

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}



Ninth Sunday after Pentecost JULY 17, 2016

REFLECTION

“God pities the city of Nineveh because they are in misery. In spite of their army, technical skill, administration, and religion, they are in misery, for according to God there is no greater misery than that of not discerning between good and evil.”
- Jacques Ellul

OPENING WORDS OF SCRIPTURE - JONAH 4:2

O LORD, you are a gracious and compassionate God, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from sending calamity.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

O God, who has made yourself known in the stillness: Make me know your presence in this sacred place; make me to be in the company of your Church who has worshiped here in spirit and truth; through voices of men and women and the instruments of praise lift my heart to you, and so, O Lord, purify my life that, going forth into the world, I may go in your strength and in your love; 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
PENTECOST	in knowing the Spirit’s power is available for its mission.

Calling

Please stand.

CALL TO WORSHIP - BASED ON MATTHEW 11, JOHN 11, AND REVELATION 5

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: Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

People: Worthy is the one who wept over the death of his friend, Lazarus,

Minister: and then with power called him from the grave.

People: Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain,

Minister: to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength

People: and honor and glory and praise!

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

*God the Spirit
Satisfied*

(MUSIC ON PAGES 3-4)

GOD THE SPIRIT

WORDS: SAMUEL J. STONE (1866), MUSIC: MATT BOSWELL (2010)

Holy Fount of inspiration
By whose gift the great of old
Spoke the word of revelation
Marvelous and manifold

Chorus

*God the Spirit we adore Thee
In the Triune Godhead One
One in love and power and glory
With the Father and the Son*

Author of the new creation
Giver of the second birth
May thy ceaseless renovation
Cleanse our souls from stains of earth

Chorus

When we wander Lord direct us
Keep us in the Master's way
Let Thy strong swift sword protect us
Warring in the evil day

Shall the church now faint or fear
When the Comforter is near

Chorus

SATISFIED

WORDS: CLARA T. WILLIAMS (1875), MUSIC: KARL DIGERNESS (1997)

All my life long I had panted
For a drink from some cool spring,
That I hoped would quench the burning
Of the thirst I felt within.

Chorus

*Hallelujah! He has found me
The One my soul so long has craved!
Jesus satisfies all my longings,
Through His blood I now am saved.*

Feeding on the filth around me,
Till my strength was almost gone,
Longed my soul for something better,
Only still to hunger on.

Chorus

Poor I was, and sought for riches,
Something that would satisfy,
But the dust I gathered round me
Only mocked my soul's sad cry.

Chorus

Well of water, ever springing,
Bread of life so rich and free,
Untold wealth that never faileth,
My Redeemer is to me.

Chorus

Cleansing

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

We are Jonah. Like him we run from God. May we see this truth about ourselves, but may we also know that God runs too. He runs after us in love to rescue us. In the confidence of this wonderful truth, may we stop running now and confess our sin with depth and honesty.

PRAYER OF REPENTANCE

God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained and great when we are small. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored your truth. Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior. 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.

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 - PSALM 103:11-13

Leader: "For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far he removes our transgressions from us. As a father has compassion for his children, so the LORD has compassion for those who fear him."

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

People: And also with you.

Constitution

Please be seated.

CHILDREN'S DISMISSAL AND PRAYER

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

READING GOD'S WORD

Jonah 3

(Page 775 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.

¹ Then the word of the LORD came to Jonah the second time, saying, ² "Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and call out against it the message that I tell you." ³ So Jonah arose and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly great city, three days' journey in breadth. ⁴ Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's journey. And he called out, "Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" ⁵ And the people of Nineveh believed God. They called for a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them to the least of them.

⁶ The word reached the king of Nineveh, and he arose from his throne, removed his robe, covered himself with sackcloth, and sat in ashes. ⁷ And he issued a proclamation and published through Nineveh, "By the decree of the king and his nobles: Let neither man nor beast, herd nor flock, taste anything. Let them not feed or drink water, ⁸ but let man and beast be covered with sackcloth, and let them call out mightily to God. Let everyone turn from his evil way and from the violence that is in his hands. ⁹ Who knows? God may turn and relent and turn from his fierce anger, so that we may not perish."

¹⁰ When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil way, God relented of the disaster that he had said he would do to them, and he did not do it.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Compassion: The Message

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.

Please stand

SONG OF RESPONSE

Thy Mercy, My God
(MUSIC ON PAGE 8)

THY MERCY, MY GOD

WORDS: JOHN STOCKER (1776), MUSIC: SANDRA MCCRACKEN (2001)

Thy mercy, my God, is the theme of my song,
The joy of my heart and the boast of my tongue;
Thy free grace alone, from the first to the last,
Hath won my affections, and bound my soul fast.

