

November 1, 2009

For Your Information ...

Guests! We are especially glad that you have chosen to worship with us this morning. It is our hope that worship is an encouragement to you and that you will have opportunity to return soon. Give us an opportunity to meet you today and introduce ourselves by staying around for coffee in the foyer after the service. Also, please assist us by **filling out the Guest Pad** when it is passed during worship.

Welcome Station: Located in the foyer, our Welcome Station is designed to assist you in understanding the ministry of Redeemer. Please help yourself to the purple guest packets, The Continuing Vision of Redeemer Presbyterian Church document, our newsletter, the Kerygma (pronounced ke-rîg'me), and other materials.

Redeemer Presbyterian Church is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA) and a member of South Texas Presbytery. For more information about Redeemer Church visit: www.redeemersa.org. For more information about the Presbyterian Church in America visit: www.pcanet.org.

Community Groups: Community Groups are fellowships of twelve to twenty people meeting every other week in homes throughout San Antonio. They are the first place where we hope our people turn for applying the gospel to their lives. To find out how you can join a community group, please contact Brandon Eggar at 930-4480.

Book Table: The books found here are designed to assist you in understanding the Christian life. If you want to purchase a book, please fill out the envelope with money enclosed. Sermon CDs are also available; simply sign up at the table. Make all checks payable to Redeemer Presbyterian Church.

Sunday Schedule

9:15-9:25 a.m. **Prayer**
9:30-10:55 a.m. **Worship**
11:15 a.m. **Christian Education**

Nurseries

Redeemer offers fully staffed nurseries for children ages 3 months to 3 years of age. Redeemer encourages parents to utilize our *Training in the Pews* children's worship time during each service to better prepare your children, ages 3-5, for worship. All nurseries are at the Northeast end of the McAllister Fine Arts Center.

Little Bitty Babies: 3-7 months
The Crawlers: 8-12 months
Cruisers & Climbers: 13-18 months
Younger Toddler: 19-27 months
Older Toddler: 28-36 months
Training the Pews: 3 - 5 years

Christian Education

Toddler I (age 2)
Toddler II (age 3)
Pre K- K (age 4-5)
Primary I (ages 6-7)
Primary II (ages 8-9)
Junior (ages 10-11)
Jr. High Youth (6th-8th grades)
Sr. High Youth (9th-12th grades)
Pastor's Forum (All ages)

ORDER OF WORSHIP

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All Saints Day

In consideration of other worshippers, please program all communication devices to silent mode. Parents, nurseries are available during the worship service for children ages 3 months to 3 years. Babies and toddlers are also welcome in the auditorium. The balcony is available for nursing mothers; you may enter the balcony through the side door upstairs. The service is broadcast in the lobby area immediately outside the auditorium for the convenience of parents whose children become restless during worship.

Reflection & Preparation

“Most people spend their lives trying to make their heart’s fondest dreams come true. Isn’t that what life is all about, “the pursuit of happiness”? We search endlessly for ways to acquire the things we desire, and we are willing to sacrifice much to achieve them. We never imagine that getting our heart’s deepest desires might be the worst thing that can ever happen to us.” Tim Keller

But understand this, that in the last days there will come times of difficulty. For people will be lovers of self, lovers of money, proud, arrogant, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, heartless, unappeasable, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not loving good, treacherous, reckless, swollen with conceit, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, having the appearance of godliness, but denying its power. 2 Timothy 3:1-5

“Once Christians have worked into their deepest consciousness habitual responses of faith to the truths of cleansing from guilt through justification, of freedom from sin through sanctification and of the ready availability of fellowship with the Holy Spirit, there is no need to spend time and energy constructing the elaborate ladders of devotional machinery previously considered necessary to remain in contact with God. Radical faith in Christ frees the Christian from spiritual self-concern to give attention to God and others, and to think and pray about the reformation of structures.” Richard Lovelace

