

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}



*Second Sunday After Pentecost*    ⋮    JUNE 18, 2017

**REFLECTION**

“We must be global Christians with a global vision because our God is a global God.”

- John Stott

“Christian mission is not simply about the multiplication of the church; it is about the discipling of the nations. It is about the penetration of cultures and ways of thought by the word about Christ.”

- Andrew F. Walls

**OPENING WORDS OF SCRIPTURE - ACTS 1:8**

“You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”

**PRAYER OF PREPARATION**

O gracious and holy God, give us diligence to seek you, wisdom to perceive you, and patience to wait for you. Grant us, O God, a mind to meditate on you, eyes to behold you, ears to listen to your word, a heart to love you, a life to proclaim you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

# Calling

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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.

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.

## **CALL TO WORSHIP - BASED ON PSALM 105:1-12, ROMANS 5:5, REVELATION 4:8**

Minister: The love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us;

**People: We dwell in him and he in us.**

Minister: Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name;

**People: Make known his deeds among the peoples.**

Minister: Sing to him, sing praises to him,

**People: And speak of all his marvelous works.**

Minister: Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty,

**People: Who was and is and is to come!**

## **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**

*My Jesus I Love Thee*

*Amazing Grace*

( MUSIC ON PAGES 3-4 )

## **MY JESUS I LOVE THEE**

WORDS: WILLIAM FEATHERSTON, MUSIC: ADONIRAM GORDON

My Jesus I love Thee  
I know Thou art mine  
For Thee all the follies  
Of sin I resign  
My gracious Redeemer  
My Savior art Thou  
If ever I loved Thee  
My Jesus 'tis now

I love Thee because  
Thou hast first loved me  
And purchased my pardon  
On Calvary's tree  
I love Thee for wearing  
The thorns on Thy brow  
If ever I loved Thee  
My Jesus 'tis now

In mansions of glory  
And endless delight  
I'll ever adore Thee  
In heaven so bright  
I'll sing with the glittering  
Crown on my brow  
If ever I loved Thee  
My Jesus 'tis now

## **AMAZING GRACE**

WORDS: JOHN NEWTON, MUSIC: TRADITIONAL

Amazing grace how sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me  
I once was lost, but now am found  
Was blind, but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear  
And grace my fears relieved  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed

Through many dangers, toils and snares  
I have already come  
'Tis grace that brought me safe thus far  
And grace will lead me home

When we've been there ten thousand years  
Bright shining as the sun  
We've no less days to sing God's praise  
Than when we first begun

# Cleansing

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Please be seated.

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.

## CALL TO REPENTANCE - BASED ON PSALM 116:1-2

The psalmist declares: I love the Lord, because he has heard my voice and my supplications. Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on him as long as I live. We gather as a community in need of a Savior. We offer our honest confession, in faith and trust in our covenant God, knowing that God hears our voice.

## PRAYER OF REPENTANCE

**Almighty and merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. But you, O Lord, have mercy upon us miserable offenders. Spare those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to the world in Christ Jesus, our Lord. And grant, O merciful God, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous and sober life, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

*SILENT CONFESSION (45 SECONDS)*

## SONG OF COMFORT

*Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

WORDS: ROBERT ROBINSON, MUSIC: JOHN WYETH

O to grace how great a debtor  
Daily I'm constrained to be  
Let Thy goodness like a fetter  
Bind my wand'ring 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 to Thy courts above

Please stand.

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.

## WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND THE PEACE - ROMANS 5:1-2,5

Minister: Since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

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

**People: And also with you.**

# Constitution

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Please be seated.

## CHILDREN'S DISMISSAL AND PRAYER

( At the parents' discretion, children 2 years old to 5th grade may go to a Sermon Time class or remain in the service. Children 2 years through Kindergarten need to be signed into their class prior to the service or at dismissal and signed out following the sermon or after the service. )

## READING GOD'S WORD

*Acts 8:26-40*

( Page 917 in the red Bible. )

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.