Without Thy sweet mercy I could not live here;
Sin would reduce me to utter despair;
But, through Thy free goodness, my spirits revive,
And He that first made me still keeps me alive.

Thy mercy is more than a match for my heart,
Which wonders to feel its own hardness depart;
Dissolved by Thy goodness, I fall to the ground,
And weep to the praise of the mercy I've found.

Alleluia, Alleluia

Great Father of mercies, Thy goodness I own,
And the covenant love of Thy crucified Son;
All praise to the Spirit, Whose whisper divine
Seals mercy, and pardon, and righteousness mine.
All praise to the Spirit, Whose whisper divine
Seals mercy, and pardon, and righteousness mine.

Alleluia, Alleluia

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 – THE HEIDELBERG CATECHISM (Q. 1)

Leader: Christian, what is your only comfort in life and death?

People: That I am not my own, but belong with body and soul, both in life and in death, to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with His precious blood, and has set me free from all the power of the devil. He also preserves me in such a way that without the will of my heavenly Father not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, all things must work together for my salvation. Therefore, by His Holy Spirit He also assures me of eternal life and makes me heartily willing and ready from now on to live for Him.

OFFERTORY - PSALM 96:8-9

Leader:

Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;
bring an offering, and come into his courts!
Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness;
tremble before him, all the earth!

With joy let us offer our gifts to God as a sign of our deep devotion and covenant faithfulness.

Let us pray. All good things come from you, O God, and with gratitude we return to you what is yours. Receive these offerings, our tangible expressions of love and gratitude. Amen.

OFFERTORY SONG

Sanctus

WORDS: TRADITIONAL, MUSIC: KARL DIGERNESS (2012)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest!

Communion

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: Most gracious and eternal God, the helper of the helpless, the comforter of the comfortless, the hope of the afflicted, the bread of the hungry, the drink of the thirsty, and the savior of all those that wait upon you; we bless and glorify your name, and adore your goodness, and delight in your love, that you have once more given us the opportunity of receiving the greatest favor which we can receive in this world, even the body and blood of our savior, Jesus Christ, your son. Therefore we join our voices with all the saints and angels and the whole creation to proclaim the glory of your name.

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)

All Creatures of Our God and King

WORDS: ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI, MUSIC: GEISTLICHE KIRCHENGESANGE

Let all things their Creator bless
And worship Him in humbleness
O praise Him alleluia
Praise praise the Father praise the Son
And praise the Spirit Three in One
O praise Him O praise Him
Alleluia alleluia alleluia

PRAYER FOR THE WORK OF THE SPIRIT

Minister: By the power of your Holy Spirit let us taste and see your graciousness. Let us feed on you by faith and thereby grow up into the people that you intended us to be and that we long to become. Make us ever mindful of your great kindness and love towards us, and may you make us loving and kind towards our neighbors.

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.)

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

Jesus, I Come

WORDS: WILLIAM SLEEPER (1887), MUSIC: GREG THOMPSON (2000)

Out of my bondage, sorrow and night,
Jesus, I come; Jesus I come.
Into Thy freedom, gladness and light,
Jesus, I come to Thee.
Out of my sickness into Thy health,
Out of my wanting and into Thy wealth,
Out of my sin and into Thyself,
Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of my shameful failure and loss,
Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.
Into the glorious gain of Thy cross,
Jesus, I come to Thee.
Out of earth's sorrows into Thy balm,
Out of life's storms and into Thy calm,
Out of distress into jubilant psalm,
Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of unrest and arrogant pride,
Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.
Into Thy blessed will to abide,
Jesus, I come to Thee.
Out of myself to dwell in Thy love,
Out of despair into raptures above,
Upward forever on wings like a dove,
Jesus, I come to Thee.

Please stand.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**O amazing God,
You come into our ordinary lives and set a holy table among us,
filling our plates with the bread of life and our cups with salvation.
Send us out, O God, with tenderheartedness
to touch an ordinary everyday world with the promise of your holiness.
Amen.**

Commission

Please stand.

SONG OF DEPARTURE

On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand

WORDS: SAMUEL STENNETT (1787), MUSIC: CHRISTOPHER MINER (1997)

On Jordan's stormy banks I stand
And cast a wishful eye
To Canaan's fair and happy land
Where my possessions lie

No chilling winds nor poisonous breath
Can reach that healthful shore
Sickness sorrow pain and death
Are felt and feared no more

*I am bound I am bound
I am bound for the promised land
I am bound I am bound
I am bound for the promised land*

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.

