

Welcome

Welcome to Redeemer Presbyterian Church! We are glad that you have joined with us to worship God. Please stay after the service and get to know others in our community who are calling Redeemer Presbyterian Church "home." If you have any questions about our church, feel free to contact us using the information on the back of the bulletin.

When you arrive for worship, please observe silence as you prepare to enter into God's Divine Service. Silence your cell phone, listen to the prelude, read the Words of Preparation and the Scripture lessons in the back of the bulletin, and join others in prayer and meditation.

Our Worship

Our service is intentionally structured to reflect our belief that worship is God's service to us, his people. By design, there are three parts to our worship: the Service of Entrance, the Service of the Word, and the Service of the Table.

The **Service of Entrance** begins when the choir sings the Introit, followed by our Hymn of Invocation, Call to Worship, and Prayer of Adoration. We will then join in a Corporate Confession of Sin, hear God's Declaration of Absolution, and respond with the Gloria and Hymn of Gratitude or Psalm.

The Service of the Word will include readings from the Lectionary (a calendar-based system for reading through the Bible) along with corporate responses of song and prayer. The sermon is God's Word to us and we ask that you listen attentively, asking the Holy Spirit to apply his Word to you in a particular way.

The Service of the Table begins with a Corporate Confession of Faith, followed by the Passing of the Peace, and the Collection of Tithes and Offerings. Our service concludes with the Lord's Supper and Benediction. Our church partakes of the Lord's Supper every week. We welcome to the table all baptized Christians who are trusting in Christ alone for their salvation, have made public profession of their faith, and are part of a local church. We offer both wine and grape juice (located in the center rings) in the communion tray. If you have any questions, please speak with a pastor.

Your Children

We love kids! And we try to make them feel welcome during our worship service. You can help your children profit from the service by working through the bulletin with them. If your child needs a break from the service, please feel free to sit in the Narthex where you can still hear the service. You can also take young children to the Nursery. A private space is provided in the Nursery for nursing mothers.

Between Services

Please join us in the courtyard for a time of fellowship with coffee and breakfast snacks. At 10:15 a.m., we offer School of Discipleship classes for all ages in Calvin Hall, with nursery through kindergarten downstairs, and first grade through adults meeting on the second floor.

Liturgical Color: White – symbolizes the brightness of day, divinity, purity, and victory.

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THE DIVINE SERVICE

February 11, 2024

The Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

The Transfiguration of Our Lord

In Preparation

Please observe silence as you read, pray, and meditate.

PRELUDE Stephen Burnaman

Ciacona in C – Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)

WORDS OF PREPARATION

2 Kings 2:1-12

Now when the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. And Elijah said to Elisha, "Please stay here, for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. And the sons of the prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take away your master from over you?" And he said, "Yes, I know it; keep quiet."

Elijah said to him, "Elisha, please stay here, for the Lord has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. The sons of the prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take away your master from over you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know it; keep quiet."

Then Elijah said to him, "Please stay here, for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the sons of the prophets also went and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his cloak and rolled it up and struck the water, and the water was parted to the one side and to the other, till the two of them could go over on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Ask what I shall do for you, before I am taken from you." And Elisha said, "Please let there be a double portion of your spirit on me." And he said, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it shall be so for you, but if you do not see me, it shall not be so." And as they still went on and talked, behold, chariots of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them. And Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven. And Elisha saw it and he cried, "My father, my father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" And he saw him no more.

Then he took hold of his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, in the glorious transfiguration of your only-begotten Son you once confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the testimony of the ancient fathers, and in the voice that came from the bright cloud you wondrously foreshowed our adoption by grace. Therefore mercifully make us coheirs with our King of his glory, and bring us to the fullness of our inheritance in heaven; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The Service of Entrance

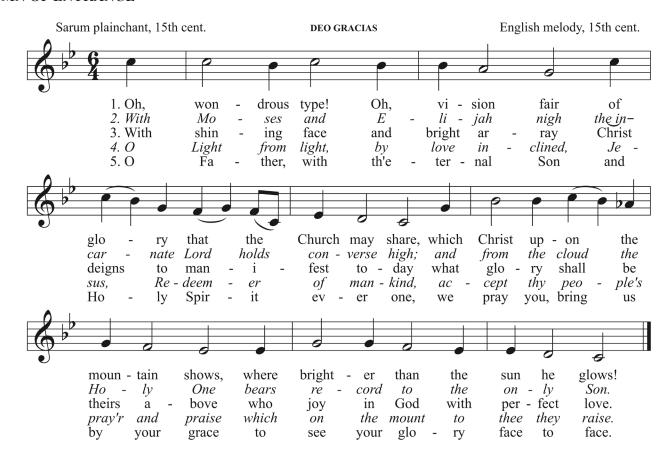


CHORAL INTROIT

Oh, Wondrous Type! Oh, Vision Fair

Oh, wondrous type! Oh, vision fair of glory that the Church may share, Which Christ upon the mountain shows, where brighter than the sun he glows! Alleluia!

