

We are glad you are worshipping 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!

Coffee and other refreshments are available after the service. A time of learning with classes for all ages begins at **11:00AM** and a nursery is provided.

Also Today . . .

Christmas Choir Rehearsal **12:00-12:30PM**

This Week . . .

Youth Discipleship **Wednesday • 5:00-7:00PM**

Women's Christmas Gathering.....**Saturday • 11:00AM**

Hosted by Chenoa Vandegrift • Please bring an offering for our Mercy Ministry and a wrapped "white elephant" gift. Chenoa is providing the meal.

Looking Ahead . . .

A Festival of Lessons and Carols **Sunday, December 19 • 6:00PM**

A telling of the gospel through Scripture readings, carols, and hymns to enrich your celebration of this blessed season. Please bring finger foods for a time of fellowship afterwards and **invite your friends to join us for this special time.**

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" (an expandable file on the information table) for pickup.

Serving You

Ann Galya-Ferebee, Emily Griffin, Kaci Puckett, & Chris Vandegrift, *Vocalists*
Juli Robertson, Patti Robertson, & Nan Traxler, *Pianists* • Tim Choate, *Guitar*
Daniel Work, *Liturgist* • Pam Spence, *Music Director*
Rachel Rist, *Women's Ministry President* • Emily Griffin, *Youth Ministry Coordinator*
Daniel Work, *Men's Ministry Leader*
Donna Taylor, *Children's Ministry Director* • Kayla Lane, *Nursery Attendant*
Boyd Taylor, *Treasurer* • Dick Jacobson, *Finance Clerk*
Robyn McKinney, *Redeemerlink Editor* • Betty Jacobson, *CD Ministry*
Ann Galya-Ferebee • Jacob Puckett • Clay & Robyn McKinney • Vickie Stevens
Nan Traxler, *Sound & Recording*

Leadership Team

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



Redeemer Presbyterian Church

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Service for the Lord's Day

Second Sunday of Advent

December 5, 2021

Words of Greeting

Hymn 193 *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence*

Prayer for the Lord's Assistance and Blessing

Call to Worship..... Luke 3:4-6 ESV

As it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet,
"The voice of one crying in the wilderness:
'Prepare the way of the Lord,

make His paths straight.

Every valley shall be filled,

and every mountain and hill shall be made low,

and the crooked shall become straight,
and the rough places shall become level ways,

and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.'"

Joy to the World (Handbell)..... Redeemer Youth Fellowship

Hymn *Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne*

Invitation to Confession of Sin

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God our Father,

**by Your grace, prepare our hearts to welcome Christ as Lord
and one another in His name.**

**Turn us from the crooked paths of pride and self-seeking,
take away the rough places of indifference**

**and harsh judgment toward our brothers and sisters
and every sin against our Lord's New Commandment,
and teach us to serve in humility and to walk in love.**

We are truly sorry.

We repent and turn to you.

**Forgive us and renew our lives
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

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.

Scripture ReadingMatthew 8:23-27

Sermon *Who Is This?*
by Pastor Neil Spence

Psalter Psalm 40:1-10

- 1 I waited long upon the LORD;
He heard my cry and turned to me.
- 2 He raised me from the slimy pit
And from the mire He pulled me free.
He set my feet on solid rock,
A place to stand both firm and broad.
- 3 He put a new song in my mouth,
A joyful hymn of praise to God.

Many will look with godly fear
And on the LORD alone rely.
- 4 Bless-ed are they who trust the LORD,
Who shun the proud and gods that lie.
- 5 The wonders You have done, O LORD,
How many and how great they are!
Your plans for us are far beyond
Our power to number or declare.
- 6 You did not ask that calves or goats
Be brought as sacrifice for sin,
But You have opened up my ears;
You did not seek burnt offering.
- 7 Then I declared, "LORD, I have come;
It's written of Me in the scroll.
- 8 I want to do Your will, my God;
Your law is in My heart and soul."
- 9 In the assembly when it met
Your justice I proclaimed abroad.
I did not seal my lips at all;
You know all this about me, LORD.
- 10 I did not hide within My heart
Your saving grace and righteousness;
In the assembly I proclaimed
Your steadfast love and faithfulness.

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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 *Magnificat*

My soul will magnify the Lord;
I rejoice in God my Savior,
In the wonder of His favor.
For He has done great things for me;
He was mindful of His servant.
Ev'ry age shall call me blessed.
The Hope of Abraham come
In the giving of a Son;
For He who promised is mighty
In remembering His mercy.

My soul will magnify the Lord
For His grace to those who fear Him
Through every generation
The proud He scatters to the wind
As the ruler's strength is broken,
And the rich are left with nothing.
The humble lifted high,
And the hungry satisfied;
Our Portion and our Treasure,
Our Hope and Help forever.

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The Blessing

Psalm Notes

Psalm 40 is a psalm of David. Christ was *in* David and David's reign represented Christ and the covenant of grace. David's enemies were, in reality, enemies of Christ and His church. Christ was *with* David in his trials and was the source of his joyful testimony (verses 2-3). Christ was *with* David in "the slimy pit." This fact is a promise of the same to us. Our Lord went deeply into our distress to rescue us from sin and death.

At the heart of the psalm is the declaration found in verse 7, "Then I said, 'Behold, I have come; in the scroll of the book it is written of me.'" This verse illustrates the psalter as a whole. The psalms are the *word* of Christ and, very often, the very *words* of Christ. In this psalm, Christ speaks concerning His coming in flesh and willingness to become our Savior.

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 God's precious Word which can never fail.

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 at this time we are not passing the offering plate during the service. An offering plate is positioned at each entrance to the sanctuary.

Thank you!