



# REDEEMER

## CITY CHURCH

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March 11, 2018 – Fourth Sunday of Lent

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### **Songs of Gathering and Preparation**

*We prepare our hearts, and bodies for worship by singing about the God we serve.*

Great Are You Lord

### **Call to Worship**

*We read God's Word, the Bible, together. It reminds us of who God is and what He expects from us.*

31 "Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah, 32 not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, declares the LORD. 33 But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people. 34 And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more."

(Jeremiah 31:31-34 ESV)

### **Prayer of Adoration and Confession**

*We pray together, praising God for who He really is (Adoration) and admitting our inability to live up to what He expects of us (Confession).*

## **Confession of Sin:** *"Heart Corruptions"* from the Valley of Vision

Leader: O God, I am undeserving, but I look to Your tender mercy. I am full of infirmities, wants, sin; You are full of grace. I confess my sin, my frequent sin, my willful sin.

**Congregation: I have no green shoot in me nor fruit, but thorns and thistles; I am a fading leaf that the wind drives away; I live bare and barren as a winter tree...Lord, have mercy on me.**

Leader: You have given me another Master and Lord, Your Son, Jesus, and now my heart is turned towards holiness, my life speeds as an arrow from a bow towards complete obedience to You.

**Congregation: Help me in all my doings to put down sin and to humble pride.**

Leader: Save me from the love of the world and the pride of life, from everything that is natural to fallen man, and let Christ's nature be seen in me day by day.

**All: AMEN.**

## **Song of Repentance**

*In this song of repentance we acknowledge our sin and our need of a Savior.*

Lead Us Back

## **Assurance of Pardon**

*We read God's Word together and are reminded that grace and mercy are freely given to all who have faith in Jesus Christ.*

21 Is the law then contrary to the promises of God? Certainly not! For if a law had been given that could give life, then righteousness would indeed be by the law. 22 But the Scripture imprisoned everything under sin, so that the promise by faith in Jesus Christ might be given to those who believe. 23 Now before faith came, we were held captive under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith would be revealed. 24 So then, the law was our guardian until Christ came, in order that we might be justified by faith. 25 But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian...

1 I mean that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no different from a slave, though he is the owner of everything, 2 but he is under guardians and managers until the date set by his father. 3 In the same way we also, when we were children, were enslaved to the elementary principles of the world. 4 But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, 5 to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. 6 And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" 7 So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

(Galatians 3:21-25; 4:1-7 ESV)

## **Greeting**

*In Jesus, we have not only been reconciled to God, we have also been reconciled to one another. Therefore, we greet one another as brothers and sisters.*

## **Songs of Praise and Celebration**

*Our response to God's free grace is celebratory worship. We express our praise to God for who He is and what He has done to save us*

Your Great Name  
Good, Good Father

## **Announcements & Kids' Worship Dismissal**

*Children through fifth grade are dismissed for kids' worship.*

## **Prayer of Thanksgiving & Intercession**

*We again express in prayer our gratitude to God for what he has done and ask him to continue to act for our good and the good of others in our community and the world.*

## **Proclamation of God's Word**

*A small portion of God's Word is explained to us and applied to our own lives.*

Romans 6:13-15; 7:1-12 *(see insert)*

## **Sacrament of Communion**

*The ritual meal of Communion is a sign and seal of the grace we have in Jesus. That is, it symbolizes the work Christ did for our salvation (sign) and communicates the grace and mercy we have been given (seal) as a result of His death and resurrection.*

O Come to the Altar

## **Song of Response & Sending**

*We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace by meditating quietly and by singing again of His goodness and greatness.*

All Must Be Well

## **Benediction**

*Because the hand of God's wrath was raised against Jesus, we now receive the hand of God's blessing as we are sent out to live our lives to the glory of God.*

May the LORD bless you and keep you;  
May the LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;  
May the LORD turn His face toward you and give you His peace,  
Both now and forevermore. Amen.

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## **Season of the Cross: Purple for Lent**

*The season of Lent begins with Ash Wednesday and runs 40 days through Holy Week. It is a reminder of Jesus' own 40 days in the wilderness, where He fasted and was tempted. Lent is a time of repentance and fasting, of preparation and penitence, as we look ahead with anticipation to His death and resurrection.*

# Announcements

Greeting this morning are the **Hassett and Daniel/Reynolds** Community Groups.

**Redeemer 101:** Today begins a two-part class called Redeemer 101. It's an opportunity to learn about the beliefs, practices and vision of Redeemer. Whether you just started attending or if you would like to become a member, this class is for you. Both sessions are immediately following the morning worship service. Childcare and lunch are provided. The final session will be March 18. Contact Connie or Jonathan if you have any questions.

**Officer Nominations:** Today is the final day to submit nominations for the offices of elder and deacon. You can easily submit an online nomination form from the church app or at: [redeemerwh.org/nominations](https://redeemerwh.org/nominations). You can place your written nomination slips in the marked box in the foyer.

**Day of Service:** Elbert Elementary is one of our neighbors whom we love and serve! Join us on **Saturday, March 17, from 8:30-Noon** for a day of service. We will be working outside helping to take care of the school grounds. If you can't stay for the full time, come while you can. Please bring any extra tools you have on hand: gloves, rakes, shovels, etc. Contact Brandon Lutz at [brandon@redeemerwinterhaven.org](mailto:brandon@redeemerwinterhaven.org) if you have any questions.

**Get Connected:** The best way to stay up-to-date with what's happening at Redeemer is through our online newsletter ([redeemerwh.org/newsletter](https://redeemerwh.org/newsletter)) and our mobile app ([redeemerwh.org/app](https://redeemerwh.org/app)).

## Our Mission

Our mission is to make Jesus' invisible kingdom visible in Winter Haven, Polk County, and the world.

## Church Planting

One of the ways we hope to accomplish our mission is by planting new churches throughout Polk County. We are proudly partner with Renew Polk ([renewpolk.org](https://renewpolk.org)), a missional partnership of churches, that exists to catalyze funds and resources for PCA church planting in Polk County. The aim of Renew Polk is to see 20 new churches planted in Polk County over the next 20 years.

## Community Groups

We also meet during the week in homes for what we call Community Groups. If you are interested in visiting a community group, contact Jonathan Winfree, [jonathan@redeemerwinterhaven.org](mailto:jonathan@redeemerwinterhaven.org) or visit our website.

***"The purpose of Community Groups is to create a community where Jesus Christ is experienced and mutual ministry is enjoyed."***

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