HYMN OF ENTRANCE



Minister: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;

People: Those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has the light shone.

Minister: You have multiplied the nation; you have increased its joy;

People: They rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest.

Minister: In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

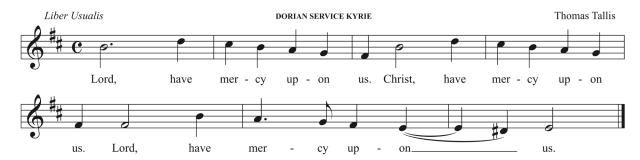
People: Amen.

Minister: Let us pray.

PRAYER OF ADORATION

... world without end. Amen.

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN



Minister: Hear what the LORD our God says, "You shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for

yourself a carved image. You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain. Observe the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Honor your father and your mother. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet."

Minister: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

People: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what

we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and

walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

DECLARATION OF ABSOLUTION

Minister: Hear the Word of the Gospel: "Christ has died for our sins and been raised for our justification." All you

who repent of your sin and trust in the Lord Jesus Christ for your salvation, rejoice and be glad and give glory to the Lord who has taken away all of your sins in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Minister: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: the Maker of heaven and earth.

Minister: O Lord, open our lips,

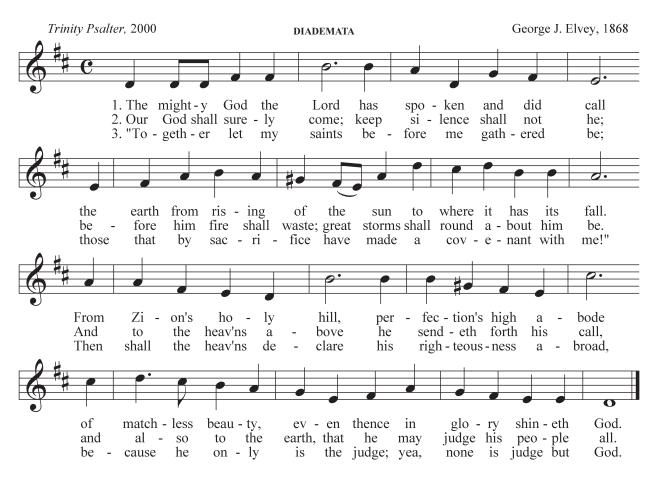
People: and our mouth will declare your praise.

* THE GLORIA



The Service of the Word

❖ THE PSALTER
Psalm 50:1-6



THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Exodus 34:29-35

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

CHORAL ANTHEM Youth Choir

Christ upon the Mountain Stands – Robert Lehman (1960-)

Christ upon the mountain stands Vision of the Father's blessing Blazing forth to all the lands, Saints and angels now professing, Alleluia!

Law and prophets have their place, In the cloud of wondrous glory Chosen witnesses of grace, There to see and tell the story. Alleluia!

God, in majesty, descends, Then proclaims to all before him, This is my beloved Son! Nations, come now and adore him. Alleluia!

Faithful hearts we lift on high. Joyful strains our voices raising For this vision's mystery, Songs of wonder, hymns of praising. Alleluia!

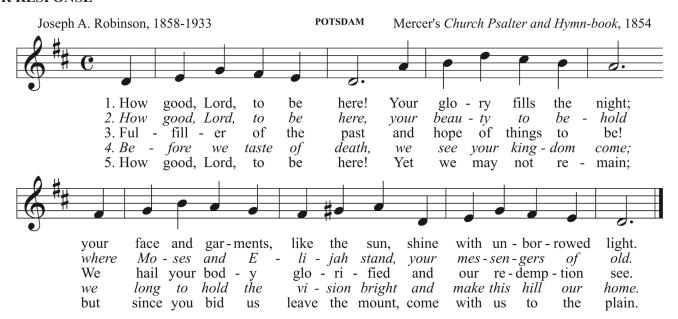
(Mark Schweizer)

THE FIRST GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 9:2-9

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord. **People: Praise be to you, O Christ!**

OUR RESPONSE



WELCOME

At this time, please sign and pass the attendance pads down the row.

