



REDEEMER

SANTA ROSA

Sunday Worship

redeemer | ri'dēmər | *noun*

one who regains possession in exchange
for payment or clearing a debt.

Welcome

Thank you for joining us today.

At Redeemer Presbyterian Church we are pursuing life that is truly life through relationship with our Redeemer, Jesus Christ: experiencing continual renewal through His gospel, worshiping Him with reverence and delight, serving our community and our world with compassion in His name, inviting all to know the love of Christ and the good news of His kingdom.

Whether you are searching for a church home or just beginning to consider the claims of Christ, we trust that Redeemer will be of help and encouragement to you. We would love for you to become a regular part of what God is doing in and through our church community. If we can serve you in any way or if you have questions about Redeemer, please speak to one of our greeters or pastors.

Reflection

"My identity and my security are not in my spiritual progress. My identity and my security are in God's acceptance of me given as a gift in Christ."

— J.D. Greear

"In God's plan, our quest for personal identity is meant to drive us back to him as Creator so that we find our meaning and purpose in him. When we live out a sense of who we are *in Christ* we live our lives based on all we have been given by Christ. This keeps us from seeking to get those things from the people and situations around us. Much of the disappointments and heartache we experience is the result of our attempts to get something from relationships that we already have in Christ."

— Timothy S. Lane

Children in the worship service:

We believe that children are a vital part of our church community, and as such we welcome them and their noise and movement into our worship service. Feel free to sit wherever you are comfortable, including the front. Bring your children out, if needed, but please don't hesitate to bring them back in.

The way we welcome children in church directly affects the way they respond to the church, to God, and to one another. Just as Jesus said, "Let the children come to me," so we welcome them in this worship service.

If you are more comfortable, there is a nursery available throughout the entire service for infants. All other children through grade six will be invited to Children's Church prior to the sermon.

Celebration

The Call to Worship is an invitation into the unique activity of worship. Our primary activity in the worship service is to participate in the gift exchange of worship itself, by offering prayers and praise, by hearing God's Word, and by receiving spiritual nourishment offered at The Lord's Table.

Why do we sing in church? As God's people gather for worship, we focus our attention on God and away from ourselves by singing together. We respond with thanksgiving to God, because we have hope. And we sing because it is the best and most complete response that we can utter.

Call to Worship

Psalm 95:1-3

Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD;
let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.
Let us come before him with thanksgiving
and extol him with music and song.
For the LORD is the great God,
the great King above all gods.

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul praise Him for He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear now to His temple draw near; join me in glad adoration

Praise to the Lord who ov'r all things so wondrously reigneth
Shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen how all thy longings have been granted in what He ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord who doth prosper thy work and defend thee
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do if with His love He befriend thee

Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him
Let the `Amen´ sound from His people again, gladly fore'er we adore Him

Words: Joachim Neander (1620)

Music: Lobe den Herren (1665)

Arrangement: Don Chapman (2004)

Prayer of Approach

10,000 Reasons

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me
Let me be singing when the evening comes

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul

Worship His holy name

Sing like never before, O my soul

I'll worship Your holy name

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger
Your name is great and Your heart is kind
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

And on that day when my strength is failing
The end draws near and my time has come
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years and then forevermore

Words and Music: Jonas Myrin and Matt Redman (2011)

Renewal

Confession of sin happens within the context of relationship, both with God and each other. Because sin is so pervasive in our lives, we are called to come before the Father with honesty and transparency, confessing our brokenness and asking for forgiveness and healing through Jesus Christ. Renewal is experienced as we acknowledge our need for mercy and celebrate the abundance of God's grace toward us.

Call to Confession

Based on 1 John 1:8-9

God's Word assures us: If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. In humility and faith let us confess our sin to God.

Corporate Confession

Heavenly Father,
 You have made us in your image,
 with a mind to know you,
 a heart to love you,
 and a will to serve you.
 But our knowledge is imperfect,
 our love inconstant,
 our obedience incomplete.
 Day by day, we fail to grow into your likeness.
 Depending on our own strength we stumble;
 proclaiming our own goodness we sin;
 glorying in our own righteousness we corrupt everything we touch.
 So we pray now,
 forgive us our many sins,
 cleanse the darkness from our lives,
 and turn again our faces towards you.
 In the name of your Son, the Lord Jesus, we pray.
 Amen.

Private Confession

(You are invited to personalize your confession as you pray silently.)

