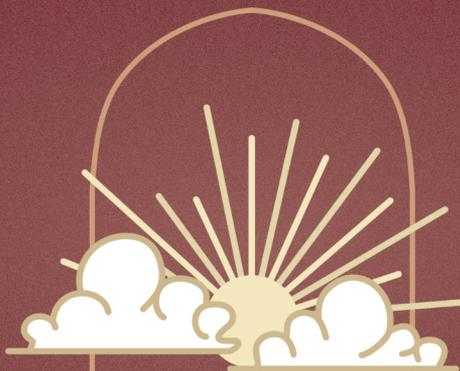




REDEEMER

WINTER HAVEN

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 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.



WE HAVE SEEN HIS GLORY

The Gospel of John

January 25, 2026 – Third Sunday after the Epiphany

Season of the Cross: Green for Ordinary Time

Ordinary time runs between Epiphany and Lent. 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: Psalm 86

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

Leader: Be gracious to me, O Lord, for to you do I cry all the day. Gladden the heart of your servant, for to you, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.

People: There is none like you among the gods, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours. All the nations you have made shall come and worship before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name. For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are 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.

Who Is Like The Lord (Psalm 113)

Reading of the Law: Psalm 86:11-13

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.

11 Teach me your way, O Lord, that I may walk in your truth; unite my heart to fear your name. 12 I give thanks to you, O Lord my God, with my whole heart, and I will glorify your name forever. 13 For great is your steadfast love toward me; you have delivered my soul from the depths of Sheol.

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: Psalm 86:15-17

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

15 But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness. 16 Turn to me and be gracious to me; give your strength to your servant, and save the son of your maidservant. 17 Show me a sign of your favor, that those who hate me may see and be put to shame because you, Lord, have helped me and comforted me.

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

Jesus What A Friend For Sinners
A Thousand Hallelujahs

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.

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.

John 1:35-51

Song of Response & Sending

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

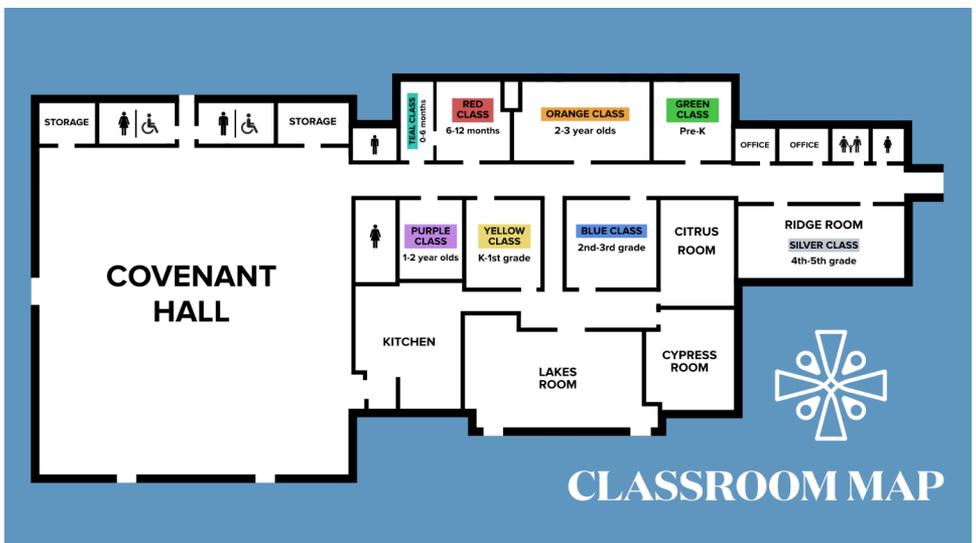
Revelation Song

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

There is a prayer team available following the worship service for anyone in need of prayer.



Be sure to take a look at the map above to familiarize yourself with the new rooms and locations. Our welcome and hospitality area—with coffee and donuts—will now be located in the Lakes Room (opposite Dundee Road). We'll also be opening several new children's classrooms (see the list below). Parents are encouraged to check in your children when you arrive. Check-in stations will be available across campus: two in the Lakes Room, one in Covenant Hall, and one in the hallway. Classes for children age 3 and under will be available for the full duration of the service. For all other ages, there will be a dismissal during the service with clear directions.

- Nursing & Napping (0-6 months) ***New Location***
- Red Class (6-12 months) ***New Location***
- Purple Class (1-2 years) ***New Location***
- Orange Class (2-3 Years)
- Green Class (PreK)
- Yellow Class (K-1st) ***New Location***
- Blue Class (2nd-3rd) ***New Location***
- Silver Class (4th-5th)

Proclamation of God's Word

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

35 The next day again John was standing with two of his disciples, 36 and he looked at Jesus as he walked by and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God!" 37 The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. 38 Jesus turned and saw them following and said to them, "What are you seeking?" And they said to him, "Rabbi" (which means Teacher), "where are you staying?" 39 He said to them, "Come and you will see." So they came and saw where he was staying, and they stayed with him that day, for it was about the tenth hour. 40 One of the two who heard John speak and followed Jesus was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. 41 He first found his own brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which means Christ). 42 He brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, "You are Simon the son of John. You shall be called Cephas" (which means Peter).

