



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 Rooms for ages 0 to 3 years old. (Baby Room - 0 to 24 months, Toddler Room - 2 to 3 years) Both rooms are available before service until after service ends. Children need to be checked-in using Check-Ins before drop off and must be picked up by an authorized adult. Feel free to use them as needed (if kids get too restless) or throughout the service.

Children's Bulletins are available at the Kid's Check-In table to help young children in church. We know that this takes time and promise not to be bothered by an occasional squeal, laugh, or tear.

Sermon Time Class is an age-appropriate lesson for children 4 years old to 5th grade (use at your discretion). Our classes are broken up into three age groups: Preschool/Kindergarten, 1st-3rd Grade and 4th-5th Grade. Note: All children need to be checked in using Check-Ins prior to the service or at the children's dismissal.

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!

To learn more about our church please check the following pages in the back of this Order of Worship

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First Sunday of Advent ∴ DECEMBER 3RD, 2023

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

WELCOME

REFLECTION

Parables are acts of judgment, reinforcing the divisions that He has already caused within Israel.

— Peter Leithart

The main aim of the parables is to describe the activity of God in Jesus, more particularly so that men may trust in it and become disciples, or else be offended by it.

— John J. Vincent

People have an idea that the preacher is an actor on a stage and they are the critics, blaming or praising him. What they don't know is that they are the actors on the stage; he (the preacher) is merely the prompter standing in the wings, reminding them of their lost lines.

— Søren Kierkegaard

CALENDAR

- ADVENT** Hopeful waiting. Expectancy. Longing. Things are not right within us nor in the world around us, so we
- CHRISTMAS** wait. We wait for the arrival of King Jesus. The word “advent” comes from the Latin word *adventus*, meaning
- EPIPHANY** “coming” or “arrival.” During Advent we remember the first coming of Jesus and we long for his second
- LENT** coming. Robert Webber explains Advent as, “a corporate spiritual journey that calls for expectant waiting and
- EASTER** readiness for the coming of the Christ. When the Church travels this journey and treats it as a discipline of life
- PENTECOST** and prayer, the joy of Christmas is immeasurably intensified.”

Calling

Please stand.

CALL TO WORSHIP - PSALM 148

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

Minister: Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise him in the heights! Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his hosts! Praise him, sun and moon, praise him, all you shining stars! Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens!

People: Let them praise the name of the LORD!

Minister: For he commanded and they were created. And he established them forever and ever; he gave a decree, and it shall not pass away.

Praise the LORD from the earth, you great sea creatures and all deeps, fire and hail, snow and mist, stormy wind fulfilling his word! Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars! Beasts and all livestock, creeping things and flying birds!

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

Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth! Young men and maidens together, old men and children!

People: Let them praise the name of the LORD, for his name alone is exalted; his majesty is above earth and heaven.

Minister: He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his saints, for the people of Israel who are near to him.

People: Praise the LORD!

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

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

WORDS: JOHN NEALE & HENRY COFFIN; MUSIC: THOMAS HELMORE

O come, O come Emmanuel
And ransom captive Israel
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee O Israel!*

O come, O Come Thou Lord of might
Who to thy tribes on Sinai's height
In ancient times didst give the law
In cloud and majesty and awe.

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee O Israel!*

O come Thou Rod of Jesse
free thine own from Satan's tyranny
from depths of hell thy people save
And give them victory o'er the grave

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee O Israel!*

O come, thou Dayspring from on high
And cheer us by thy drawing nigh
disperse the gloomy clouds of night
and death's dark shadows put to flight

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee O Israel!*

O come thou key of David
come and open wide our heav'nly home
make safe the way that leads on high
and close the path to misery

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee O Israel!*

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.

Merciful God, always with us, always coming: We confess that we do not know how to prepare for your Advent. We have forgotten how to hope in miracles; we have ignored the promise of your kingdom; we get distracted by all the busyness of this season. Forgive us, God. Grant us the simple wonder of the shepherds, the intelligent courage of the Magi, and the patient faith of Mary and Joseph, that we may journey with them to Bethlehem and find the good news of a child born for us. Now, in the quiet of our hearts, we ask you to make us ready for his coming. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

SONG OF COMFORT

Agnus Dei

MUSIC: DAVID HLEBO

Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world
Have mercy on us
Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world
Have mercy on us
Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world
Have mercy on us
Grant us peace

Please stand.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON - ZEPHANIAH 3:15, 17

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

Minister: The LORD has taken away the judgments against you...The LORD your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save; he will rejoice over you with gladness; he will quiet you by his love; he will exult over you with loud singing.

