

SEPTEMBER 3, 2023

If you love deeply, you're going to get hurt badly. But it's still worth it.

C.S. LEWIS

Having loved his own who were in the world, Jesus loved them to the end.

JOHN 13:1

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### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Taken from Philippians 2 and Psalm 118

Leader: God has highly exalted his Son and bestowed on him the name that is

above every name. Come and confess that Jesus Christ is Lord!

People: The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.



#### WELCOME TO REDEEMER!

We're glad to have you joining us in worship today. If you'd like to know more about Redeemer, including ways to get involved, please scan the QR code and let us know.



### ADORING GOD IN SONG

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

O Love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee; I give thee back the life I owe, That in thine ocean depths its flow May richer, fuller be.

O Light that followest all my way, I yield my flickering torch to thee; My heart restores its borrowed ray, That in thy sunshine's blaze its day May brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to thee; I trace the rainbow through the rain, And feel the promise is not vain That morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to fly from thee; I lay in dust life's glory dead, And from the ground there blossoms red Life that shall endless be. O Love That Will Not Let Me Go © 1997 Christopher Miner Music Words: George Matheson Music: Christopher Miner



#### PARENTS AND NURSING MOMS:

We have a "wiggle room" in the back of the Sanctuary. While not soundproof, it does offer you a little extra room to move around. If you are a nursing mom in need of a quiet place on Sunday mornings, the "wiggle room" and infant nursery are available options. We also have a nursing mother's room available on the lower level. Changing tables and changing supplies are also available on the lower level. Our nursery coordinator will be happy to answer any questions and help you get settled.

### **CONFESSION OF FAITH**

# The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic\* church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

\*THAT IS, THE TRUE CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF ALL TIMES AND ALL PLACES

# THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

# **DEACON'S PRAYER**

JOHN ARCHER

### **OFFERTORY**

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

The King of Love my Shepherd is, Whose goodness faileth never. I nothing lack if I am His, And He is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow, My ransomed soul He leadeth; And where the verdant pastures grow, With food celestial feedeth.

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, But yet in love He sought me; And on His shoulder gently laid, And home, rejoicing, brought me.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill With Thee, dear Lord, beside me; Thy rod and staff my comfort still, Thy cross before to guide me. Thou spread'st a table in my sight; Thine unction grace bestoweth; And O what transport of delight From Thy pure chalice floweth.

And so through all the length of days Thy goodness faileth never: Good shepherd, may I sing Thy praise Within Thy house forever.

The King of Love My Shepherd Is Public Domain Words: Sir Henry W. Baker Traditional Irish Melody

#### HOW CAN WE GIVE TO THE CHURCH?

There are several ways to give to the church. You can drop a check or cash in the offering plate as it is passed. You can mail a check, bring it by the church office, or leave it in our outside mailbox. You can also give online through your Breeze account or on our website. Online you can give by credit card or Bank ACH. Questions? Contact the church office, office@redeemerpca.net

# Doxology

**TRINITY HYMNAL #731** 

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heav'nly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

# **GREET ONE ANOTHER**

### MINISTRY OF WORD & PRAYER

1 CORINTHIANS 13:4-13
PAGE 1220 IN THE PEW BIBLE

# Prayer for the Kingdom of God on Earth

**RANDY BUCKWALTER** 



#### CHILDREN'S CHURCH:

Children ages 3 through K are invited to go to Children's Church during the Song of Preparation. Children's Church consists of a lesson, singing, and they will meet the Elder of the Week. This is an optional activity that will help to prepare your child for participating in the full worship service.

# SONG OF PREPARATION

O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!

TRINITY HYMNAL #535

O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
Vast, unmeasured, boundless free;
Rolling as a mighty ocean,
In its fullness over me.
Underneath me, all around me,
Is the current of Thy love;
Leading onward, leading homeward,
To Thy glorious rest above.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
Spread His praise from shore to shore;
How He loveth, ever loveth,
Changeth never, never more;
How He watches o'er His loved ones,
Died to call them all His own;
How for them He intercedeth,
Watcheth o'er them from the throne.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
Love of ev'ry love the best:
'Tis an ocean vast of blessing,
'Tis a haven sweet of rest.
O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
'Tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me;
And it lifts me up to glory,
For it lifts me up to Thee.
(Repeat bold)

# **SERMON**

Love Never Fails!	
Corinthians 13:4-13	
DAN SEALE, SENIOR PASTOR	
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### **COMMUNION**

Invitation and Fencing of the Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Consecration

# Words of Institution

**1 CORINTHIANS 11:23-30** 

For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me." For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Therefore, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself. That is why many among you are weak and sick, and a number of you have fallen asleep.

# Distribution of the Bread and the Cup

WE SERVE GRAPE JUICE AND WINE. JUICE CUPS ARE CLEAR AND IN THE INNER RING OF THE TRAYS. WINE CUPS ARE PURPLE AND IN THE OUTER RING OF THE TRAY.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

# PRAYERS FOR THOSE NOT TAKING THE LORD'S SUPPER

# Prayer for Those Searching for the 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 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.