43 The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." 44 Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. 45 Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him of whom Moses in the Law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." 46 Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." 47 Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom there is no deceit!" 48 Nathanael said to him, "How do you know me?" Jesus answered him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." 49 Nathanael answered him, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" 50 Jesus answered him, "Because I said to you, 'I saw you under the fig tree,' do you believe? You will see greater things than these." 51 And he said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man."

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Resources

John Mark Comer, *Practicing the Way*

Craig Keener, *The Gospel of John*

Leon Morris, *John*

Eugene Peterson, *The Jesus Way*

Sermon Series: We Have Seen His Glory

Sermon Title: The Rabbi

Date: January 25, 2026

Hook: *What are you seeking? (John 1:38)*

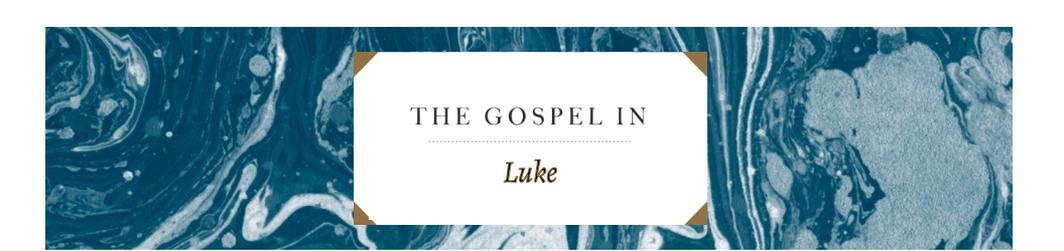
I. JESUS' WAY

*"Jesus is an alternative to the dominate ways of the world, not a supplement to them."
- Eugene Peterson*

II. JESUS THE WAY

"Jesus is the link between heaven and earth, the realms above and below, between God and humanity... Jesus is Jacob's ladder. As Jacob's ladder, he is also Bethel. God's house." - Craig Keener

Take-away: *"Come and see" (John 1:39).*



THE GOSPEL IN

Luke

The Gospel Is Multi-Faceted

Luke informs us from the beginning (1:1–4) that his is not the only Gospel to have been written nor the only Gospel account that could be written (cf. John 21:25). Nevertheless, the church has always recognized the great gift that the third Gospel is to us. There are many beautiful and essential teachings of Jesus and pictures of the gospel that come to us from Luke alone.

While the historical and theological witness of all four Gospels contains many consistent themes, Luke describes for us the gospel and its application in several specific and important ways. At the broadest level we learn from this Gospel account that the gospel is multi-faceted and full-orbed. That is, the gospel is explained and applied as being about our whole lives, physically and spiritually, externally and internally, for now and for the future, in our relationship with God and with others. The gospel is not simply a message about religion and the “religious” portion of our lives. Rather, Luke’s presentation helps us see clearly that the gospel of Jesus is about the comprehensive blessedness of God available to us through Jesus Christ.

At a more specific level Luke retells the stories and teachings of Jesus in a way that consistently emphasizes that the gospel is a matter of the heart, the inner person, not mere external religion. Jesus constantly reveals the heart motivations behind our actions and pushes us toward opening our hearts in humility toward God. As a result, the gospel in Luke is often presented as a call to reevaluate everything in the world according to God’s perspective, not ours. This means valuing humility over prestige, mercy over justice, favor with God over favor with people, and—especially challenging to us—valuing a rich relationship with God over the power of money.

To emphasize this comprehensive understanding of the gospel, Luke uses a variety of complementary images to describe it. The gospel includes the message of peace, the offer of forgiveness of sins through repentance, the promise of inheriting eternal life, the invitation to enter the kingdom of God, and the joy of being with Jesus as a disciple. In all of this, the gospel is good news because it announces the grace and peace that have now come to sinners in Jesus Christ.

From *The Gospel Transformation Bible*,
"The Gospel in Luke"

Announcements

Women's Bible Study: Our Women's Bible Study will be going through the *Person of Jesus, Unit 1: Compassion* book **Thursday mornings from 9:30-11 am** until April 30. Childcare is available. We'd love for you to join us!

Worship and Prayer Night: On **February 25 from 6:30-7:30 pm**, our church will join together to pray for the world and those around us through song and corporate prayer. We hope to see you there!

Men's Paddle Trip: We're returning to the Peace river for a paddle and camping trip on **February 27-28**. We'll launch at Zolfo Springs Pioneer Park, and finish at the Gardner Boat Ramp, approximately 20 miles down river. All ages are welcome. Whether or not you plan to go, please let Richard know (richardwalkermcadams@gmail.com) if you have a canoe or kayak that we can borrow so as many guys as possible can join the fun. To register, please visit redeemerwh.org/menspaddletrip.

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/worship).

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 Ashley Bennett, ashmbennett1013@gmail.com.

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2026 GOAL: \$50,000
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