



REDEEMER
ORANGE COUNTY

{ *order of worship* }



WELCOME

We are delighted to have you with us for worship!

We hope that today will be a day that you will meet with God. We want to invite you to join with us in experiencing joy, beauty, and awe as we encounter God in the reading & preaching of the Scriptures, the offering of prayers, the singing of his praises, the sacraments of baptism & the Lord's Supper, and the fellowship of the church community.

We want you to know that Redeemer is a safe place for you to be in process. You are free to explore, voice objections, be real, and find community. We have people from diverse backgrounds and recognize that everyone is in a different place in their Spiritual journey.

As you are leaving stop by our Welcome Table in the Narthex to pick up a complimentary coffee mug. There are also Connect Cards where you can leave your contact information and be included in our Friday email newsletter. We would also love to get to know you and there is box to check if you are interested in meeting for conversation over a coffee.

To our Families with Children

We want to be a good church to your family by helping your little ones learn to worship. A few things we do to serve families...

Nursery for ages 0-3 years old. Feel free to use the nursery as needed (if kids get too restless) or throughout the service.

Children's Bulletins to help young children in church. We know that this takes time and promise not be bothered by an occasional squeal, laugh, or tear.

Sermon Time Class is an age-appropriate lesson for children 3 years old to 5th grade (use at your discretion). Note: All children need to be checked in using our Children's Check-In system or on the Church Center APP prior to the service or at the children's dismissal. Nursery – kindergarten children need to be checked out directly with a nursery worker or their child's teacher following the sermon.

About our Worship Service

Our liturgy (i.e. worship service) follows the logic of the gospel and the historic pattern of God's people.

The main movements are as follows:

Calling - God takes the initiative, moves towards us with grace, and invites us to know and worship him.

Cleansing - God forgives us and reminds us of his great love in Christ.

Constitution - God builds us up and nourishes us through the Scriptures.

Communion - God draws near to us and invites us to partake of his grace in the sacrament.

Commission - God sends us out into his world empowered to be his ambassadors.

We realize that the flow and content of the service may be new so we've included a few notes in the margins that offer some explanations. Feel free to participate actively or to just listen and observe.

Again, we are glad that you have joined us today. Let us worship!

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Twenty Third Sunday after Pentecost : NOVEMBER 5TH, 2023

Before the service, there is a time for prayer and reflection. Please remember to silence cell phones.

WELCOME

REFLECTION

In the mind of a Tyndale or Luther, as in the mind of St. Paul himself, this theology was by no means an intellectual construction made in the interests of speculative thought. It springs directly out of a highly specialized religious experience.... The experience is that of catastrophic conversion. The man who has passed through it feels like one who has waked from a nightmare into ecstasy. Like an accepted lover, he feels that he has done nothing, and never could have done anything, to deserve such astonishing happiness.... All the initiative has been on God's side; all has been free, unbounded grace. And all will continue to be free, unbounded grace. His own puny and ridiculous efforts would be as helpless to retain the joy as they would have been to achieve it in the first place. Fortunately they need not. Bliss is not for sale, cannot be earned. Works have no merit, though of course faith, inevitably, even unconsciously, flows out into works of love at once. He is not saved because he does works of love: he does works of love because he is saved. It is faith alone that has saved him: faith bestowed by sheer gift. From this buoyant humility, this farewell to the self with all its good resolutions, anxiety, scruples, and motive-scratchings, all the Protestant doctrines originally sprang.

— C. S. Lewis

CALENDAR

- ADVENT The word 'Pentecost' comes from the Greek meaning simply 'fiftieth'. Pentecost Sunday ends the season of
- CHRISTMAS Easter and symbolizes a new beginning. It celebrates the unleashing of the Holy Spirit on the world and the
- EPIPHANY empowering of the church to reach the world with the gospel. In remembering Pentecost and living in light
- LENT of this powerful turning point the church expresses gratitude to Christ for sending "another counselor" (John
- EASTER 14:16), celebrates the work of the Spirit in the renewal of all creation, and professes its confidence and security
- PENTECOST in knowing the Spirit's power is available for its mission.

Calling

Please stand.

CALL TO WORSHIP - ADAPTED FROM PSALM 130

In the call to worship God begins the dialogue that occurs in worship and graciously invites his people to draw near to him.

