

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.

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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