

Visitors

We want to welcome you to the church and introduce ourselves to you! We also have some information available if you'd like to know more about Redeemer. After worship, please come to the Welcome Table so we can meet you!

Please also take a moment to fill out the form on the inside back cover of this bulletin and drop it in the offering box.

To Parents

During corporate worship, God meets with His people in a special way. We believe, because of the promises of God, that our children are as much a part of the church as everyone else, and that they should participate in worship along with their families as much as they are able.

Nurseries

We have nurseries available during the worship service for infants and toddlers ages 3 months to 3 years.

Children in Worship

We understand the challenges of getting children accustomed to being in the service the whole time. We want to assist you in helping your children learn to participate in worship in a meaningful way.

During the sermon, children age 4 through the end of kindergarten may attend ***Training in the Pews*** children's worship. Volunteers will escort children and return them after the sermon.

Sermon time binders are available for children before the sermon at the back of the auditorium.

We completely understand that, generally speaking, kids tend to be a bit noisy and squirmy. Please know that it is something we expect, and that there is no reason to feel embarrassed if your children have some trouble adjusting to corporate worship. We've all experienced the blessed struggle of training our children to participate in worship, so if yours are still in the process, you're certainly not alone!

We do not at all believe that we get to have worship on our own terms, but on God's terms. God welcomes your children into this service of worship, squirminess and all, and so do we.

Redeemer's Vision

Redeemer Presbyterian Church is a missional *community* moved by the *grace* of the *Redeemer*, Jesus Christ, to *worship* and *know* God and to *love* and *serve* our *neighbors* in *Temple* and *beyond*.

Redeemer Presbyterian Church is affiliated with the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA).

For more information about Redeemer Church, visit www.redeemerprestemple.org.

For more information about the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA), visit www.pcanet.org.

Book Table: The books found here are designed to assist you in understanding the Christian life and to encourage your spiritual growth. To purchase a book or CD, please place your money in the envelope labeled "Book \$". Please make all checks payable to Redeemer Presbyterian Church.

As you find your seat, please move toward the center of your section, leaving the aisle seats for those coming in after you.

Thanks.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Third Sunday of Advent

December 16, 2018

10:00 a.m.

In consideration of other worshippers, please program all communication devices to silent or vibrate mode.

Parents, our nursery is available for infants and toddlers ages 3 months to 3 years. Turn left out of the auditorium and down the hall immediately to the left. The nurseries are located up the stairs at the end of the hall. Ask a greeter if you need directions. Babies and toddlers are also welcome in the worship service.

Children age 4 through the end of kindergarten may attend *Training in the Pews* during the sermon.

Sermon time binders are available for children before the sermon at the back of the auditorium.

Bibles are available on the table in the hallway for your use during the service.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. David Rapp

Meditation and Preparation for Worship

“Matthew does not begin his story of Jesus’ birth by saying, “Once upon a time.” That is the way fairy tales and legends and myths and *Star Wars* begin. “Once upon a time” signals that this probably didn’t happen or that we don’t know if it happened, but it is a beautiful story that teaches us so much. But that is not the kind of account Matthew is giving us. He says, “This is the genealogy of Jesus Christ.” That means he is grounding what Jesus Christ is and does in history. Jesus is not a metaphor. He is real. This all happened.

Here is why that is so important. Advice is counsel about what you must do. News is a report about what has already been *done*.”

-Timothy Keller, *Hidden Christmas* (p. 21)

Scripture for Memorization

John 1:1, 14 (ESV)

^{1:1} In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. . . .

¹⁴ And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.

God's Supremacy

*Call to Worship

Rev. David Rapp

Zechariah 9:9

Minister: "Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey."

*Hymn of Adoration

O Come, All Ye Faithful

Adeste Fideles

1. O come, all ye faithful,
joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
come and behold him
born the King of angels;
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
Christ the Lord.

2. God of God,
Light of Light;
lo, he abhors not the Virgin's womb:
very God,
begotten, not created;
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
Christ the Lord.

3. Sing, choirs of angels,
sing in exultation,
sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above;
glory to God
in the highest;
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
Christ the Lord.

4. Yea, Lord, we greet thee,
born this happy morning:
Jesus, to thee be all glory giv'n;
Word of the Father,
late in flesh appearing;
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
Christ the Lord.

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God's Supremacy

*Prayer of Invocation

Rev. David Rapp

*Affirmation of Faith

Rev. David Rapp

The Nicene Creed

Minister: Christian, what do you believe?