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

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

WORDS: HORATIUS BONAR, 1808-1899; MUSIC: JOHN DYKES, 1868

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
“Come unto Me and rest;
Lay down, thou weary one, lay down,
Thy head upon My breast.”
I came to Jesus as I was,
So weary and worn and sad;
I found in Him a resting-place,
And He has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
“Behold, I freely give
The living water; thirsty one,
Stoop down and drink and live.”
I came to Jesus, and I drank
Of that life-giving stream.
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
And now I live in Him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
“I am this dark world’s light.
Look unto Me; thy morn shall rise
And all thy day be bright.”
I looked to Jesus, and I found
In Him my star, my sun;
And in that Light of Life I’ll walk
Till trav’ling days are done.

Constitution

Please be seated

ANNOUNCEMENTS

First Communion marks the point when a child is welcomed to receive the sacrament of Communion as a result of them professing their faith in Jesus Christ in an age-appropriate manner, and confirming the baptismal covenant and vows made by their parent(s) at their baptism.

FIRST COMMUNION VOWS - LUCY MARGARET JEPSEN

1. Do you believe that you are made in the image of God, created to worship, serve, and enjoy him in all of life?
2. Do you believe that you are a sinner in the sight of God?
3. Do you believe in Jesus and trust in him alone for your salvation?
4. Do you want to follow Jesus, do what he says, and do you trust that the Holy Spirit will help you?
5. Do you promise to join with us in all the worship and work of the Church?
6. Do you promise to let the pastors and elders of the church teach you and guide you?

TO THE CONGREGATION:

Having welcomed Lucy Jepsen to the Lord's table, do you—the members of this church—now promise to continue to love and serve her in the Lord so as to help each other follow Christ?

Please be seated

THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

Leader: "The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it." We light this candle to remember this truth: Jesus is the Light of the World and our hope. We who follow Him do not walk in darkness but have the Light of Life. In him the nations will put their hope.

People: Therefore, let us walk in the light of the Lord.

Please stand

CHILDREN'S DISMISSAL - DURING THE LAST STANZA OF THE SONG OF PREPARATION

(At the parents' discretion, children 2 years old to 5th grade may go to a Sermon Time class or remain in the service. Children nursery age - kindergarten need to be checked in prior to the service or at this dismissal and checked out directly with their child's teacher following the sermon.)

SONG OF PREPARATION

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

WORDS: ROBERT ROBINSON; MUSIC: ASHAEL NETTLETON

Come Thou fount of every blessing
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace
Streams of mercy never ceasing
Call for songs of loudest praise
Teach me some melodious sonnet
Sung by flaming tongues above
Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it
Mount of God's unchanging love

Here I raise my Ebenezer
Hither by thy help I'm come
And I hope by thy good pleasure
Safely to arrive at home
Jesus sought me when a stranger
Wandering from the fold of God
Here to rescue me from danger
Interposed His precious blood

O to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be
Let that grace now like a fetter
Bind my wandering heart to Thee
Prone to wander Lord I feel it
Prone to leave the God I love
Here's my heart O take and seal it
Seal it for Thy courts above

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

Mark 4:1-20

¹ Again he began to teach beside the sea. And a very large crowd gathered about him, so that he got into a boat and sat in it on the sea, and the whole crowd was beside the sea on the land. ² And he was teaching them many things in parables, and in his teaching he said to them: ³ “Listen! Behold, a sower went out to sow. ⁴ And as he sowed, some seed fell along the path, and the birds came and devoured it. ⁵ Other seed fell on rocky ground, where it did not have much soil, and immediately it sprang up, since it had no depth of soil. ⁶ And when the sun rose, it was scorched, and since it had no root, it withered away. ⁷ Other seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked it, and it yielded no grain. ⁸ And other seeds fell into good soil and produced grain, growing up and increasing and yielding thirtyfold and sixtyfold and a hundredfold.” ⁹ And he said, “He who has ears to hear, let him hear.”

¹⁰ And when he was alone, those around him with the twelve asked him about the parables. ¹¹ And he said to them, “To you has been given the secret of the kingdom of God, but for those outside everything is in parables, ¹² so that

“they may indeed see but not perceive,
and may indeed hear but not understand,
lest they should turn and be forgiven.”