<sup>26</sup> Now an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Rise and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." This is a desert place. <sup>27</sup> And he rose and went. And there was an Ethiopian, a eunuch, a court official of Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, who was in charge of all her treasure. He had come to Jerusalem to worship <sup>28</sup> and was returning, seated in his chariot, and he was reading the prophet Isaiah. <sup>29</sup> And the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over and join this chariot." <sup>30</sup> So Philip ran to him and heard him reading Isaiah the prophet and asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" <sup>31</sup> And he said, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to come up and sit with him. <sup>32</sup> Now the passage of the Scripture that he was reading was this:

"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter  
and like a lamb before its shearer is silent,  
so he opens not his mouth.

<sup>33</sup> In his humiliation justice was denied him.  
Who can describe his generation?  
For his life is taken away from the earth."

<sup>34</sup> And the eunuch said to Philip, "About whom, I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" <sup>35</sup> Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning with this Scripture he told him the good news about Jesus. <sup>36</sup> And as they were going along the road they came to some water, and the eunuch said, "See, here is water! What prevents me from being baptized?" <sup>38</sup> And he commanded the chariot to stop, and they both went down into the water, Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized him. <sup>39</sup> And when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord carried Philip away, and the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. <sup>40</sup> But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he passed through he preached the gospel to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION



**PREACHING GOD'S WORD**

REV. JASON POLK

*To the End of the Earth*

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.

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Please stand.

**SONG OF RESPONSE**

*Our Great God*  
( MUSIC ON PAGE 8 )

## OUR GREAT GOD

WORDS AND MUSIC: FERNANDO ORTEGA AND MAC POWELL

Eternal God unchanging mysterious and unknown  
Your boundless love  
Unfailing grace and mercy shown  
Bright seraphim in ceaseless flight  
Around Your glorious throne  
They raise their voices day and night  
In praise to You alone

### *Chorus*

*Hallelujah glory be to our great God  
Hallelujah glory be to our great God*

Lord we are weak and frail  
Helpless in the storm  
Surround us with Your angels  
Hold us in Your arms  
Our cold and ruthless enemy  
His pleasure is our harm  
Rise up O Lord and he will flee  
Before our sov'reign God

### *Chorus*

Let ev'ry creature in the sea  
And ev'ry flying bird  
Let ev'ry mountain  
Ev'ry field and valley of the earth  
Let all the moons and all the stars  
In all the universe  
Sing praises to the living God  
Who rules them by His Word

### *Chorus*

The Heidelberg Catechism was composed in Heidelberg in 1563 by Zacharius Ursinus to teach Reformed Christianity in Germany. For close to four centuries it has remained one of the most widely used and loved catechism of the Reformation. It has been praised for its warmth and personal nature.

Please be seated for the offertory.

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

## PROFESSION OF FAITH – HEIDELBERG CATECHISM, QUESTION 53

Minister: What do you believe concerning the Holy Spirit?

**People: First, he is, together with the Father and the Son, true and eternal God. Second, he is also given to me, to make me by true faith share in Christ and all his benefits, to comfort me, and to remain with me forever.**

## OFFERTORY - BASED ON DEUTERONOMY 8:18

Minister: Remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your fathers, as it is this day.

Let us pray. O God, help us to remember that all we have is from you. Convince us that you are our loving father who provides and cares for us. Would that make us confident and generous. Use these gifts for your church's ministries of reconciliation, service, and mercy. Amen.

## OFFERTORY SONG

### *Blessed Assurance*

WORDS: FANNY JANE CROSBY, MUSIC: PHOEBE PALMER KNAPP

Blessed assurance Jesus is mine  
O what a foretaste of glory divine  
Heir of salvation purchase of God  
Born of His Spirit washed in His blood

### *Chorus*

*This is my story this is my song  
Praising my Savior all the day long  
This is my story this is my song  
Praising my Savior all the day long*

Perfect submission all is at rest  
I in my Savior am happy and blessed  
Watching and waiting looking above  
Filled with His goodness lost in His love

### *Chorus*

# 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: Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth, in the beginning your Spirit moved over the face of the waters. You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life. When we turned away and our love failed, your love remained steadfast. Your Spirit came upon prophets and teachers, anointing them to speak your Word. At the baptism of Jesus your Spirit descended upon him and declared him your beloved Son. With your Spirit upon him he turned away the temptation of sin. Your Spirit anointed him to announce that the time had come when you would save your people. By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit. When the Lord Jesus ascended, he promised to be with us always, baptizing us with the Holy Spirit and with fire, as on the day of Pentecost. 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: Eternal God, let your Holy Spirit move in power over us and over these earthly gifts of bread and wine, that our sharing of them may be for us the communion of the body and blood of Christ, and that we may become one in him.

