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Understanding what the Bible says about hell is crucial for understanding your own heart, for living in peace in the world and for knowing the love of God.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Adapted from Revelation 1:4-6

- Leader: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth.
- People: To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.



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 *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

TRINITY HYMNAL #92

A mighty fortress is our God, A bulwark never failing; Our helper He amid the flood Of mortal ills prevailing: For still our ancient foe Doth seek to work us woe; His craft and power are great, And armed with cruel hate, On earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, Our striving would be losing; Were not the right Man on our side, The man of God's own choosing: Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He; Lord Sabaoth His name, From age to age the same, And He must win the battle. And though this world, with devils filled, Should threaten to undo us, We will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to triumph through us. The Prince of Darkness grim, We tremble not for him; His rage we can endure, For lo! his doom is sure, One little word shall fell him.

That word above all earthly powers, No thanks to them, abideth; The Spirit and the gifts are ours Through Him who with us sideth: Let goods and kindred go, This mortal life also; The body they may kill: God's truth abideth still, His kingdom is forever.

CONFESSION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*THAT IS, THE TRUE CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF ALL TIMES AND ALL PLACES



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 available on the lower level. Changing tables and changing supplies are also available on the lower level. Our nursery coordinator will be happy to answer any questions and help you get settled.

THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

DEACON'S PRAYER

JOHN ARCHER

OFFERTORY *Psalm 150 (Praise the Lord)*

You made the starry hosts, You traced the mountain peaks; You paint the evening sky with wonders. The earth, it is Your throne, From desert to the sea; All nature testifies Your splendor,

Chorus:

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; Sing His greatness all creation. Praise the Lord, raise your voice; You heights and all you depths, From furthest east to west, Let ev'rything that has breath Praise the Lord.

You reached into the dust; In love, Your Spirit breathed. You formed us in Your very likeness. To know Your wondrous works, To tell Your mighty deeds; To join the everlasting chorus: (Repeat Chorus) Let symphonies resound, Let drums and choirs ring out, All heaven hear the sound of worship Let ev'ry nation bring Its honors to the King; A roar of harmonies eternal.

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Sing His greatness all creation. Praise the Lord, raise your voice! You heights and all you depths, From furthest east to west, You distant burning stars, All creatures near and far, From sky to sea to shore, Sing out forevermore; Let ev'rything that has breath Praise the Lord!

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

2 THESSALONIANS 1 (PAGE 1258 IN THE PEW BIBLE)

Prayer for the Kingdom of God on Earth

STEVE WELSH



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.

SONG OF PREPARATION All Glory Be to Christ

Should nothing of our efforts stand, No legacy survive, Unless the Lord does raise the house, In vain its builders strive. To you who boast tomorrow's gain, Tell me, what is your life? A mist, it vanishes at dawn, All glory be to Christ.

Chorus All glory be to Christ our King, All glory be to Christ. His rule and reign we'll ever sing, All glory be to Christ.

His will be done, His kingdom come, On earth as is above. Who is Himself our daily bread, Praise Him the Lord of love. Let living waters satisfy the thirsty without price. We'll take a cup of kindness yet, all glory be to Christ!

Chorus

When on the day, the great I Am, the faithful and the true, The Lamb who was for sinner's slain, Is making all things new. Behold our God shall live with us, And be our steadfast Light, And we shall e'er his people be, All glory be to Christ.

Chorus (x2)

All Glory Be to Christ Lyrics by Dustin Kensrue © 2012 We Are Younger We Are Faster Music

SERMON *Grace, Justice, and Mercy* 2 Thessalonians 1 DAN SEALE, SENIOR PASTOR

Listen to the Sermon online at: WWW.REDEEMERPCA.COM



COMMUNION

Invitation and Fencing of the Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Consecration

Words of Institution

1 CORINTHIANS 11:23-30

For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night 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." In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me." For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Therefore, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself. That is why many among you are weak and sick, and a number of you have fallen asleep.

Distribution of the Bread and the Cup

WE SERVE GRAPE JUICE AND WINE. JUICE CUPS ARE CLEAR AND IN THE INNER RING OF THE TRAYS. WINE CUPS ARE PURPLE AND IN THE OUTER RING OF THE TRAY.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

PRAYERS FOR THOSE NOT TAKING THE LORD'S SUPPER

Prayer for Those Searching for the Truth

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

Prayer of Belief

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross, and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as Savior and Lord. Amen.