Minister: Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD! O Lord, hear my voice! If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand?

People: But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.

Minister: O Israel, hope in the LORD!

People: For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption. And he will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

Bold text is read together by the congregation.
Plain text is read by the leader.

PASTORAL PRAYER OF ADORATION

Prayer concludes by praying in unison:

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.

OPENING SONG

Arise, My Soul, Arise

WORDS: CHARLES WESLEY, MUSIC: KEVIN TWIT

Arise, my soul, arise,
shake off your guilty fears;
The bleeding sacrifice,
on my behalf appears;
Before the throne my surety stands,
Before the throne my surety stands,
My name is written on His hands.

Chorus

Arise (arise), arise (arise), arise
Arise, my soul, arise.
Arise (arise), arise (arise), arise
Arise, my soul, arise.
Shake off your guilty fears and rise

He ever lives above,
for me to intercede;
His all redeeming love,
His precious blood to plead;
His blood atoned for ev'ry race,
His blood atoned for ev'ry race,
And sprinkles now the throne of grace.

Chorus

Five bleeding wounds He bears;
received on Calvary;
They pour effectual prayers;
they strongly plead for me:
Forgive him, O forgive, they cry,
Forgive him, O forgive, they cry,
Don't let that ransomed sinner die!

Chorus

My God is reconciled;
His pardoning voice I hear;
He owns me for His child;
I can no longer fear
With confidence I now draw nigh,
With confidence I now draw nigh,
And "Father, Abba, Father," cry.

Chorus

Cleansing

Please be seated.

CONFESSION OF SIN

In the prayer of
repentance we
speak honestly
with God about
ourselves by
confessing our
sins and
shortcomings
and seeking
forgiveness in
Christ.

Almighty God, you created us for life together, but we have turned from your will. We have not loved as you command. We have broken our promises to you and to one another. We have taken much and given little. Forgive our disobedience, O God, and strengthen us in love, that we may faithfully serve you as your people, and live together in your joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

SONG OF COMFORT

By Thy Mercy

WORDS: JAMES J CUMMINS; MUSIC: GREG THOMPSON

Jesus, Lord of life and glory,
Bend from heav'n thy gracious ear;
While our waiting souls adore thee,
Friend of helpless sinners, hear:

Please stand.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON - EPHESIANS 5:25-27

Having been
forgiven by
God, we greet
one another
with joy and
speak peace to
each other.

Minister: Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish

PASSING THE PEACE & COLLECTION

Minister: The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People: And also with you.

Collection: In response to God's grace, we worship him and seek to honor him with our lives. One way that we do so is by giving financially to Christ and the work of his Church. We invite all who are a part of this church to continue their worship in this way (Philippians 4:18-19; 2 Corinthians 8-9; 1 Corinthians 16:1-3; Malachi 3:6-12; Matthew 6:24). If you are visiting with us today please do not feel any pressure to contribute.

You may leave offerings in the collection box located on the back glass wall of the worship area. You may also take the time to give electronically. To donate through our church APP, download the APP on your smartphone and set up a Subsplash account.

To donate online, scan the QR code.



SONG OF PRAISE

Come and Welcome

WORDS: THOMAS HAWEIS. MUSIC: MATTHEW PERRYMAN JONES

From the cross uplifted high
Where the Savior deigns to die
What melodious sounds I hear
Bursting on my ravished ear
Love's redeeming work is done
Come and welcome, sinner, come

Sprinkled now with blood the throne
Why beneath thy burdens groan
On my pierced body laid
Justice owns the ransom paid
Bow the knee and kiss the Son
Come and welcome, sinner, come

Spread for thee the festal board
See with richest dainties stored
To thy Father's bosom pressed
Yet again a child confessed
Never from His house to roam
Come and welcome, sinner, come

Soon the days of life shall end
Lo, I come, your Savior, Friend
Safe your spirit to convey
To the realms of endless day
Up to my eternal home.
Come and welcome, sinner, come.

Constitution

Please be seated

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Nicene Creed is a concise summary of biblical teaching, adopted in the 4th century, and is the most universally affirmed creed among Christian churches. "Catholic" refers to the true, universal church of all times and places.