**THE LORD'S SUPPER** is the family meal of Christians. Redeemer Presbyterian Church welcomes all committed followers of Jesus Christ to partake of this sacrament. If you are trusting in Jesus Christ alone for salvation, and are a baptized member of a congregation that proclaims the gospel, we invite you to participate in the Lord's Supper with us. If you are not a Christian or are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer. We hope this time is helpful to you as you consider your relationship with Jesus Christ and with His people, the Church.

### SONG DURING COMMUNION

YOU ARE INVITED TO SING OR REFLECT AS THIS SONG IS SUNG DURING THE PASSING OF THE WINE AND JUICE.

# To Christ the Lord Let Every Tongue

To Christ the Lord let every tongue, Its noblest tribute bring When He's the subject of the song, Who can refuse to sing? Survey the beauties of His face, And on His glories dwell, Think of the wonder of His grace. And all His triumphs tell.

Majestic sweetness sits enthroned
Upon His awful brow
His head with radiant glories crowned
His lips with grace o'erflow
No mortal can with Him compare
Among the sons of men,
And fairer He than all the fair,
That fills the Heavenly train.

He saw me plunged in deep distress,
He fled to my relief
For me He bore the shameful cross,
And carried all my grief;
His hand a thousand blessings pours,
Upon my guilty head,
His presence gilds my darkest hours,
And guards my sleeping bed.

To Him I owe my life and breath And all the joys I have He makes me triumph over death And saves me from the grave; To Heaven the place of His abode, He brings my weary feet, Shows me the glories of my God And makes my joy complete.

Since from His bounty I receive
Such proofs of love divine,
Had I a thousand hearts to give,
Lord, they would all be Thine;
A thousand men could not compose
A worthy song to bring,
Yet Your love is a melody
Our hearts can't help but sing!
(Repeat bold)

To Christ the Lord Let Every Tongue ©2001 double v music Words: Samuel Stennett and Laura Taylor Music: Laura Taylor

### RESPONSE AND BLESSING

### Behold

The empty filled, the wounded healed The broken back together The poor are blessed, the weary rest We will dance forever

The blinded see, the chained are free The doubtful now believer The outcast known, the orphan home You are my redeemer You are making all things new You are making all things new You are making all things new (Chorus)

He's making all things new He's making all things new

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### Chorus:

Behold! Behold! Behold what Love can do Behold! Behold! He's making all things new

The lost returned, the voiceless heard The mourner now rejoicing The mountains shake the world awake Creation all composing

The sad untrue, the earth renewed The song has found its singer The darkness light, the dead alive You are my redeemer (Chorus 2x)

#### WEEKLY CALENDAR

### Sunday

- Sunday School, 9 a.m.
- Worship, 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary

### Wednesday

• Student Ministry Large Group and Parent Meeting, 6:45 p.m., at Redeemer

### **Thursday**

- Men's Ministry Wing Thing Event, 7:30 p.m., Chow Pizza Bar
- Music Team Practice, 7:30 p.m., at Redeemer

### Friday

- Men's Friday Morning Bible Study, 7:00 a.m., virtual and at Redeemer
- 5th & 6th Grade Gathering, 7:00 p.m., at the Cover's home

- September 10: **Promotion Sunday**
- September 10: **Popsicles at the Playground**
- September 10: College Lunch
- September 14: **Prayer Meeting**
- September 15 & 16: **Marriage Conference with Dr. John Cox** at
  Christ the King Church, ctkraleigh.org
- September 22-23: **Discover Redeemer**
- September 28: Prayer Meeting
- September 30: *The Hiding Place* **Movie,** showing at Redeemer
- October 7: **Barn Dance**, Welsh Farm, Oxford
- October 13-15: Student Ministry High School Retreat
- February 2: Matt Papa Concert at Redeemer

#### STAFF CONTACT INFORMATION

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# Women's Fall Bible Study

Women's Bible studies will begin in mid-September on Monday evenings and Wednesday mornings. This year we will be studying the book of Isaiah, using Kathleen Buswell Nielson's study, *Isaiah: The Lord Saves*. Register in the foyer today!

Men's Ministry: Wing Thing - Fall Kick-off Event, Thursday, September 7 Come hang out with us at the Chow Pizza Bar event room for some fellowship and wings on Thursday night, September 7, at 7:30 p.m. The NFL opening game will be on, but even if you don't like football still come for the company! Visit www. redeemerpca.com/upcoming-events to RSVP. Questions? Reach out to Pastor Ross; ross@redeemerpca.net.

# 5th & 6th Grade Gathering, Friday, September 8

The 5th & 6th Grade Gathering Kick-off and Parent Meeting will be held Friday, September 8, at 7:00 p.m. at the Coyer's home. Kids will have ice cream sundaes, play games. Parents will meet inside at the same time to learn more about what to expect at 5th & 6th Grade Gatherings. Questions? Reach out to Anne Larsen, (919) 357-7961.