Prayer of Commitment

Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship in your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with your people, and live in the fullness of your Spirit. Amen.



THE LORD'S SUPPER is the family meal of Christians. Redeemer Presbyterian Church welcomes all committed followers of Jesus Christ to partake of this sacrament. If you are trusting in Jesus Christ alone for salvation, and are a baptized member of a congregation that proclaims the gospel, we invite you to participate in the Lord's Supper with us. If you are not a Christian or are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer. We hope this time is helpful to you as you consider your relationship with Jesus Christ and with His people, the Church.

RESPONSE AND BLESSING

The Sands of Time Are Sinking

The sands of time are sinking, the dawn of heaven breaks The summer morn I've sighed for, the fair sweet morn awakes Dark, dark hath been the midnight, but day spring is at hand And glory, glory dwelleth in Emmanuel's land

The King there in His beauty without a veil is seen It were a well spent journey though sev'n deaths lay between The Lamb with His fair army doth on Mount Zion stand And glory, glory dwelleth in Emmanuel's land

O Christ, He is the fountain, the deep sweet well of love! The streams on earth I've tasted more deep I'll drink above There to an ocean fullness his mercy doth expand And glory, glory dwelleth in Emmanuel's land

The bride eyes not her garment but her dear bridegroom's face I will not gaze at glory but on my King of grace Not at the crown He giveth but on His pierced hand The Lamb is all the glory, of Emmanuel's land.

Oh! I am my beloved's and my beloved is mine! He brings a poor vile sinner into His house of wine I stand upon His merit I know no other stand Not e'en where glory dwelleth in Emmanuel's land

Adult Sunday School Classes Resume Today

- *Let the Reader Understand: Introduction to Biblical Interpretation* (242 Room) From the time we are around Christians, as children or adults, we are told to "read your Bible." We are given a Bible but seldom instructed on how to read our Bible. In this class, we'll explore several outlooks on biblical interpretation and investigate ways to improve our ability to understand the Bible.
- *Biblical Parenting in the 21st Century* (B011) Join us as we seek the Bible's wisdom on how to nurture our children in the Lord. We will cover general biblical principles for parenting, as well as several practical parenting challenges from a biblical perspective (i.e. technology, emotions, etc).

5th & 6th Grade Gathering, Friday, January 12

The next 5th & 6th Grade Gathering will be held Friday, January 12, at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Ross and Rachel Eskridge. Visit our website to RSVP: www. redeemerpca.com/upcoming-events

Baby Welcome, Saturday, January 13

The Redeemer Women's Ministry would like to welcome all ladies to our Baby Welcome on Saturday, January 13, at 10 a.m., at the home of Sally Narveson (1804 Kenwyck Manor Way). Each baby will be presented with a gift on behalf of the church. Visit our website to RSVP: www.redeemerpca.com/upcoming-events

Women's Bible Studies

Women's Bible studies resume Wednesday, January 10, and Monday, January 15. The Wednesday group meets at 9:45 a.m. at Redeemer. The Monday group meets at 7 p.m., with in-person meetings at Redeemer or virtual on Zoom. Please prepare Chapter 12 (Isaiah 36-39). Contact Brook in the church office (office@ redeemerpca.net) or Sally Narveson if you have questions. Newcomers are welcome!

Men's Go-Karting Event, January 19, 6:30 p.m. at Rush Hour Karting

RPC men, join us for some high-speed go-karting! Participation will cost \$60 and will be at Rush Hour Karting in Garner. Please Register by Wednesday, January 10, and invite a friend! Registration is required to participate. To learn more and sign up, visit our website.

Beekeeping Class at Redeemer

Bailey Bee Supply will hold an Introduction to Beekeeping class at Redeemer. The class begins Monday, January 15, at Redeemer, and runs from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. If you would like to participate, reserve your place by calling Bailey Bee Supply at 919-241-4236; the class is free to Redeemer members.

Discover Redeemer: Friday, February 23, and Saturday, February 24

If you're interested in learning more about Redeemer and church membership, this class is for you! It's a wonderful opportunity to meet with Pastor Dan and Pastor Ross and discover Redeemer. Visit www.redeemerpca.com/upcoming-events to register and learn more.