¹³ And he said to them, “Do you not understand this parable? How then will you understand all the parables? ¹⁴ The sower sows the word. ¹⁵ And these are the ones along the path, where the word is sown: when they hear, Satan immediately comes and takes away the word that is sown in them. ¹⁶ And these are the ones sown on rocky ground: the ones who, when they hear the word, immediately receive it with joy. ¹⁷ And they have no root in themselves, but endure for a while; then, when tribulation or persecution arises on account of the word, immediately they fall away. ¹⁸ And others are the ones sown among thorns. They are those who hear the word, ¹⁹ but the cares of the world and the deceitfulness of riches and the desires for other things enter in and choke the word, and it proves unfruitful. ²⁰ But those that were sown on the good soil are the ones who hear the word and accept it and bear fruit, thirtyfold and sixtyfold and a hundredfold.”

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God

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.

SERMON

REV. JOSH HAHNE

The Parable of the Sower

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

Be Thou My Vision

WORDS: ELEANOR HULL, MUSIC: TRADITIONAL IRISH MELODY

Be thou my vision,
O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me,
save that thou art
Thou my best thought
by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping,
Thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom,
and thou my true word;
I ever with thee
and thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father,
I thy true son;
Thou in me dwelling,
and I with thee one.

Riches I heed not,
or man's empty praise,
Thou mine inheritance,
now and always;
Thou and thou only,
first in my heart,
High King of heaven,
my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven,
my victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys,
O bright heav'n's Sun!
Heart of my own heart,
whatever befall,
Still be my vision,
O Ruler of all

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

What Wondrous Love Is This

WORDS AND MUSIC: AMERICAN FOLK HYMN

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul.

When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,
When I was sinking down, sinking down,
When I was sinking down beneath God's righteous frown,
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul, for my soul,
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul.

To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing;
To God and to the Lamb I will sing.
To God and to the Lamb Who is the great "I Am";
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing;
While millions join the theme, I will sing.

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on;
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on.
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be,
And thro' eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
And thro' eternity I'll sing on.

Please stand

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

We thank you, O God, that through Word and sacrament you have given us your Son, who is the true bread from heaven and food of eternal life. Strengthen us in your service that our daily living may show our thanks, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Commission

SONG OF DEPARTURE

Good Christian Men Rejoice

WORDS: JOHN MASON NEALE; MUSIC: IN DULCI JUBILO

Good Christian men rejoice
With heart and soul and voice!
Give ye heed to what we say: News! News!
Jesus Christ is born today!
Ox and ass before Him bow
And He is in the manger now
Christ is born today! Christ is born today!

Good Christian men, rejoice
With heart and soul and voice
Now ye hear of endless bliss: Joy! Joy!
Jesus Christ was born for this!
He has opened the heaven's door
And man is blessed evermore
Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this!

Good Christian men rejoice
With heart and soul and voice!
Now ye need not fear the grave: Peace! Peace!
Jesus Christ was born to save!
Calls you one and calls you all
To gain His everlasting hall
Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!

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

BLESSING - ROMANS 15:13

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

THE DISMISSAL

Minister: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord and our neighbors.

People: Thanks be to God.

FOLLOWING THE SERVICE

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



Advent & Christmas

Mark your calendars for the following dates to celebrate Advent and Christmas at Redeemer

WORSHIP SERVICES

Advent Sundays | December 3, 10, 17 & 24 at 10:00AM

Lessons & Carols Christmas Eve Service | December 24 at 5:00PM

Join us for our annual Christmas Eve service. We will sing the great Christmas songs interspersed with readings from Scripture, and a short Christmas message.

Christmastide Sunday | December 31 at 10:00am

First Sunday after Epiphany (Three Kings Cake) | January 7 at 10:00am

EVENTS & PARTIES

Advent Wreath Making Event | *Today, Sunday December 3 - Directly after the worship service*

Kick-off the season by creating your own Advent Wreath to use at home. The cost will be \$10 per wreath for the materials and payments can be made at the event. You may pay online, by check (please put Advent Wreath in the memo) or cash at the table. Please register for this event so we can purchase materials.

Angel Tree | *Sunday, November 26th - Sunday, December 17th*

This year Redeemer has set up an Angel Tree online webpage for people to donate directly to buy gifts for a child(ren) of an incarcerated parent. You can donate today by scanning the QR code next to the Christmas Tree at church on the next 3 Sundays. For more information, please contact Chris Stratton

Children's Christmas Party | *December 10 - Directly after the worship service*

All children ages 2 years - 5th grade are invited to celebrate to prepare their hearts for the Christmas season. More details will be made available next week. Contact Nem Malabuyo for details and if you are interested in volunteering.

