

REDEEMER



ORANGE COUNTY

{ *order of worship* }

# Welcome

Thank you for joining us for worship today. Especially if this is your first time with us, welcome. We are glad you are here. We realize that the flow and order of our worship may be unfamiliar. We have included a few notes in the margins that will help you participate and that offer some explanations. Redeemer is a safe place to ask questions and think differently, so feel free to ask the pastors and leaders anything that might be helpful for you, and please offer your feedback.

You will notice that we follow a thoughtful and connected rhythm in our worship, sometimes called a liturgy. This is because we are gathering for the unique activity of worship, not for a lecture, a conference, or a concert; not to listen to good music or hear wise teaching. We gather for an encounter with God, and so we follow the pattern God gave his people in the scripture thousands of years ago. God speaks and we respond.

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

Cleansing - God reminds us that we are forgiven in Christ and loved as his children.

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

Communion - God draws us forward, as children to the father's table, to eat a covenant meal with him.

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

Participating in this alternating pattern of God's words and our responses each week not only provides help for today, but shapes our faith over time to highlight the tenacity and graciousness of God's covenantal love.

We are glad you are with us. Please introduce yourself to me after our worship.

Grace and Peace,

David Juelfs  
Senior Pastor

Redeemer Presbyterian Church  
{Following Christ In The Renewal Of All Things}



*Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost*



SEPTEMBER 11, 2016

**REFLECTION**

“Christians are called not to hide behind the walls of their distinct community but to take their new hearts, minds and perspectives into the surrounding communities as salt and light. As Abraham Kuyper contends, the believing community, gathered around Word and sacrament, must radiate ‘beams of faith’s light into the realm of common grace’ into education, art, science, politics, business, economics and the marketplace... We are to make culture. As Jeremiah exhorted the newly exiled Jews in Babylon, ‘Seek the peace (shalom) of the city.’”  
- Jim Belcher

**OPENING WORDS OF SCRIPTURE - JEREMIAH 29:7**

Seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the LORD on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare.

**PRAYER OF PREPARATION**

Eternal Light, shine into our hearts. Eternal Goodness, deliver us from evil. Eternal Power, be our support. Eternal Wisdom, scatter the darkness of our ignorance. Eternal Love, have mercy upon us, that with all our heart and mind and strength we may seek your face and be brought by your infinite mercy to your holy presence through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

**CALENDAR**

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| 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 |
| <b>PENTECOST</b> | in knowing the Spirit’s power is available for its mission.   |

# Calling

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Please stand.

## CALL TO WORSHIP - FROM LUKE 4

Bold text is read together by the congregation.  
Plain text is read by the leader.  
Responsive readings remind us that during corporate worship God speaks to his people and we respond together as a community.

Minister: Jesus went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and he stood up to read and said,

**People: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor."**

Minister: "He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind."

**People: "To set at liberty those who are oppressed and to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."**

The call to worship establishes the lines of communication in worship. God always comes to us before we come to God. Biblical worship is a response to God's gracious revelation of himself to his people.

## PASTORAL PRAYER OF ADORATION

*Prayer concludes by saying 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.**

## HYMNS OF PRAISE

*O Worship The King  
Hast Thou Heard Him, Seen Him, Known Him  
( MUSIC ON PAGES 3-4 )*

## O WORSHIP THE KING

WORDS: ROBERT GRANT, ALT. CHRIS TOMLIN, MUSIC: JOHANN HAYDN, CHRIS TOMLIN

O worship the King all glorious above  
O gratefully sing His wonderful love  
Our Shield and Defender the Ancient of Days  
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise

O tell of His might O sing of His grace  
Whose robe is the light and canopy space  
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form  
And dark is His path on the wings of the storm

You alone are the matchless King  
To You alone be all majesty  
Your glories and wonders  
What tongue can recite  
You breathe in the air  
You shine in the light

O measureless might ineffable love  
While angels delight to worship above  
Thy mercies how tender how firm to the end  
Our Maker Defender Redeemer and Friend

You alone are the matchless King  
To You alone be all majesty  
Your glories and wonders  
What tongue can recite  
You breathe in the air  
You shine in the light  
You shine in the light  
You shine in the light

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## **HAST THOU HEARD HIM, SEEN HIM, KNOWN HIM**

WORDS: ORA ROWAN (ALT. KEVIN TWIT), MUSIC: JOEL LITTLEPAGE (2010)

Hast thou heard Him, seen Him, known Him?  
Is not thine a captured heart?  
Chief among ten thousand own Him,  
Joyful choose the better part.

