

# 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 Presbyteri-an Church "home." If you have any questions about our church, feel free to contact us using the infor-mation 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 Dec-laration 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 chil-dren 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 purity of the newborn Christ and our light and joy in him.

# THE DIVINE SERVICE

January 12, 2025

The First Sunday after the Epiphany

# The Baptism of Our Lord

# In Preparation



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

PRELUDE Leon Couch

Conditor alme siderum — Jehan Titelouze (c. 1562-1644)

O Lord of light, who made the stars, O Dawn, by whom we see the way,

O Christ, redeemer of the world; come now and listen as we pray!

In lowliness you came on earth to rescue us from Satan's snares;

O wondrous love that healed our wounds, by taking on our mortal cares!

Fantasia on "Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern," BuxWV 223 — Dieterich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

How lovely shines the Morning Star! The nations see and hail afar the light in Judah shining; Thou David's son of Jacob's race, my bridegroom and my King of grace, for thee my heart is pining. Lowly, holy, great and glorious, thou victorious Prince of graces, filling all the heavenly places.

O highest joy by mortals won, true Son of God and Mary's Son, thou high-born King of ages! Thou art my heart's most beauteous Flower, and thy blest gospel's saving power, my rapture soul engages. Thou mine, I thine; sing Hosanna! Heavenly manna tasting, eating, hilst thy love in songs repeating

### WORDS OF PREPARATION

Luke 3:15-22

As the people were in expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Christ, John answered them all, saying, "I baptize you with water, but he who is mightier than I is coming, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." So with many other exhortations he preached good news to the people. But Herod the tetrarch, who had been reproved by him for Herodias, his brother's wife, and for all the evil things that Herod had done, added this to them all, that he locked up John in prison. Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened, and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

### **COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Father in heaven, at the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized in his name faithful in their calling as your children and inheritors with him of everlasting life; through the same 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**

*The Glory of the Father* — Egil Hovland (1924-2013)

The Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, We beheld the glory of the Father, full of grace and truth. (from John 1)

#### HYMN OF ENTRANCE



Minister: In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

People: And Word became flesh, and dwelt among us.

Minister: And we have seen his glory.

People: Glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.

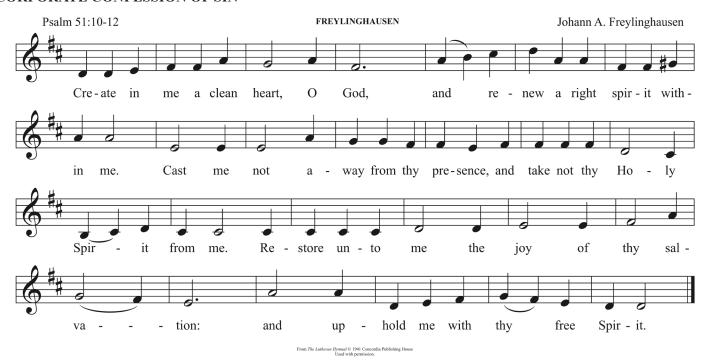
Minister: In the name of Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**People:** Amen.
Minister: Let us pray.

#### PRAYER OF ADORATION

... world without end. Amen.

# **CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN**



Minister: Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says, "Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets;

I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven."

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.

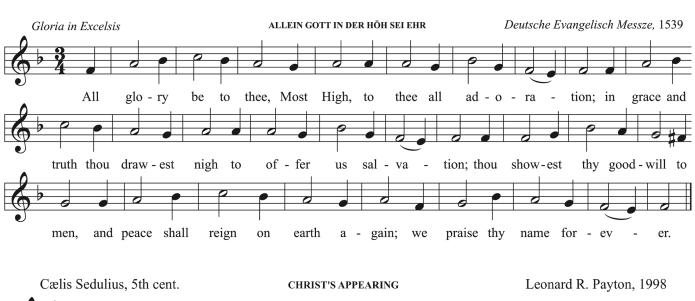
People: Amen.