Hospitality Team

Do you like to organize events, host events, or help prepare food for events? Join our hospitality team to help with special events like Discover Redeemer and Presbytery meetings, and help coordinate special receptions after church services or funerals. We have a variety of needs like event organizers, cooks, set-up and take down of tables, greeters, etc. If you would like to be part of this team, e-mail Brook in the church office, office@redeemerpca.net.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday

- Sunday School, 9 a.m.
- Worship, 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary

Monday

- Moms in Prayer, 9:15 a.m., 242 Room, at Redeemer
- Men's Bible Study, 7:30 p.m., Lower Level, B011, at Redeemer

Wednesday

- Women's Bible Study, 9:45 a.m., 242 Room, at Redeemer
- Student Ministry Large Group, 6:45 p.m., 242 Room, at Redeemer
- Men's Wednesday Evening Bible Study, 7:00 p.m., Room 6, at Redeemer

Thursday

• Music Ťeam Practice, 7:30 p.m., at Redeemer

Friday

- Men's Friday Morning Bible Study, 7:00 a.m., virtual and at Redeemer
- 5th & 6th Grade Gathering, 7:00 p.m., Eskridges' home

Saturday

• Baby Welcome, 10 a.m., at Narvesons' home

UPCOMING EVENTS

- January 14: Student Ministry Book Discussion
- January 15: Monday Night Bible
 Studies Resumes
- January 16: 5th & 6th Grade Girls Book Study
- January 19: Men's Go-Karting
- January 21: College-age Lunch
- February 2: A Night of Worship: Matt Papa in Concert with Mission House, at Redeemer
- February 9: 5th & 6th Grade Gathering
- February 10: Men's Food Bank
 Service Morning
- February 10: Parents' Night Out
- February 13: Women's Galentine's Event
- February 23 & 24: Discover Redeemer

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COMMUNITY GROUPS

In a world that has become increasingly marked by isolation and individualism, God reminds us through his Word that he has designed life to be lived in dynamic relationships of trust and love. For this reason, Redeemer also meets in homes throughout the city for encouragement, Bible study and prayer as a family. Outside of Sunday Morning Worship, Community Groups are the main way to get plugged in here at Redeemer.

You may join these groups at any time during the year and jump right into one, or you can visit a few groups before settling down. If you would like more information, please contact the church office to find out more. We would love to have you join us.

NOTE: COMMUNITY GROUP SCHEDULES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. CHECK WITH YOUR GROUP LEADER FOR MORE DETAILS.

1ST & 3RD SUNDAY COMMUNITY GROUPS

North Hills

Leaders: Tim Phillips and Brandon Baughman (brndnbghmn@gmail.com) TIME: 6:00 P.M., CHILDCARE PROVIDED

NE Raleigh (Falls of Neuse Rd.)

Leader: Phil Rendall (psrendall@hotmail.com) TIME: 12:30 P.M.

NW Raleigh

Leader: Ken Coyer (thecoyers@gmail.com) TIME: 5:00 P.M., CHILDCARE PROVIDED

North Raleigh (Strickland Road)

Leaders: Bruce Narveson, Rob Helms, and Cisco Ojeda (ojedamailnc@gmail.com) TIME: 5:30 P.M.

North Raleigh (Baileywick)

Leader: Dave Larsen (larsen1517@yahoo.com) and Ray Rein TIME: 5:00 P.M. CHILDCARE PROVIDED

NE Raleigh (Falls River)

Leader: Randy Buckwalter and Matt Harmon (matthewdharmon@gmail.com) TIME: 4:00 P.M., CHILDCARE PROVIDED

NE Raleigh (Durant Road)

Leader: Dan Kemp (djkemp1@aol.com) TIME: 5:00 P.M.

Lake Lynn Area

Leader: Mike Newkirk (newkirk.mike@gmail.com) TIME: 5:00 Р.М.

WEEKLY COMMUNITY GROUPS

Thursdays:

NE Raleigh

Leader: Ross Jelgerhuis & Steve Edwards (steve. edwards16.9@gmail.com) TIME: 6:00 P.M., CHILDCARE PROVIDED

Fridays:

NW Raleigh (Norwood/Victory Ch.) Leader: Ryan Slate (rdslate@gmail.com) TIME: 6:15 P.M., CHILDCARE PROVIDED

NW Raleigh

Leader: Sean Scott (seanscott13@gmail.com) 6 P.M., CHILDCARE PROVIDED E-MAIL FOR DETAILS; LOCATION VARIES



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A Night of Worship

JOIN US

with Matt Papa and special guest Mission House

Feb. 2

Friday, February 2, 2024 Redeemer Presbyterian Church at 11412 Strickland Rd., Raleigh

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