Welcome and Announcements

Mr. John Y. Ames

Prelude

Call to Worship

The Rev. Thomas C. Gibbs

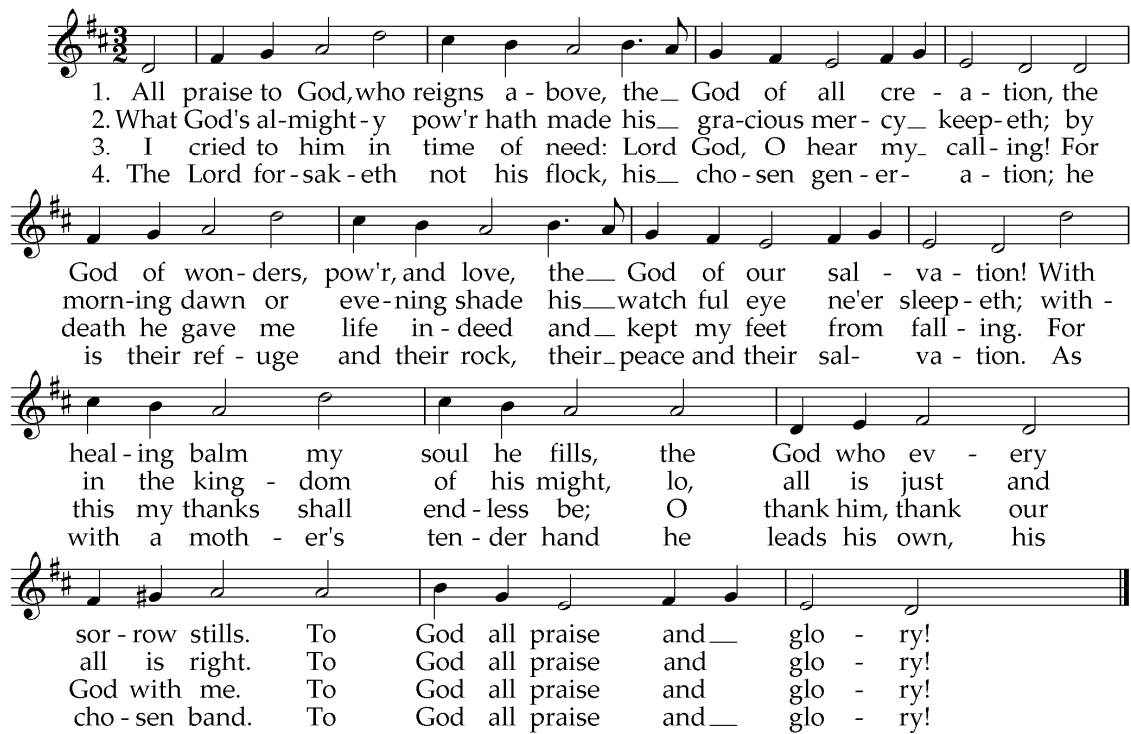
Minister: Praise the Lord! Give praise, O servants of the Lord, in the courts of the house of our God!

People: Praise the Lord, for the Lord is good.

Minister: Your name, O Lord, endures forever, your renown, O Lord, throughout all ages.

***Hymn of Adoration**

All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above



1. All praise to God, who reigns a - bove, the_ God of all cre - a - tion, the
2. What God's al-might-y pow'r hath made his_ gra-cious mer- cy_ keep-eth; by
3. I cried to him in time of need: Lord God, O hear my_ call-ing! For
4. The Lord for-sak-eth not his flock, his_ cho-sen gen-er- a - tion; he
God of won-ders, pow'r, and love, the_ God of our sal - va - tion! With
morn-ing dawn or eve-ning shade his_ watch ful eye ne'er sleep - eth; with -
death he gave me life in - deed and_ kept my feet from fall - ing. For
is their ref - uge and their rock, their_ peace and their sal- va - tion. As
heal - ing balm my soul he fills, the God who ev - ery
in the king - dom of his might, lo, all is just and
this my thanks shall end - less be; O thank him, thank our
with a moth - er's ten - der hand he leads his own, his
sor - row stills. To God all praise and_ glo - ry!
all is right. To God all praise and glo - ry!
God with me. To God all praise and glo - ry!
cho - sen band. To God all praise and_ glo - ry!

5. Ye who confess Christ's holy name, to God give praise and glory!
Ye who the Father's pow'r proclaim, to God give praise and glory!
All idols underfoot be trod, the Lord is God! The Lord is God!
To God all praise and glory!

6. Then come before his presence now and banish fear and sadness;
to your Redeemer pay your vow and sing with joy and gladness:
Though great distress my soul befell, the lord, my God, did all things well.
To God all praise and glory!

