

REDEEMER
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

November 26, 2023

The Last Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday of the Fulfillment

In Preparation



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

PRELUDE

Matthias Maierhofer
Former Redeemer Organist, 2014-2016

Passacaglia in D Minor, BuxWV 161 – Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

WORDS OF PREPARATION

Matthew 25:31-46

“When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. And he will place the sheep on his right, but the goats on the left. Then the King will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.’ Then the righteous will answer him, saying, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?’ And the King will answer them, ‘Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.’”

“Then he will say to those on his left, ‘Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.’ Then they also will answer, saying, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?’ Then he will answer them, saying, ‘Truly, I say to you, as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.’ And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Eternal God, merciful Father, you have appointed your Son as judge of the living and the dead. Enable us to wait for the day of his return with our eyes fixed on the kingdom prepared for your own from the foundation of the world; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

The Service of Entrance

CHORAL INTROIT

Psalm 33:1

Sing, Ye Righteous – Lodovico Viadana (1560-1627)

Sing, oh, sing, ye righteous, unto the Lord,
And exalt in song the Lord of hosts!
Sing ye, praise the Lord!

❖ HYMN OF ENTRANCE

J. Cennick, 1752; C. Wesley, 1758

HELMSLEY

English melody, 18th cent.



1. Lo! He comes, with clouds de - scend - ing,
2. Ev - 'ry eye shall now be - hold him,
3. The dear to - kens of his pas - sion thee,
4. Yea, A - men! Let all a - dore thee,



once for fa - vored sin - ners slain; thou - sand,
robed in dread - ful maj - es - ty; those who
still his daz - zling bod - y bears; cause of
high on thine e - ter - nal throne; Sav - ior,



thou - sand saints at - tend - ing swell the tri - umph
set at naught and sold him, pierced and nailed him
end - less ex - ul - ta - tion to his ran - somed
take the pow'r and glo - ry, claim the king - dom



of his train. Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!
to the tree, deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly wail - ing,
wor - ship - ers; with what rap - ture, with what rap - ture,
for thine own. O come quick - ly, O come quick - ly,



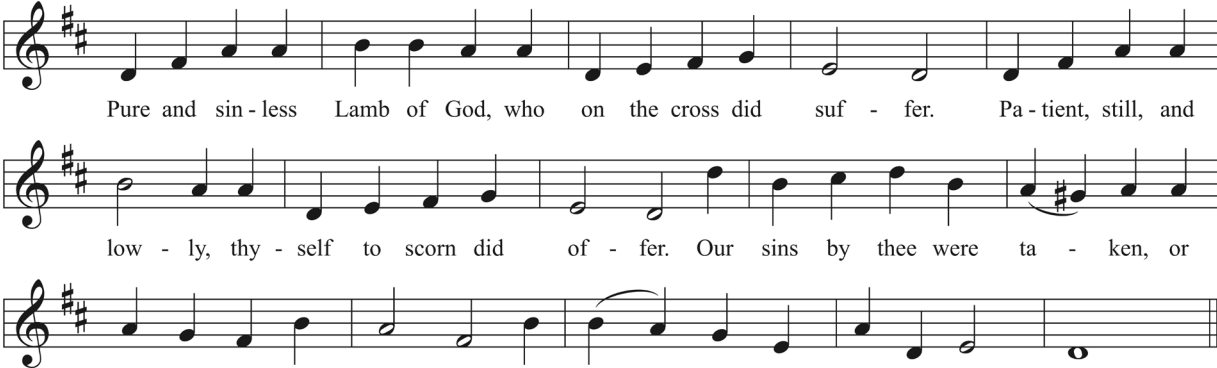
Hal - le - lu - jah! God ap - pears on earth to reign.
deep - ly wail - ing, shall the true Mes - si - ah see.
with what rap - ture, gaze we on those glo - rious scars!
O come quick - ly! Hal - le - lu - jah! Come, Lord, come!

Minister: Praise ye the LORD!
People: **Sing to the LORD a new song**
 Minister: And his praise in the great congregation.
People: **Let the children of Zion rejoice in their King!**
 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

Nikolaus Decius, 1531	O LAMM GOTTES, UNSCHULDIG	German chorale, 1540
		
Pure and sin-less Lamb of God, who on the cross did suf-fer. Pa-tient, still, and low-ly, thy-self to scorn did of-fer. Our sins by thee were ta-ken, or hope had us for-sak-en: have mer-cy on us, O Je-sus!		

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: **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

Gloria in excelsis

Nikolaus Decius

Glo - ry be to God on high! And on earth peace, good will t'ward men. We praise thee,
 we bless thee, we wor - ship thee, we glo - ri - fy thee, we give thanks to thee
 for thy great glo - ry, O Lord God, heav'n - ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - might - y.