All: We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic* and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

* "catholic" refers to the church throughout the world

*Doxology

Angels, from the Realms of Glory (v. 3)

Regent Square

Sages, leave your contemplations,
Brighter visions beam afar;
Seek the great Desire of nations;
Ye have seen his natal star:
Come and worship, come and worship,
Worship Christ, the new-born King.

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God's Renewal

The Law of God

Rev. David Rapp

Exodus 20:1-2, 17

Minister: “And God spoke all these words, saying,
“I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out
of the house of slavery. . . .
“You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your
neighbor’s wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or
his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor’s.””

Corporate Confession of Sin

**All: Most Generous and Glorious God,
We confess that our hearts are full of covetousness and envy.
We see the riches of others and our hearts desire them.
We behold beauty and it stirs up lust.
We are dissatisfied and discontent,
because we have inordinate desires for inferior treasures.
Lord Jesus, before Your cross I kneel and see
the heinousness of my sin.
Show me the enormity of my guilt by
the crown of thorns, the pierced hands and feet,
the bruised body, the dying cries.
Your blood is the blood of incarnate God,
its worth infinite, its value beyond all calculation.
Infinite must be the evil and guilt
that demands such a price.
Yet in the greatest act of love, You paid that price to rescue me.
Thank you, Father, for Your riches given to me in Jesus,
for the unclouded revelation of Him in Your Word,
where I behold His Person, character, grace, glory,
humiliation, sufferings, death, and resurrection.
Impress me deeply with a sense of the beauty of Jesus.
Let His love wash over me until I am secure and satisfied,
and feel I have everything, if I have Him. Amen.**

Silent Confession

God's Renewal

Hymn

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Picardy

1. Let all mortal flesh keep silence,
and with fear and trembling stand;
ponder nothing earthly minded,
for with blessing in his hand,
Christ our God to earth descendeth,
our full homage to demand.

2. King of kings, yet born of Mary,
as of old on earth he stood,
Lord of lords, in human vesture,
in the body and the blood,
he will give to all the faithful
his own self for heav'nly food.

3. Rank on rank the host of heaven
spreads its vanguard on the way,
as the Light of light descendeth
from the realms of endless day,
that the pow'rs of hell may vanish
as the darkness clears away.

4. At his feet the six-winged seraph;
cherubim, with sleepless eye,
veil their faces to the presence,
as with ceaseless voice they cry,
"Alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, Lord Most High!"

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Assurance of Pardon and Comfort

Rev. David Rapp

1 Peter 1:18-21

Minister: *For all who have confessed their sins and have fled to Christ for mercy, hear this word of assurance:* "knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for the sake of you who through him are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God."

God's Grace

*Song of Assurance

Satisfied

1. 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.

2. Feeding on the
filth around me
'till my strength was almost gone.
Longed my soul for
something better
only still to hunger on.

(Repeat chorus)

3. 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.

(Repeat chorus)

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

(Repeat chorus x 2)

through his blood I now am saved.
through his blood I now am saved.

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*Scripture Reading

Matthew 2:1-12

Mrs. Kay Smith

Reader: The Word of the Lord!

People: **Thanks be to God!**

God's Grace

Receiving of Members

*Sean and Marissa Ellsworth
Owen* and Anna* Ellsworth*

**Denotes non-communing members*

Membership Vows

1. Do you acknowledge yourselves to be sinners in the sight of God, justly deserving His displeasure, and without hope save in His sovereign mercy?
2. Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and rest upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel?
3. Do you now resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as becomes the followers of Christ?
4. Do you promise to support the Church in its worship and work to the best of your ability?
5. Do you submit yourselves to the government and discipline of the Church, and promise to study its purity and peace?

Pastoral Prayer

Mr. Jeff White

*The Greeting of Peace

Rev. David Rapp

Minister: Let the peace of Christ dwell in your hearts. To this peace we are called as members of a single body. The peace of Christ be with you!

People: And also with you!

At the parents' discretion, children age 4 through the end of kindergarten may attend Training in the Pews (Children's Worship). Children should meet at the back of the auditorium to be escorted by volunteers to Wendland Hall. After the sermon, volunteers will bring the children to the back of the auditorium, where you may meet them or have them join you in your seats. Sermon time binders are available for children before the sermon at the back of the auditorium. Please return them to the box after the service.