INTERLUDE

PRAYER OF SUPPLICATION AND THANKSGIVING

Ruling Elder Gerson Brisola

Unison: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on

earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil: for thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

***** THE SECOND GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 4:1-20

Minister: This is the Gospel of the Lord. **People: Praise be to you, O Christ!**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

MORNING SERMON Rev. Eric Landry

The Parable of the Sower
Mark 4:1-20

The Service of the Table

***** CORPORATE CONFESSION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

Unison: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, 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 sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead;

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Minister: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you!

Minister: Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

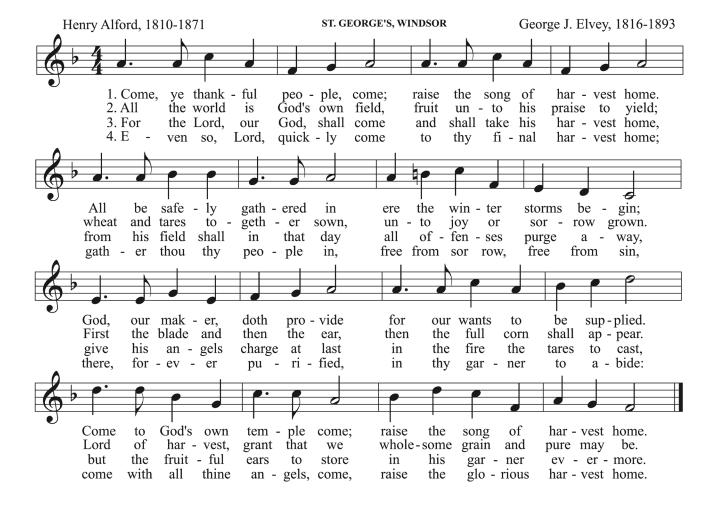
Members of the congregation greet one another with a sign of friendship such as the ancient words that the church has used over the centuries, "The peace of Christ be with you," and the response, "And also with you."

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

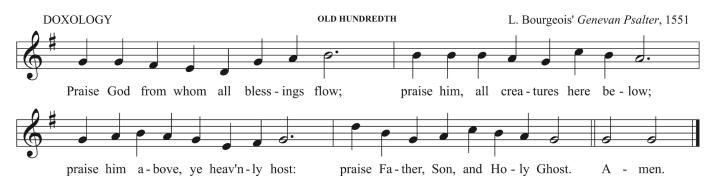
Minister: The earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof;

People: the world, and they that dwell therein.

HYMN OF GRATITUDE TO GOD



❖ Minister: Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendor, and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.



PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Minister: We love you, O Lord, our rock and our redeemer. We present you with these gifts, which came first from

your hand, as part of our sacrifice of praise. Use them, O God, for your glory and our good. In the name

of Jesus, we pray.

People: Amen.

❖ THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Minister: The Lord be with you! **People:** And also with you!

Lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

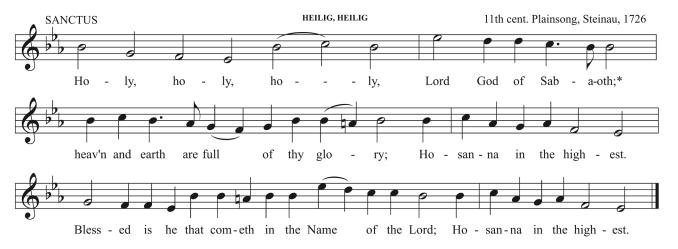
Minister: Let us give thanks to our Lord God!

People: It is good and right to do so!

Minister: It is very good and right that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to you, O Holy Lord,

Father Almighty, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. And now we do praise you who sent your only begotten Son, and that in him, being found in fashion as a man, you did reveal the fullness of your glory. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we praise and

magnify your glorious name, evermore praising you and singing:



^{*} One of the many biblical names for God; in this case the Lord God of hosts or angelic armies.

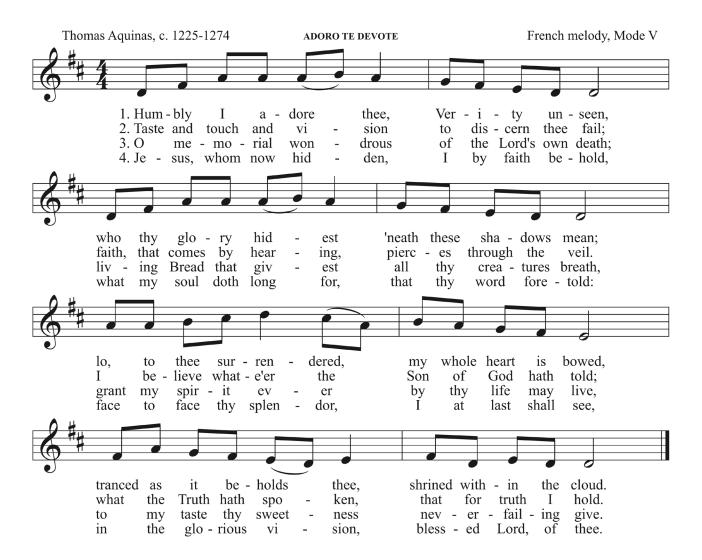
Pronounced "Sah-bah-oat"

