



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: Green – symbolizes our growth in Christ.

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THE DIVINE SERVICE

October 15, 2023

The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

In Preparation



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

PRELUDE Michael Phillips

Trivium — Arvo Pärt (1935-)

WORDS OF PREPARATION

Isaiah 25:6-9

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine,

of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined.

And he will swallow up on this mountain

the covering that is cast over all peoples,

the veil that is spread over all nations.

He will swallow up death forever;

and the Lord God will wipe away tears from all faces,

and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth,

for the Lord has spoken.

It will be said on that day,

"Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us.

This is the Lord; we have waited for him;

let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, you invite us to trust in you for our salvation. Deal with us not in the severity of your judgment but by the greatness of your mercy; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The Service of Entrance

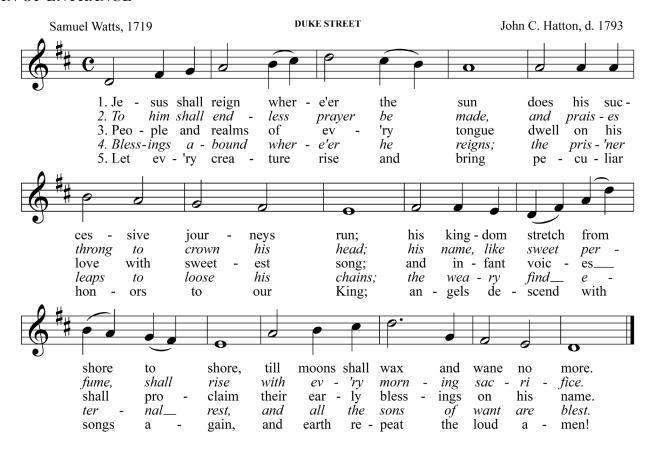


CHORAL INTROIT Isaiah 40:21

Have Ye Not Known? — Randall Thompson (1899-1984)

Have ye not known? Have ye not heard? Hath it not been told you from the beginning? Have ye not understood from the foundations of the earth?

HYMN OF ENTRANCE



Minister: Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness,

People: And tremble before him all the earth.

Minister: Let the heavens be glad and the earth rejoice

People: For the LORD is coming to judge the earth.

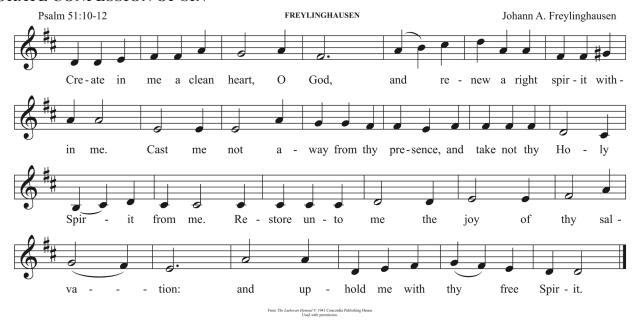
Minister: In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.
Minister: Let us pray.

PRAYER OF ADORATION

... world without end. Amen.

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN



Minister: Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all

your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets."

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

People: Almighty and most merciful Father; we have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We

have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare thou those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore thou those who are penitent; according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake; that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober

life, to the glory of thy holy 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.

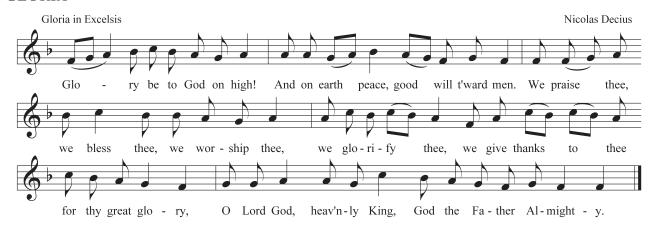
People: Amen.

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.