### *Chorus*

*Captivated by His beauty,  
Worthy tribute haste to bring.  
Let His peerless worth constrain thee,  
Crown Him now unrivaled King.*

What can strip the seeming beauty,  
From the idols of the earth?  
Not a sense of right or duty,  
But the sight of peerless worth.

### *Chorus*

'Tis that look that melted Peter,  
'Tis that face that Stephen saw,  
'Tis that heart that wept with Mary,  
Can alone from idols draw.

### *Chorus*

# Cleansing

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Please be seated.

## **CALL TO REPENTANCE - BASED ON PSALM 139:23-24**

The psalmist models a transparent faith with these words:

Search me, O God, and know my heart;  
test me and know my thoughts.  
See if there is any wicked way in me,  
and lead me in the way everlasting.

The call to  
repentance  
invites us  
to honest  
expression  
within the  
context of  
our covenant  
relationship  
with God, a  
relationship in  
which honesty  
about our sin  
is welcome and  
safe.

We express our longing for God to lead us by our own transparent confession.

## **PRAYER OF REPENTANCE**

**Heavenly Father, our thoughts and motives cannot be hidden from your sight. Our self-pity and pride, our cowardice and sloth, our anger and envy are exposed to your eyes and ours. Forgive us, Father, and cover us in Christ. Let us hear your voice, saying, His blood is our peace, his death is our freedom, his Spirit our power, his smiting our safety. And let our hearts know that your service is perfect freedom. Amen.**

*SILENT CONFESSION (45 SECONDS)*

## **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.

## **WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND THE PEACE - JEREMIAH 29:11-14**

We greet one  
another with  
joy after the  
assurance of  
pardon because  
God's pardon of  
us sets us free to  
love and forgive  
one another.

Minister: "For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope. Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will hear you. You will seek me and find me, when you seek me with all your heart. I will be found by you, declares the LORD, and I will restore your fortunes."

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

**People: And also with you.**

# Constitution

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Please be seated.

## **PRAYER FOR THE STUDENTS OF UCI – REV. CHAD BREWER**

## **PRAYER FOR THE FACULTY AND ADMINISTRATION OF UCI – DR. DAVE REINKENSMAYER**

## **CHILDREN’S DISMISSAL AND PRAYER**

( At the parents’ discretion, children 2 years old to 5th grade may go to Sermon time class or remain in the service. Children will return to the worship service at the end of the sermon. )

The Word of  
God is the chief  
and final means  
through which  
God speaks  
to us;  
the principal  
and most direct  
way we hear  
from God in  
worship.

## **READING GOD’S WORD**

### **Jeremiah 29:1-14**

( Page 996-997 in the red Bible. )

<sup>1</sup>These are the words of the letter that Jeremiah the prophet sent from Jerusalem to the surviving elders of the exiles, and to the priests, the prophets, and all the people, whom Nebuchadnezzar had taken into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon. <sup>2</sup> This was after King Jeconiah and the queen mother, the eunuchs, the officials of Judah and Jerusalem, the craftsmen, and the metal workers had departed from Jerusalem. <sup>3</sup> The letter was sent by the hand of Elasah the son of Shaphan and Gemariah the son of Hilkiah, whom Zedekiah king of Judah sent to Babylon to Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon. It said: <sup>4</sup> “Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: <sup>5</sup> Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat their produce. <sup>6</sup> Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease. <sup>7</sup> But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the LORD on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare. <sup>8</sup> For thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: Do not let your prophets and your diviners who are among you deceive you, and do not listen to the dreams that they dream, <sup>9</sup> for it is a lie that they are prophesying to you in my name; I did not send them, declares the LORD.

<sup>10</sup> “For thus says the LORD: When seventy years are completed for Babylon, I will visit you, and I will fulfill to you my promise and bring you back to this place. <sup>11</sup> For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope. <sup>12</sup> Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will hear you. <sup>13</sup> You will seek me and find me, when you seek me with all your heart. <sup>14</sup> I will be found by you, declares the LORD, and I will restore your fortunes and gather you from all the nations and all the places where I have driven you, declares the LORD, and I will bring you back to the place from which I sent you into exile.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**



## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### PREACHING GOD'S WORD

REV. DAVID JUELFIS

The Spirit makes  
the reading and  
preaching of  
God's Word a  
powerful means  
of nourishing  
and comforting  
God's people,  
and awakening  
people to new  
faith.