*Scripture Reading (p. 9)

Prayer of Illumination

The Sermon

*The Mothers of Jesus, Part 3: Ruth
Ruth*

Rev. David Rapp

1:1 In the days when the judges ruled there was a famine in the land, and a man of Bethlehem in Judah went to sojourn in the country of Moab, he and his wife and his two sons. ² The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion. They were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there. ³ But Elimelech, the husband of Naomi, died, and she was left with her two sons. ⁴ These took Moabite wives; the name of the one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth. They lived there about ten years, ⁵ and both Mahlon and Chilion died, so that the woman was left without her two sons and her husband. ⁶ Then she arose with her daughters-in-law to return from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the fields of Moab that the LORD had visited his people and given them food. . . . ¹⁶ But Ruth said, “Do not urge me to leave you or to return from following you. For where you go I will go, and where you lodge I will lodge. Your people shall be my people, and your God my God. ¹⁷ Where you die I will die, and there will I be buried. May the LORD do so to me and more also if anything but death parts me from you.” . . . ²² . . . And they came to Bethlehem at the beginning of barley harvest.

2:1 Now Naomi had a relative of her husband's, a worthy man of the clan of Elimelech, whose name was Boaz. ² And Ruth the Moabite said to Naomi, “Let me go to the field and glean among the ears of grain after him in whose sight I shall find favor.” And she said to her, “Go, my daughter.” ³ So she set out and went and gleaned in the field after the reapers, and she happened to come to the part of the field belonging to Boaz, who was of the clan of Elimelech. . . . ⁸ Then Boaz said to Ruth, “Now, listen, my daughter; do not go to glean in another field or leave this one, but keep close to my young women. ⁹ Let your eyes be on the field that they are reaping, and go after them. Have I not charged the young men not to touch you? And when you are thirsty, go to the vessels and drink what the young men have drawn.” ¹⁰ Then she fell on her face, bowing to the ground, and said to him, “Why have I found favor in your eyes, that you should take notice of me, since I am a foreigner?” ¹¹ But Boaz answered her, “All that you have done for your mother-in-law since the death of your husband has been fully told to me, and how you left your father and mother and your native land and came to a people that you did not know before. ¹² The LORD repay you for what you have done, and a full reward be given you by the LORD, the God of Israel, under whose wings you have come to take refuge!” . . . ¹⁹ And her mother-in-law said to her, “Where did you glean today? And where have you worked? Blessed be the man who took notice of you.” So she told her mother-in-law with whom she had worked and said, “The man's name with whom I worked today is Boaz.” ²⁰ And Naomi said to her daughter-in-law, “May he be blessed by the LORD, whose kindness has not forsaken the living or the dead!” Naomi also said to her, “The man is a close relative of ours, one of our redeemers.” . . .

3:1 Then Naomi her mother-in-law said to her, “My daughter, should I not seek rest for you, that it may be well with you? ² Is not Boaz our relative, with whose young women you were? See, he is winnowing barley tonight at the threshing floor. ³ Wash therefore and

anoint yourself, and put on your cloak and go down to the threshing floor; but do not make yourself known to the man until he has finished eating and drinking. ⁴ But when he lies down, observe the place where he lies. Then go and uncover his feet and lie down, and he will tell you what to do.” ⁵ And she replied, “All that you say I will do.” ⁶ So she went down to the threshing floor and did just as her mother-in-law had commanded her. ⁷ And when Boaz had eaten and drunk, and his heart was merry, he went to lie down at the end of the heap of grain. Then she came softly and uncovered his feet and lay down. ⁸ At midnight the man was startled and turned over, and behold, a woman lay at his feet! ⁹ He said, “Who are you?” And she answered, “I am Ruth, your servant. Spread your wings over your servant, for you are a redeemer.” ¹⁰ And he said, “May you be blessed by the LORD, my daughter. You have made this last kindness greater than the first in that you have not gone after young men, whether poor or rich. ¹¹ And now, my daughter, do not fear. I will do for you all that you ask, for all my fellow townsmen know that you are a worthy woman. ¹² And now it is true that I am a redeemer. Yet there is a redeemer nearer than I. ¹³ Remain tonight, and in the morning, if he will redeem you, good; let him do it. But if he is not willing to redeem you, then, as the LORD lives, I will redeem you. Lie down until the morning.” . . .

