

We are glad you are worshiping with us.

Please complete and tear off this card to share your contact information, update your contact information, or make a prayer request.

Simply place it in the offering plate or give it to the pastor.

WELCOME TO REDEEMER!

Also Today . . .

Christmas Choir Practice..... immediately following worship

This Week . . .

Youth Fellowship Meeting Wednesday • 5:00-7:00PM

Men’s Prayer Breakfast..... Saturday • 8:00-9:15AM

Looking Ahead . . .

Women’s Christmas Gathering Saturday, December 12 • NOON

In the home of the Vandegrifts • 722 S. Buchanan Road, Waverly
White Elephant Gifts • Bring a side-dish • Christmas Project: Mercy Ministry
Please RSVP to: melsdrm@att.net (no later than Sunday, December 6).

A Festival of Lessons & Carols.....Sunday, December 20 • 6:00PM

A telling of the gospel through Scripture readings, carols, and hymns to enrich your celebration of this blessed season.

Please invite your friends to join us for this special time of worship.

Redeemer Christmas Mailbox . . .

Those who wish to “send” Christmas greetings to Redeemer friends may bring their cards to church and place them in our “Christmas Mailbox” (on the information table) for pickup.

Serving You

Chris Vandegrift, *Liturgist* • Julie Driver, Ann Galya, Emily Griffin, & Kaci Puckett, *Vocalists*
Pam Spence, *Music Director* • Juli Robertson, Patti Robertson, & Nan Traxler, *Pianists*
Donna Taylor, Children’s Ministry Director
Maureen Litchfield, *Women’s Ministry President* • Emily Griffin, *Youth Ministry Coordinator*
Betty Jacobson, *CD Ministry* • Dick Jacobson, *Finance Clerk*
Robyn McKinney, *Redeemerlink Editor* • Emily Griffin, *Meal-train Coordinator*
Ann Galya • Lily Gray • Clay & Robyn McKinney • Vickie Stevens,
Nan Traxler, *Sound & Recording* • Boyd Taylor, *Treasurer*

Leadership Team

Ken Litchfield • Patrick Rist • Ron Robertson • Pastor Spence, *Elders on the Session*
Jim Berkey, *Elder Emeritus*
Dick Jacobson • Clay McKinney • Boyd Taylor • Rick Traxler, *Deacons*



Redeemer Presbyterian Church

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Service for the Lord’s Day

First Sunday of Advent

November 29, 2020

Words of Greeting

Hymn 196..... *Come, Thou Long-expected Jesus*

Prayer for the Lord’s Assistance and Blessing

Call to Worship 1Corinthians 15:20-27 NIV

But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead,

the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

For since death came through a man,

the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man.

For as in Adam all die,

so in Christ all will be made alive.

But each in turn: Christ, the firstfruits;

**then, when He comes,
those who belong to Him.**

Then the end will come, when He hands over the kingdom to God the Father after He has destroyed all dominion, 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.

Hymn*Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending*

The Reading of the Law of God

God spoke all these words, saying, I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

You shall have no other gods before Me.

**You shall not make for yourself any graven image;
you shall not bow down to them or serve them.**

You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain.

Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.

The Reading of the Law of God continues on the next page.

My Contact Information

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

My Prayer Request

Please pray for

who lives at

AREA(S) OF NEED

- Spiritual Life
- Relationships
- Physical Health
- Finances
- Emotional Health
- Vocation

Other information:

Please keep my request confidential and do not add it to the prayer list.

Honor your father and your mother.

You shall not kill.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness.

You shall not covet.

Our Lord Jesus said:

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.

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, we are to have no other gods before You.

Yet, we have often slipped into

loving, fearing, and serving things of earth.

We have not worshiped You with our whole heart.

Nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves,

but we have served our own selfish interests,

withholding love and forgiveness when we should give them.

In Your mercy, Lord, forgive us.

Help us to lay aside the works of darkness

and put on the armor of light.

Renew us in hope,

that we may be awake and alert

and cherish a living faith in Jesus Christ,

our Judge and Savior

who rescues us from sin and death,

and who lives with You

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Hear the good news!

The hour has already come for you to wake up from your slumber,

because our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed.

The night is nearly over; the day is almost here.

So let us put aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light.

Know that you are forgiven, and be at peace.

Thanks be to God.

—based on Romans 13:11-12 NIV

Scripture Reading..... 2Thessalonians 2:1-3a; 13-17

Sermon.....*Christ Is Our Hope*
by Pastor Neil Spence

Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Psalter Psalm 62:1-2; 7-8

The Morning Prayer and Our Lord's Prayer

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.

Hymn 246*Man of Sorrows! What a Name*

The Blessing

Psalm Notes

Psalm 62 is a psalm of David. The great subject of the psalm is stated in the opening verse: "My soul finds rest in God alone." Note carefully the word "*alone*." The purpose of the psalm is to affirm trust in God *alone*—as opposed to the false hopes in which men trust and are disappointed.

The psalm is in three stanzas: verses 3-4 in which he addresses his enemies, 5-8 in which he addresses the church, and 9-12 in which he summarizes the teaching of the psalm and surrender himself to the Lord in prayer.

Christ was in David and David's reign represented to the world Christ and the covenant of grace. David's enemies were, in reality, enemies of Christ and His church.

Christ is in us and we are His church. When we pray or sing this psalm, our Lord Himself leads our praying and our singing, remembering for us and teaching us to place our trust in His God and Father who defeats all His and our enemies and will bring us safely at last into His glorious presence where Christ is.

How to Become a Member

Christ's Great Commission (Matthew 28:19-20) is fulfilled in Christians who commit themselves to Christ and to one another in covenant relationship. Through **church membership** we acknowledge that Jesus Christ alone is the Head and Lord of the Church and we commit ourselves to do our part to build up the body of Christ for mission. Those who desire to be members are invited to fill out a **Membership Enrollment Form** and discuss membership with the pastor.

What About the Offering?

Giving is still part of our worship, but in order to minimize contact and to social distance during the pandemic, we are not passing the offering plate during the service. An offering plate is positioned at each entrance to the sanctuary.

SOLA SCRIPTURA/**Scripture alone** • SOLA GRATIA/**grace alone**
SOLUS CHRISTUS/**Christ alone** • SOLA FIDE/**faith alone**
SOLI DEO GLORIA/**to God's Glory alone**