*The Good and the Beautiful*

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Please stand

### SONG OF RESPONSE

*Your Great Name*  
( MUSIC ON PAGE 8 )

## YOUR GREAT NAME

MUSIC: KRISSY NORDHOFF | MICHAEL NEALE

Lost are saved find their way  
At the sound of Your great Name  
All condemned feel no shame  
At the sound of Your great Name  
Ev'ry fear has no place  
At the sound of Your great Name  
The enemy he has to leave  
At the sound of Your great Name

### *Chorus*

*Jesus worthy is the Lamb that was slain for us  
The Son of God and man  
You are high and lifted up  
And all the world will praise  
Your great Name*

All the weak find their strength  
At the sound of Your great Name  
Hungry souls receive grace  
At the sound of Your great Name  
The fatherless find their rest  
At the sound of Your great Name  
The sick are healed the dead are raised  
At the sound of Your great Name

### *Chorus*

Redeemer my Healer Lord Almighty  
Defender my Savior You are my King

*Jesus worthy is the Lamb that was slain for us  
The Son of God and man  
You are high and lifted up  
And all the world will praise  
Your great Name  
Your great Name  
Your great Name*

Please be  
seated .

### **OFFERTORY - PSALM 24:1**

Minister: The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it.

All we have  
is given to us  
by God. Our  
offerings express  
this joyful  
dependence and  
our commitment  
to join God in his  
work of renewal.

As recipients of abundant life in Christ, we now offer our gifts to God.

Let us pray. O God, our offerings proclaim that work and worship are one, that life is undivided. Use these gifts for your church's ministries of reconciliation, service, and mercy. Amen.

### **OFFERTORY SONG**

*Pezzo Tedesco*

INSTRUMENTAL SOLO

# Communion

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## INVITATION TO THE SACRAMENT

### SURSUM CORDA

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 for us to give him thanks and praise.**

### THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORK OF THE FATHER AND SON

Minister: You laid the foundation of the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands. They shall pass away, but you shall endure. You are always the same and your years will never end. You made us in your image and called us to be your people, but we turned from you, leaving sin and death to reign. Still you loved us and sought us. In Christ your grace defeated death and opened the way to eternal life. Therefore we join our voices with all the saints and angels and the whole creation to proclaim the glory of your name.

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Please stand for the Sursum Corda.

Sursum Corda is Latin for "lift up your hearts." One of the oldest liturgical pieces still in use, it calls us to be heavenly minded and summons us into the Lord's presence. Along with the voices around you, hear the echo of 2000 years of worshiping Christians who have gone before.

## ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE

( Congregation sings together )

*May the Grace of Christ Our Savior*

WORDS: JOHN NEWTON, MUSIC: JOHN STAINER

May the grace of Christ our Savior  
And the Father's boundless love  
With the Holy Spirit's favor  
Rest upon us from above

Thus may we abide in union  
With each other and the Lord  
And possess in sweet communion  
Joys which earth cannot afford

## PRAYER FOR THE WORK OF THE SPIRIT

Minister: Gracious God, pour out you Holy Spirit upon us and upon these your gifts of bread and wine. By your Spirit unite us with the living Christ and with all who are baptized in his name, that we may be one in ministry in every place. As this bread is Christ's body for us, send us out to be the body of Christ in the world.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

## MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

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

**People: Christ has died!**

**Christ is risen!**

**Christ will come again!**

## DISTRIBUTION OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP

( Directions for taking communion are on page 12. )

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Communion (i.e. the Lord's Supper or Eucharist) is a covenant renewal meal, instituted by Jesus the night before his crucifixion. It points back to the cross, forward to the return of the King, but also, when we receive it in faith, it is true fellowship with King Jesus, in his presence and at his table.

## DISTRIBUTION OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP

### *Directions for taking communion:*

Redeemer Presbyterian Church welcomes all sincere Christians—those who are trusting in Jesus Christ for salvation, understand the meaning of the Lord’s Supper, and are in good standing with congregations that proclaim the gospel— to receive Holy Communion with us. Please note that we use wine for Communion; if you prefer non alcoholic grape juice, the grape juice is white and the wine is red. For those with wheat allergies, a gluten free cracker\* is available in place of the bread. Also, the bread and the wine may be eaten and drunk as they are received. Please dispose of the cups in the trash receptacle.

### *When and how to come forward for communion:*

Starting with the first row walk towards the center aisle and come forward. Once you have received the elements you may eat and drink at anytime.

### *A Word to Parents:*

Children are welcome at the communion table. To receive the Lord’s Supper, a child must have been baptized and been formally received as a communing member by the Session of this church or the governing body of the church to which you belong. If you have any question about how the process works, please contact Pastor David. Children may take the wine at their parents’ discretion.

\* Gluten-free crackers contain organic brown and white rice flour only.

