

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

Women's Monthly Bible Study ..... Saturday • 10:00AM

Please contact Patti Robertson for more information on this series. This study meets at RPC and childcare is provided.

Looking Ahead . . .

Session Meeting.....Monday, November 16 • 6:00PM

Churchwide Thanksgiving Dinner.....November 18 • 6:30PM

Next Lord's Day . .

**The Matthew 25 Project—Thanksgiving Dinner Boxes**

Those who desire to participate please provide items from the following list or prepare a box or bag with all of them: green beans, corn, macaroni and cheese, potatoes, stuffing, broth, cranberry sauce, cake mix and icing, and cornmeal muffin mix. **Collection ends November 15.** The Help Center will supply the turkey.

## Serving You

Daniel Work, *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*



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# Service for the Lord's Day

November 8, 2020

Words of Greeting

Call to Worship ..... Revelation 3:20-22 NLT

“Look!” declares the Lord,  
“I stand at the door and knock.  
If you hear my voice and open the door,  
I will come in, and we will share a meal together as friends.  
Those who are victorious will sit with Me on my throne,  
just as I was victorious and sat with my Father on His throne.  
Anyone with ears to hear must listen to the Spirit  
and understand what He is saying to the churches.”

Prayer for the Lord's Assistance and Blessing

Psalter ..... Psalm 103:1-13

The Law of God

Which is the ninth commandment?

**The ninth commandment is,  
You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.**

What is required in the ninth commandment?

**The ninth commandment requires  
the maintaining and promoting of truth between man and man,  
and of our own and our neighbor's good name,  
especially in testifying as witnesses.**

What is forbidden in the ninth commandment?

**The ninth commandment forbids  
whatever is contrary to the truth,  
or harmful to our own or our neighbor's good name.**

—Westminster Shorter Catechism, Q & A 76-78

## My Contact Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

## My Prayer Request

Please pray for

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who lives at

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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.

## Prayer of Confession

Most gracious and most merciful God,  
we confess to You and to one another that time after time  
we have entered Your presence with countless prayers  
but with hearts that have been closed to Your grace.

*Silent Prayer*

We have lifted our hands to You in praise,  
but our feet have still walked in the ways of evil.

*Silent Prayer*

We have rehearsed Your commandments  
but have refused to see Your face in the needs of our neighbor.

*Silent Prayer*

Within Your church we have been slow to practice love of our  
neighbors.

*Silent Prayer*

And in the world we have not been Your faithful servants.

*Silent Prayer*

**Forgive us and help us to live as disciples of Jesus Christ,  
Your Son, our Savior. Amen.**

## Assurance of Pardon

This saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance,  
that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

He himself bore our sins in His body on the cross,  
that we might be dead to sin, and alive to all that is good.

I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ,  
that in Him we are forgiven,

**Thanks be to God.**

—based on 1 Timothy 1:15; 1 Peter 2:24

Hymn 701..... *Redeemed, How I Love to Proclaim It!*

Scripture Reading.....2Thessalonians 1

Sermon..... *When Faith Is on Trial*  
by Pastor Neil Spence

Hymn ..... *Shout to the Lord*

My Jesus, my Savior,  
Lord there is none like You—  
All of my days, I want to praise  
The wonders of Your mighty love.  
My comfort, my shelter,  
Tower of refuge and strength—  
Let ev'ry breath, all that I am,  
Never cease to worship You.

Shout to the Lord,  
All the earth let us sing.  
Power and majesty praise to the King.  
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar  
At the sound of Your name.  
I sing for joy at the work of Your hands  
Forever I'll love You forever I'll stand.  
Nothing compares to the promise I have in You.

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## Celebration of the Lord's Supper

### 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 ..... *All I Have Is Christ*

### The Blessing

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

## Psalm Notes

**Psalm 103** is a song of pure praise that comes to us from the pen of King David himself. The most practical lesson of the psalm is the truth that the whole person—"all that is within me"—is to be engaged in the worship and praise of God (103:1). Our God deserves our whole-hearted worship.

Worship is a recalling of God's gracious acts on our behalf. Not only do we worship God with our whole being, we are to make it our purpose to celebrate all the blessings of God's goodness and "forget not all His benefits."

The great Redeemer (103:4, 6) has become like a Father to His people even though we are but dust (103:13-14).

He cares about our families. His faithful covenant love is even to children's children of those who keep covenant with Him (103:17-18).

His eternal throne is the seat of His rule and authority, the object of our hope, and the focus of our worship (103:19). Christ is there—so are our hearts. Christ is there—a just mercy has come to us.

The last stanza of the psalm (103:20-22) reflects the unique role of redeemed human beings in God's world. All His creatures reflect His glory, but His covenant people are able to magnify His mercy.

## 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.