

**December 13, 2009**

## For Your Information ...

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**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](http://www.redeemersa.org). For more information about the Presbyterian Church in America visit: [www.pcanet.org](http://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 a Community Group, please contact Brandon Eggar at 930-4480, or visit our website, [www.redeemersa.org](http://www.redeemersa.org), under Ministries, then Community Groups, to find information on locations and leaders and fill out the online registration form.

**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

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

## Nurseries

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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

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**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** (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grades)  
**Sr. High Youth** (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades)  
**Pastor's Forum** (All ages)

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## Redeemer Presbyterian Church

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*December 13, 2009*

*Third Sunday in Advent*

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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**

“Jesus today has many who love his heavenly kingdom, but few who carry his cross; many who yearn for comfort, few who long for distress. Plenty of people he finds to share his banquet, few to share his fast. Everyone desires to take part in his rejoicing, but few are willing to suffer anything for his sake. There are many that follow Jesus as far as the breaking of bread, few as far as drinking the cup of suffering; many that revere his miracles, few that follow him in the indignity of his cross.” Thomas à Kempis

“Contrary to what might be expected, I look back on experiences that at the time seemed especially desolating and painful with particular satisfaction. Indeed, I can say with complete truthfulness that everything I have learned in my seventy-five years in this world, everything that has truly enhanced and enlightened my existence, has been through affliction and not through happiness, whether pursued or attained. ...This, of course, is what the Cross signifies. And it is the Cross, more than anything else that has called me inexorably to Christ.” Malcolm Muggeridge

“There are times when the truth will receive a wide hearing and times when it will not. Jesus had a congregation of five thousand one day and four women and two bored soldiers another. His message was the same both days.” Eugene Peterson

**Welcome and Announcements**

The Rev. Victor R. Martinez

**Prelude**

**Call to Worship**

The Rev. Thomas C. Gibbs

Minister: Rejoice in the Lord always.

**People: I will say it again: Rejoice. Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near!**

Minister: Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.

**People: And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.**

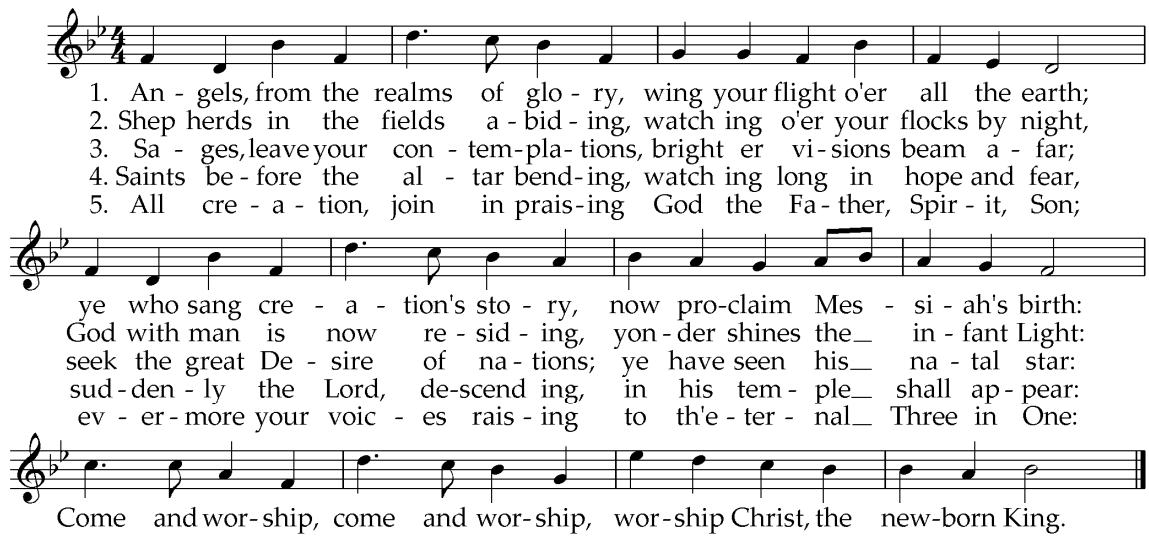
Minister: Our God will meet all our needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus.

**People: We rejoice in the hope of Christ's coming.**

Minister: Come, let us worship God!

**\*Hymn of Adoration**

Angels, from the Realms of Glory



1. An - gels, from the realms of glo - ry, wing your flight o'er all the earth;  
2. Shep herds in the fields a - bid - ing, watch ing o'er your flocks by night,  
3. Sa - ges, leave your con - tem - pla - tions, bright er vi - sions beam a - far;  
4. Saints be - fore the al - tar bend - ing, watch ing long in hope and fear,  
5. All cre - a - tion, join in prais - ing God the Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son;  
ye who sang cre - a - tion's sto - ry, now pro - claim Mes - si - ah's birth:  
God with man is now re - sid - ing, yon - der shines the in - fant Light:  
seek the great De - sire of na - tions; ye have seen his na - tal star:  
sud - den - ly the Lord, de - scend ing, in his tem - ple shall ap - pear:  
ev - er - more your voic - es rais - ing to th'e - ter - nal Three in One:  
Come and wor - ship, come and wor - ship, wor - ship Christ, the new - born King.