## PRAYERS FOR THOSE NOT COMMUNING

(Because Redeemer is a church that is not only for convinced Christians, but also for people at different stages in their spiritual journey, we gladly extend room for you to process, think, and dialogue. Use the prayers provided below as guides to reflect upon and respond to what God is doing in your life.)

### PRAYER FOR THOSE SEARCHING FOR TRUTH

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

### PRAYER OF BELIEF

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross, and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as Savior and Lord. Amen.

### PRAYER FOR THOSE STRUGGLING WITH SIN

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my need, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking to you, the Pioneer and Perfecter of my faith. Amen.

### PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship in your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with your people, and live in the fullness of your Spirit. Amen.

Please be seated.

## COMMUNION SONG

*In Christ Alone*

WORDS AND MUSIC: 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  
'Til on that cross as Jesus died  
The wrath of God was satisfied  
For ev'ry 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 pow'r of Christ in me  
From life's first cry to final breath  
Jesus commands my destiny  
No pow'r of hell no scheme of man  
Can ever pluck me from His hand  
'Til He returns or calls me home  
Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand

Please stand.

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**Gracious God, Jesus is the center point of history,  
and his presence is our new beginning.  
Center our lives on your lavish grace  
that not only saves but renews us to be like Jesus.  
May our godly living be a fitting testimony of thanksgiving  
that draws others to the joyful reign of Jesus the king. Amen.**

# Commission

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Please stand.

## **SONG OF DEPARTURE**

*Until the Daybreak*

( MUSIC ON PAGE 15 )

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

## **BLESSING**

May Christ, the Son of God,  
be manifest in you,  
that your lives may be a light to the world;  
and the blessing of God Almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

It is appropriate  
to lift our heads  
as a symbol that  
through Christ  
God graciously  
lifts our head,  
and we hold out  
our hands palms  
up to symbolize  
our need and  
eagerness to  
receive God's  
blessing.

## **THE DISMISSAL**

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

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## **FOLLOWING THE SERVICE**

Immediately following worship, all are invited to the chapel hall for refreshments and conversation.

Sermons can be streamed and downloaded at [www.redeemeroc.org/resources/sermons](http://www.redeemeroc.org/resources/sermons)



## UNTIL THE DAYBREAK

WORDS: HORATIUS BONAR, MUSIC: KEVIN TWIT (2012)

For the vision of the Bridegroom  
Waits the well-beloved Bride  
Severed only for a season  
From her well-beloved's side  
For the hour when morn ascendeth  
And the shadows disappear  
For the signs of heavenly glory  
She is waiting, waiting here

### *Chorus*

*Morn of morns, it comes at last  
All the gloom of ages past  
For the day of days the brightest  
She is waiting, waiting here*

For the coming of the Bridegroom  
Whom though yet unseen we love  
For the King of saints returning  
In His glory from above  
For the shout that shakes the prison  
For the trumpet loud and clear  
For the voice of the archangel  
She is waiting, waiting here

### *Chorus*

# Middle Hour

*Lectures & Classes*

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## **FALL SCHEDULE**

Sundays, 9/18 - 11/20, 10:10-10:50 am

10/16 - Women's Retreat Weekend, No Middle Hour Lectures and Classes

## **LECTURES**

### **RUF & Evangelism**

9/18 - Rev. Chad Brewer

### **Where You Are: Finding a Sense of Place**

9/25 - D.J. Waldie

### **Local Government & Civic Engagement**

10/2 - Curt Pringle

### **The Trinity**

10/9 - Dr. Fred Sanders

### **Monasticism**

10/23 - Fr. Dr. Greg Peters

### **1 Peter & Mission**

10/30 - Rev. Chris Stratton

### **The Gift of NOT Knowing Things**

11/6 - Dr. Jonathan Feng

### **The Gift of Knowing Strange Things**

11/13 - Dr. Miles Stoudenmire

### **The Gift of Teaching Things**

11/20 - Dr. David Reinkensmeyer

*All lectures will be held in the Chapel.*

## **ADULT CLASSES**

### **Redeemer 101**

Rev. Adam Feichtmann

9/18 – 10/23, MPR Room 10

### **Evangelism**

Rev. Chad Brewer

10/25-10/9, MPR Room 9

## **JR. HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL**

*Location: MPR Room 2*

*Leaders: Josh Cooper & Joey LeSuer*

We invite our youth to join us for a fun, creative, and relationally-based workshop, focused on studying the Bible and the catechisms.

