



# Redeemer

PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH

# Welcome to Redeemer!

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## A NOTE TO VISITORS

We want to welcome you to the church! Please stop by the welcome table in the north entrance so we can introduce ourselves to you.

Text **RPCinfo** to **55498** to fill out a visitor card and/or receive more information about Redeemer! Paper visitor cards are also available in your seats and at both entrances.

Bibles are available in each seating area for your use during the service.

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## A NOTE TO PARENTS

We believe, because of the promises of God, that our children are as much a part of the church as everyone else. Therefore, we desire that they would participate in worship along with their families as much as they are able.

We completely understand that kids can get noisy and squirmy during corporate worship. Parents have all experienced the blessed struggle of training our children to participate in worship. We understand the challenges of getting children accustomed to being in the service the whole time and want to assist you in helping your children learn to participate in a meaningful way. Children of all ages are always welcome in the worship service.

**Nurseries** | Available during the worship service for infants and toddlers ages 2 months to 3 years. Nurseries are located in the northeast corner of the building.

**Children's Worship** | Available every Sunday during the sermon. Children age 4 through the end of kindergarten may attend *Training in the Pews* children's worship.

**Nursing Mom's Room** | Located near the west entrance

We'd love to get to know you!  
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Redeemer Presbyterian Church  
is a missional *community*  
moved by the *grace*  
of the *Redeemer*, Jesus Christ,  
to *worship* and *know* God  
and to *love* and *serve* our *neighbors*  
in *Temple* and *beyond*.  
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As you find your seat, please  
move toward the center of your  
section, leaving the aisle seats  
for those coming in after you.

Thank you.



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the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA).

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

*The Second Sunday after the Epiphany*

January 14, 2024 | 10:00 am

*In consideration  
of other  
worshippers,  
please program  
all mobile  
phones and  
electronic  
devices to silent  
or vibrate mode  
for the duration  
of the service.*

## PRELUDE

## WELCOME

*Dr. David Joffrion*

## MEDITATION AND PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

“If you are a creature of habit whose loves have been deformed by disordered secular liturgies, then the best gift God could give you is Spirit-infused practices that will reform and retrain your loves. And so he meets us where we are, with counterformative practices, with hunger-shaping rituals and love-shaping liturgies. . . . the most potent, charged, transformative site of the Spirit’s work is found in the most unlikely of places—the church! . . . my argument is the very opposite of novel; it’s ancient: the church’s worship is the heart of discipleship. Yes, Christian formation is a life-encompassing, Monday through Saturday, week in and week out project; but it radiates from, and is nourished by, the worship life of the congregation gathered around Word and Table. There is no sanctification without the church, not because some building holds a superstitious magic, but rather because the church is the very body of Christ, animated by the Spirit of God and composed of Spirit-ed practices.”

—James K. A. Smith, *You Are What You Love* (p. 68)

## SCRIPTURE FOR MEMORIZATION

### *1 Peter 2:9-10 (ESV)*

<sup>9</sup> But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. <sup>10</sup> Once you were not a people, but now you are God’s people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

## ADVENT CALENDAR

CHRISTMAS

**EPIPHANY**

LENT

EASTER

PENTECOST

We know the word: a moment of piercing awareness, the sudden jolt of understanding. This is the season of Epiphany, a season celebrating the revelation of the Savior, the light of the world. Throughout the season we focus on the ministry of Jesus: the calling of the disciples, the teachings of Christ, his miracles, and finally his transfiguration. The epiphany of Epiphany is that this is no mere teacher or prophet—this is the Son of God, the Messiah. Epiphany calls us to live God’s mission, announcing the good news of Christ’s arrival to every culture and to those who live across the street. We, the church, are sent out as the manifestation of Jesus to a watching world (from *Seeking God’s Face* by Philip Reinders).

# God's Supremacy

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Please stand.

## CALL TO WORSHIP

*Rev. JB Wilbanks*

*The call to worship establishes the lines of communication in worship. God always comes to us before we come to God. Biblical worship is a response to God's gracious revelation of himself to his people.*

*Psalm 89:1, 14-16*

Minister: "I will sing of the steadfast love of the LORD, forever;  
with my mouth I will make known your faithfulness to all  
generations. . . .

Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne;  
steadfast love and faithfulness go before you.

**All: Blessed are the people who know the festal shout,  
who walk, O LORD, in the light of your face,  
who exult in your name all the day  
and in your righteousness are exalted."**

*Bold text is read together by the congregation.*

*Plain text is read by the leader.*

*Responsive readings remind us that during corporate worship God speaks to his people and we respond together as a community.*

# God's Supremacy

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## SONG OF ADORATION

### *And Can It Be*

1. And can it be that I should gain  
An interest in the Savior's blood?  
Died He for me who caused His pain!  
For me who Him to death pursued?  
Amazing love! How can it be  
That Thou, my God, should die for me?

### *Chorus:*

Amazing love! How can it be  
That Thou, my God, should die for me!  
Amazing love! How can it be  
That Thou, my God, should die for me!

2. He left His Father's throne above,  
So free, so infinite His grace!  
Emptied Himself of all but love,  
And bled for Adam's helpless race.  
'Tis mercy all, immense and free,  
For O my God, it found out me!

### *Chorus*

3. Long my imprisoned spirit lay,  
Fast bound in sin and nature's night;  
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray;  
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;  
My chains fell off, my heart was free,  
I rose, went forth, and followed Thee.

### *Chorus*

4. No condemnation now I dread;  
Jesus, and all in Him, is mine;  
Alive in Him, my living Head,  
And clothed in righteousness divine,  
Bold I approach the eternal throne,  
And claim the crown, through Christ my own.

### *Chorus*

# God's Supremacy

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PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*Rev. JB Wilbanks*

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*Rev. JB Wilbanks*

*Philippians 2:5-11 (CSB)*

**All: I believe in Jesus Christ, who, existing in the form of God, did not consider equality with God as something to be exploited. Instead he humbled himself by assuming the form of a servant, taking on the likeness of humanity. And when he had come as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death - even death on a cross. For this reason God highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee will bow - in heaven and on earth and under the earth - and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.**

# *God's Supremacy*

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## DOXOLOGY

*All Creatures of Our God and King (v. 1)*

*Lasst Uns Erfreuen*

All creatures of our God and King,  
Lift up your voice and with us sing,  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Thou burning sun with golden beam,  
Thou silver moon with softer gleam,  
O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Alleluia!

Please be seated.

*The Law of God invites us to confession of sin within the context of our covenant relationship with God, a relationship in which honesty about our sin is welcome and safe. We confess together, in community, before a gracious God who has given us himself. Confession both acknowledges our need for mercy and celebrates its abundance in Christ.*

## THE LAW OF GOD

*Dr. Ken Smith*

### *Westminster Shorter Catechism #79, 80, 81, 82*

Leader: What is the tenth commandment?

**All:** **The tenth commandment is, “You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor’s.”**

Leader: What is required in the tenth commandment?

**All:** **The tenth commandment requires full contentment with our own condition, with a correct and charitable orientation of our spirit toward our neighbors and all that is theirs.**

Leader: What is forbidden in the tenth commandment?

**All:** **The tenth commandment forbids all manner of discontentment with our own state, envying or grieving at the good state of our neighbors, and all excessive feelings and desires for anything that belongs to them.**

Leader: Is anyone able to keep the commandments of God perfectly?