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 AND HYMN OF GRATITUDE





# The Service of the Word

Romans 6:1-11

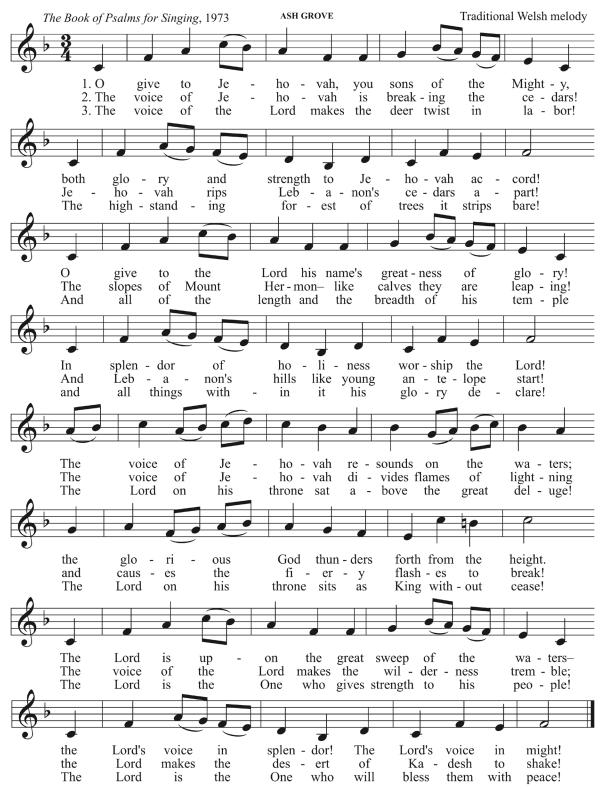
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# THE EPISTLE LESSON

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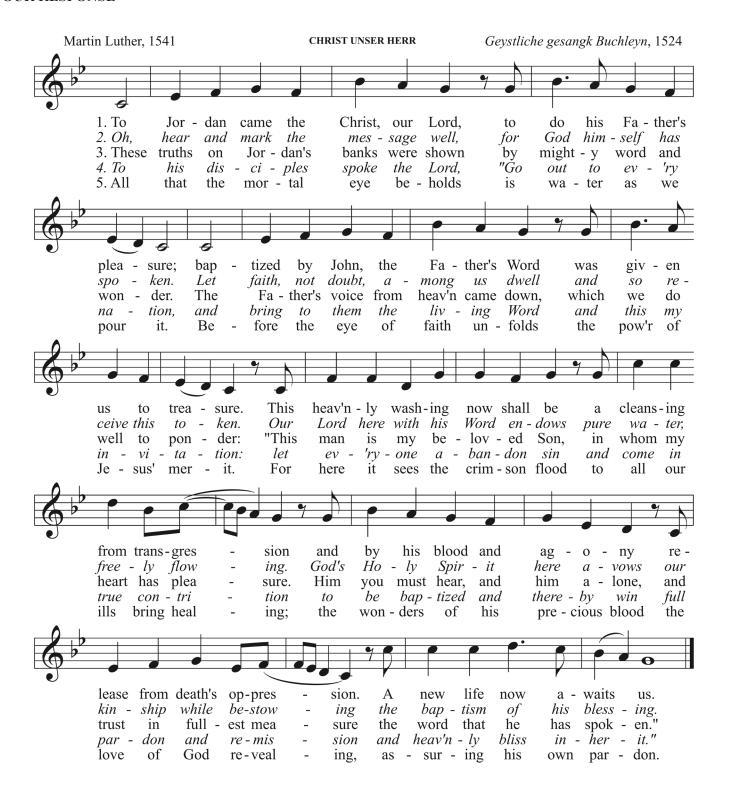
**People: Thanks be to God!** 

# ♦ THE PSALTER Psalm 29



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

#### **\* OUR RESPONSE**



#### **WELCOME**

#### CHORAL PRAYER

Cantique de Jean Racine — Gabriel Fauré (1845-1924)

O Redeemer divine, our sole hope of salvation, Eternal Light of the earth and the sky, On this thy holy day, we kneel in adoration. O Savior, turn on us thy loving eye!

Send down on us the fire of thy grace all-consuming, Whose wondrous might dispersed the powers of hell, And rouse our slumbering souls with radiance all-illumining, That they may waken thy mercy to tell!

O Christ, bestow thy blessing unto us, we implore thee, Who here are gathered on penitent knee.

Accept the hymns we chant to thine everlasting glory

And these thy gifts we return unto thee!