William Walsham How, 1864, 1875

SINE NOMINE

Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

1. For all the saints who from their la - bors rest, who
 2. *Thou wast their rock, their for - tress, and their might;* _____
 3. O may thy sol - diers faith - ful, true, and bold, _____
 4. O blest com - mu - nion! Fel - low - ship di - vine! _____

5. And when the strife is fierce, the war - fare long, _____
 6. *The gold - en eve - ning bright - ens in the west;* _____
 7. But lo! there breaks a yet more glo - rious day; the
 8. *From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, through*

thee _____ by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy
thou, Lord, their Cap - tain in the well - fought fight; _____
 fight as the saints who no - bly fought of old, and
We fee - bly strug - gle, they in glo - ry shine; yet

steals on the ear the dis - tant tri - umph - song, and
soon, soon to faith - ful war - riors comes their rest; _____
 saints _____ tri - um - phant rise in bright ar - ray; the
gates _____ of pearl streams in the count - less host, _____

name, O _____ Je - sus, be for - ev - er blest.
thou, in the dark - ness drear, their one true light.
 win with _____ them the vic - tor's crown of gold.
 all are _____ one in thee, for all are thine.

hearts are _____ brave a - gain, and arms are strong.
sweet is the calm of par - a - dise the blest.
 King of _____ glo - ry pass - es on his way.
 sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Al - - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

The Service of the Word



THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

THE EPISTLE LESSON

1 Corinthians 15:20-28

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

CHORAL ANTHEM

Never Weather-beaten Sail – Charles Wood (1866-1926)

Never weather-beaten sail more willing bent to shore,
Never tired pilgrim's limbs affected slumber more;
Than my weary sprite (spirit) now longs to fly out of my troubled breast.
O come quickly sweetest Lord, and take my soul to rest!

Ever blooming are the joys of Heaven's high Paradise,
Cold age deafs not there our ears, nor vapour dims our eyes;
Glory there the sun outshines; whose beams the blessed only see.
O come quickly, glorious Lord, and raise my sprite to thee!

(Thomas Campion, 1567-1620)

Please wait until the choir is finished before turning the page.

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 PSALTER LESSON

Psalm 95

Minister: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

❖ PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

MORNING SERMON

Rev. Danny Morgan

Look to the Rock

Psalm 95

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

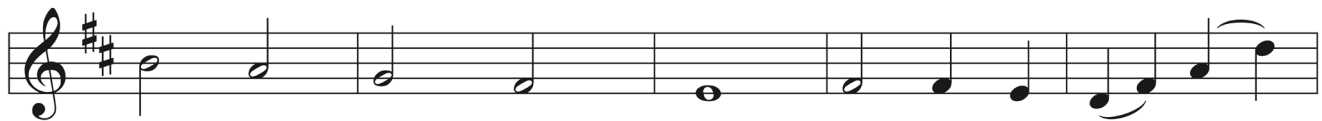
Samuel Watts, 1719

DUKE STREET

John C. Hatton, d. 1793



1. Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun does his suc -
2. *To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es*
3. Peo - ple and realms of ev - 'ry tongue dwell on his
4. *Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns; the pris - 'ner*
5. Let ev - 'ry crea - ture rise and bring pe - cu - liar



ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from
throng to crown his head; his name, like sweet per -
love with sweet - est song; and in - fant voic - es
leaps to loose his chains; the wea - ry find e -
hon - ors to our King; an - gels de - scend with



shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.
fume, shall rise with ev - 'ry morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his name.
ter - nal rest, and all the sons of want are blest.
songs a - gain, and earth re - peat the loud a - men!

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)

St. 1-5, Edward Perronet, 1779

St. 6-7, John Rippon, 1787

CORONATION

Oliver Holden, 1793



1. All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall;
2. *Crown him, ye mar - tyrs of your God, who from his al - tar call;*
3. Ye seed of Is - rael's cho - sen race, ye ran - somed from the fall,
4. *Hail him, you heirs of Da - vid's line, whom Da - vid Lord did call,*
5. Sin - ners, whose love can ne'er for - get the worm-wood and the gall,



bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and crown him Lord of all;
ex - tol the Stem of Jes - se's rod, and crown him Lord of all;
hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all;
the God In - car - nate, man di - vine, and crown him Lord of all;
go, spread your tro - phies at his feet, and crown him Lord of all;



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hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.
the God In - car - nate, man di - vine, and crown him Lord of all.
go, spread your tro - phies at his feet, and crown him Lord of all.

6. Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe,
On this terrestrial ball,
To him all majesty ascribe
And crown him Lord of all;
To him all majesty ascribe
And crown him Lord of all.

