



Redeemer

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.”

JOHN 8:12

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CALL TO WORSHIP

From Psalm 96 and Isaiah 7

Leader: Ascribe to the Lord honor and majesty.

People: Ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

Leader: Ascribe to the Lord praise upon praise.

**People: For God, the Lord, has come to us.
In flesh, the Mighty One dwells with us.**

Leader: Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.



WELCOME TO REDEEMER!

We're glad to have you joining us in worship today. If you'd like to know more about Redeemer, including ways to get involved, please scan the QR code and let us know.

We have a hearing loop. Please switch your hearing aid to T-coil.



ADORING GOD IN SONG

Holy, Holy, Holy

TRINITY HYMNAL #100

*Final verse lyrics written by
Matt Boswell & Matt Papa, In
the Fulness of Time*

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,
Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee
Perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! In a manger lowly,
Christ the Son now veiled in flesh in our humanity.
Kingdoms bow before Him; Heav'n and earth adore Him.
God here in person; hail His majesty.



PARENTS AND NURSING MOMS:

We have a "wiggle room" in the back of the Sanctuary. While not soundproof, it does offer you a little extra room to move around. If you are a nursing mom in need of a quiet place on Sunday mornings, the "wiggle room" and infant nursery are available options. We also have a nursing mother's room, changing tables and changing supplies available on the lower level. Head downstairs and look for our nursery coordinator by the check-in area. She will be happy to answer any questions and help you get settled.

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

O Love that will not let me go,
I rest my weary soul in thee;
I give thee back the life I owe,
That in thine ocean depths its flow
May richer, fuller be.

O Light that followest all my way,
I yield my flickering torch to thee;
My heart restores its borrowed ray,
That in thy sunshine's blaze its day
May brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain,
I cannot close my heart to thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain,
And feel the promise is not vain
That morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head,
I dare not ask to fly from thee;
I lay in dust life's glory dead,
And from the ground there blossoms red
Life that shall endless be.

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go
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Music: Christopher Miner

CONFESSION OF SIN & ASSURANCE

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

LUKE 2:10-11

And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord."

THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

DEACON'S PRAYER

CISCO OJEDA

MINISTRY MOMENT

REDEEMER ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

HOW CAN WE GIVE TO THE CHURCH?

There are several ways to give to the church. You can drop a check or cash in the offering plate as it is passed. You can mail a check, bring it by the church office, or leave it in our outside mailbox. You can also give online through your Breeze account or on our website. Online you can give by credit card or Bank ACH. Questions? Contact the church office, office@redeemerpca.net

Doxology

TRINITY HYMNAL #731

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

GREET ONE ANOTHER

MINISTRY OF WORD & PRAYER

Reading of Scripture

ISAIAH 49:1-6

PAGE 774-775 IN THE PEW BIBLE

Prayer for the Kingdom of God on Earth

BRUCE NARVESON

SONG OF PREPARATION

Joy Has Dawned

Joy has dawned upon the world,
Promised from creation:
God's salvation now unfurled
Hope for ev'ry nation.
Not with fanfares from above,
Not with scenes of glory,
But a humble gift of love,
Jesus, born of Mary.

Sounds of wonder fill the sky
With the songs of angels,
As the mighty Prince of Life
Shelters in a stable.
Hands that set each star in place,
Shaped the earth in darkness,
Cling now to a mother's breast,
Vuln'erable and helpless.

Shepherds bow before the Lamb,
Gazing at the glory;
Gifts of men from distant lands
Prophecy a story.
Gold, a King is born today;
Incense, God is with us;
Myrrh, His death will make a way
By His blood He'll win us.

Son of Adam, Son of Heav'n,
Given as a ransom;
Reconciling God and man-
Christ our mighty Champion!
What a Saviour, what a Friend,
What a glorious myst'ry:
Once a babe in Bethlehem,
Now the Lord of hist'ry.

Gloria, in excelsis Deo!
Gloria, in excelsis Deo!

Joy Has Dawned
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CHILDREN'S CHURCH:

Children ages 4 through Kindergarten are invited to attend Children's Church during the song of preparation. This is a great opportunity for them to prepare for participation in the full worship service as well as practice the different elements of worship.