## **CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL**

### **Early Childhood - Kindergarten (2yrs-K)**

*Location: MPR Area, Room 3*

### **Lower Elementary (1st-3rd grades)**

*Location: MPR Area, Room 5*

### **Upper Elementary (4th-5th grades)**

*Location: MPR Area, Room 8*

These classes teach children Bible truths through simple questions and answers, promoting memorization using Bible teaching, music, & activities. Children will learn that they are made for God's glory and enjoyment in him and how to apply that truth to their lives. We will be using the *Show Me Jesus* curriculum.

## **NURSERY**

*Children 6 months to 2 years*

*Location: Room directly outside the chapel.*

Available during Middle Hour and the Worship Services.

# Community Life

*Parishes & Community Groups*

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## PARISH

We love Orange County and count it a joy to serve the communities where we live. Redeemer is organized into neighborhood groups called parishes. Parishes are designed to help us connect with the Redeemer people we live close to and to empower our local Redeemer communities to contribute to the health of our cities. See information for each parish neighborhood listed below.

### Beach Cities

Newport Beach, Costa Mesa, Huntington Beach  
Contact: Adam Feichtmann  
adamf@redeemeroc.org  
949.423.8692

### Central County

Irvine, Tustin, Orange, Santa Ana  
Contact: Shawn Monterastelli  
smonterastelli@hotmail.com  
949.933.0085

### North County

Fullerton, Anaheim, LaMirada, LA County  
Contact: Drew Duncan  
aduncan@waxie.com  
714.614.7953

### South County

Lake Forest, Mission Viejo, Laguna Niguel, Ladera Ranch  
Contact: Adam Feichtmann  
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949.423.8692

## COMMUNITY GROUPS

A Community Group is a small gathering of people who meet weekly to discuss scripture and pray together. If you are new to studying scripture, a community group is the perfect place to learn without pressure. Community Groups times and locations are listed below. **Fall Community Groups begin this week starting September 11th.**

### Newport-Mesa

Feichtmann Home  
Sundays, 4:00-6:00 pm  
Contact: Adam Feichtmann  
adamf@redeemeroc.org  
949-423-8692

### Newport Beach

Port Street Homes  
Sundays, 7:00-9:00 pm  
Contact: Erik Rannala  
rannala.erik@gmail.com  
415-309-5109

### University Hills (UCI)

Lenz Home  
Sundays, 5:00-6:30 pm  
Contact: Dan Lenz  
justlenz@gmail.com  
308-440-4359

### Irvine

Kornu & Moore Homes  
Sundays, 5:00-6:30 pm  
Contact: Roger & Christine Kornu  
kornufamily@gmail.com  
949-559-5502

### Costa Mesa - South Coast

Erskine Home  
Tuesdays, 7:00-9:00 pm  
Contact: Kem Erskine  
kemerskine@yahoo.com  
949-468-6227

### Costa Mesa - Mesa Verde

Pringle Home  
Wednesdays, 7:30-9:00 pm  
Contact: Stephanie Handley  
srhandley@gmail.com  
619-665-7952

### Fullerton

Duncan Home  
Every other Sunday, 4:00-6:30 pm  
Contact: Drew & Stacey Duncan  
stacey.duncan@hotmail.com  
714-869-3077

### Junior High - Costa Mesa

Halecrest Back Clubhouse  
Tuesdays, 6:30-8:00 pm  
Contact: Joey LeSuer  
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### High School - Costa Mesa

Cooper Home  
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# Announcements & Events

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## **Fall Kick-Off**

*Sunday, September 11, following worship*

Join us following the service today for our fall kick-off event! Enjoy some light refreshments as you find out more about our fall ministries and programs, and enjoy fellowship with one another.

## **Men's Bible Study**

*Thursdays, 6:00-7:15am, Begins 9/15*

Redeemer men are invited to join us for a bible study beginning this fall on Sept 15th. We will meet at 6am at the Redeemer Church Office in Newport Beach. Contact Adam Feichtmann, adamf@redeemeroc.org, with questions or go to the Men's Ministry webpage for additional information and to sign up: [redeemeroc.org/ministries/mens-ministry](http://redeemeroc.org/ministries/mens-ministry).