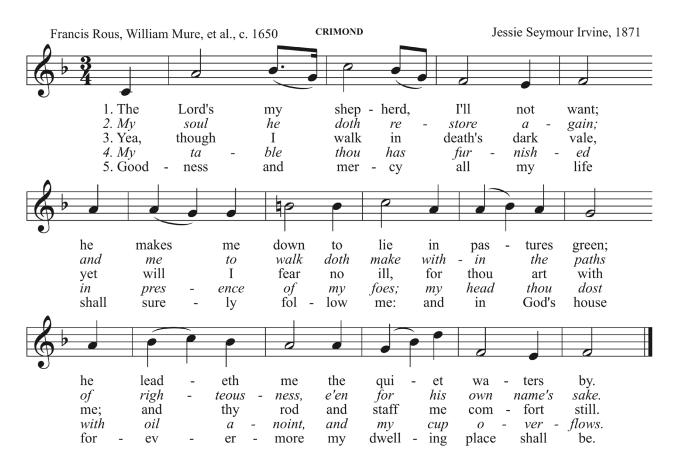
***** THE GLORIA



The Service of the Word



❖ THE PSALTER
Psalm 23



Matthew 22:1-14

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

CHORAL ANTHEM

Christ with Me – Arvo Pärt (1935-)

Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me.

Christ in me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me.

Christ on my right, Christ on my left.

Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit down.

Christ in me, Christ when I arise.

Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me.

Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me.

Christ in every eye that sees me.

Christ in every ear that hears me.

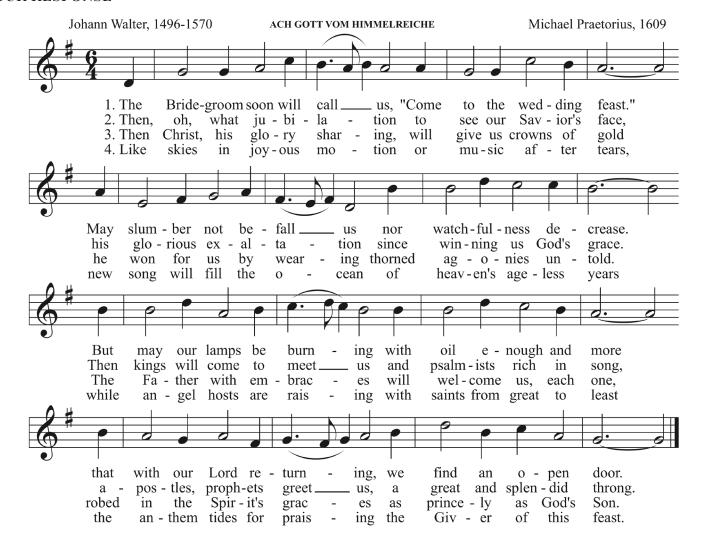
Christ with me.

(text from Saint Patrick's Breastplate, 5th c.)

THE GOSPEL LESSON

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 Dan Allen

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 OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

1 Samuel 5:1-4

Minister: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

MORNING SERMON Rev. Eric Landry

The Victory of God
1 Samuel 5:1-4

The Service of the Table

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF FAITH

The Nicene Creed

Unison: "I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made: Who for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge the quick and the dead: Whose kingdom shall have no end.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spake by the prophets. And I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. 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

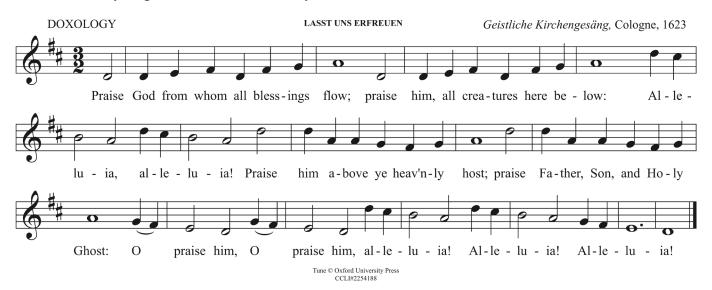
Minister: The earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof;

People: the world, and they that dwell therein.

HYMN OF GRATITUDE TO GOD



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PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Minister: Blessed be your name, O Most High God, forever and ever. You have delivered us from the power of

darkness. You have brought us into your kingdom. All that we are and all that we have belongs to you. Prosper these gifts and bless the service we render to others through Jesus Christ, our Lord, in whose

name we pray.

People: Amen.