(paraphrase of a Latin hymn by Jean Racine)

#### PRAYER OF SUPPLICATION AND THANKSGIVING

Ruling Elder Barry McBee

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.

#### **INTERLUDE**

# THE SECOND GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 6:1-13

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

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

MORNING SERMON Rev. Eric Landry

"The Son of Mary"
Mark 6:1-13



# **\*** 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.

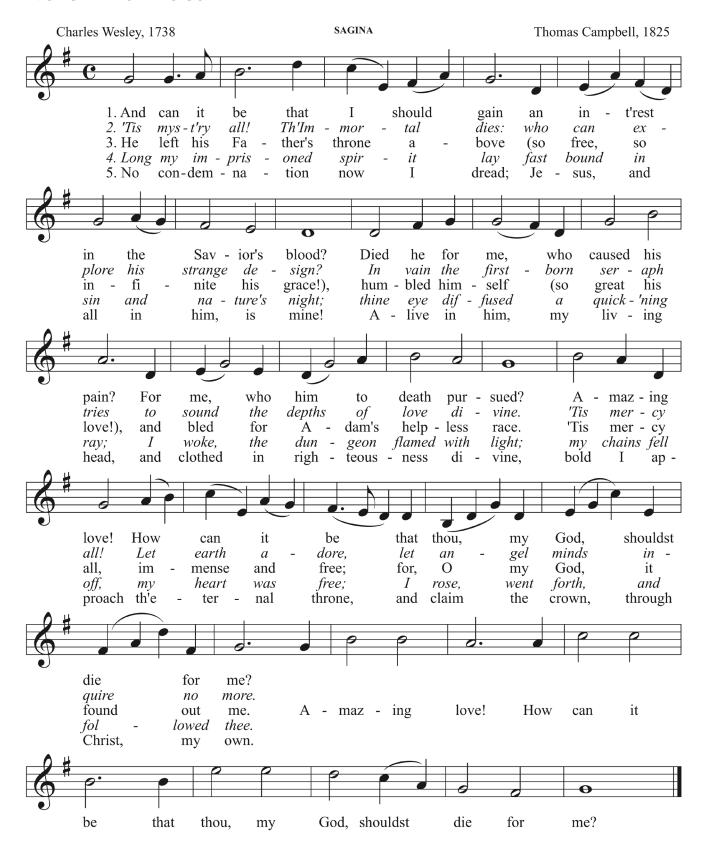
Members of the congregation greet one another with a sign of friendship such as the ancient words that the church has used over the centuries, "The peace of Christ be with you," and the response, "And also with you."

#### TITHES AND OFFERINGS

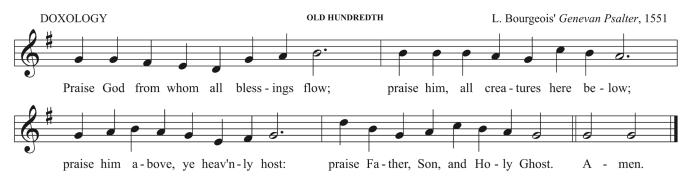
Minister: The earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof;

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: Our gracious God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, giver of all good gifts, receive these offerings

as our worship properly given to you for the glory due your name. Use them to strengthen your church,

expand your kingdom, and show mercy to our neighbors. In the name of your Son 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!

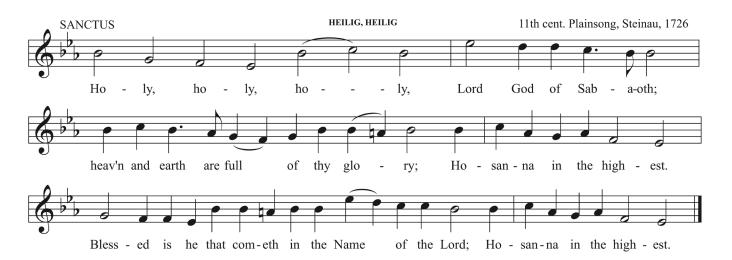
Minister: Let us give thanks to our Lord God!