## 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

*Bread of the World in Mercy Broken*

WORDS: REGINALD HEBER (1827), ZAC HICKS (2006), MUSIC: ZAC HICKS (2006)

Bread of the world, in mercy broken  
Wine of the soul, in mercy shed  
By Whom the words of life were spoken  
And in Whose death our sins are dead

Look on the heart by sorrow broken  
Look on the tears by sinners shed  
And be Thy feast to us the token  
That by Thy grace our souls are fed

Have mercy, have mercy  
Have mercy on us

Here is mercy, here is mercy  
Here is mercy for us

So let us come to the feast of Jesus  
Let us eat of the Bread of Life  
Let us drink of the wine, His blood  
To talk and dine with Jesus Christ

Please stand.

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**In fulfillment of Christ's promise,  
you poured out the Holy Spirit upon the chosen disciples  
and filled the church with power.  
We thank you for sending your Spirit to us today  
to kindle faith and lead us into all truth,  
working in the church to make us faithful disciples  
and empowering us to proclaim the living Christ to every nation.**

# Commission

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Please stand.

## SONG OF DEPARTURE

*Taste and See That The Lord Is Good*

WORDS AND MUSIC: DAVID HLEBO

Come taste and see  
That the Lord is very good  
Our sin on Him  
We are free now  
Let us go in peace

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

## BLESSING

May the God of love, who shared his love,  
strengthen us in our love for others.  
May the Son who shared his life  
grant us grace, that we might share our life.  
And may the Holy Spirit dwelling in us  
empower us to be only and always for others.

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)



# Announcements & Events

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## **Polk Family Visit to Redeemer**

*Sunday, June 18, During Worship & Middle Hour (10:10-10:50 am)*

We are very excited to have Rev. Jason Polk and his family (wife Liz and their three kids, Nathan, Isaiah, and Anna) with us at Redeemer this week. Today Jason will be preaching at both services and giving a presentation & update on their family and ministry with Ethiopia ACT during the Middle Hour (10:10-10:50am). Then on Monday, June 19th, there will be an Ethiopia ACT Dessert Night. (See more details below.) Plan to join us for these opportunities to hear from the Polk family!

## **Ethiopia ACT Dessert Night**

*Monday, June 19, 7:30-9:30pm, Patterson Home in Newport Beach*

Are you interested in joining our spring 2018 Ethiopia ACT team trip to Addis Ababa, or would you simply like to learn more about the Polk's ministry in Ethiopia? Join Jason and Liz Polk, along with Pastor Adam Feichtmann and past Ethiopia ACT team members for a casual dessert night. Please RSVP with Kem Erskine, [kem@redeemeroc.org](mailto:kem@redeemeroc.org).

## **Bible Drive**

*Sundays, June 25 - August 27*

Our children are invited to participate in raising funds to provide bibles for the OC jails. We will be partnering with Gary and Lisa Cram, founders of the Prelude Foundation, to distribute the bibles to inmates throughout Orange County. Children are encouraged to bring their change for the collection jar by our prison ministry mailbox at the Redeemer book table. Join us in sharing God's word with those who need His message of redemption.

# Middle Hour

*Lectures & Classes*

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## **SUMMER SCHEDULE**

June 25 - August 6, 10:10-10:50 am

July 9 - Summer Brunch, Lectures and classes will not meet.

## **UPCOMING LECTURES & CLASSES**

### **Summer Book Study - Liturgy of the Ordinary**

Dates: June 25 - August 6 (except July 9th)

Teacher: Pastor Adam Feichtmann

Location: Chapel

Join us this summer as we read through Tish Harrison Warren's book *Liturgy of the Ordinary: sacred practices in everyday life*. Through our daily and ordinary practices Warren will encourage us to become aware of God's presence. Each week we will ask, how we can embrace the sacred in the ordinary and the ordinary in the sacred? From making the bed to brushing your teeth, from losing your keys to eating leftovers, and from checking email to sitting in traffic, each activity can be tied to a spiritual practice and viewed through the lens of liturgy. A few books are available for purchase at the book table for \$12.