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

Announcements & Events

Bible Drive

Sundays, June 19 - August 28

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.

Youth Pizza & Psalms

Thursdays, June 30 - August 18, 6:00-7:30 pm

Jr High and High School students are invited to join us this summer for a bible study in the Psalms as we enjoy pizza and hang out together. We'll meet at Blaze Pizza in Irvine. The cost is FREE, so just bring your bibles and your appetite!

Youth Beach Day

Saturday July 23, 9am - 3pm*

Redeemer Youth join us for a day at T-Street beach in San Clemente! Come enjoy the sun and surf with friends. If you would like to do a sunrise surf session at San Onofre State Beach, some guys are going down early to enjoy the waves. Contact Pastor Adam, adamf@redeemeroc.org, for more information or to RSVP.

Community Groups

Community Groups are on break for the summer and will resume in September. 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. Look for details later this summer on our different community group meeting times and locations for the fall.

Parish Ministry

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
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Central County

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North County

Fullerton, Anaheim, LaMirada, LA County
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South County

Lake Forest, Mission Viejo, Laguna Niguel, Ladera Ranch
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Global Partnership

Ethiopia

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

Ethiopia ACT is currently at the end of a 3-year cycle in which they undergo government evaluation to be approved for continued funding. It is a detailed process, but also an exciting time of giving thanks for all that has been accomplished. Many beneficiaries have graduated from the program, showing significant improvement in their health and wellbeing, and the ability to care for themselves and their families without assistance.

In each of the three communities where Ethiopia ACT is active, weekly Bible studies are being conducted and reach community members of various religious backgrounds with a gospel message. In the Suki community, the church plant is flourishing with Sunday attendance up to 80-100 adults and children, and there are many new believers. In the past months they finished a study of the Lord's Supper and began a weekly celebration of the sacrament, as well as holding their first Easter service.

Another meaningful development has been the installation of two 20,000-liter water tanks in Suki, which was made possible by Ethiopia ACT in collaboration with community members and the water authority, helping see to completion the building of a road that was necessary for the tanks to be brought in. Five hundred households now have dependable access to water in the center of their own neighborhood.

Prayer Requests

- For sustained strength and energy for the Polk family and the Ethiopia ACT staff
- For the church plant in Suki to thrive and be a beacon of hope in the community
- For prosperous relationships with the 20+ churches in Addis Ababa that Ethiopia ACT partners with for medical clinics
- For strong support and wise counsel as Ethiopia ACT broadens its Family-to-Family partnerships and seeks to build a sound Income-Generating Activity program.

April 2017 Ethiopia Trip

If interested in joining our 2017 Ethiopia team, contact Adam Feichtmann, adamf@redeemeroc.org.

Website: www.ethiopiaact.org

Global Partnership

Japan

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



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

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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. 15.



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.15.



CLASSES AND WORKSHOPS – At 10:10 a.m. on Sunday, take engaging classes on subjects that matter. *Classes are on break but see our announcements for other special events during middle hour this summer.*



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.

Daily Scripture Readings

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 11

Sunday

Evening: Psalms 103 / Mark 2:1-12

Monday

Morning: Psalms 41, 52 / Joshua 7:1-13 / Romans 13:8-14

Evening: Psalms 44 / Matthew 26:36-46

Tuesday

Morning: Psalms 45 / Joshua 8:1-22 / Romans 14:1-12

Evening: Psalms 47, 48 / Matthew 26:47-56

Wednesday

Morning: Psalms 119:49-72 / Joshua 8:30-35 / Romans 14:13-23

Evening: Psalms 49, 53 / Matthew 26:57-68

Thursday

Morning: Psalms 50 / Joshua 9:3-21 / Romans 15:1-13

Evening: Psalms 59, 60 or 66, 67 / Matthew 26:69-75

Friday

Morning: Psalms 40, 54 / Joshua 9:22-10:15 / Romans 15:14-24

Evening: Psalms 51 / Matthew 27:1-10

Saturday

Morning: Psalms 55 / Joshua 23:1-16 / Romans 15:25-33

Evening: Psalms 138, 139 / Matthew 27:11-23

Sunday

Morning: Psalms 24, 29 / Joshua 24:1-15 / Acts 28:23-31

You can follow the daily readings online at 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.

Name: _____

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

(_____) _____
 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.

Name: _____

Spouse: _____

Children: _____

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



The cover painting
The Burning Bush is
by Danish artist
Maja Lisa Engelhardt