Words by Johann J. Schutz; Tune: MIT FREUDEN ZART

***Prayer of Invocation**

Mr. Gibbs

***Affirmation of Faith**

The Apostles' Creed¹

Minister: Christian, what do you believe?

**All: 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 hell². 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 church³, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

¹ Although not written by the apostles, the Apostles' Creed is a concise summary of their teachings. It originated in the 2nd century and developed into its present form by the 6th century.

² By referring to Jesus' descent into hell, the Christian embraces two truths. Firstly, Jesus received the full sentence of hell on behalf of his people while on the cross. Secondly, Jesus experienced the reign of death by remaining in the tomb after the crucifixion.

³ The term catholic refers to the church universal, knowing no racial, economic, geographic or language barriers.

***Song of Praise**

O Lord, You're Beautiful

O Lord, you're beautiful—your face is all I seek.
For when your eyes are on this child, your grace abounds to me.

O Lord, please light the fire—that once burned bright and clear.
Replace the lamp of my first love that burns with holy fear!

O Lord, you're beautiful—your face is all I seek.
For when your eyes are on this child, your grace abounds to me.

Words and music by Keith Green

Scripture Warning

The Rev. Victor R. Martinez

Minister: For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

People: For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. For the wages of sin is death. Romans 3:20, 23; 6:23

Public Confession

Minister: Let us confess our sins together.

People: I, a poor sinner, acknowledge before you, my God and Creator, that I have terribly and in many ways sinned against you, not only outwardly, but much more with inward blindness, unbelief, doubts, despondency, impatience, pride, covetousness, envy, hatred, malice, and other sinful affections, as you, my Lord and God, know well, and I cannot deeply enough deplore. But I repent of these things, and am sorry for them, and heartily ask you for mercy, for the sake of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ.

From the Reformed Liturgy of the Palatinate (c. 1585)

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon & Comfort

Ezekiel 36:25-27

Minister: I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes.

***Song of Renewal**

Jesus, Lover of My Soul

Jesus, lover of my soul, let me to Thy bosom fly,
While the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high.
Hide me, O my Savior, hide, 'til life's storm is past;
Safe into the haven guide; receive my soul at last.

Other refuge have I none, I helpless, hang on Thee;
Leave, oh leave me not alone, support and comfort me.
All my trust on Thee is stayed, all help from Thee I bring;
Cover my defenseless head in the shadow of Thy wing.

Thou, O Christ, are all I want, here more than all I find;
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint, heal the sick, and lead the blind.
Just and holy is Thy Name, I am all unrighteousness;
False and full of sin I am; Thou art full of truth and grace.

Plenteous grace with Thee is found, grace to cover all my sin;
Let the healing streams abound; make and keep me pure within.
Thou of life the fountain art, let me take of Thee;
Spring Thou up within my heart; for all eternity.

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Spring Thou up within my heart; for all eternity.

Words by Charles Wesley; Music by Greg Thompson

Scripture Reading

Mr. and Mrs. Craig Goedecke

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Matthew 23:23-28

Reader: The Word of the Lord!

People: **Thanks be to God!**

**Prayers for Redeemer Church,
San Antonio & the World**

Mr. Gibbs

***The Greeting of Peace**

Children, ages **three through five**, are dismissed through the side door to your right when facing the stage to *TRAINING IN THE PEWS*. After the sermon, parents will meet their children in the back of the auditorium so that the children can join their families for communion.

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.**

The Sermon

Mr. Gibbs

"Gospel-Power"

Continuing the Series: The Church In the City

1 Corinthians 4:14-21

A Word About Communion at Redeemer:

This is a time for all people 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. 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 fellow neighbor, and seek strength and grace 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. We also ask that children who have not yet publicly professed their faith in Christ refrain from partaking until doing so.

The Great Thanksgiving

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks to our Lord God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Minister: It is indeed good, right, and our delight that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and singing:

All:

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly, Ho-ly is the Lord. Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly,
 Ho-ly is the Lord. Ho-ly is the Fa - ther, Ho-ly is the Son,
 Ho-ly is the Spir - it; Bless-ed Three in One. Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly,
 Ho-ly is the Lord. Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly, Ho-ly is the Lord.