4:9 Then Boaz said to the elders and all the people, “You are witnesses this day that I have bought from the hand of Naomi all that belonged to Elimelech and all that belonged to Chilion and to Mahlon. ¹⁰ Also Ruth the Moabite, the widow of Mahlon, I have bought to be my wife, to perpetuate the name of the dead in his inheritance, that the name of the dead may not be cut off from among his brothers and from the gate of his native place. You are witnesses this day.” ¹¹ Then all the people who were at the gate and the elders said, “We are witnesses. May the LORD make the woman, who is coming into your house, like Rachel and Leah, who together built up the house of Israel. May you act worthily in Ephrathah and be renowned in Bethlehem, ¹² and may your house be like the house of Perez, whom Tamar bore to Judah, because of the offspring that the LORD will give you by this young woman.” ¹³ So Boaz took Ruth, and she became his wife. And he went in to her, and the LORD gave her conception, and she bore a son ¹⁴ Then the women said to Naomi, “Blessed be the LORD, who has not left you this day without a redeemer, and may his name be renowned in Israel! ¹⁵ He shall be to you a restorer of life and a nourisher of your old age, for your daughter-in-law who loves you, who is more to you than seven sons, has given birth to him.” ¹⁶ Then Naomi took the child and laid him on her lap and became his nurse. ¹⁷ And the women of the neighborhood gave him a name, saying, “A son has been born to Naomi.” They named him Obed. He was the father of Jesse, the father of David. ¹⁸ Now these are the generations of Perez: Perez fathered Hezron, ¹⁹ Hezron fathered Ram, Ram fathered Amminadab, ²⁰ Amminadab fathered Nahshon, Nahshon fathered Salmon, ²¹ Salmon fathered Boaz, Boaz fathered Obed, ²² Obed fathered Jesse, and Jesse fathered David.

Minister: The Word of the Lord!
People: Thanks be to God!

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Celebration of Holy Communion

Preparation for Communion

This is a time for all of us to seek the Lord. For Christians, Communion (also called The Lord's Supper or The Eucharist, which means "thanksgiving") is a time to meet with their Savior by faith to be strengthened and renewed by Him as they eat bread and drink wine. The Lord's Supper is a joyful celebration in which the family of God together delights in the presence and salvation of their Redeemer King. All baptized Christians who trust in Christ alone as their Savior and Lord, belong to a church that embraces the Gospel, are at peace with their neighbor, and seek strength to live more faithfully to Christ, are invited to participate. If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer and to consider more deeply your relationship to Jesus Christ.

A Word to Parents:

Children are invited to come forward, either to receive communion or a prayer of blessing. To receive communion, a child must have been baptized, publicly professed their faith in Christ, and been formally received as a communing member by the Session (elders) of this church or the governing body of the church to which you belong. If your children will not be receiving communion, please instruct them to come forward with their arms crossed to receive a prayer of blessing. We look forward to welcoming your children to the table and ask that you speak with the pastor when you believe your child is ready to begin the process.

Preparing our Hearts to be Fed

Rev. David Rapp

-The Heidelberg Catechism Q/A #35

Minister: What does it mean that he "was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary"?

**All: That the eternal Son of God,
 who is and remains
 true and eternal God,
took to himself,
 through the working of the Holy Spirit,
 from the flesh and blood of the virgin Mary,
a truly human nature
 so that he might become David's true descendant,
 like his brothers in every way
 except for sin.**

Words of Institution

Rev. David Rapp

Words of Response

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Minister: Let us proclaim the mystery of the faith:

People: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again!

Minister: Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore, let us keep the feast.

Minister: The gifts of God for the people of God. Come, take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on Him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All: Hallelujah!

The Communion

*If you are participating, when you are ready, please join the line coming down the right center aisle. You will make your way past the servers at the front to receive the elements. Then, please return to your seat by way of the left center aisle. If you wish to bring an offering to the Lord, please place it in the box at the back of the room as you return to your seat. **We use wine** in communion and drink from a common cup. Individual cups are available in the trays, with **grape juice in the center ring** which may be requested by those who desire it. A **gluten-free cracker** is available upon request for those unable to eat the bread due to allergies.*

The Offering

“For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich.” 2 Corinthians 8:9 (ESV)

In response to God’s grace to us through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we bring gifts and offerings to the Lord with thanksgiving and joy. Worshipers may place their gifts in the offering box at the back as they return to their seats.

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. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. 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 Christ, 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 to 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 my 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 to me, and run with perseverance the race that you have set before me, looking only 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.

Communion Song

Behold The Lamb

1. Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away,
slain for us— and we remember
the promise made that all who come in faith
find forgiveness at the cross.
So we share in this bread of life,
and we drink of His sacrifice
as a sign of our bonds of peace
around the table of the King.

2. The body of our Saviour Jesus Christ,
torn for you— eat and remember;
The wounds that heal, the death that brings us life
paid the price to make us one.
So we share in this bread of life,
and we drink of His sacrifice
as a sign of our bonds of love
around the table of the King.

3. The blood that cleanses every stain of sin,
shed for you— drink and remember
He drained death's cup that all may enter in
to receive the life of God.
So we share in this bread of life,
and we drink of His sacrifice
as a sign of our bonds of grace
around the table of the King.