Reading Schedule:

*(Participants please read the chapters prior to the discussion date listed.)*

June 25 - Forward & Chapter 1

July 2 - Chapters 2 & 3

July 16 - Chapters 4 & 5

July 23 - Chapters 6 & 7

July 30 - Chapters 8 & 9

August 6 - Chapters 10 & 11

## **YOUTH GATHERINGS: DONUTS & DISCIPLESHIP**

### **Jr. High & High School**

*(rising 6th-12th Grade Students)*

Location: Patio outside the chapel hall

Leader: Josh Cooper

We invite our youth to join us for our summer "Donuts & Discipleship" groups during the Middle Hour.

## **CHILDREN'S BOOK & CRAFTS CLUB**

### **Preschool (2yrs- Kinder)**

Location: MPR Area, Room 3

### **Elementary (1st-4th grades)**

Location: MPR Area, Room 5

While the adults and youth group students participate in their respective classes, your children in Preschool (age 2 and potty-trained) through 4th Grade will engage in a time of worship that includes singing, story books, lessons, discussion and crafts.

*Note that children's classes will not promote until the fall, so students will attend the class/grade they were in for 2016-17 school year. However, 5th Grade students who will enter the 6th grade this fall are invited to join the Jr. High Youth Gatherings.*

## **NURSERY**

Children 6 months to 2 years

Location: Room directly outside the chapel.

Available during worship and middle hour.

# Community Life

Parishes, Community Groups & Bible Studies

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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

Contact: Clint Knox  
clint@komarinvestments.com  
949.903.4769

### Central County

Contact: Shawn Monterastelli  
smonterastelli@hotmail.com  
949.933.0085

### North County

Contact: Amber Fox  
mrsamberfox@me.com  
310.463.8177

### South County

Contact: Adam Feichtmann  
adamf@redeemeroc.org  
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. **Groups are on break for the summer but may have summer gatherings. Contact the individual group for additional information.**

### 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)

Reinkensmeyer Home  
Sundays, 5:00-6:30 pm  
Contact: Dave Reinkensmeyer  
dreinken@uci.edu  
949-856-1976

### Irvine

Kornu & Moore Homes  
Sundays, 4:00-6:30 pm  
Contact: Roger & Christine Kornu  
kornufamily@gmail.com  
949-559-5502

### Costa Mesa

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  
joey.joseph.m.lesuer@biola.edu

### High School - Costa Mesa

Cooper Home  
Thursdays, 7:00-8:30 pm  
Contact: Josh Cooper  
joshc@redeemeroc.org  
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## MEN'S & WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES

During the week we offer bible studies for men and women to study scripture and pray together. See details below on our study times and locations. **Groups are on break for the summer and will resume in the fall.**

### Men's Bible Study

Church Office, Newport Beach  
Thursdays, 6-7:15 am  
Contact: Adam Feichtmann  
adamf@redeemeroc.org  
Last Meeting: Week of 6/5

### Women's Evening Bible Study

Scanlon Home, Costa Mesa  
Every other Tuesday, 7:00 pm  
Contact: Stephanie Handley  
srhandley@gmail.com  
Last Meeting: Week of 6/12

### Women's Morning Bible Study

Hodson Home, Newport Beach  
Thursdays, 9:15 am  
(Childcare available)  
Contact: Kerry Maxwell  
michael.maxwell3@gmail.com  
Last Meeting: Week of 6/5

# 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.

# 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

# 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**

Although the current state of emergency instated in Ethiopia has presented challenges, Ethiopia ACT continues to move forward in serving the local communities in Addis Ababa. Over the coming months, ACT will be adding 100 non-HIV families to their program, further extending their efforts in meeting the physical and spiritual needs of their neighbors.