Music by Franz Schubert; Arranged by Tom Fettke

Prayer of Consecration

Words of Institution

Minister: Let us proclaim the mystery of the faith:

All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again! Hallelujah!

Minister: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Holy Communion

If seated in the front outer sections, please exit toward the center aisles to partake, returning to your seat by the outer aisles. If seated in the front center section, upon usher's direction starting from back row, exit to the aisle closest to you. Please use the outer aisles to return to your seats. If seated in the back section, upon usher's direction, please exit your row to the left and return to your row from the right. Please use our communion time to sing and/or meditate as communion is being served. Redeemer serves wine for communion. The outer circle of the tray contains grape juice for those desiring it. After partaking, place your cup in the baskets provided on the aisles.

During the distribution of the elements, an elder or pastor of Redeemer is available to pray with you at the rear of the auditorium if you so desire.

Prayers for Those Not Communing

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 for you that is coherent, convincing, and leads to the life that you promise. Amen. **Prayer of Searching for Truth**

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 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. Amen. **Prayer of Believing on Jesus**

Lord, Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my needs, 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 champion of my faith. Amen. **Prayer of Struggling Against Sin**

Songs of Communion

Be Still, My Soul



1. Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side; bear pa-tient-ly the
2. Be still my soul: your God will un - der- take _____ to guide the fu - ture
3. Be still, my soul: when dear-est friends de- part, _____ and all is dark - ened
4. Be still, my soul: the hour is has-t'ning on _____ when we shall be for-

cross of grief or pain; _____ leave to your God to or - der and pro vide; _____
as he has the past. _____ Your hope, your con - fi-dence let noth-ing shake; _____
in the vale of tears, _____ then shall you bet - ter know his love, his heart, _____
ev - er with the Lord, _____ when dis - ap-point - ment, grief, and fear are gone, _____

— in ev - 'ry change he faith-ful will re main. _____ Be still, my soul: your
— all now mys - te - rious shall be bright at last. _____ Be still, my soul: the
— who comes to soothe your sor-row and your fears. _____ Be still, my soul: your
— sor - row for - got, love's pur-est joys restored. _____ Be still, my soul: when

best, your heav'n - ly Friend _____ through thorn - y
waves and winds still know _____ his voice who
Je - sus can re - pay _____ from his own
change and tears are past, _____ all safe and

ways leads to a joy - ful end.
ruled them while he dwelt be - low.
full - ness all he takes a - way.
bless - ed we shall meet at last.

Words by Katharina von Schlegel; Music by Jean Sibelius

You Are My King

I'm forgiven, because You were forsaken;
I'm accepted, You were condemned;
I'm alive and well, Your Spirit is within me
Because you died and rose again. (Repeat)

Chorus:

Amazing love, how can it be
That You my king would die for me?
Amazing love, I know it's true,
And it's my joy to honor You.
In all I do I honor You.

You are my king. You are my king.
Jesus, You are my king. Jesus, You are my king. (Repeat Chorus)

Words and music by Billy James Foote

I'll Fly Away

Some glad morning when this life is o'er, I'll fly away,
To a home on God's celestial shore, I'll fly away.

*I'll fly away, O glory, I'll fly away.
When I die, hallelujah by and by, I'll fly away.*

When the shadows of this life have grown, I'll fly away,
Like a bird from prison bars have flown, I'll fly away. (chorus)

O how glad and happy when we meet, I'll fly away,
No more cold iron shackles on my feet, I'll fly away. (chorus)

Just a few more weary days and then, I'll fly away,
To a land where joys will never end, I'll fly away. (chorus 2x)

Words and Music by Albert E. Brumley

The Offering

Hymn of Blessing

Jesus Shall Reign

1. Je - sus shall reign wher - e'r the sun
2. To him shall end - less prayer be made,
3. Peo - ple and realms of ev - every tongue
4. Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns;
5. Let ev - ery creat - ure rise and bring

does his suc - ces - sive jour - neys run;
and prais - es thron to crown his head;
dwell on his love with sweet - est song;
the pris - 'ner leaps to lose his chains,
pe - cu - liar hon - ors to our King;

his king - dom stretch from shore to shore,
his name, like sweet per - fume, shall rise
and in - fant voic - es shall pro - claim
the wea - ry find e - ter - nal rest,
an - gels de - scend with songs a - gain,

till moons shall wax and wane no more.
with ev - ery morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
their ear - ly bless - ings on his name.
and all the sons of want are blest.
and earth re - peat the loud a - men!