Assurance of Grace

From Romans 5:8; Colossians 1:13-14; Romans 5:1

God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Redeemed, Restored, Forgiven

Once on a dreary mountain we wandered far and wide
 Far from the cleansing fountain, far from the pierced side
 But Jesus sought and found us and washed our guilt away
 With cords of love He bound us to be His own today

*Redeemed, restored, forgiven, through Jesus' precious blood
 Heirs of His home in heaven; O praise our pardoning God*

Dear Lord, receive the glory of each recovered soul
 O, who can tell the story of love that made us whole
 Not ours, not ours, the merit, be Yours alone the praise
 And ours a thankful spirit to serve You all our days
 Now keep us, holy Savior, in Your true love and fear
 And grant us by Your favor the grace to persevere
 'Til in Your new creation when earth meets heaven's shore
 We find our full salvation and praise You evermore

Words: Henry Baker (1876)

Music: Matthew Smith (2010)

Affirmation of Faith

When we affirm our faith together it reminds us that we are part of an ancient and global faith. We join with believers throughout the ages and across the continents in declaring the truth of the gospel and the Christian faith.

The Jerusalem Declaration, Article 1

**We rejoice in the gospel of God
through which we have been saved by grace
through faith in Jesus Christ
by the power of the Holy Spirit.**

**Because God first loved us, we love him
and as believers bring forth fruits of love,
ongoing repentance, lively hope
and thanksgiving to God in all things.**

Offerings + Gifts

The offering is a way for members and friends of Redeemer to support the church's mission and ministry. If you are our guest today, please feel under no compulsion to give. Please let us know you've joined us today, as well as any comments or prayer requests, by placing your comment card in the offering plate.

Scripture

Galatians 2:11-21

¹¹But when Cephas came to Antioch, I opposed him to his face, because he stood condemned. ¹²For before certain men came from James, he was eating with the Gentiles; but when they came he drew back and separated himself, fearing the circumcision party. ¹³And the rest of the Jews acted hypocritically along with him, so that even Barnabas was led astray by their hypocrisy. ¹⁴But when I saw that their conduct was not in step with the truth of the gospel, I said to Cephas before them all, "If you, though a Jew, live like a Gentile and not like a Jew, how can you force the Gentiles to live like Jews?"

¹⁵We ourselves are Jews by birth and not Gentile sinners; ¹⁶yet we know that a person is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, so we also have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ and not by works of the law, because by works of the law no one will be justified.

¹⁷But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we too were found to be sinners, is Christ then a servant of sin? Certainly not! ¹⁸For if I rebuild what I tore down, I prove myself to be a transgressor. ¹⁹For through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God. ²⁰I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. ²¹I do not nullify the grace of God, for if righteousness were through the law, then Christ died for no purpose.

Sermon

Identity and Community

Darrell Brooker

Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God

Holy Spirit, living Breath of God, breathe new life into my willing soul
Bring the presence of the risen Lord to renew my heart and make me whole
Cause Your Word to come alive in me; give me faith for what I cannot see
Give me passion for Your purity; Holy Spirit, breathe new life in me

Holy Spirit, come abide within; may Your joy be seen in all I do—
Love enough to cover ev'ry sin in each thought and deed and attitude
Kindness to the greatest and the least; gentleness that sows the path of peace
Turn my strivings into works of grace; Breath of God, show Christ in all I do

Holy Spirit, from creation's birth, giving life to all that God has made
Show Your power once again on earth; cause Your church to hunger for Your ways
Let the fragrance of our prayers arise; lead us on the road of sacrifice
That in unity the face of Christ will be clear for all the world to see

Words and music: Keith Getty and Stuart Townend (2006)

The Lord's Supper

Invitation + Words of Institution

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

On the night on which Jesus was betrayed, he sat at supper with his disciples. While they were eating, he took a piece of bread, gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to them with the words, "This is my body. It is given for you. Do this to remember me." Later he took the cup, saying, "This cup is God's new covenant sealed with my blood. Drink from it, all of you, to remember me."

Distribution of the Bread + Cup

Redeemer welcomes all baptized Christians—those who are trusting in Jesus Christ alone for salvation and who are members of congregations that proclaim the gospel—to receive The Lord's Supper (also called Communion or the Eucharist) with us.

Please note that we use wine in Communion. If you cannot receive wine, non-alcoholic white grape juice is also available. If you are not able to receive The Lord's Supper, please use this time to meditate on one of the prayers below.

Prayers of Meditation for Those Not Communing

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 for Those Overcome with Sin

Lord Jesus Christ, 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 author and perfecter of my faith. *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 Covenant Children (Not Yet Admitted to the Lord's Table)

Lord Jesus Christ, thank you for placing me inside your family, the church. Help me more and more to know you, to love you and to follow you as your faithful disciple. *Amen.*

And Can It Be?

And can it be that I should gain an int'rest in the Savior's blood
 Died He for me, who caused His pain; for me, who Him to death pursued
 Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me
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He left His Father's throne above; so free, so infinite His grace
 Humbled Himself so great His love, and bled for all His chosen race
 'Tis mercy all, immense and free; for O, my God, it found out me
 Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me

Long my imprisoned spirit lay, fast bound in sin and nature's night
 Thine eye diffused a quickening ray; I woke, the dungeon flamed with light
 My chains fell off, my heart was free; I rose, went forth, and followed Thee
 Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me

No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in Him, is mine
 Alive in Him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine
 Bold I approach th'eternal throne, and claim the crown, through Christ my own
 Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me

Words: Charles Wesley (1738)

Music: Thomas Campbell (1825)

Benediction

Jude 24-25

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.

