

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!

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.

This Week . . .

Funeral Arrangements for John L. Moore..... Tuesday

Visitation: 11:00AM • Funeral Service: 1:00PM • Taylor Funeral Home

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

Men's Prayer Breakfast..... Saturday • 8:00-9:30AM

Childcare is provided. Sign up today!

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.

A Mercy Ministry Opportunity . . .

The Matthew 25 Project—Each month we collect a designated item for the Help Center. **The item for January is peanut butter.**

Please join us!

Serving You

Ann Galya-Ferebee, Emily Griffin, Kaci Puckett, & Chris Vandegrift, *Vocalists*
Juli Robertson, Patti Robertson, Nan Traxler & Alex Wood *Pianists* • Tim Choate, *Guitar*
Daniel Work, *Liturgist* • Pam Spence, *Music Director*
Rachel Rist, *Women's Ministry President*
Emily Griffin, *Youth Ministry and Meal Train 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

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

Meeting at **7 Valley West Drive, Dickson, Tennessee 37055**

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Service for the Lord's Day

January 2, 2022 • 9:30AM

Words of Greeting

PsalterPsalm 1

- 1 That man is blessed who does not walk
As wicked men advise,
Nor stand where sinners meet, nor sit
Where scorners pose as wise.
- 2 Instead he is the one who makes
The LORD's law his delight,
And in that law he meditates
By day and in the night.
- 3 He's like a deeply planted tree
Beside a water stream,
Which in its season bears its fruit,
Whose leaves stay fresh and green.
In all he does he will succeed.
- 4 The wicked are not so,
But they are like the scattered chaff
Swept by the winds that blow.
- 5 The wicked therefore will not stand
When time of judgment comes,
Nor will the sinners stand among
Assembled righteous ones.
- 6 Because the LORD the righteous loves;
The path they walk He knows.
The wicked walk a different path,
That to destruction goes.

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Prayer for the Lord's Assistance and Blessing

A Season of Praise

Great Is the Lord
Holy, Holy, Holy (Hymn 100)

My Contact Information

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

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.

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.

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.

Invitation to Confession of Sin

Prayer of Confession

God of grace,

**You have given us Jesus, the light of the world,
but we often choose darkness
and cling to sins that hide the brightness of Your Love.**

**Baptize us with Your Spirit and grant us the gift of repentance,
that, forgiven and renewed,
we may preach Your Word to the nations
and tell of Your glory shining in the face of Jesus Christ,
our Lord and our Light forever. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Scripture Reading Matthew 9:1-8

Sermon *The Greatest Thing*
by Pastor Neil Spence

Hymn.....*What Grace Is Mine*

What grace is mine, that He who dwells in endless light
Called through the night to find my distant soul.
And from His scars poured mercy that would plead for me
that I may live and in His Name be known.

*So I will go wherever He is calling me;
I lose my life to find my life in Him.
I give my all to gain the hope that never dies;
I bow my heart, take up my cross, and follow Him.*

What grace is mine, to know His breath alive in me;
Beneath His wings my wakened soul may soar.
All fear can flee for death's dark night is overcome;
My Savior lives and reigns forevermore.

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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.....*Still, My Soul, Be Still*

Still, my soul, be still
And do not fear though winds of change may rage tomorrow.
God is at your side;
no longer dread the fires of unexpected sorrow.

*God, You are my God, And I will trust in You and not be shaken.
Lord of peace, renew A steadfast spirit within me to rest in You alone.*

Still, my soul, be still;
Do not be moved by lesser lights and fleeting shadows.
Hold onto His ways,
With shield of faith against temptation's flaming arrows.

Still, my soul, be still;
Do not forsake the truth you learned in the beginning.
Wait upon the Lord,
and hope will rise as stars appear when day is dimming.

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The Blessing

Psalm One

Our service today opens with what has become a tradition for us—the singing of the first Psalm on the first Sunday of a new year. **Psalm 1** serves as an introduction to the psalms as a whole and to the Biblical understanding of life. It directs us to the path of blessing and away from the paths that lead to disaster.

The contrast and the conflict between “the righteous” (verse 5) and “the wicked” (verses 4-5) is jarring to our ears but perfectly understandable. The “righteous” or “upright” are not saved by their own righteousness and do not trust in it. They do, however, live by faith and love the Lord and His Word and seek to glorify Him with their lives—as imperfect as they may be.

The saints are “righteous” as men and women justified by grace alone, through faith alone, because of Christ alone. Christ is the truly righteous man envisioned in the psalter. The saints are “righteous” in that they are God's holy people who belong to Him by covenant and are sanctified by Him. Finally, they are “righteous” in the sense that gratitude to their great Deliverer and His grace working in them cause them to delight in Him and glorifying Him with their lives. Their fruitful lives flow from their union with Christ.

Psalm 1 reminds us that the psalms are the songs of the church in her militancy—while the church worships and wars in the context of an evil world full of enemies, temptations, and snares and in which we are subject to trials. We will need its message as long as life lasts.

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!