Words by Isaac Watts; Music by John Hatton

***Benediction**

Mr. Gibbs

Minister: May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. You may go in peace.

Postlude

**The Congregation Stands*

*Senior Pastor: Rev. Thomas C. Gibbs
Associate Pastor: Rev. Brandon S. Eggar
Assistant Pastor: Rev. Victor R. Martinez
Director of Music Ministries: Dr. Brent M. Watkins*

*Musicians: Brent Watkins, piano; Caleb Smith, guitar;
Zach Ellis, bass; Michael Shay, trombone; James Sedgwick, percussion;
Song Leaders: Stacy VanKlaveren, Caleb Smith*

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This Week

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| Today | 11:15 a.m. | "Jesus Shaped Evangelism: Meals, Parties and the Unexpected" CE Class: Part 5 of a 5-week class will be led by Victor Martinez, and held in the Band Hall, Rm. 121. |
| Today | 12:15 p.m. | All Youth Lunch: At the Bingham home, 709 Canterbury Hill, 78209. |
| Today | 2:00-3:30 p.m. | High School Community Groups: Following the youth lunch, the high school girls will be at the Judson home, (205 E. Wildwood, 78212), and the high school boys be at the Beham home,(265 W. Wildwood, 78212) for CG. |
| Tonight | 6:00-7:15 p.m. | Intro to Christian Theology: At the Church office. |
| Monday | 7:00-8:30 p.m. | Missions Dessert: Janet Pursell will share about going on the mission field with Campus Outreach. At the Fitch's home, (7 Seaton Green, 78209). RSVP to 824-5973 for the gate code. |
| Tuesday | 6:30-7:30 a.m. | Men's Downtown Breakfast: At Mi Tierra in Market Square, 218 Produce Row, 78207. For further info, contact Bowman Williams, 860-5404, or John Ames, 725-3630. |
| Wednesday | 10:00-11:30 a.m. | Women's Morning Bible Study: At Alamo Heights United Methodist (825 E. Basse) Rm. S107. |
| Wednesday | 7:00 p.m. | Young Professionals 1st Wednesday: At the Harrison home, 110 La Jara, 78209 for a night of worship, fellowship, and Bible study. For more info, call 930-4480. |
| Thursday | 10:00 a.m. | Play Group: Alamo Heights Fire Dept Tour. Meet at the Fire Station (6116 Broadway, 78209) for a tour of the station, and to meet the firefighters. Contact Kristen Eller at robandkristen@hotmail.com for more information. |
| Thursday | 7:00 p.m. | Men's Pub Night: At the Lion and the Rose at Blanco and 410 (842 NW 410). Contact Marc Hadler, 542-4392 for more info. |
| Thursday | 7:00-8:30 p.m. | Women's Evening Study: At Mary Williams' home, 536 Castano Ave, 78209. |
| Friday-Sunday | 7:00 p.m. | Christianity and Contemporary Culture Conference: Denis Haack, founder of Ransom Fellowship Ministries, will speak on the topic, "Flickers of Grace in a Darkened Room: Movies and the Things that Matter Most." In Marion Hall at Incarnate Word University, 4301 Broadway, 78209. Admission and childcare are free, but please register. |

Upcoming Events

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| November 10 | 9:30-10:00 a.m. | Women's Tuesday Prayer: Meet to pray at First Baptist Church downtown in Webb Hall, Rm. 207. Contact Jeannie Martinez at 367-8854 for more information. |
| November 12 | 11:45 a.m.-1:00 p.m. | Men's Monthly Luncheon: At the Lighthouse Café, 4212 McCullough Ave, 78212. Contact Jeff Judson, 748-7100 or Henry Sauer, 310-6542 for more info. |
| November 13-14 | | Women's Fall Retreat: Mark your calendar to come fellowship at the Peavy Ranch Friday evening thru lunchtime Saturday. Sign up to bring a salad ingredient. Invite friends! Contact Jeannie Martinez, 367-8854 or Sandy Alaniz, 241-5684 for more info. |
| November 20-21 | | Intro to Redeemer Class: On Friday night, Nov. 20 th , from 6:00-9:30 p.m. and Sat. morning, Nov. 21 st , from 8:30 until noon, Redeemer will hold its membership class. Call 930-4480 to sign up or sign up in the bulletin flyer. |