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

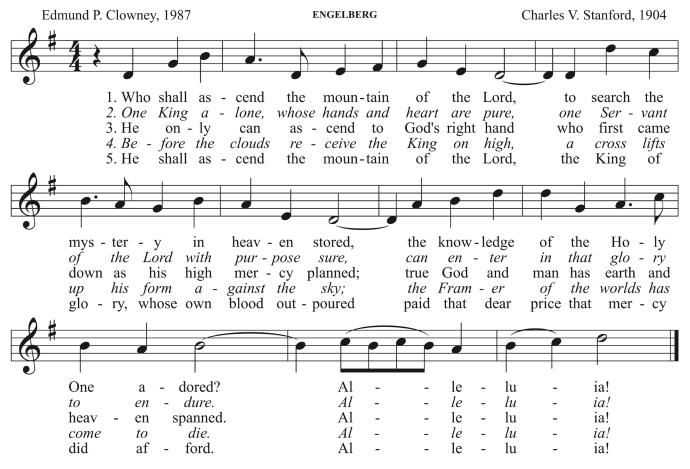
THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

The Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." (1 Cor. 11:23-24)



THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." (1 Cor. 11:25)



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***** BENEDICTION

❖ DEPARTING HYMN Nunc Dimittis



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LESSONS

Psalm 50:1-6

The Lord, even the most mighty God, has spoken

and called the world, from the rising of the sun to the going down thereof.

Out of Zion, perfect in her beauty,

has God shone forth in glory.

Our God shall come and shall not keep silence;

there shall go before him a consuming fire, and a mighty tempest shall be stirred up round about him.

He shall call to the heavens above,

and to the earth beneath, that he may judge his people:

"Gather my faithful together unto me,

those who have made a covenant with me by sacrifice."

And the heavens shall declare his righteousness,

for God himself is Judge.

Exodus 34:29-35

When Moses came down from Mount Sinai, with the two tablets of the testimony in his hand as he came down from the mountain, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. Aaron and all the people of Israel saw Moses, and behold, the skin of his face shone, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them, and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses talked with them. Afterward all the people of Israel came near, and he commanded them all that the Lord had spoken with him in Mount Sinai. And when Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil over his face.

Whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he would remove the veil, until he came out. And when he came out and told the people of Israel what he was commanded, the people of Israel would see the face of Moses, that the skin of Moses' face was shining. And Moses would put the veil over his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

Mark 9:2-9

Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became radiant, intensely white, as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, and they were talking with Jesus. And Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah." For he did not know what to say, for they were terrified. And a cloud overshadowed them, and a voice came out of the cloud, "This is my beloved Son; listen to him." And suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone with them but Jesus only.

And as they were coming down the mountain, he charged them to tell no one what they had seen, until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

Sermon Lesson—Mark 4:1-20

¹Again he began to teach beside the sea. And a very large crowd gathered about him, so that he got into a boat and sat in it on the sea, and the whole crowd was beside the sea on the land. ²And he was teaching them many things in parables, and in his teaching he said to them: ³"Listen! Behold, a sower went out to sow. ⁴And as he sowed, some seed fell along the path, and the birds came and devoured it. ⁵Other seed fell on rocky ground, where it did not have much soil, and immediately it sprang up, since it had no depth of soil. ⁶And when the sun rose, it was scorched, and since it had no root, it withered away. ⁷Other seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked it, and it yielded no grain. ⁸And other seeds fell into good soil and produced grain, growing up and increasing and yielding thirtyfold and sixtyfold and a hundredfold." ⁹And he said, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

¹⁰And when he was alone, those around him with the twelve asked him about the parables. ¹¹And he said to them, "To you has been given the secret of the kingdom of God, but for those outside everything is in parables, ¹²so that

"they may indeed see but not perceive, and may indeed hear but not understand, lest they should turn and be forgiven."