CONFESSION OF FAITH - THE NICENE CREED

Minister: Let us confess our faith together saying:

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; and with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the Prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Please stand

SONG OF PREPARATION

I Asked The Lord

WORDS BY JOHN NEWTON, ALT. LAURA TAYLOR; MUSIC BY LAURA TAYLOR

I asked the Lord that I might grow
In faith and love and every grace
Might more of His salvation know
And seek more earnestly His face

'Twas He who taught me thus to pray
And He I trust has answered prayer
But it has been in such a way
As almost drove me to despair

I hoped that in some favored hour
At once He'd answer my request
And by His love's constraining power
Subdue my sins and give me rest

Instead of this He made me feel
The hidden evils of my heart
And let the angry powers of Hell
Assault my soul in every part

Yea more with His own hand He seemed
Intent to aggravate my woe
Crossed all the fair designs I schemed
Cast out my feelings, laid me low

Lord, why is this, I trembling cried
Wilt Thou pursue Thy worm to death?
"Tis in this way," the Lord replied,
"I answer prayer for grace and faith"

"These inward trials I employ
From self and pride to set thee free
And break thy schemes of earthly joy
That thou mayest seek thy all in Me
That thou mayest seek thy all in Me
That thou mayest seek thy all in Me"

Prayer Requests? Let us know how we can pray for you. Fill out the Prayer Request form on our church app or website by scanning the QR Code.



Please be seated.

SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 8:1-17

¹ There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. ² For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. ³ For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴ in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. ⁵ For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. ⁶ For to set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. ⁷ For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot. ⁸ Those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

⁹ You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. ¹⁰ But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. ¹¹ If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

¹² So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. ¹³ For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴ For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. ¹⁵ For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶ The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷ and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God

SERMON

Life in the Spirit

The Spirit uses the reading and preaching of God's Word to impart new Spiritual life as well as to nourish and comfort God's people in their faith.

Questions? After the service, our pastors and elders will be taking your questions and engaging in a fifteen-minute impromptu discussion on the previous week's Scripture readings. We'll give you a few minutes to grab a cup of coffee and join us in the front of the sanctuary.

Please stand.

SONG OF RESPONSE

In Christ Alone

KEITH GETTY & STUART TOWNEND

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my Light my strength my song
This cornerstone this solid ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love what depths of peace
When fears are stilled when strivings cease
My comforter my all in all
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

Communion

Our communion liturgy is adapted from Scripture as well as the earliest traditions of the church. The liturgy begins with *The Sursum Corda* which is Latin for “lift up your hearts,” and calls us to be heavenly minded in the Lord’s presence (cf. Psalm 25:1; 2 Thessalonians 3:16).

The Sanctus is a prayer that has been used by the church since the first century to respond to the mystery of Christ’s presence in the sacrament (cf. Psalm 118:26; Isaiah 6:3; Revelation 4:8).

The Memorial Acclamation is a triumphant declaration of the gospel of Christ as portrayed in this holy meal (cf. 1 Corinthians 5:7, 11:26; 1 Timothy 3:16).

INTRODUCTION TO THE SACRAMENT

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Minister: It is right, our duty and privilege, to at all times, and in all places, give thanks to you, O Lord God almighty. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we praise and magnify your glorious name; saying together:

ALL: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the Name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

PRAYER & WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Minister: Therefore, let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

ALL: 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: These are the Gifts of God, for the People of God. Feed on him in your hearts by faith, and with thanksgiving.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP

Communion (i.e. the Lord’s Supper or Eucharist) is a holy meal in which we remember Jesus’ life, death, and resurrection. In the sacrament, God comes near to his church and we experience his grace anew.

Who should participate? We invite all Christians—those who confess Christ and have been baptized into his church—to join with us in this sacred meal. If this does not describe you, instead of partaking, we encourage you to consider the things you have seen and heard today, including the love of God, as portrayed in this meal. You may come forward to receive prayer (simply cross your arms over your chest as you pass the servers) or, if you prefer, simply remain in your seat.

Parents: If your children are not yet participating, please instruct them to cross their arms over their chest. As soon as they understand the meaning of this meal in an age-appropriate way and are ready to confess their faith, our leaders would love to meet with them and admit them to the table.

How should I participate? Starting with the front rows, come forward. As you are served, partake of the bread and wine then return to your seat.

Note: We use bread and red wine, but gluten free wafers (containing organic brown and white rice flour only) and white grape juice are also available.