**All:** **Since the fall, no mere human is able to keep the commandments of God perfectly in this life; everyone breaks them daily in thought, word and deed.**



# God's Renewal

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*This is a time  
of community  
prayer and  
holy silence.  
Please use this  
time to slow  
down, pray, and  
reflect on your  
relationship  
with God and  
your neighbor.  
Worshippers  
may choose to  
kneel or remain  
seated during  
this time.*

## CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

**All:      Most Generous and Glorious God,  
We confess that our hearts  
are full of covetousness and envy.  
We see the riches of others and our hearts desire them.  
We behold beauty and it stirs up lust.  
We are dissatisfied and discontent,  
because we have inordinate desires for inferior treasures.  
Lord Jesus, before your cross I kneel  
and see the heinousness of my sin.  
Show me the enormity of my guilt  
by the crown of thorns, the pierced hands and feet,  
the bruised body, the dying cries.  
Your blood is the blood of incarnate God,  
its worth infinite, its value beyond all calculation.  
Infinite must be the evil and guilt that demands such a price.  
Yet in the greatest act of love,  
you paid that price to rescue me.  
Thank you, Father, for your riches given to me in Jesus,  
for the unclouded revelation of him in your Word,  
where I behold his person, character, grace, glory,  
humiliation, sufferings, death, and resurrection.  
Impress me deeply with a sense of the beauty of Jesus.  
Let his love wash over me until I am secure and satisfied,  
and feel I have everything, if I have him. Amen.**

## SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND COMFORT

*Rev. JB Wilbanks*

### *1 Thessalonians 5:23-24*

Minister: *For all who have confessed their sins and have fled to Christ for mercy, hear this word of assurance:*

“Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.”

Please stand  
for the Song of  
Assurance.

# God's Grace

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## SONG OF ASSURANCE

### *Christ is Mine Forevermore*

1. Mine are days that God has numbered;  
I was made to walk with Him.  
Yet, I look for worldly treasure  
And forsake the King of kings.

But mine is hope in my Redeemer;  
Though I fall, His love is sure.  
For Christ has paid for every failing;  
I am His forevermore.

2. Mine are tears in times of sorrow,  
Darkness not yet understood.  
Through the valley I must travel  
Where I see no earthly good.

But mine is peace that flows from heaven,  
And the strength in times of need.  
I know my pain will not be wasted;  
Christ completes His work in me.

3. Mine are days here as a stranger,  
Pilgrim on a narrow way.  
One with Christ I will encounter  
Harm and hatred for His name.

But mine is armor for this battle,  
Strong enough to last the war.  
And He has said He will deliver  
Safely to the golden shore.

And mine are keys to Zion city  
Where beside the King I walk.  
For there my heart has found its treasure;  
Christ is mine forevermore.

Come rejoice now, O my soul,  
For His love is my reward.  
Fear is gone and hope is sure;  
Christ is mine forevermore.

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*"Lectio Sacra" means "sacred reading." It has been the practice of the church for thousands of years to have portions of the Bible read during worship services. The assumption behind this practice is that we are people who need to be shaped by all of God's Word.*

Please be seated.

## SCRIPTURE READING

*Mr. Rob Shedore*

### *1 Samuel 3:1-20*

Reader: The Word of the Lord!

**People: Thanks be to God!**

## EXTENDING THE REDEEMER'S MISSION

*Presentation of and Prayer for Redeemer's Staff*

## PASTORAL PRAYER

*Dr. Ken Smith*

## SILENT PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND PETITION

*Each week, we pray for the people around us and in the world as a way to serve them according to God's will. You are welcome to sit or kneel as we pray. If you have children, please feel free to use this time to teach them to pray.*

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**All: 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.**

# God's Grace

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*At the parents' discretion, children age 4 through the end of kindergarten may attend Training in the Pews Children's Worship. Children meet at the front entrance of the sanctuary during the Greeting of Peace to be escorted by volunteers to their classroom. The pastor will invite you to pick up your child in the narthex after the offertory prayer.*

## THE GREETING OF PEACE

**Leader:** Let the peace of Christ dwell in your hearts. To this peace we are called as members of a single body. The peace of Christ be with you!

**People:** **And also with you!**

Please stand.

## SCRIPTURE READING

*text on page 14*

Please be seated.

## PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

*The Spirit makes the reading and preaching of God's Word a powerful means of nourishing and comforting God's people, and awakening people to new faith.*

## THE SERMON

*Luke 1:1-4*

*Certainty Concerning the Gospel*

*Rev. JB Wilbanks*

# God's Grace

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*The Word of  
God is the chief  
and final means  
through which  
God speaks to  
us; the principal  
and most direct  
way we hear  
from God in  
worship.*

## LUKE 1:1-4

<sup>1</sup> Inasmuch as many have undertaken to compile a narrative of the things that have been accomplished among us, <sup>2</sup> just as those who from the beginning were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word have delivered them to us, <sup>3</sup> it seemed good to me also, having followed all things closely for some time past, to write an orderly account for you, most excellent Theophilus, <sup>4</sup> that you may have certainty concerning the things you have been taught.

Minister: The Word of the Lord!

**People: Thanks be to God!**

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## SERMON NOTES

*Sursum Corda*  
is Latin for "lift  
up your hearts."

*One of the  
oldest liturgical  
pieces still in  
use, it calls us  
to be heavenly  
minded and  
summons us  
into the Lord's  
presence. Along  
with the voices  
around you,  
hear the echo  
of 2000 years  
of worshiping  
Christians who  
have gone  
before.*

## PREPARING OUR HEARTS TO BE FED

*Rev. JB Wilbanks*

### *The Great Thanksgiving*

#### *Sursum Corda*

Minister: The Lord be with you!

**People: And with your spirit!**

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 right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Minister: It is indeed good, right, and our delight that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who took on our mortal flesh to reveal his glory; that he might bring us out of darkness and into his own glorious light. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying:

**All: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:  
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.  
Glory be to You, O Lord Most High!**



## PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

## WORDS OF RESPONSE

Minister: Let us proclaim the mystery of the faith:

**People: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again!**

Minister: Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.

**People: Therefore, let us keep the feast.**

Minister: The gifts of God for the people of God. Come, take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on Him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

**All: Hallelujah!**

## THE OFFERING

Minister: What do you have that you did not receive?

Let us pray. All things, all gifts, come from you, O God and should be received with gratitude. In gratitude we now return to you what is yours. Receive these tithes and offerings, our tangible expressions of love and gratitude. Amen.

*“For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich.”*  
2 Corinthians 8:9 (ESV)

*All we have  
is given to  
us by God.  
Our offerings  
express  
this joyful  
dependence  
and our  
commitment to  
join God in his  
work of renewal.*

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*In response to God's grace to us through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we bring gifts and offerings to the Lord with thanksgiving and joy. Worshippers may place their gifts in the offering box at the back as they return to their seats. You may also give by texting any dollar amount to 84321, through the Church Center app, or at <https://redeemerprestemple.churchcenter.com/giving>*

## CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

*This is a time for all of us to seek the Lord. For Christians, Communion (also called The Lord's Supper or The Eucharist, which means "thanksgiving" is a time to meet with their Savior by faith to be strengthened and renewed by Him as they eat bread and drink wine. The Lord's Supper is a joyful celebration in which the family of God together delights in the presence and salvation of their Redeemer King. All baptized Christians who trust in Christ alone as their Savior and Lord, belong to a church that embraces the Gospel, are at peace with their neighbor, and seek strength to live more faithfully to Christ, are invited to participate. If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer and to consider more deeply your relationship to Jesus Christ. We would love to pray with and for you during this time and there will be someone stationed at the front of the sanctuary at both side walls to do so. Please let us know if there is something specific you would like us to pray for.*

### A Word to Parents

*Children are invited to come forward, either to receive communion or a prayer of blessing. To receive communion, a child must have been baptized, publicly professed their faith in Christ, and been formally received as a communing member by the Session (elders) of this church or the governing body of the church to which you belong. If your children will not be receiving communion, please instruct them to come forward with their arms crossed to receive a prayer of blessing. We look forward to welcoming your children to the table and ask that you speak with the pastor when you believe your child is ready to begin the process.*

### Directions for Participating in Communion

*If you are participating, when you are ready, please join the line coming down the center aisle. You will make your way past the servers at the front to receive the elements. Then, please return to your seat by way of the side aisles and hallway. If you wish to bring an offering to the Lord, please place it in the box at the back of the room as you return to your seat. We use wine in communion. Individual cups are available in the trays, with **grape juice** in the middle ring in the **purple cups** which may be requested by those who desire it. A **gluten-free cracker** is available upon request for those unable to eat the bread due to allergies.*