7. O that with yonder sacred throng
We at his feet may fall;
We'll join the everlasting song,
And crown him Lord of all;
We'll join the everlasting song,
And crown him Lord of all.

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)

Christian F. Gellert, 1757

JESUS, MEINE ZUVERSICHT

Johann Crüger, 1653



1. Je-sus lives, and so shall I. Death! thy sting is gone for - ev - er!
2. Je-sus lives and reigns su - preme; and, his king-dom still re - main - ing.
3. Je-sus lives, and by his grace, vic - t'ry o'er my pas - sions giv - ing,
4. Je-sus lives! I know full well naught from him my heart can sev - er,



He who deigned for me to die, lives, the bands of death to sev - er.
I shall al - so be with him, ev - er liv - ing, ev - er reign - ing.
I will cleanse my heart and ways, ev - er to his glo - ry liv - ing.
life nor death nor pow'rs of hell, joy nor grief, hence-forth for - ev - er.

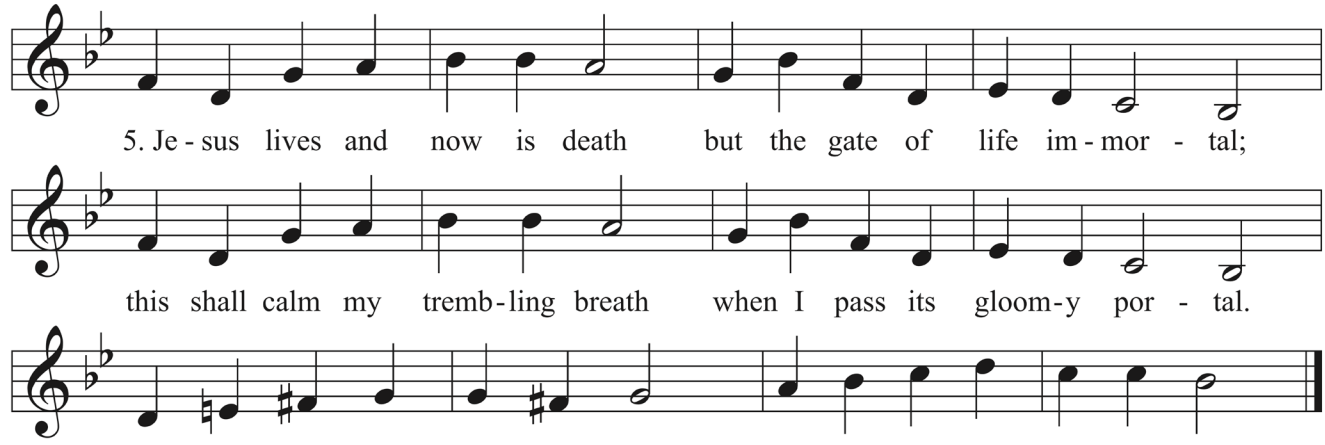


He shall raise me from the dust: Je - sus is my hope and trust.
God has pro - mised; be it must: Je - sus is my hope and trust.
Me he rais - es from the dust: Je - sus is my hope and trust.
None of all his saints is lost: Je - sus is my hope and trust.

❖ BENEDICTION

❖ DEPARTING HYMN

Christian F. Gellert, 1757 JESUS, MEINE ZUVERSICHT Johann Crüger, 1653



5. Je - sus lives and now is death but the gate of life im - mor - tal;
this shall calm my tremb - ling breath when I pass its gloom - y por - tal.
Faith shall cry, as fails each sense: Je - sus is my con - fi - dence.

We welcome back our former organist Matthias Maierhofer to lead our worship this morning. Matthias was organist at Redeemer from 2014 to 2016, and he went on to teach at the University of Freiburg in southwest Germany. He also serves as the principal organist at the Freiburg Cathedral. We also remember his wife (Hee-jung) and children (Aurelia and Sebastian), who did not make the trip with him this time.

LESSONS

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

“For thus says the Lord God: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice.”

1 Corinthians 15:20-28

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death. For “God has put all things in subjection under his feet.” But when it says, “all things are put in subjection,” it is plain that he is excepted who put all things in subjection under him. When all things are subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to him who put all things in subjection under him, that God may be all in all.

Matthew 25:31-46

“When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. And he will place the sheep on his right, but the goats on the left. Then the King will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.’ Then the righteous will answer him, saying, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?’ And the King will answer them, ‘Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.’

“Then he will say to those on his left, ‘Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.’ Then they also will answer, saying, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?’ Then he will answer them, saying, ‘Truly, I say to you, as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.’ And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”

Sermon Lesson—Psalm 95

¹Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;

let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

²Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;

let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

³For the LORD is a great God,

and a great King above all gods.

⁴In his hand are the depths of the earth;

the heights of the mountains are his also.