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:

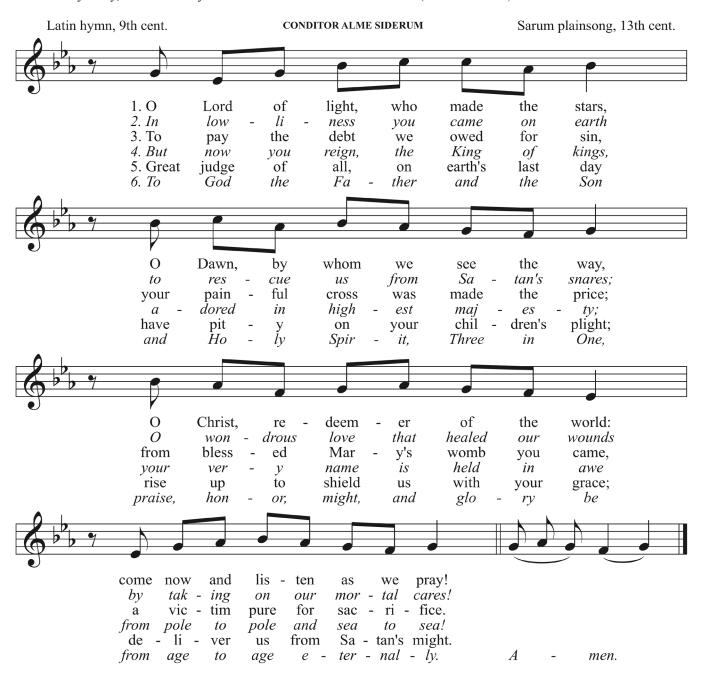


# INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

# PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

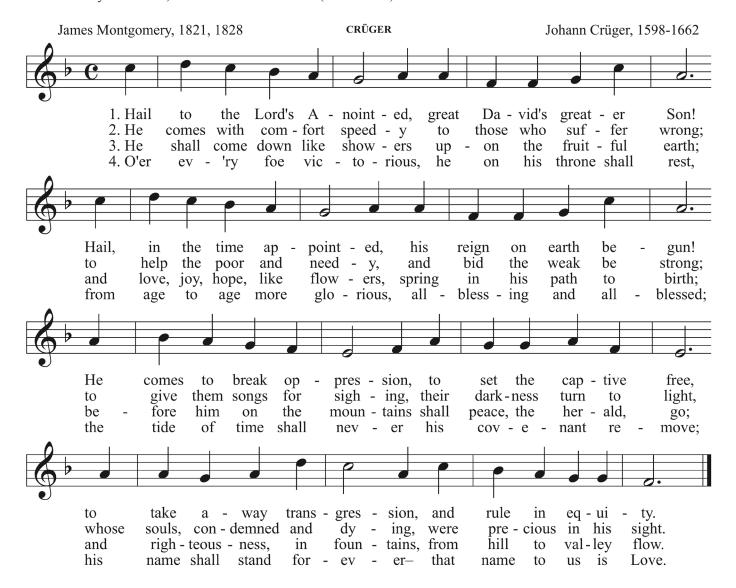
# THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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)



# **\*** BENEDICTION

# ❖ **DEPARTING HYMN**Nunc Dimittis



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# **LESSONS**

#### Psalm 29

<sup>1</sup>Ascribe unto the Lord, O you mighty,

ascribe unto the Lord worship and strength.

<sup>2</sup>Give the Lord the honor due unto his Name;

worship the Lord with holy worship.

<sup>3</sup>It is the Lord that commands the waters;

it is the glorious God that makes the thunder.

It is the Lord that rules the sea; 4the voice of the Lord is mighty in its working;

the voice of the Lord is a glorious voice.

<sup>5</sup>The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees:

indeed, the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon.

<sup>6</sup>He makes them also to skip like a calf,

Lebanon also, and Sirion, like a young ox.

<sup>7</sup>The voice of the Lord divides the flames of fire; <sup>8</sup>the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; indeed, the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

<sup>9</sup>The voice of the Lord makes the deer to bring forth young, and strips the forests bare;

in his temple all cry, "Glory."

<sup>10</sup>The Lord sits above the floodwaters,

and the Lord remains King for ever.