❖ THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

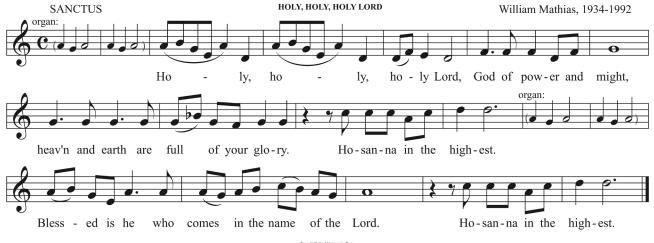
People: We lift them up to the Lord!

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, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we praise and magnify your glorious name, evermore

praising you and singing:



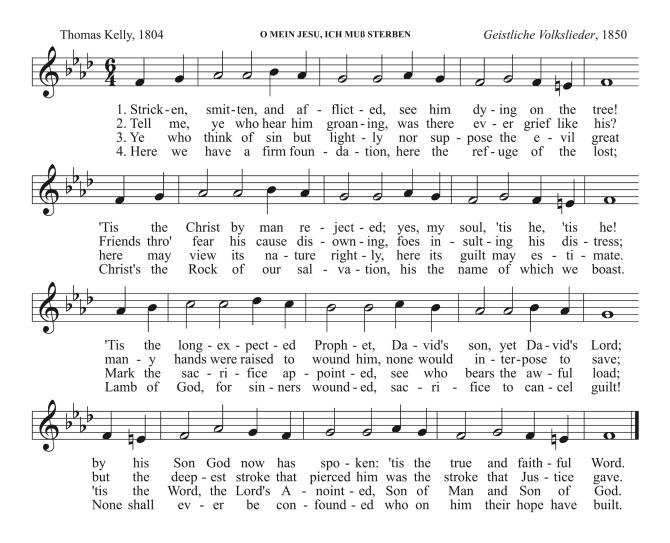
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INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

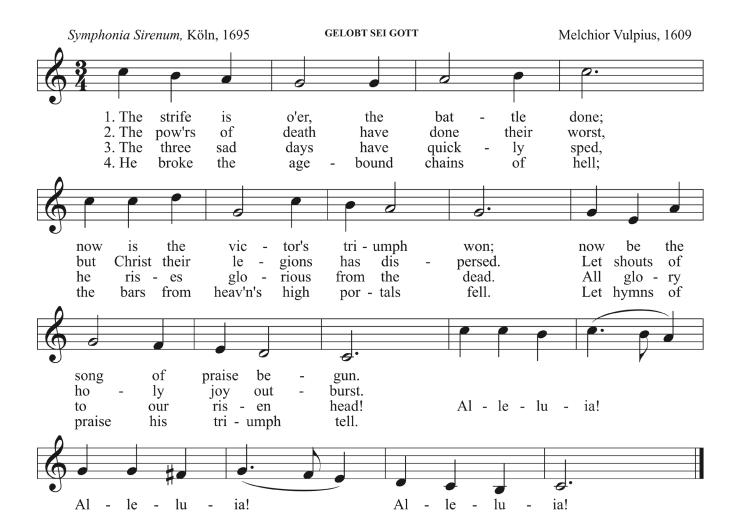
THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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." (2 Cor. 11:23-24)



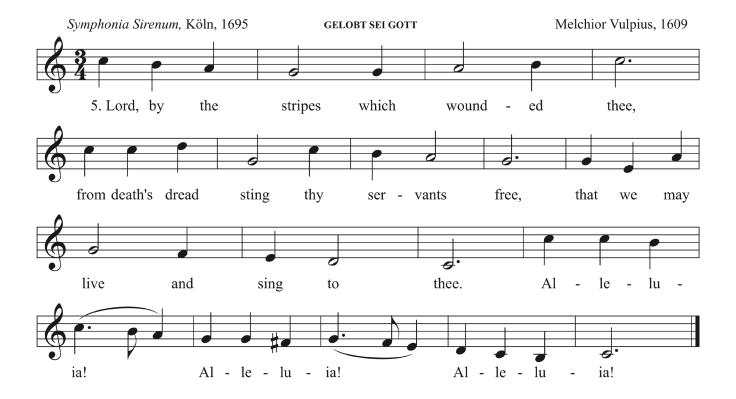
THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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." (2 Cor.11:25)



***** BENEDICTION

❖ DEPARTING HYMN



LESSONS

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd;

I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:

he leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul:

he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his Name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:

for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies:

thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:

and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Philippians 4:4-13

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

Matthew 22:1-14

Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying, "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son, and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding feast, but they would not come. Again he sent other servants, saying, 'Tell those who are invited, "See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast." But they paid no attention and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore to the main roads and invite to the wedding feast as many as you find.' And those servants went out into the roads and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good. So the wedding hall was filled with guests.

