

FEBRUARY 4, 2024

It is no accident that *God* is the subject of the first sentence of the Bible, for this word dominates the whole chapter and catches the eye at every point of the page: it is used some thirty-five times in as many verses of the story. The passage, indeed the Book, is about Him first of all; to read it with any other primary interest (which is all too possible) is to misread it.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Derived from Genesis 1:1 and Colossians 1:16-17

Leader: In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

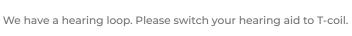
People: All things were created through Jesus and for Jesus. And He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

Leader: Let all creation bow before him in humble adoration.



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.





ADORING GOD IN SONG

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

TRINITY HYMNAI #196

Praise to the Lord,
The Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him,
For He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear,
Now to His temple draw near;
Praise Him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord,
Who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under His wings,
Yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast Thou not seen
How thy desires e'er have been
Granted in what He ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord,
Who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;
Surely His goodness
And mercy here daily attend thee.
Ponder anew
What the Almighty can do,
If with His love He befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord,
O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath,
Come now with praises before Him.
Let the Amen
Sound from His people again,
Gladly for aye we adore Him.

(Repeat bold)

CONFESSION OF FAITH

FROM THE OPENING QUESTIONS OF THE FIRST CATECHISM: BIBLICAL TRUTH FOR GOD'S CHILDREN AND THE WESTMINSTER SHORTER CATECHISM.

Leader: Who made you?

People: God.

Leader: What else did God make?

People: God made all things.

Leader: Why did God make you and all things?

People: For his own glory.

Leader: What is the chief end of man?

People: Man's chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy him for ever.

THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

DEACON'S PRAYER

RYAN SLATE



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.

OFFERTORY

How Great Thou Art (verses 1, 3, 4)
TRINITY HYMNAL #44

O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, Thy power throughout the universe displayed.

Chorus:

Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee; How great Thou art! How great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee; How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing, Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in; That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, He bled and died to take away my sin.

(Chorus)

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in humble adoration And there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art!

(Chorus 2x)

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

GENESIS 1:1-2 (PAGE 1 IN THE PEW BIBLE)

Prayer for the Kingdom of God on Earth

DAN KEMP



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

Only a Holy God

Who else commands all the hosts of heaven Who else could make every king bow down Who else can whisper and darkness trembles Only a Holy God Only a Holy God © 2016 CityAlight Music Words and Music by Michael Farren, Jonny Robinson, Dustin Smith, and Rich Thompson

What other beauty demands such praises What other splendour outshines the sun What other majesty rules with justice Only a Holy God

Chorus:

Come and behold Him
The One and the Only
Cry out, sing holy
Forever a Holy God
Come and worship the Holy God

What other glory consumes like fire What other power can raise the dead What other name remains undefeated Only a Holy God (Chorus 2x)

Who else could rescue me from my failing Who else would offer His only Son Who else invites me to call Him Father Only a Holy God Only my Holy God

(Chorus 2x)

SERMON

In the Beginning, God...

Genesis 1:1-2
DAN SEALE, SENIOR PASTOR



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

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!

Psalm 150 (Praise the Lord) Words and music by Matt Boswell and Matt Papa © 2020 Getty Music Publishing and Love Your Enemies Publishing

Prayer Meeting, Thursday, February 8

In February, we will offer a set time of prayer to pray for each other, the church, and the world. We will gather from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursday, February 8, in Room 8 (beside the church office). Have a question? Contact Silas Rodriguez, silasr325@gmail.com, or Mike Newkirk, newkirk.mike@gmail.com.

5th & 6th Grade Gathering, Friday, February 9

The next 5th & 6th Grade Gathering will be held Friday, February 9, at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Gabe and Ashley Smith. Visit our website to RSVP: www.redeemerpca.com/upcoming-events

Parent Night Out, Saturday, February 10

Drop the kids off at Redeemer (on the lower level) on Saturday, February 10, from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. and enjoy a night out. In addition to our youth volunteers, there will be approved nursery and Sunday morning adult volunteers helping with this event. There is a suggested minimum donation of \$15 per child. Visit www.redeemerpca.com/upcoming-events to register and learn more.

Men's Food Bank, Saturday, February 10

On Saturday, February 10, 9 a.m. to noon, Redeemer men will be taking over the Central Carolina Food Bank (1924 Capital Blvd) to help them with various needs. If you'd like to participate, please e-mail the church office, office@redeemerpca. net.

Women's Galentine's Event, Tuesday, February 13

Join us for a time of fellowship on Tuesday, February 13, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., at the home of Shirley Tucker (1009 White Crane Way, Raleigh, 27615). We will gather together, and enjoy catching up and connecting. Visit www. redeemerpca.com/upcoming-events to RSVP and learn more.

2023 Contribution Statements

2023 Contribution Statements are available in Breeze, our church management software. Need help setting up an account, logging in? E-mail Brook in the church office, office@redeemerpca.net

Communicant Class, begins February 11

We are planning our next Communicant Class. This is a class that explores the 5 membership vows and what it means to be a member of Redeemer Presbyterian Church. The materials covered in the class are geared for children 10 and up and a parent is encouraged to attend with his or her childchild. The class will be held during the Sunday School hour on February 11, February 18, March 3, March 10 and March 17. If your child or children are interested in this class, e-mail the church office to register, office@redeemerpca.net.

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.

Family Meeting, Sunday, February 25, 9 a.m.

On Sunday, February 25, at 9 a.m., we will have a congregational meeting. We will also reflect on God's faithfulness in 2023 and consider ways we can grow and serve together in 2024.

Vacation Bible School: Save the Date!

VBS 2024 will be the week of June 17-21. Our theme this year is Olympian. We will have more details and a sign-up coming soon!

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
- Bailey Beekeeping Class, 6:30 p.m., 242 Room Redeemer
- Women's Bible Study, 7:00 p.m., virtual and Lower Level B011 at Redeemer
- Men's Bible Study, 7:30 p.m., 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 Team Practice, 7:30 p.m., at Redeemer
- Prayer Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Room 8

Friday

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

Saturday

- Men serving at the Food Bank, 9 a.m.
- Parent Night Out, 5 p.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- February 13: Women's Galentine's Event
- February 23 & 24: **Discover Redeemer**
- February 25: Redeemer Family Meeting, during Sunday School
- March 22-24, **High School Retreat, Welsh Farm**
- April 6: Middle School Retreat Day, Welsh Farm
- April 27: Youth Talent Show
- June 17-21, Vacation Bible School

STAFF CONTACT INFORMATION

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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 (dikemp1@aol.com) TIME: 5:00 P.M.

Lake Lynn Area

Leader: Mike Newkirk (newkirk.mike@gmail.com) TIME: 5:00 P.M.

WEEKLY COMMUNITY GROUPS

Thursdays:

NE Raleigh

Leader: Ross Jelgerhuis & Steve Edwards (steve.

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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**



Helping each other know and follow Jesus.