<sup>11</sup>The Lord shall give strength to his people;

the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

# Romans 6:1-11

¹What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? ²By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? ³Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. ⁵For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁵For one who has died has been set free from sin. ⁶Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁶We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹oFor the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. ¹¹So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

# Luke 3:15-22

<sup>15</sup>As the people were in expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Christ, <sup>16</sup>John answered them all, saying, "I baptize you with water, but he who is mightier than I is coming, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. <sup>17</sup>His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." <sup>18</sup>So with many other exhortations he preached good news to the people. <sup>19</sup>But Herod the tetrarch, who had been reproved by him for Herodias, his brother's wife, and for all the evil things that Herod had done, <sup>20</sup>added this to them all, that he locked up John in prison. <sup>21</sup>Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened, <sup>22</sup>and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

# Sermon Text — Mark 6:1-13

<sup>1</sup>He [Jesus] went away from there and came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. <sup>2</sup>And on the Sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astonished, saying, "Where did this man get these things? What is the wisdom given to him? How are such mighty works done by his hands? <sup>3</sup>Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon? And are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. <sup>4</sup>And Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor, except in his hometown and among his relatives and in his own household." <sup>5</sup>And he could do no mighty work there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and healed them. <sup>6</sup>And he marveled because of their unbelief. And he went about among the villages teaching. <sup>7</sup>And he called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. <sup>8</sup>He charged them to take nothing for their journey except a staff—no bread, no bag, no money in their belts— <sup>9</sup>but to wear sandals and not put on two tunics. <sup>10</sup>And he said to them, "Whenever you enter a house, stay there until you depart from there. <sup>11</sup>And if any place will not receive you and they will not listen to you, when you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." <sup>12</sup>So they went out and proclaimed that people should repent. <sup>13</sup>And they cast out many demons and anointed with oil many who were sick and healed them.



#### FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

8:45 & 11:15 a.m.	The Divine Service, Rev. Eric Landry preaching
10:15 a.m.	School of Discipleship, Classses for all ages in Calvin Hall
6:00 p.m.	<b>Evening at Redeemer,</b> Adult Study, Youth Group, Children's Choirs, with nursery care available
9:30 a.m.	Redeemer Theological Academy, Contact Marcus Serven
10:00 a.m.	Journey of Motherhood, Library, child care provided
7:30 p.m	AoA Presents: Holbrook Organ Series, artsonalexander.org
	SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
8:45 & 11:15 a.m.	The Divine Service, Rev. Jon Herr preaching
10:15 a.m.	School of Discipleship, Classses for all ages in Calvin Hall
12:30 p.m.	Newcomers Lunch, Contact Pastor Danny
6:00 p.m.	Evening at Redeemer, Adult Study, Youth Group, Children's Choirs, with
	nursery care available
9:30 a.m.	Redeemer Theological Academy, Contact Marcus Serven
8:00 a.m.	Women's Pray for One Another Breakfast, Contact Rebecca Loomis
5:00 p.m.	Youth Trivia Night, Contact Nate Esbenshade
8:45 & 11:15 a.m	Elder Conversations and Prayer, Calvin Hall
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# **Elder Conversations and Prayer**

Later this month, you will have an opportunity to meet with two elders during each service for a time of conversation and prayer. On January 26, two teams of two elders will be available during each service in classrooms in Calvin Hall to answer questions, hear concerns, and pray. If you haven't had a chance to speak with an elder recently or if you have questions that haven't been answered or if you simply want to spend some time in prayer, please plan on coming early or staying late on a Sunday to take advantage of this opportunity.

Elder teams will be available at both the 8:45 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. service. More details will be made available in the weeks leading up to January 26.

# **Epiphany Feasts**

Our potluck Epiphany Feasts will be happening this month in host homes across the Austin area. Scan the code below for the list of dates and locations, then RSVP for a gathering near you!



# **Newcomers Lunch**

Are you new to Redeemer? Join us for our Newcomers Lunch on Sunday, January 19, directly following the second service (after 12:30 PM). Hosted by Pastor Danny, this is a dedicated time for you to get to know other Redeemer attenders as well as learn more about who we are as a church.

Lunch will be held at Pastor Danny's home across the street from Redeemer and kids & families are welcome. RSVP to Tisha Welch to let us know if you'll be attending!

# **Sunday Activities Resume This Week**

Starting today, our School of Discipleship classes will resume for the spring semester, meeting at 10:15 a.m. in the classrooms of Calvin Hall. We have classes for all ages, including three electives for adults.

At 6 p.m. on Sunday evenings, both the adults and youth will begin studies in the book of Ephesians, and our children's choirs will resume their class schedule as well.

Nursery care is provided for all Sunday activities.

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