# Park & Ride: Begins Next Sunday, September 10!

Beginning Sunday, September 10, we will be offering a Park and Ride Shuttle to help alleviate the congestion in our parking lot. The shuttle will run every Sunday from 8:45 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. between the front parking lot of Barton Pond Elementary School and Redeemer. Have a question about Park & Ride? E-mail the church office.

# Promotion Sunday: Sunday, September 10

Save the date! Promotion Sunday will take place on Sunday, September 10, at 9:00 a.m. On Promotion Sunday the children will move to the Sunday School classroom that corresponds to their grade level for the 2023-2024 school year. We will hold a celebration and time of prayer during the Sunday School hour in the 242 Room!

# College Age Lunch: Sunday, September 10, after worship

All college age men and women are invited to lunch after worship at the home of Dan and Debbi Seale (5701 Harrington Grove Drive, 27613).

# Popsicles at the Playground, Sunday, September 10

Children's Ministry is hosting a Popsicles at the Playground event at 3:30 p.m. on Sunday, September 10, at Honeycutt Park (1032 Clear Creek Farm Road, Raleigh, 27613). This is a wonderful way for our children to play together and for families to get to know one another. Popsicles and beverages will be provided. Planning to attend? Please RSVP on our website, www.redeemerpca.com/upcoming-events.

# Prayer Meetings: Thursday, September 14 and September 28

In September, we will offer a set time of prayer to pray for each other, the church, and the world. We will gather from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 14, and Thursday, Sept. 28, in Room 8 (beside the church office). Have a question? Contact Silas Rodriguez, silasr325@gmail.com, or Mike Newkirk, newkirk.mike@gmail.com.

# Marriage Conference: September 15 and 16

Christ the King Church (1426 Wake Forest Road, Raleigh 27604), is hosting a marriage conference with Dr. John Cox: Marriage 2.0 Growing Closer and Digging Deeper. The conference will be held Friday, September 15 and Saturday, September 16. The cost is \$40 per person (\$80 per couple), childcare is available. To learn more e-mail the church office, office@redeemerpca.net.

Discover Redeemer: Friday, September 22 and Saturday, September 23 If you're interested in learning more about Redeemer and church membership, this class is for you! It's a wonderful opportunity to meet with Pastor Dan and Pastor Ross and discover Redeemer. Visit www.redeemerpca.com/upcoming-events to register and learn more.

# Movie Night: The Hiding Place, September 30

Save the date! Redeemer will be showing The Hiding Place on Saturday, September 30, at 7 p.m. We will be sharing more details, including ticketing information soon!

# Annual Barn Dance, Saturday, October 7, Welsh Farm

Join us Saturday, October 7, from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. for this annual Redeemer fellowship event. We'll eat dinner and dance the night away at the Welsh Family Farm in Oxford, NC.

In a world that has become increasingly marked by isolation and individualism, God reminds us through his Word that he has designed life to be lived in dynamic relationships of trust and love. For this reason, Redeemer also meets in homes throughout the city for encouragement, Bible study and prayer as a family. Outside of Sunday Morning Worship, Community Groups are the main way to get plugged in here at Redeemer.

You may join these groups at any time during the year and jump right into one, or you can visit a few groups before settling down. If you would like more information, please contact the church office to find out more. We would love to have you join us.

NOTE: COMMUNITY GROUP SCHEDULES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. CHECK WITH YOUR GROUP LEADER FOR MORE DETAILS.

1ST & 3RD SUNDAY COMMUNITY GROUPS

### North Hills

Leaders: Tim Phillips and Brandon Baughman (brndnbghmn@gmail.com) TIME: 6:00 P.M., CHILDCARE PROVIDED

# NE Raleigh (Falls of Neuse Rd.)

Leader: Phil Rendall (psrendall@hotmail.com)

TIME: 12:30 P.M.

### NW Raleigh

Leader: Ken Coyer (thecoyers@gmail.com) TIME: 5:00 P.M., CHILDCARE PROVIDED

# North Raleigh (Strickland Road)

Leaders: Bruce Narveson, Rob Helms, and Cisco Ojeda (ojedamailnc@gmail.com)

TIME: 5:45 P.M.

# North Raleigh (Baileywick)

Leader: Dave Larsen (larsen1517@yahoo.com)

and Ray Rein

TIME: 5:00 P.M. CHILDCARE PROVIDED

# NE Raleigh (Falls River)

Leader: Randy Buckwalter and Matt Harmon (matthewdharmon@gmail.com) TIME: 4:00 P.M., CHILDCARE PROVIDED

NE Raleigh (Durant Road)

Leader: Dan Kemp (dikemp1@aol.com)

TIME: 5:00 P.M.

# Lake Lynn Area

Leader: Mike Newkirk (newkirk.mike@gmail.com) TIME: 5:00 P.M.

WEEKLY COMMUNITY GROUPS

# Thursdays:

### NE Raleigh

Leader: Ross Jelaerhuis & Steve Edwards (steve.edwards16.9@gmail.com) NOT MEETING OVER THE SUMMER

# **Fridays:**

NW Raleigh (Norwood/Victory Ch.) Leader: Sean Scott & Ryan Slate (rdslate@ amail.com)

NOT MEETING OVER THE SUMMER