Making Contact

Administrative.....Harriet Peavy, Heather Shimek, 930-4480
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Children's Ministries.....Jill Higey, 930-4480
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Serving Today

Worship Set-up/Take Down: Ken Harrison, Jake Gray, Sam Hairston, Don Hendrix, Charley Hollimon
Greeters: Kent Harbaugh, Shelley Galbraith, Chris & April Duvall, Wes & Elizabeth Bright
Communion Set-up/Take Down: Bekah Stollhandske, Amanda Brack
Nursery Set-up/Take Down: Lisa Shay, Marcus Rudd, Josh Brack
Nursery Greeter: Elizabeth Berenguer
Itty Bitty Babies (9:30): Ruth Anderson, Laura Sedgwick
Younger Toddlers: John & Lauren Browning
Older Toddlers: Reeves & Halli Hollimon
Training in the Pews: Ben & Destiny Ingram, Bonnie Anderson
Cookies: Tiffany Drewa, Elizabeth Bright

Serving Next Week

Worship Set-up/Take Down: Ken Harrison, Jason Register, Greg Chaney, Walt Mays, Charley Hollimon
Greeters: Elizabeth Berenguer, Marc & Trisha Hadler, Anna Sharp, Ralph & Debbie Shay
Communion Set-up/Take Down: Elizabeth Bright, Haley Beham
Nursery Set-up/Take Down: Dan Whyte, Chris & Erin Specia
Nursery Greeter: Georgianna Hildebrand
Itty Bitty Babies (9:30): Chris & Erin Specia
Younger Toddlers: Jeff & Sara Brouillard
Older Toddlers: Jeannie & Gabby Martinez
Training in the Pews: Greg & Rachel Chaney
Cookies: Cara McVicar, Rachel Manny

Redeemer Staff

Tom Gibbs, Senior Pastor
Brandon Eggar, Associate Pastor
Victor Martinez, Assistant Pastor
Justin Clement, RUF Pastor at Trinity
Brent Watkins, Music Ministries Director
Jill Higey, Children's Ministries Director
Matt Beham, Youth Director
Harriet Peavy, Office Administrator
Heather Shimek, Assistant Administrator

Stewardship Corner

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| Actual Giving (YTD) | \$650,778 |
| Budgeted Expenses (YTD) | \$748,127 |
| Actual Expenses (YTD) | \$740,626 |
| Actual Ahead (Behind) | (\$ 89,848) |

YTD includes all activity for the fiscal year, which begins January 1.

Community Groups

To register for a Community Group or find Community Group locations and leaders, please visit our website, www.redeemersa.org and fill out the online registration form.

“Gospel-Power”

¹⁴ I do not write these things to make you ashamed, but to admonish you as my beloved children. ¹⁵ For though you have countless guides in Christ, you do not have many fathers. For I became your father in Christ Jesus through the gospel. ¹⁶ I urge you, then, be imitators of me. ¹⁷ That is why I sent you Timothy, my beloved and faithful child in the Lord, to remind you of my ways in Christ, as I teach them everywhere in every church. ¹⁸ Some are arrogant, as though I were not coming to you. ¹⁹ But I will come to you soon, if the Lord wills, and I will find out not the talk of these arrogant people but their power. ²⁰ For the kingdom of God does not consist in talk but in power. ²¹ What do you wish? Shall I come to you with a rod, or with love in a spirit of gentleness? **1 Corinthians 4:14-21**

Main Idea: Claims of power and the longing for power are not new to our world. Yet, Paul’s claim (4:20) that the Gospel consists in genuine power and not in mere talk sparks our curiosity. What does he mean? Unlike the world’s counterfeit claims to power, only Gospel-power is able to truly renovate and renew our lives!

Gospel power aims at the complete renovation of our lives!

1) Power to *reject counterfeit claims to power on account of the Gospel* (20)

2) Power to *receive our “fathers” and “teachers” in the Gospel* (14-15, 17, 21)

3) Power to *replicate the character created by the Gospel* (16)