RESPONSE AND BLESSING

Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come

TRINITY HYMNAL #195

Joy to the world! The Lord is come:
Let earth receive her King;
Let every heart prepare Him room,
And heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.

Joy to the earth! The Savior reigns:
Let men their songs employ;
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

No more let sins and sorrows grow,
Nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make His blessings flow
Far as the curse is found,
Far as the curse is found,
Far as, far as the curse is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace,
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness
And wonders of His love,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders, wonders of His love.

BENEDICTION

Cocoa & Carols Christmas Party, Tonight at 6:00 p.m.

The Children's Ministry Team invites everyone to join us tonight at 6:00 p.m. for a night of church family fun as we drink cocoa, sing carols, and participate in a reading of the Christmas story with Pastor Dan and Pastor Ross. Please bring a plate of cookies or snack to share.

Lessons & Carols Service: Sunday, December 17, at 10:00 a.m.

Join us Sunday, December 17, for our Lessons and Carols service at 10:00 a.m. This service will intersperse Scripture readings from the Old and New Testament with familiar Christmas carols and will end with a sermon.

Christmas Eve: Sunday, December 24

Join us for our regular morning worship service at 10 a.m. on Sunday, December 24. (There will not be Sunday School.) Our **Candlelight Christmas Eve Service** will be at 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 24. There will not be childcare during the Candlelight Service. Children are welcome in worship. We have flameless candles available for our younger members. The 242 Room and the nurseries will be open and available for families to use.

Support Safe Families and Refugee Hope Partners this Christmas

This month we have two opportunities to help our local mission partners. We are helping Safe Families stock their resource room by purchasing new children's clothes and helping Refugee Hope Partners with supplies for their Early Learning Club. More information about fulfilling these needs can be found in the Breezeway, near the coffee table.

Message from the Diaconate - Gift of Thanks to Our Staff

To the Redeemer Family: Thank you for your faithfulness in supporting the ministries and staff of Redeemer throughout 2023. The Diaconate would like to provide the opportunity for you to contribute to a year-end gift for the staff. This monetary gift will be given as a small token of appreciation for the hard work and dedication our church staff provides throughout the year.

We would like to collect your contributions by Sunday, December 24. As these funds are being collected for the express purpose of a year-end gift for the staff of Redeemer PCA, your contribution is considered a donation to a charitable organization. Please note "year-end staff gift" in the memo portion of your check. Your contribution will be included in your annual statement of giving to Redeemer. If you have any questions, please contact any Deacon.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday

- Sunday School, 9 a.m.
- Worship, 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary
- Cocoa and Carols, 6:00 p.m., at Redeemer
- Student Ministry Book Discussion, 6:30 p.m., at Redeemer

Monday

- Men's Bible Study, 7:30 p.m., Lower Level, B011, at Redeemer

Wednesday

- Student Ministry Large Group, 6:45 p.m., 242 Room, at Redeemer

Thursday

- Music Team Practice, 7:30 p.m., at Redeemer

Friday

- Men's Friday Morning Bible Study, 7:00 a.m., virtual and at Redeemer

UPCOMING EVENTS

- December 14: **Prayer Meeting**
- December 16: **Christmas Dinner**
- December 17: **Lessons & Carols Service**
- December 24: **Candlelight Christmas Eve Service** at 5 p.m.
- January 6: **Men's Breakfast**
- February 2: **A Night of Worship: Matt Papa in Concert with Mission House**, at Redeemer

Church Office Holiday Schedule & Year-End Giving

The church office will be closed from December 25 - January 1. If you'd like to make a contribution before the end of the year you can mail your check to the church office, and it will be counted as part of your 2023 giving as long as it is postmarked by December 31. You can also give online at redeemerpca.com. All gifts postmarked on or after January 1 will be credited to 2024.

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OUR MISSIONARIES & MINISTRY PARTNERS

We desire to see the life-changing power of the Gospel of Jesus Christ declared and displayed locally and globally. Therefore, we partner with like-minded people committed to the same mission supporting them personally, prayerfully and financially. We consider them part of our Redeemer family.

GLOBAL MISSIONS

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LOCAL MINISTRIES

Justine Bowser

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CHURCH PLANTS

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