¹³And he said to them, "Do you not understand this parable? How then will you understand all the parables? ¹⁴The sower sows the word. ¹⁵And these are the ones along the path, where the word is sown: when they hear, Satan immediately comes and takes away the word that is sown in them. ¹⁶And these are the ones sown on rocky ground: the ones who, when they hear the word, immediately receive it with joy. ¹⁷And they have no root in themselves, but endure for a while; then, when tribulation or persecution arises on account of the word, immediately they fall away. ¹⁸And others are the ones sown among thorns. They are those who hear the word, ¹⁹but the cares of the world and the deceitfulness of riches and the desires for other things enter in and choke the word, and it proves unfruitful. ²⁰But those that were sown on the good soil are the ones who hear the word and accept it and bear fruit, thirtyfold and sixtyfold and a hundredfold."

Redeemer Calendar

TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY

| Sun, Feb 11 | 8:45 & 11:15 a.m. | The Divine Service, Rev. Eric Landry preaching |
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| | 10:15 a.m. | School of Discipleship, classes for all ages in Calvin Hall |
| | 6:00 p.m. | Evening at Redeemer, Adult Study, Youth Group, Children's Choirs, nursery care |
| Mon, Feb 12 | 7:00 p.m. | Women's Bible Study, (via Zoom) study of Hebrews, contact Tami White |
| Wed, Feb 14 | 7:00 p.m. | Lenten Service, Covenant Hall, nursery care provided |
| Feb 14-Mar | 24 — | Forty Days for Life, visit centraltexascoalition.com for sign-up information |
| Thu, Feb 15 | 9:30 a.m. | Redeemer Theological Academy, Room 208, contact Marcus Serven |
| Fri, Feb 16 | 6:00 p.m. | Smoke 'N Choke, Ahrens home, men and women welcome, contact Rick Mealer |
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| | | FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT |
| Sun, Feb 18 | 8:45 & 11:15 a.m. | The Divine Service, Rev. Dr. Marcus Serven preaching |
| | 10:15 a.m. | School of Discipleship, classes for all ages in Calvin Hall |
| | 6:00 p.m. | Evening at Redeemer, Adult Study, Youth Group, Children's Choirs, nursery care |
| Mon, Feb 19 | 7:00 p.m. | Women's Bible Study, (via Zoom) study of Hebrews, contact Tami White |
| Thu, Feb 22 | 9:30 a.m. | Redeemer Theological Academy, Room 208, contact Marcus Serven |
| | 10:00 a.m. | Journey of Motherhood, child care provided, contact Alaina Torrey |
| Feb 23-25 | _ | Ranchopalooza, retreat for high school youth, contact Nate Esbenshade |
| Sat, Feb 24 | 8:00 a.m. | Ladies Pray for One Another Breakfast, La Madeleine in Sunset Hills |
| Sun, Mar 3 | _ | Congregational Meeting, after each service, election of new officers (details below) |
| Fri, Mar 8 | 7:00 p.m. | Ladies Night, home of Zoie Duncan |
| Fri, Mar 8 | 7:30 p.m. | AoA Presents: Holbrook Organ Series, Thomas Kientz, organist |
| Sat, Mar 9 | 1:00 p.m. | Redeemer Game Day, Calvin Hall classrooms, contact Kyle Bruner |
| Sun, Mar 10 | _ | Daylight Saving Time begins, set clocks ahead one hour |
| Mar 10 & 17 | _ | No School of Discipleship or Evening at Redeemer, spring break |

Lenten Service: February 14

On Wednesday, February 14, join us as we gather at 7 p.m. for a special service to mark the beginning of the season of Lent in prayer and song. The liturgy includes a setting of Psalm 51 with chant and choral anthem, a corporate litany of confession, and a sermon from Pastor Jon Herr on Matthew 6.

"Return to the LORD your God, for he is gracious and merciful...." Joel 2:13

Congregational Meeting: March 3

The session has announced that four men have gone through the process of nomination, training, and examination, and have been approved to stand for election as officers of Redeemer Presbyterian Church. There are two candidates for deacon: Kelly Baker and Aaron Rhinehart; and two candidates for ruling elder: Rick Mealer and Andrew Waller. On Sunday, March 3, we will hold a brief congregational meeting after each service, when members will vote on these men to serve as officers. Pick up a booklet on the narthex counter or visit our website to learn more. https://redeemerpres.org/officer-elections-march-3/

For Your Calendar

Mark your calendar for these upcoming events and watch for registration links to come soon!

April 5-6

Parenting Conference: Setting Parents Free

Speaker: Dr. John Cox

Friday evening and Saturday morning

June 3-6

Redeemer Arts Camp

Monday through Thursday for four years through completed fourth grade

Missions Spotlight: Austin Faith & Work

Last weekend, Redeemer hosted a well-attended conference led by the Austin Center for Faith & Work. During the month of February, we will be praying for their continuing ministry in our community. Scan for details!



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