## **Women's Ministry This Fall**

Our Women's Ministry is gearing up for the fall! Mark your calendars for one of our bible studies and our fall retreat:

### **Evening Bible Study**

Costa Mesa  
Every other Tuesday, 7:00 pm  
Begins 9/13  
Contact: Stephanie Handley  
[srhandley@gmail.com](mailto:srhandley@gmail.com)

### **Morning Bible Study**

Newport Beach  
Thursdays, 9:15 am  
Begins 9/15  
(Childcare available)  
Contact: Kerry Maxwell  
[michael.maxwell3@gmail.com](mailto:michael.maxwell3@gmail.com)

### **2016 Fall Retreat**

Carlsbad Inn  
Speaker: Courtney Doctor  
Friday-Sunday  
10/14-10/16  
Contact: Ashley Moore  
[ashley.moore05@gmail.com](mailto:ashley.moore05@gmail.com)

If you plan to attend a bible study this fall, **please register online so we can plan for materials and childcare** (offered in our morning study only). We are also accepting online registration for our fall retreat, or you can register in person at our Women's Ministry table beginning September 4th. For more information or to access our online registration, please visit our Women's Ministry webpage: [redeemeroc.org/ministries/women](http://redeemeroc.org/ministries/women).

## **Bible Dedication**

*Sunday, September 25, during worship*

Join us for worship on September 25th to dedicate the bibles provided by our Redeemer children's fundraiser over the summer. We will pray for the inmates who will receive these bibles during both services so that all of our children can participate in this dedication.

# Redeemer at a Glance

{ FOLLOWING CHRIST IN THE RENEWAL OF ALL THINGS }

*Thank you for joining us. We hope you are encouraged and empowered. A church is not simply a Sunday morning experience, but a community of people following Jesus together. The rhythm of our life together follows this pattern:*

- WORSHIP } Responding to God as he speaks through his word and sacraments.
- NURTURE } Learning how to live the kingdom life together. Community groups, classes and workshops, men's and women's ministry, family ministry, and simply having a good time together.
- MISSION } Making Jesus known among our neighbors and working to heal our neighborhoods. Get involved with your neighborhood parish.
- CULTURE } Celebrating and creating the good and the beautiful.

## JOIN US



NEIGHBORHOOD PARISH – Love and serve the people where you live. You are God's ambassador. Details on p. 17.



COMMUNITY GROUPS – Study the scripture and pray with a small group of six to twelve others. If you are new to studying the scripture and praying, this is the perfect place to learn without pressure. Details on p.17.



LECTURES & CLASSES – At 10:10 a.m. on Sunday, participate in engaging lectures and classes on subjects that matter. Details on p. 16.



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



FAMILY MINISTRY – Whether it's a new baby or a house full of teenagers, Redeemer is a place to grow as a family.



MEMBERSHIP – Membership is our commitment to live our kingdom life together.

# Global Partnership

*Ethiopia*

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## **ETHIOPIA ACT**

Ethiopia ACT is an organization in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia that works to reconcile people to God through Jesus Christ, and to reconcile them to themselves, others and creation—all resulting in the planting, growing and maturing of churches that in turn transform lives and communities through faithful witnesses to the Gospel. They began as a ministry to reduce the impact of HIV/AIDS on extremely poor families, but have grown to include other public health strategies that serve the wider community, as well as educational and psychological support for vulnerable children. Church planting and renewal is central to all their activities and a primary goal for their team.

Jason Polk, an ordained PCA minister, together with his wife Liz and their three children, is the family that we directly support, as he oversees the spiritual care for Ethiopia ACT and its work to grow a gospel-centered church planting movement among the poor communities of Addis Ababa.

## **Update**

A recent praise for Ethiopia ACT is that they received a very favorable evaluation by the government of their last three-year cycle, which is rare, and a positive step in the renewal process for another cycle. Please pray for a quick approval for the program, and for a renewed work permit for teammate Jessica Ringsmuth so she can return to Ethiopia.

Another praise is the success of a VBS week in the Suki community. Ethiopian volunteers were able to share the gospel message with the 115+ children in attendance. Pray that the gospel would continue working in the hearts of those children.

Unfortunately, many members of the Suki community are facing uncertainty as the government has announced plans to demolish informal housing in the area. This would affect a number of beneficiary families. Another community that Ethiopia ACT was surveying for possible expansion of their programs has already been torn down. Please pray for these residents who may lose their homes, and for wisdom in knowing how to work through this situation.

Jason and Liz Polk are doing well and trying to keep the kids busy during the rainy season in Addis Ababa. Their two boys, Nathan and Isaiah, just went back to school, and Anna is keeping them on their toes as she enters the toddler stage.

## **Prayer Requests**

- For sustained strength and energy for the Polk family and the Ethiopia ACT staff
- For the children who attended VBS to have open hearts to the gospel message
- For a smooth completion of the project's renewal.
- For the Suki residents facing the destruction of their homes.
- For the conflict and unrest happening in Ethiopia, and for the country's peace.

## **April 2017 Ethiopia Trip**

If interested in joining our 2017 Ethiopia team, contact Adam Feichtmann, [adamf@redeemeroc.org](mailto:adamf@redeemeroc.org).