"But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment. And he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot and cast him into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

Sermon Lesson—1 Samuel 5:1-4

¹When the Philistines captured the ark of God, they brought it from Ebenezer to Ashdod. ²Then the Philistines took the ark of God and brought it into the house of Dagon and set it up beside Dagon. ³And when the people of Ashdod rose early the next day, behold, Dagon had fallen face downward on the ground before the ark of the Lord. So they took Dagon and put him back in his place. ⁴But when they rose early on the next morning, behold, Dagon had fallen face downward on the ground before the ark of the Lord, and the head of Dagon and both his hands were lying cut off on the threshold. Only the trunk of Dagon was left to him.



		TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
Sun, Oct 15	8:45 & 11:15 a.m.	The Divine Service, Rev. Eric Landry preaching
		Congregational Meeting, brief congregational vote immediately after each service
	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, Oct 16	7:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study, (via Zoom) study of Romans, contact Tami White
Thu, Oct 19	9:30 a.m.	Theology Study Group, Room 208, contact Marcus Serven
	10:00 a.m.	Journey of Motherhood, Library, child care provided
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Fri, Oct 20 6:00 p.m. Youth: Dine & Dash dinner, RSVP today!
Sat, Oct 21 7:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast, Cracker Barrel in Round Rock, contact Mark Nelsen for info Choir Rehearsal, Covenant Hall

6:00 p.m. **Fall Country Dance,** Covenant Hall

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sun, Oct 22 8:45 & 11:15 a.m.	The Divine Service, Rev. Eric Landry 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, Oct 23	7:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study, (via Zoom) study of Romans, contact Tami White
Thu, Oct 26	9:30 a.m.	Theology Study Group, Room 208, contact Marcus Serven
Fri, Oct 27	7:30 p.m.	AoA Presents: Vox Luminis, visit artsonalexander.org for details
Oct 27 & 28		South Texas Presbytery, Christ Church, New Braunfels
Sat, Oct 28	8:00 a.m.	Ladies Pray for One Another Breakfast, contact Rebecca Loomis
Nov 3 & 4		Biblical Theology Workshop for Women, visit <u>nancyguthrie.com</u> for details

Sun, Nov 5 — Daylight Saving Time ends, set clocks back one hour

Redeemer Connect, brief reception for newcomers, Room 100

5:00 p.m. All Saints' Feast, watch for a sign up to come soon!

Congregational Vote Today

At its September meeting, the RPC Session voted to call a congregational meeting for October 15, to take place immediately after each worship service. The purpose of the meeting is to present Jon Herr and Danny Morgan as candidates for election as Associate Pastors. The elders called these two men in 2022 to serve Redeemer as Assistant Pastors, and the elders are now recommending that you elect each of them to this new role.

Biblical Theology Workshop for Women

We're excited to host author Nancy Guthrie for this fall conference. Invite a friend and register now! Nov. 3 *or* 4, 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

FRIDAY LINK



SATURDAY LINK



Fall Country Dance: Oct 21

The fall country dance is back! Join us for a fun evening of family-friendly dancing on Saturday, Oct. 21, starting at 6 p.m. Most of the dances are group folk dances, with a caller to guide us through the steps. No experience is required, and all ages are welcome! Bring a snack to share and a few dollars to put in the hat for our caller.

Missions Spotlight: Christ's Kids

This month we are featuring and praying for Christ's Kids ministry of Peru Mission. Since 2017, Peru Mission has been serving children from underprivileged backgrounds, providing tutoring, medical care, English classes, Bible clubs, and more. Please scan the code to learn more.



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