COMMUNION SONG

Did Christ Over Sinners Weep

WORDS: BENJAMIN BEDDOME (1787), ALT. HENRY LYTE (1845), MUSIC: BLAKE MUNDELL (2012)

Did Christ over sinners weep
And shall our cheeks be dry
Let floods of penitential grief
Burst forth from every eye
Burst forth from every eye

Chorus

*Behold the Son of God in tears
The angels wondering see
Hast thou no wonder O my soul
He shed those tears for thee*

He wept that we might weep
Might weep o'er sin and shame
He wept to show His love for us
And bid us love the same
And bid us love the same

Chorus

Then tender be our hearts
Our eyes in sorrow dim
Till every tear from every eye
Be wiped away by Him
Be wiped away by Him
Be wiped away by Him

Chorus x 2

Please stand

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Lord, you have put gladness in our hearts; you have satisfied our hunger with good things. In giving all, you have not withheld from us your own dear Son. How can we withhold anything from you, our Lord and our God? Renew us day by day with the gift of your Spirit, that we may give ourselves completely to your service and walk with joy in the footsteps of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Commission

SONG OF DEPARTURE

Glory Be To God The Father
HORATIUS BONAR (1868)

Glory be to God the Father,
Glory be to God the Son,
Glory be to God the Spirit,
Great Jehovah, Three in One!
Glory, glory, glory, glory
While eternal ages run!

Glory be to him who loved us,
Washed us from each spot and stain!
Glory be to him who bought us,
Made us kings with Him to reign!
Glory, glory, glory, glory
To the Lamb that once was slain

Glory, blessing, praise eternal
Thus the choir of angels sings
Honor, riches, power dominion
Thus its praise creation brings
Glory, glory, glory, glory
Glory to the King of kings

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

BLESSING - NUMBERS 6:24-26

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace.

THE DISMISSAL

Minister: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

FOLLOWING THE SERVICE

Sermons can be streamed and downloaded by scanning the QR code.



Redeemer at a Glance

Our rhythm of our life together follows this pattern:

- WORSHIP } is the primary activity of our church. It is the rationale for creation and the goal of redemption. We believe that a day is coming when our present fallen world will be engulfed by the New Heavens and the New Earth, where shalom will abound, where all things will be to the praise of God's glory.
 - FORMATION } occurs as people are transformed by the gospel. It begins as we first believe and continues throughout our life of faith as we seek to love God with heart, soul, mind & strength as well as our neighbors as ourselves. Spiritual formation takes place in community where God is present and active through Scripture, prayer, sacraments, and fellowship of the church.
 - MISSION } is the story of Scripture in which God is at work to redeem the world. This story culminates in Jesus Christ, who was lovingly sent by God the Father to seek and to save the lost. In his life, death, and resurrection, God has been victorious. And now, the church is sent into the world—into Orange County & beyond—with the Spirit, to continue the work of redemption.
 - CULTURE } takes place as individual Christians are sent into the world to be faithful and present in their communities. Through their families, friendships, and ordinary vocations Christians love their neighbors by contributing to and celebrating truth, goodness, and beauty.
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Get involved in our regular ministries:



SMALL GROUPS – Prayer Groups, Study Groups, Community Groups and Interest Groups



MEN'S AND WOMEN'S MINISTRY – Regular gatherings and yearly retreats to deepen our relationships and support each other.



CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRIES – Whether it's a new baby or a house full of teenagers, Redeemer is a place for your family.



RUF - Reformed University Fellowship is our Ministry to the college campus.



LOCAL SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES - Love and serve Orange County.

Bible in a Year Daily Scripture Readings

For the year of 2023, we are reading the entire Bible together as a church! The scripture readings below are this week's part of our reading plan.

“Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly.” - *Colosians 3:16a*

Monday: 1 Corinthians 1 - 4

Tuesday: 1 Corinthians 5 - 7

Wednesday: 1 Corinthians 8 - 11:1

Thursday: 1 Corinthians 11:2 - 14:40

Friday: 1 Corinthians 15; 2 Corinthians 1 - 2:4

Saturday: 2 Corinthians 2:5 - 4:18

Scan the QR code to listen to audio readings, subscribe to our Daily Morning & Evening Word & Prayer emails, hear our Bible in a Year sermons, and download the whole 2023 reading plan and small group discussion questions and prayer guide.