**Website:** [www.ethiopiaact.org](http://www.ethiopiaact.org)

# Global Partnership

*Japan*

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## **REDEEMER CITY TO CITY - JAPAN**

Redeemer City to City is movement which helps local leaders start churches in global cities by providing content resources, renewable grants, local networks and comprehensive training. Within the Redeemer City to City network, we are specifically supporting the church-planting efforts of Seima Aoyagi, an ordained PCA minister, together with his wife Naoko and their four children, Pastor of Grace Harbor Church in Tokyo, Japan.

Grace Harbor Church is a bilingual church plant with the vision to see the Tokyo Waterfront become an area overflowing with the grace and blessings of Jesus Christ. An area where people can get a rest from the stormy world, recover, and then be sent out again on their next voyage, as salt and light, to make the Tokyo Waterfront more beautiful than ever with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

### **Update**

Last April, Grace Harbor celebrated their one year anniversary of holding weekly worship services. They now have about 66 local people attending plus staff and missionaries for a weekly attendance of approximately 100. While this growth is good news, it also means that finding the space to accommodate their worship is becoming an issue which they hope to resolve in 2016.

Grace Harbor had 2 baptisms last year and is looking forward to a few more this year. Among them is Mr. Suzuki. He is about 60 years old, the owner of a local pub, who loves sports and manages a local baseball team. He spent his life without having any interaction with Christianity until he met a sports missionary from the U.S. Through this friendship his interest in becoming a Christian grew. One day Mr. Suzuki showed up at Grace Harbor and said that he wanted to get baptized. He has now been participating in a baptism class for the last six months learning Christian doctrine in answer to his many questions.

The Aoyagi family has has seen God move them from one season to the next. Their oldest Senri graduated and will be going to Covenant College, Towa's recovery is still progressing but now more slowly, Satoki joined the school basketball team, and Akari promoted to elementary school. Seima's wife, Naoko is getting involved in Parakaleo Japan, an organization that serves wives of church-planters. Seima was elected as the chair for the PTA in the kids' local elementary school which is considered a public figure in Japan and will help gain his credibility and expand his connections with others in the community.

### **Prayer Requests**

- For Seima's son Towa's continuous recovery through daily activity and rehab visit.
- For Seima's family to be dependent on the Lord more and more.
- For Grace Harbor Church as they are in the process of reformatting small groups.
- For new contacts through outreach events to develop friendships and introduce them to Jesus.
- For them to not only grow in number but also in maturity as followers of Christ
- For God's guidance and provision for worship space that will accommodate their recent growth.
- For unity and focus in the leadership team, and for Seima to lead in a humble, godly manner.
- For more church planting happening in Tokyo, the world largest city yet with only 0.2% Christians!

# Building a Beautiful Neighborhood

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a: Write the names of the people who live in the house represented by the box. If you can give first and last names, that's great. If it's only first names, that's fine too.

b: Write down some relevant information about each person, some data or facts about him or her that you couldn't see just by standing in your driveway, things you might know if you've spoken to the person once or twice. We don't mean drives a red car or has yellow roses by the sidewalk, because you could see that from your driveway. We mean information you've gathered from actually speaking to a neighbor, such as grew up in Idaho, is a lawyer, plays golf, is from Ethiopia, had a father in World War II.

c: Write down some in-depth information you would know after connecting with people. This might also include their career plans or dreams of starting a family or anything to do with the purpose of their lives. What motivates them to do what they do? What would they say about God? What do they most fear? What are their spiritual beliefs and practices? Write down anything meaningful that you've learned through interacting with them.

*"The majority of the issues that our community is facing would be eliminated or drastically reduced if we could just figure out a way to become a community of great neighbors."*

- Bob Frie, former mayor of Arvada, CO

*"God is already working in your neighborhood. Being a good neighbor simply means slowing down and being aware of what he is designing. By developing real relationships, you'll find out how God is already moving in a person's life."*

- Dave Runyon

Stranger -> Acquaintance -> Relationship

Neighbor Map      Neighbor Dinner



## THE REAL PRESENCE OF CHRIST

BY WAYNE GRUDEM

The Lord's Supper is not simply an ordinary meal among human beings— it is a fellowship with Christ, in his presence and at his table. We must avoid the idea that any automatic or magical benefit comes from sharing in the Lord's Supper, whether a person participates in faith or not. But when a person participates in faith, renewing and strengthening his or her own trust in Christ for salvation, and believing that the Holy Spirit will bring spiritual blessing through such participation, then certainly additional blessing may be expected.

