



REDEEMER

WINTER HAVEN

*"Be still, and know that I am God.
I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth!"*

Psalm 46:10 (ESV)

WELLNESS

BUILDING FOR RESILIENCY

August 16, 2026 – Twelfth 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: Psalm 96:1-4

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

Leader: Oh sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth! Sing to the Lord, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day. Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples!

People: For great is the lord, and greatly to be praised; he is to be feared above all gods."

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: Deuteronomy 10:12-21

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.

10:12 "And now, Israel, what does the Lord your God require of you, but to fear the Lord your God, to walk in all his ways, to love him, to serve the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul, 13 and to keep the commandments and statutes of the Lord, which I am commanding you today for your good? 14 Behold, to the Lord your God belong heaven and the heaven of heavens, the earth with all that is in it. 15 Yet the Lord set his heart in love on your fathers and chose their offspring after them, you above all peoples, as you are this day. 16 Circumcise therefore the foreskin of your heart, and be no longer stubborn. 17 For the Lord your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great, the mighty, and the awesome God, who is not partial and takes no bribe. 18 He executes justice for the fatherless and the widow, and loves the sojourner, giving him food and clothing. 19 Love the sojourner, therefore, for you were sojourners in the land of Egypt. 20 You shall fear the Lord your God. You shall serve him and hold fast to him, and by his name you shall swear. 21 He is your praise. He is your God, who has done for you these great and terrifying things that your eyes have seen.

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.

My Worth is Not in What I Own

Assurance of Pardon: Psalm 130

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

130:1 Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord! 2 O Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy! 3 If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? 4 But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared. 5 I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his word I hope; 6 my soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning. 7 O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption. 8 And he will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

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

In Christ Alone
His Glory and My Good

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.

The Lord's Prayer

Jesus taught this prayer to guide His people in how to pray (Gospel of Matthew 6:9–13). When we pray it together, we address God as our Father, ask for His kingdom to come, depend on Him for daily provision, seek forgiveness, and look to Him for strength to walk in faithfulness.

Proclamation of God's Word

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

Ecclesiastes 12:13-14; Psalm 112:1-3, 7-9; 128:1-4;
Proverbs 1:7; 8:13; 16:6; 14:26-27; 15:33; 28:14

Song of Response & Sending

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

Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me

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.

Sermon Series: Wellness: Building for Resiliency

Sermon Title: Fear of the Lord

Date: August 16, 2026

Hook: *When's the last time you were overwhelmed, but by something good and beautiful, not something scary?*

I. FEAR

"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge" (Proverbs 1:7).

II. BLESSING

"Blessed is everyone who fears the Lord" (Psalm 128:1).

III. GRACE

"...with you there is forgiveness; therefore you are feared" (Psalm 130:4).

Takeaway: *Fear not!*

Proclamation of God's Word

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12:13 The end of the matter; all has been heard. Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the whole duty of man. 14 For God will bring every deed into judgment, with every secret thing, whether good or evil.

Ecclesiastes 12:13 (ESV)

112:1 Praise the Lord! Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who greatly delights in his commandments! 2 His offspring will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed. 3 Wealth and riches are in his house, and his righteousness endures forever... 7 He is not afraid of bad news; his heart is firm, trusting in the Lord. 8 His heart is steady; he will not be afraid, until he looks in triumph on his adversaries. 9 He has distributed freely; he has given to the poor; his righteousness endures forever; his horn is exalted in honor.

128:1 Blessed is everyone who fears the Lord, who walks in his ways! 2 You shall eat the fruit of the labor of your hands; you shall be blessed, and it shall be well with you. 3 Your wife will be like a fruitful vine within your house; your children will be like olive shoots around your table. 4 Behold, thus shall the man be blessed who fears the Lord.

Psalms 121:1-3, 7-9; 128:1-4 (ESV)

1:7 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge; fools despise wisdom and instruction.

8:13 The fear of the Lord is hatred of evil. Pride and arrogance and the way of evil and perverted speech I hate.

16:6 By steadfast love and faithfulness iniquity is atoned for, and by the fear of the Lord one turns away from evil.

14:26 In the fear of the Lord one has strong confidence, and his children will have a refuge. 27 The fear of the Lord is a fountain of life, that one may turn away from the snares of death.

15:33 The fear of the Lord is instruction in wisdom, and humility comes before honor.

28:14 Blessed is the one who fears the Lord always, but whoever hardens his heart will fall into calamity.

Proverbs 1:7; 8:13; 16:6; 14:26-27; 15:33; 28:14 (ESV)

Discussion Questions

1. When you hear the phrase "fear of the Lord," what do you instinctively think or feel? How do the passages from Proverbs help clarify what biblical fear is—and what it is not?
2. Why do you think the fear of God is presented as the conclusion to wisdom and the foundation for living well? Think of the solar system analogy in the sermon. What are you most tempted to put at the "center" of your life, where God alone should be?
3. Psalm 112 and Psalm 128 describe the person who fears the Lord as blessed, steady, generous, and secure. What blessings are connected to fearing the Lord in these psalms?
4. How does God's grace and forgiveness deepen—not lessen—our reverence for him? Why is grace essential if we are going to fear God rightly?
5. How does fearing the Lord free us from other fears—fear of people, fear of the future, fear of judgment, or fear of not having enough? Where do you need to practice fearing God more than fearing something else this week?

Resources

Jerry Bridges, ***The Joy of Fearing God***

John Piper, ***Seeing and Savoring Jesus***

Michael Reeves, ***Rejoice & Tremble***

Announcements

BUILD: BUILD is a time to gather as a church family, share a meal, and get trained in our gospel tools. **We will meet on Wednesday nights August 19 through September 9.** Dinner begins at 5:30pm, classes begin at 6:30pm.

- 0-3 yrs | Childcare
- Infants-PreK | Catechism
- K-5th Grade | Catechism
- Youth | Youth Group
- Adults | Redeemer's Gospel Tools

Campaign Launch: Our *Growing Deep for Greater Reach* campaign launches **next Sunday, August 23.** Visit redeemerwinterhaven.org/campaign for full details.

Membership Course: Redeemer's membership course is divided into five parts, corresponding to the parts of our theological vision – Gospel, City, Movement – our distinctives, and membership vows. The classes will be **Sundays after church from 11:45am- 1:00pm (Aug 16, Sep 20, Oct 18, Nov 15, Dec 20) in the Cypress Room.** Lunch will be provided, as well as childcare if needed. Contact the office for membership class booklets. redeemerwh.org/membership

Hearing Assistance: If you are in need of hearing assistance during the service, please join our "Redeemer Guest" Wifi and download the Listen Wifi App at redeemerwh.org/listen.

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 | Mandate

Sending leaders for a Gospel Movement in the City

Our Values | Motives

Gospel centrality | *calling sinners and the "righteous" to repentance*

Gracious community | *making Redeemer a safe place for sinners*

Earnest spirituality | *grace is opposed to earning but not effort*

Institutional integrity | *building trust for formative belonging through excellence*

Side-by-side ministry | *equipping the saints for the works of ministry*

Sending capacity | *growing through multiplication*

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2026 GOAL: \$50,000

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