Leader: Let us go forth proclaiming our Savior's death until he comes.

All: Thanks be to God!

Calendar | October 16-22

Sunday	9:00AM	Coffee Fellowship (Starbucks) Contact Jeff Shaver: 525-0511
	6:30PM	Fellowship Group: Ephesians Contact Tim Gieseke: 539-7588
Tuesday	11:00AM	Book Study: Missionary Series Contact Sally Smith: 539-4992
	7:00PM	Operations Team Meeting
Wednesday	10:30AM	Fellowship Group: <i>Life Explored</i> Contact Tony Marseglia: 318-713-0217
	6:00PM	20's, 30's, 40's Fellowship Group: 1 Peter Contact Joe Fassler: 545-6321
Thursday	7:30PM	Fellowship Group: Daniel—Kingdom of Dreams Contact Abe Driedger: 526-6199
Friday	7:00AM	Men's Fellowship at Cafe des Croissants: Psalms Contact Jeff Shaver: 525-0511
Saturday	7:30AM	Men's Fellowship Group Contact Tim Gieseke: 539-7588

The church office is open Tuesday through Friday 10:00AM–2:30PM.

Announcements

Church Family Hike

Calling hikers of all ages! On Sunday, October 23, please join us at 1:00PM at the Spring Lake Parktrail Dr. trailhead for a hike up to Lake Ilsanjo in Annadel Park. Pack a sack lunch or snack and water. For more information, please contact Marcie Trebe at 528-3366.

PCC Open House

We have an opportunity to learn more about what Pregnancy Counseling Center is doing and their vision for the future. Come to PCC (750 Mendocino Ave.) on October 24 and 6:30PM for a tour. You won't want to miss the exciting things that are happening there. For more information, please contact Kim Farrell at 483-6778.

PCC's Fundraising Banquet

The Pregnancy Counseling Center is hosting its annual fundraising banquet on November 4, at 6:00PM at the Doubletree Hotel in Rohnert Park. The Mercy Team is hosting a table for this event. For more information, please contact Kim Farrell at 483-6778.

InterVarsity Community Dessert

Please join InterVarsity Christian Fellowship for dessert on November 1, from 7-8PM at St. Luke Lutheran Church (905 Mendocino Ave). You will meet local InterVarsity students and staff, and will discover more of God's work on college campuses in the North Bay. Please RSVP to this dessert by contacting Jenny Klouse at jenny.klouse@intervarsity.org.

RGM's Thanksgiving Banquet

On Wednesday, November 23, The Great Thanksgiving Banquet will take place at the Sonoma County Fairgrounds. This is a full day of free activities and services for those in need. The Redwood Gospel Mission will be serving approximately 5,000 men, women and children. There is a need for help on that day as well as preparation on November 19 and 22. For more information, please contact Sarah Dethlefsen at 332-4222.

Redwood Gospel Mission is Hiring!

RGM now has three open positions: Outreach Event/Volunteer Assistant, Social Media Coordinator, and a Field Agent in the Industry Ministry. The job descriptions for all positions are posted on our information board in the lobby. For the Outreach Event/Volunteer Assistant, please contact Alice Lowe at alowe@srmission.org. For the Social Media position, please contact Rhonda Wambold, Direct Marketing Manager at rwamboldA@wrmission.org or 578-1830. For the Field Agent position, please contact Karla Brown at 578-1830 or kbrown@srmission.org.

Fellowship Groups

Coffee Fellowship at Starbucks (Mission Blvd.)

Sundays at 9:00AM

Topic: Scripture from Sunday's sermon

Contact: Jeff Shaver at 525-0511

Gieseke's Home Fellowship Group

Sundays at 6:30PM

Topic: Ephesians

Contact: Tim and Cheryl at 539-7588

Missionary Series

Tuesdays at 11:00AM

Bring a sack lunch, beverages will be provided.

Contact: Sally Smith at 539-4992

Fellowship Group

Wednesdays at 10:30AM

Topic: *Life Explored*

Contact: Tony Marseglia at 318-713-0217.

20's, 30's and 40's Fellowship Group

Wednesdays at 6:00PM

Topic: 1 Peter.

Contact: Joe and Anne-Marie Fassler at 545-6321

Driedger Home Fellowship Group

Thursdays at 7:30PM

Topic: Daniel

Contact: Abe and Patsy at 526-6199

Women's Fellowship Group

1st and 3rd Saturdays of the month at 10:00AM

Topic: Vaughn Roberts' book, *True Friendship*.

Contact Kim Hall at 280-3220 or kim@redeemersr.org

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