



REDEEMER

CITY CHURCH



August 19, 2018 – Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Season of the Cross: Green for Ordinary Time

Ordinary Time is the long season that takes up three quarters of the church year. This portion of Ordinary Time runs between Pentecost and Advent. Ordinary Time has traditionally been devoted to seeking our Lord in the simple, ordinary day-in and day-out rhythms of life. It is a time in which we are all invited to order our lives around Christ's life and teaching.

Song of Gathering and Preparation

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

Welcome of Christ
Holy, Holy, Holy

Call to Worship: Leviticus 19:1-2, 16-18, 37

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

You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God am holy. Every one of you shall revere his mother and his father, and you shall keep my Sabbaths: ***I am the LORD your God...*** Do not turn to idols or make for yourselves any gods of cast metal: ***I am the LORD your God...*** You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not stand up against the life of your neighbor: ***I am the LORD.*** You shall not hate your brother in your heart, but you shall reason frankly with your neighbor, lest you incur sin because of him. You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against the sons of your own people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: ***I am the LORD...*** And you shall observe all my statutes and all my rules, and do them: ***I am the LORD.***

Song of Adoration

We respond to God's invitation with songs of praise. These songs are designed to draw our attention to the wonder and glory of God.

All I Have Is Christ
Majesty

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).

Assurance of Pardon: 1 Peter 2:4-10

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

As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in Scripture: "Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious, and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame." So the honor is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe, "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone," and "A stone of stumbling, and a rock of offense." "They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

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.

Song 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

Speak O Lord

Receiving New Members

As was the case for believers in the Old and New Testaments, we are called to publicly confess our faith in the grace of God, to participate in the rituals of entrance into the people of God.

The Coker Family

Sacrament of Baptism**

The ritual of baptism is a sign and seal of the grace we have in Jesus. That is, it symbolizes the cleansing all people need before they are acceptable to God (sign), and it marks, tangibly to our senses, how real God's promise is for all who will trust in Him (seal).

Anna & Silas Coker
Cypress & Bliss Updike

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 12:1-2, 9-11 (see insert)

Song of Response & Sending

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

You Alone

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.

****Following the Song of Response we will be transitioning the remainder of our service to the Snively's Home (205 W. Lake Summit Drive). There, we will have the Sacrament of Baptism and conclude our service with the Benediction.**

Announcements

Greeting this morning is the **Henderson** Community Group.

Two Services: Make a note that on **Sunday, September 9**, we will transition to having two worship services in the morning: **9 & 10:30am**. They will be the same services and both will have childcare through 5th grade (aside from Communion Sundays).

Vision Dinner: Our next Vision Dinner will be **Wednesday, September 5 at 5:30pm**. As always, childcare and dinner will be provided. You can quickly RSVP online at redeemerwh.org/vd.

Elbert Elementary: Elbert is in need of some school uniforms. If you're able to help, please drop off the uniforms in the church office. **Needs:** boys and girls underwear (S, M and L), belts, shorts or pants (blue jeans, khaki, or navy blue), collared shirts (navy blue, white, or red), and socks for the younger students.

Renew Polk Sunday: Sunday, September 16 will be "Renew Polk" Sunday in all of our network churches. We will be taking a special offering to help support the work of Renew Polk. That evening at **5pm at Trinity Presbyterian Church** we will hold a vision and prayer gathering. We will sing together, hear updates from the plants, and pray for the ongoing work in our network. Paul Hahn, Coordinator of Mission to North America (MNA), will address us that evening. Please get that on your calendar and plan to attend. Childcare will be available thru kindergarten.

TEDtalks: The next CBR Workshop will be **Thursday, September 20, 6pm dinner & 6:30-8:30pm Workshop**. Childcare will be available. The theme for this workshop is Community.

10 Year Celebration! God has done so much among us as a church family over this last decade and we look forward to seeing what He will do over the next decade. Whether you were with us on day one at Winter Haven High School or if you've just found us recently -- we want you to celebrate with us. We're excited to invite you to our 10 year celebration on **Sunday, October 7, from 4-7pm** at the Grove Roots Packing House (302 3rd Street SW, 33880).

Student Ministry Town Hall: On **Wednesday August 29th** there is going to be a meeting for all parents with students from **6:30-7:45pm**. Brandon is going to share the vision for the student ministry, explain what we do at Youth Group, share a topic on his heart related to students, and, most importantly, pray for the students! Please put this in your calendars now as this will surely encourage your hearts.

Children's Ministry Volunteer Breakfast: Sunday, August 26 from 9-10am we are having a volunteer breakfast and a brief training as we begin the fall semester. This is also an opportunity to learn more about volunteering if you are interested in serving with Children's Ministry.

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

Worship Set List: Follow our weekly set list on Spotify so that you can become familiar with the songs that we'll be singing on Sundays. You can find the playlist on the "RedeemerWH" app (above) or at: redeemerwh.org/RCCmusic.

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