## PRAYER FOR RECEIVING COMMUNION

*Lord Jesus, your perfect life, death, and resurrection are the source of all blessing in this life and the life to come. As I eat this bread and drink this cup, renew me in the joy and glory of knowing and serving you. I come to this table on the basis of your merit only and not my own. As you have completely and fully offered yourself for me, I now completely and fully offer myself to you as a living sacrifice. Amen.*

## PRAYERS FOR THOSE NOT COMMUNING

*Because Redeemer is a church that is not only for convinced Christians, but also for people at different stages in their spiritual journey, we gladly extend room for you to process, think, and dialogue. Use the prayers provided below as guides to reflect upon and respond to what God is doing in your life.*

### Prayer for Those Searching for Truth

*Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. 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 Christ, 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 to 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 my Savior and Lord. Amen.*

### Prayer for Those Struggling with Sin

*Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my need, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely to me, and run with perseverance the race that you have set before me, looking only to you, the pioneer and perfecter of my faith. 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.*

# God's Grace

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## COMMUNION SONG

### *It Is Well with My Soul*

*Ville du Havre*

1. When peace, like a river,  
attendeth my way,  
When sorrows like sea billows roll;  
Whatever my lot,  
Thou hast taught me to say,  
"It is well, it is well with my soul."

#### *Chorus*

It is well (it is well)  
with my soul (with my soul)  
It is well, it is well with my soul.

2. Though Satan should buffet,  
though trials should come,  
Let this blessed assurance control,  
That Christ has regarded  
my helpless estate,  
And has shed His own blood for my soul.

#### *Chorus*

3. My sin, oh the bliss  
of this glorious thought!  
My sin, not in part, but the whole,  
Is nailed to the cross,  
and I bear it no more;  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

#### *Chorus*

4. And Lord haste the day  
when the faith shall be sight,  
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll;  
The trump shall resound,  
and the Lord shall descend,  
Even so, it is well with my soul.

#### *Chorus*

# God's Grace

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## COMMUNION SONG

### *I Will Glory In My Redeemer*

1. I will glory in my Redeemer  
Whose priceless blood has ransomed me  
Mine was the sin that drove the bitter nails  
And hung Him on that judgment tree  
I will glory in my Redeemer  
Who crushed the power of sin and death  
My only Savior before the holy Judge  
The Lamb Who is my righteousness  
The Lamb Who is my righteousness

2. I will glory in my Redeemer  
My life He bought my love He owns  
I have no longings for another  
I'm satisfied in Him alone  
I will glory in my Redeemer  
His faithfulness my standing place  
Though foes are mighty and rush upon me  
My feet are firm held by His grace  
My feet are firm held by His grace

3. I will glory in my Redeemer  
Who carries me on eagle's wings  
He crowns my life with loving kindness  
His triumph song I'll ever sing  
I will glory in my Redeemer  
Who waits for me at gates of gold  
And when He calls me it will be paradise  
His face forever to behold  
His face forever to behold

# God's Blessing

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## SONG OF BLESSING AND SENDING

*Nothing But the Blood*

*Plainfield*

1. What can wash away my sin?  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
What can make me whole again?  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

4. This is all my hope and peace—  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
This is all my righteousness—  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

*Chorus:*

Oh! Precious is the flow  
That makes me white as snow;  
No other fount I know,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

*Chorus*

2. For my cleansing, this I see—  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
For my pardon, this my plea—  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

*Chorus*

3. Nothing can for sin atone—  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
Naught of good that I have done—  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

*Chorus*

# God's Blessing

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand.

*Just as we  
begin with with  
God's gracious  
invitation, so  
we end with  
God's promise  
to always be  
with us.*

*It is appropriate  
to lift our heads  
as a symbol  
that through  
Christ God  
graciously lifts  
our head, and  
we hold out our  
hands palms  
up to symbolize  
our need and  
eagerness to  
receive God's  
blessing.*

## BENEDICTION

*Rev. JB Wilbanks*

### *2 Corinthians 13:14*

Minister: "The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all."