⁵The sea is his, for he made it,

and his hands formed the dry land.

⁶Oh come, let us worship and bow down;

let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!

⁷For he is our God,

and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

Today, if you hear his voice, ⁸do not harden your hearts,

as at Meribah, as on the day at Massah in the wilderness,

⁹when your fathers put me to the test

and put me to the proof, though they had seen my work.

¹⁰For forty years I loathed that generation and said,

“They are a people who go astray in their heart, and they have not known my ways.”

¹¹Therefore I swore in my wrath,

“They shall not enter my rest.”

Redeemer Calendar



SUNDAY OF THE FULFILLMENT

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| Sun, Nov 26 | 8:45 & 11:15 a.m. | The Divine Service , Rev. Danny Morgan 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, Nov 27 | 7:00 p.m. | Women's Bible Study , (via Zoom) study of Romans, contact Tami White |
| Nov 29 & 30 | 7:00 p.m. | Festival Choir Rehearsals , Covenant Hall |
| Thu, Nov 30 | 9:30 a.m. | Theology Study Group , Room 208, contact Marcus Serven |
| | 10:00 a.m. | Journey of Motherhood , Library, contact Alaina Torrey |
| Dec 1 & 2 | 7:00 p.m. | Festival of Music , works of Bach, Handel, and Vivaldi; no admission charge |

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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| Sun, Dec 3 | 8:45 & 11:15 a.m. | The Divine Service , Rev. Eric Landry preaching |
| | — | Last day of School of Discipleship classes , resumes January 14 |
| | — | Redeemer Connect , brief reception in Room 100 for newcomers |
| | 6:00 p.m. | Hymn Sing , all welcome for singing Covenant Hall, bring cookies to share |
| Mon, Dec 4 | 7:00 p.m. | Women's Bible Study , (via Zoom) study of Romans, contact Tami White |
| Tues, Dec 5 | 6:00 p.m. | Joint Session and Deacons meeting , Library |
| Thu, Dec 6 | 9:30 a.m. | Theology Study Group , Room 208, contact Marcus Serven |
| Sun, Dec 10 | 8:45 & 11:15 a.m. | Installation of Associate Pastors , in Divine Services |
| | 10:15 a.m. | Missions Presentation: Safe Families , Room 206 |
| | 6:00 p.m. | Annual Congregational Meeting , Covenant Hall |
| Sat, Dec 16 | 8:30 a.m. | Men's Shoot Out at Capital City Clays , contact Rick Mealer |
| | 6:00 p.m. | Young Adults Hymn Sing & Happy Hour , Strickland home, contact Danny Morgan |
| Sun, Dec 24 | 8:45 & 11:15 a.m. | The Divine Service , Rev. Eric Landry preaching |
| | 4:00 & 6:00 p.m. | Service of Nine Lessons & Carols , nursery care provided |

Festival of Music: Dec 1 & 2

You are invited to join us at 7 p.m. on Dec. 1 and 2 for our annual Festival of Music, presented by Redeemer and Arts on Alexander. This year, the Redeemer Choir, soloists, and Philharmonie Austin orchestra will perform two works: a Bach cantata, *Wachet auf*, based on the hymn tune *Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying*; and Vivaldi's *Gloria*. In addition, the orchestra will play *Concerto Grosso in B-flat Major* by Handel. No tickets are required; donations in support of Arts on Alexander will be taken at the concerts.

Hymn Sing and Cookies!

Join us at 6 p.m. next Sunday in Covenant Hall for a seasonal hymn sing and cookies! All are welcome—we'll sing familiar favorites and maybe even learn a couple of new songs. Please bring cookies to share if you'd like!

Christmas Ornaments Fund Missions

Our beautiful ornaments in two designs are made of laser-cut wood, and all the proceeds go to RPC Missions! They will be available for purchase for the next couple of weeks in the narthex between services. Thanks to the Russell family for making these available again!

Presentation from Safe Families

Join us on Sunday, Dec. 10, between services in Room 206 to hear about the mission and values of an organization called Safe Families for Children. They provide support and host homes for families who are isolated and in crisis, until parents can get back on their feet. The goal is to prevent children from unnecessarily entering the foster care system. Learn about their model, support systems, and even how we can help! More info: safe-families.org.

Financial Report

[Fiscal year beginning Oct. 1, 2023]

	Receipts	Expenses	Surplus / Deficit
Annual Budget	\$ 1,844,184	\$ 1,821,784	\$ 22,400
YTD Budget	\$ 145,933	\$ 148,429	\$ (2,496)
YTD Actual	\$ 136,174	\$ 148,426	\$ (12,252)
<i>Favorable (unfavorable)</i>	<i>(9,759)</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>(9,756)</i>

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