We must be careful here to avoid the mistake of overreacting to Roman Catholic teaching and maintaining that the Lord's Supper is merely symbolic and not a means of grace. Paul says, "The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not a participation (Gk. *koinonia*, "sharing," "fellowship") in the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not a participation [*koinonia*] in the body of Christ?" (1 Cor. 10:16).

Because there is such a sharing in the body and blood of Christ (apparently meaning a sharing in the benefits of Christ's body and blood given for us), the unity of believers is beautifully exhibited at the time of the Lord's Supper. "Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread" (1 Cor. 10:17). And since we are participants at "the table of the Lord" (1 Cor. 10:21), Paul warns the Corinthians that they cannot participate in the Lord's table and also participate in idol worship: "You cannot partake in the table of the Lord and the table of demons" (1 Cor. 10:21). There is a spiritual union among believers and with the Lord that is strengthened and solidified at the Lord's Supper, and it is not to be taken lightly.

This is why the Corinthians were experiencing judgment for their abuse of the Lord's Supper (1 Cor. 11:29-30). But if Paul says there will be judgment for wrong participation in the Lord's Supper, then certainly we should expect blessing for right participation in the Lord's Supper.

When we obey Jesus' command, "Take, eat" (Matthew 26:26), and go through the physical activity of eating and drinking at the Lord's table, our physical action pictures a corresponding spiritual nourishment, a nourishment of our soul that will occur when we participate in obedience and faith. Jesus says, "For my flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him" (John 6:55-6).

Certainly Jesus is not speaking of a literal eating of his flesh and blood. But if he is not speaking of a literal eating and drinking, then he must have in mind a spiritual participation in the benefits of the redemption he earns. The spiritual nourishment, so necessary for our souls, is both symbolized and experienced in our participation in the Lord's Supper.

# Daily Scripture Readings

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Please use your Order of Worship as a personal, family or group worship resource for prayers, hymns and readings this week. The scripture readings below are part of a two-year cycle that will take you through the Old Testament once, the New Testament twice and the Psalms frequently.

## **Proper 19**

### **Sunday**

Evening: Psalms 8, 84 / Matthew 5:21-26

### **Monday**

Morning: Psalms 56, 57, 58 / Job 40:1-24 / Acts 15:36-16:5

Evening: Psalms 64, 65 / John 11:55-12:8

### **Tuesday**

Morning: Psalms 61, 62 / Job 41:1-11 / Acts 16:6-15

Evening: Psalms 68 / John 12:9-19

### **Wednesday**

Morning: Psalms 72 / Job 42:1-17 / Acts 16:16-24

Evening: Psalms 119:73-96 / John 12:20-26

### **Thursday**

Morning: Psalms 70, 71 / Job 28:1-28 / Acts 16:25-40

Evening: Psalms 74 / John 12:27-36a

### **Friday**

Morning: Psalms 69 / Esther 1:1-4,10-19 / Acts 17:1-15

Evening: Psalms 73 / John 12:36b-43

### **Saturday**

Morning: Psalms 75, 76 / Esther 2:5-8,15-23 / Acts 17:16-34

Evening: Psalms 23, 27 / John 12:44-50

### **Sunday**

Morning: Psalms 93, 96 / Esther 3:1-4:3 / James 1:19-27

*You can follow the daily readings online at [redeemeroc.org/resources/daily-scripture-reading-prayer/](http://redeemeroc.org/resources/daily-scripture-reading-prayer/)*

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## PRAYER REQUESTS & COMMENTS

We want to pray for you and hear your comments, suggestions and praises. Please write them in the space below.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to speak with someone about the prayer request or other concern. Please contact me at:

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*Please deposit this card in the offering plate as it comes by or give it to an usher or greeter.*

### *Prayer of Belief*

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope.

I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross, and offering me new life.

Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and Lord. AMEN.

*If you are praying this for the first time, please let a Christian friend or pastor know.*

*We Are Glad You Are Here Today!*

We know it can be hard to connect with a new church. We want to help you in any way we can. Feel free to fill out the tear-off card below to let us know what information would be helpful. Place it in the offering plate or give it to an usher or leader. Don't hesitate to check the box to meet with a pastor to help you learn more about Redeemer. We are here to serve you.

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Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please add me to the church directory.

Please add me to the church email list.

*Please Let Us Know If You Are:*

First Time Visitor

Repeat Visitor

*Please Contact Me About:*

Joining a Community Group

Membership at Redeemer

Welcome to Redeemer Lunch

Getting Involved

Meeting with a Pastor

Use your smart phone to scan the QR code or use the url below if you prefer to complete this form online: [redeemeroc.org/response-card](http://redeemeroc.org/response-card)



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