A previous prayer request was for members of the Suki community who were facing the destruction of their homes. Because government focus has been shifted elsewhere, the tearing down of these homes has been put on hold, and it does not appear that it will move forward. Praise God that those residents have not been displaced, and please pray for their continued wellbeing and provision.

The Polk family continues to do well, but as always, continue to lift them up in prayer as they labor and pour themselves out for the city of Addis Ababa.

Finally, ACT is in the process of registering with the Ethiopian government and asks for prayer that the process progresses smoothly.

## **Prayer Requests**

- For sustained strength, energy and safety for the Polk family and the Ethiopia ACT staff in Addis Ababa.
- For the current state of emergency in the country due to regional protests, and for peaceful resolution.
- That visiting teams being delayed or unable to travel would not have a negative impact on medical clinics or other services ACT provides.
- For a smooth process registering Ethiopia ACT with the government.
- For ACT to be able to meet the physical and spiritual needs of the new families being added to the program.

**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 60 adults and 30 children attending the weekly service each week, and are slowly but steadily growing. Grace Harbor has had 2 more baptisms this year. Yoko was introduced to Grace Harbor at a community event and began developing friendships. After attending events regularly for 2 years she confessed her faith and became a Christian. Yoko then waited patiently for 2 more years for her husband to give approval for her baptism. This year she was finally baptized and her husband even came to the service! Mr. Suzuki, the 62-year-old pub owner and manager a local baseball team, completed his baptism classes and was baptized in early December 2016.

Last summer Grace Harbor welcomed many summer missions teams. These teams are instrumental in helping them get connected to non-Christians in the community through cultivating new relationships and hosting events. Some of these events included a Hawaiian BBQ, College outreach, Kids English Camp, and a Basketball outreach.

One of the major challenges this year is the reforming of their leadership team as they transition from being a missionary-heavy church to a Japanese church. Other challenges include the health issues with Pastor Seima's hearing problems and Pastor Fukuda's stroke from which both are miraculously recovering.

The Aoyagi family is seeing God work through their roles in the community. Seima's position as PTA chair has allowed him to make connections through which people have come to know about Grace Harbor. Naoko's involvement with Parakaleo Japan helps provide a care-network for wives in ministry.

### **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 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!

**Websites:** [www.redeemercitytocity.com](http://www.redeemercitytocity.com), [www.graceharborchurch.jp](http://www.graceharborchurch.jp)

## 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 6

### Sunday

Evening: Psalms 34 / Matthew 18:1-14

### Monday

Morning: Psalms 80 / 1 Samuel 1:1-20 / Acts 1:1-14

Evening: Psalms 77, 79 / Luke 20:9-19

### Tuesday

Morning: Psalms 78:1-39 / 1 Samuel 1:21-2:11 / Acts 1:15-26

Evening: Psalms 78:40-72 / Luke 20:19-26

### Wednesday

Morning: Psalms 119:97-120 / 1 Samuel 2:12-26 / Acts 2:1-21

Evening: Psalms 81, 82 / Luke 20:27-40

### Thursday

Morning: Psalms 83, 34 / 1 Samuel 2:27-36 / Acts 2:22-36

Evening: Psalms 85, 86 / Luke 20:41-21:4

### Friday

Morning: Psalms 88 / 1 Samuel 3:1-21 / Acts 2:37-47

Evening: Psalms 91, 92 / Luke 21:5-19

### Saturday

Morning: Psalms 87, 90 / 1 Samuel 4:1-11 / Acts 4:32-5:11

Evening: Psalms 136 / Luke 21:20-28

### Sunday

Morning: Psalms 66, 67 / 1 Samuel 4:12-22 / James 1:1-18

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To sign up for our daily morning and evening prayer emails with these scripture readings along with prayers and liturgy from the Order of Worship, go to [redeemeroc.org/resources/daily-scripture-reading-prayer/sign-up/](http://redeemeroc.org/resources/daily-scripture-reading-prayer/sign-up/) or scan the QR code.





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

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 Day  Evening

*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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*Please Let Us Know If You Are:*

First Time Visitor

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*Please Contact Me About:*

Joining a Community Group

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Welcome to Redeemer Lunch

Getting Involved

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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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