## POSTLUDE

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## FAMILY WORSHIP GUIDE

*A Catechism is an ancient, simple, and effective tool for teaching the basics of the Christian faith. The New City Catechism is a modern catechism in the Reformed tradition that draws from the ancient practice of basing Christian formation around the Ten Commandments, the Apostle's Creed, and the Lord's Prayer. Through 52 questions and answers it helps form our hearts and our minds around the great truths of the Christian faith. The bold portion is a more concise answer designed to be memorized by younger children.*

**QUESTION 17:** What is idolatry?

**ANSWER:** **Idolatry is trusting in created things rather than the Creator** for our hope and happiness, significance and security. *Romans 1:21, 25*

**QUESTION 18:** Will God allow our disobedience and idolatry to go unpunished?

**ANSWER: No,** every sin is against the sovereignty, holiness, and goodness of God, and against his righteous law, and **God is righteously angry with our sins and will punish them** in his just judgment **both in this life, and in the life to come.** *Ephesians 5:5-6*

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## PRAYER AND PHYSICAL NEEDS

*If you would like someone to pray for or with you, please consider contacting one of our elders (info on next page). They would love to talk with you and pray for you. We also hope you will join a Community Group to build relationships with people who know you and pray for you on a regular basis. If you have physical or material needs, please contact our deacon team at [deaconteam@redeemerprestemple.org](mailto:deaconteam@redeemerprestemple.org)*

# CHURCH OFFICERS & STAFF

## SESSION

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## FINANCIAL GIVING REPORT

*Thank you for your faithful and generous giving to Jesus' mission through Redeemer!*

	INCOME*	BUDGETED EXPENSES	ACTUAL EXPENSES*	ACTUAL VARIANCE
2023 Jan-Dec	\$593,003.29	\$617,808.00	\$522,253.01	\$70,750.28
2023 December	\$61,618.12	\$51,484.00	\$49,040.42	\$12,577.70
2023 November	\$57,507.10	\$51,484.00	\$45,077.70	\$12,429.40
2023 October	\$40,959.61	\$51,484.00	\$47,765.72	(\$6,806.11)

*\*These include all funds and operating expenses except income and expenses in the designated building fund.*

## EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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### SUNDAY SCHOOL IS BACK JANUARY 21! SUNDAYS AT 9AM

**ADULTS** | Stroll through the Westminster Confession of Faith (*worship annex*)

**YOUTH** | 10 Questions Every Teen Should Ask (and Answer) about Christianity (*downstairs*)

**CHILDREN** | PreK-5th grade will learn about the Bible, catechism, and memory verses! (*upstairs*)

**NURSERY** | Available for infants and toddlers 2 months—3 years

### WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Ladies, join us this spring as we go through the book of 1 John together! Groups will meet Wednesdays at 6:30pm and Fridays at 9:30am starting January 24. Childcare is available for the Friday morning study. Books are available on the book table. Sign up using the code below!

### MEN'S RETREAT

Signup is now available for Redeemer's annual Men's Retreat February 1-4 at Selah Springs Ranch. Come for a weekend of fellowship, food, and fun. Registration is \$195, but please don't let cost be a barrier! Speak with David Joffrion or Michael Spencer with any questions. Register by scanning the code below.

### CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

We're in the middle of a capital campaign with the goal of paying off our mortgage principal. So far, \$173,454 has been given to the mortgage paydown and our amount owed is at \$233,628. You may give by check or through Church Center; designate your gift for the Building Fund. More info linked below.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**January 21** Sunday School resumes

**January 24** Women's Bible study begins

**February 1-3** Men's Retreat

**February 11** Community Groups resume

**February 13** Prime Time Fellowship (55+) Game Night

**March 7** Men's Pub Night

**March 31** Easter Brunch, No Sunday School

**April 12-13** Women's In-Town Retreat



**WORSHIP** | Sundays 10:00 AM

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