Youth Ugly Sweater Christmas Parties

Junior High Saturday, December 9th & High School, Sunday December 10th

Youth are invited to come celebrate Christmas at our annual Ugly Sweater & White Elephant Gift Exchange. The Jr. High Party will be at the Pringle's home in Costa Mesa and the High School Party will be at the Maxwell home in Irvine. Contact Adam Feichtmann for more information.

Women's Ministry Ornament Exchange Christmas Party

Monday, December 11th | 7:00 - 9:00PM at the home of Dayna O'Neil in Costa Mesa

Join us for our Women's Ministry Ornament Exchange Christmas Party at the home of Dayna O'Neil in Costa Mesa. Please bring a wrapped ornament. For more information please contact Dayna O'Neil.

Announcements & Events

(To see additional announcements & events please visit the Redeemer website, calendar and app)

Advent Wreath Event

Today, Sunday, December 3, 2023 after the service

Kick-off the Christmas season by creating your own Advent Wreath to use at home. This event will take place today, Sunday, December 3rd directly after the worship service. The wreaths will be fresh Evergreen Garlands with options to add succulents to it. You will also receive the Advent candles to go into the wreath base that you design. The cost will be \$10 per wreath for the materials. This is a fun family activity! Click on the QR code to register or you can pay with cash or check at the event.



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Children's Christmas Party

Sunday, December 10, 2023 after the service

Please join us for our annual Children's Christmas Party on Sunday, December 10th following the service. All children ages 2 years - 5th grade are invited to celebrate with Christmas carols, stories, craft, games and cookie decorating to prepare their hearts for the Christmas season. For more details Contact Nem Malabuyo. Please RSVP so we can purchase materials.



Redeemer 101

Saturday, December 16th from 9:00 - 11:30am | Redeemer Offices - 3700 Campus Drive, Suite 200, Newport Beach

This seminar is the first step in becoming a member of Redeemer. Whether you have attended Redeemer for 1 week or 1 year, this class is designed to teach you the basics about Redeemer and give you a forum to ask questions. The seminar will give you an overview of Redeemer's identity, membership, doctrine, history, and ministry opportunities. For more information please contact Pastor Adam Feichtmann. Click on the QR code to sign up.



Year-End Giving

It is our desire to be a generous community.

Everything we have in life we have received as a gift. The paradox of Christianity is that we are more blessed, satisfied, and fulfilled when we give, rather than when we receive. It was true of our Savior and it's true of us.

The end of the year is historically a season marked by generosity, both in our church and in our culture at large. As you reflect on 2023 and give thanks to God for his many blessings this year, may you consider how you might respond to God's graciousness in your life. Giving back to God a portion of what He has given us is one way we show our thankfulness to Him.

Your regular practice of generosity enables Redeemer's ministry not only to continue but to grow as we seek to exercise hospitality with those God brings through the church's doors and to be generous with our missions partners across the county and around the world.

Below are the different and creative ways you can give to Redeemer...

GIVE VIA CHECK

Write a check to Redeemer (dated December 31, 2023 or before) and either drop it off in the Collection Box at church on an upcoming Sunday or mail it to Redeemer Presbyterian Church of Orange County at PO Box 9708 Newport Beach, CA 92658

GIVE ONLINE

[Redeemeroc.org/give](https://redeemeroc.org/give)



GIVE VIA TEXT

Text the keyword "give2roc" to the giving text phone number, 206-859-9405.

GIVE STOCK & OTHER CREATIVE OPPORTUNITIES

Donate stocks and mutual funds, which can often provide you with added tax benefits. Talk to a financial advisor about other creative long-term giving opportunities. Possibilities include making Redeemer the partial beneficiary of your life insurance policy/IRA/401k, including Redeemer in your will, establishing charitable trusts to benefit heirs and Redeemer, etc.

Thank you for your continued partnership in the ministry and mission of Redeemer Presbyterian Church.

Feel free to contact our Church Treasurer if you have any questions.

Andrew Evans

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: Mark 10 - 16:8

Tuesday: Hebrews 1 - 3:6 / Psalm 45

Wednesday: Hebrews 3:7 - 4:13 / Psalm 95

Thursday: Hebrews 4:14 - 7:28

Friday: Hebrews 8 - 10

Saturday: Hebrews 11 - 13

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.