4. And so with thankfulness and faith we rise
to respond— and to remember
our call to follow in the steps of Christ
as His body here on earth.
As we share in His suffering,
we proclaim Christ will come again!
And we'll join in the feast of heaven
around the table of the King.

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1. What child is this, who, laid to rest,
on Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet,
while shepherds watch are keeping?
This, this is Christ the King,
whom shepherds guard and angels sing:
haste, haste to bring him laud,
the babe, the son of Mary.

2. Why lies he in such mean estate,
where ox and ass are feeding?
Good Christian, fear; for sinners here
the silent Word is pleading.
Nails, spear, shall pierce him through;
the cross be borne for me, for you:
hail, hail the Word made flesh,
the babe, the son of Mary.

3. So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh;
come, peasant, king, to own him;
the King of kings salvation brings,
let loving hearts enthrone him.
Raise, raise the song on high,
the virgin sings her lullaby:
joy, joy for Christ is born,
the babe, the son of Mary.

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God's Blessing

*Song

In Christ Alone

1. In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song;
This cornerstone, this solid ground,
firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My comforter, my all in all,
here in the love of Christ I stand.

2. In Christ alone! Who took on flesh;
Fulness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness,
scorned by the ones He came to save;
'Til on that cross as Jesus died,
the wrath of God was satisfied;
for ev'ry sin on Him was laid;
Here in the death of Christ I live.

3. There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain;
Then bursting forth in glorious Day,
up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory,
sin's curse has lost it's grip on me;
For I am His and He is mine-
bought with the precious blood of Christ.

4. No guilt in life, no fear in death-
This is the pow'r of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,
can ever pluck me from His hand;
'Til He returns or calls me home,
here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

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*Benediction

Rev. David Rapp

Jude 24-25

Minister: "Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen."

Postlude

Weekly Prayer Guide

We are praying that God would do mighty, transforming works in our hearts, in our families, in our church, in our city, and in our world. Here are some categories which we use to pray during our corporate worship services. You are encouraged to use this list at home during your private and family worship times to help you join with Redeemer as we together petition our Father, asking that His Kingdom would come in ever greater measure.

Growth in the Gospel of Grace: For spiritual growth as individuals and as a church

Local Mission: Praying for the work of the Gospel in Temple

Global Mission: Praying for God's work around the world

State/Society/World: Praying for civil authorities and Christians' witness in the world

Special Care: Praying for people who are sick or in other need

Vision: Praying for God to build his Church

Prayer Needs

If you would like someone to pray for or with you, please consider the following:

1. We encourage everyone to be a part of a Community Group to build relationships with people who will know you and pray for you.
2. Contact one of our elders. They would love to talk with you and pray for you. (Contact info on the following page.)

Financial Giving Report

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual Expenses</u>	<u>Actual Variance</u>
2018 Jan.-Nov.	\$304,593.65	\$316,932.77	\$304,691.19	(\$97.54)
2018 November	\$19,367.00	\$28,812.07	\$26,120.65	(\$6,753.65)
2018 October	\$41,641.13	\$28,812.07	\$27,603.66	\$14,037.47
2018 Sept.	\$20,918.75	\$28,812.07	\$23,091.10	(\$2,172.35)

***Thank you for your faithful and generous giving to Jesus' mission through Redeemer!

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 Percussion:

Events and Announcements

What else is happening at Redeemer?

* Get connected on ***Realm*** to find out!!!

onrealm.org/redeemerprestemple

*** Christmas Eve Lessons & Carols at the CAC!**

Monday, Dec. 24th - 6:00pm

Invite your friends, family, neighbors, and co-workers.

Bring holiday cookies & treats to share.

*** Women's Retreat - Feb. 22-24, 2019**

The Retreat at Balcones Springs - Marble Falls, TX

Would you like to receive email updates from Redeemer?
 If so, please contact us at info@redeemerprestemple.org

Visitors

We want to welcome you to the church and introduce ourselves to you! We would love to answer any questions you may have and tell you more about Redeemer. After worship, please come to the Welcome Table so we can meet you. If you would like to receive updates from Redeemer, please send an e-mail to info@redeemerprestemple.org.

Please take a moment to fill out the form below and drop it in the offering box.

Today's Date _____

Mr./Mrs./Ms. (first) _____

(last) _____

Spouse (if applicable) _____

Children	Age
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Home Phone _____

Email: _____

Add to the Redeemer email list? Yes___ No thanks___

Attendance (please circle one)

First Time Guest Repeat Guest

___ I would like to be contacted to receive more information about Redeemer