*Words by James Montgomery; Music by Henry Smart*

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name,  
Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

**\*Affirmation of Faith**

The Nicene Creed<sup>1</sup>

Minister: Christians, what do we 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<sup>2</sup> 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.**

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<sup>1</sup> The Nicene Creed originated at the Council of Nicea (325) and was formulated to answer heresies that denied the biblical doctrine of the Trinity and the person of Christ.

<sup>2</sup> The term catholic refers to the church universal, knowing no racial, economic, or geographic barriers.

**\*Song of Praise**

The Redeemer Children's Choir

"Sing Noel"  
"Silent Night"

## Scripture Warning

Mr. Martinez

Minister: If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. 1 John 1:6, 8, 10

## Public Confession

Minister: Let us confess our sins together.

**All: Almighty, eternal, most just and gracious God, help us to know that all things are shadows, but you are substance; all things are quicksand, but you are mountain; all things are shifting, but you are anchor; all things are ignorance, but you are wisdom. You are thrice holy, yet my life abounds with apologies not made, repentance not completed, forgiveness not offered, brothers not respected, reputations not defended, peace not pursued, neighbors not loved, Sabbaths not kept, appetites not restrained, parents not honored, spouses not cherished, children not trained, prisoners not visited, strangers not clothed, hungry not fed, providences ignored, envy unchecked, prayers unspoken, fears not conquered, truth not defended, sheep not fed, feet unmoved, tongues unbridled, eyes unguarded, time wasted, talents wasted, treasure wasted. Lord Jesus, deliver me from these chains, from wretchedness of the old ways that still hang on, from the sugar of sin as well as its gall, so that with earnest heart searching I may come to you, cast myself on you, trust in you, cry to you and be delivered by you.**

*Prayer of confession from the 31st General Assembly of the PCA*

## Silent Confession

### Assurance of Pardon and Comfort

Romans 5:17

Minister: If, because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man, much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ.

**\*Song of Renewal**

**God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen**

1. God rest you mer - ry, gen - tle - men, let noth - ing you dis - may, re -  
2. From God our heav'n - ly Fa - ther, a bless - ed an - gel came; and  
3. "Fear not, then," said the an - gel, "let noth - ing you af - fright; this  
4. The shep - herds at those tid - ings re - joic - ed much in mind, and

mem - ber Christ our Sav - ior was born on Christ - mas day, to  
un - to cer - tain shep - herds brought ti - dings of the same: how  
day is born a Sav - ior of a pure vir - gin bright, to  
left their flocks a - feed - ing, in tem - pest, storm, and wind: and

save us all from Sa - tan's pow'r when we were gone a - stray; O \_\_\_\_  
that in Beth - le - hem was born the Son of God by name.  
free all those who trust in him from Sa - tan's pow'r and might."  
went to Beth - le - hem straight - way, the Son of God to find.

tid - ings of com - fort and joy, com - fort and joy, O \_\_\_\_

tid - ings of com - fort and joy.

*Words and music from an 18th Century English Carol*

**Lighting of Advent\* Wreath—the Angels Candle**

The Andrew Douglas Family

Zephaniah 3:14-20

1 Peter 1:3-12

Reader: We light the third candle of Advent, the Angels Candle. We light a candle to remind us that Jesus is the Light of the world. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

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*\* Lighting the Advent Wreath originated in Germany in the nineteenth century, based on a Roman custom of the ceremonial entrance of a ruler to a province or city as his 'advent' (from the Latin adventus: 'arrival'). The wreath consists of four candles placed in the wreath itself and one candle in the center. One candle is lit the first Sunday of Advent. Two are lit the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday, and so on. Each of the candles has special significance: The first is the Prophecy candle; the second is the Bethlehem candle; the third is the Angels candle; the 4<sup>th</sup> is the Shepherd' candle; and the center candle is the Christ candle, lit on Christmas Eve.*

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

Mr. Martinez

**\*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

**“Rejection”**

*Advent Series: Christmas according to John's Gospel*

*John 1:9-11*

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

## Of The Father's Love Begotten

1. Of the Father's love be - got - ten ere the worlds be gan\_ to be,  
2. O that birth for - ev - er bless - ed, when the Vir - gin, full\_ of grace,  
3. This is he whom heav'n taught sing - ers sang of old with one ac - cord,  
4. O ye heights of heav'n, a - dore\_ him; an - gel hosts, his prais - es sing;  
5. Christ, to thee, with God the Fa - ther, and, O Ho - ly Ghost, to thee,

he is Al - pha and O - me - ga, he the Source, the End - ing he,  
by the Ho - ly Ghost con - ceiv - ing, bore the Sav - ior of\_ our race;  
whom the Scriptures of the proph - ets promised in their faith - ful word;  
all do - min - ions, bow be - fore him and ex - tol our God\_ and King;  
hymn, and chant, and high thanks giv - ing, and un - wea - ried prais - es be,

of the things that are, that have\_ been, and that fu - ture years shall see,  
and the babe, the world's Re deem - er, first revealed his sa - cred face,  
now he shines, the long ex - spect - ed; let cre - a - tion praise its Lord,  
let no tongue on earth be si - lent, ev - 'ry voice in con - cert ring,  
hon - or, glo - ry, and do - min - ion, and e - ter - nal vic - to - ry,

ev - er - more and ev - er - more\_\_\_\_\_  
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Words by Aurelius Prudentius; Music from the 12th Century (Plainchant)

## Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

1. Lo, how a rose e'er bloom - ing from ten - der stem hath  
 2. I - sa - iah 'twas fore - told it, the rose I have in  
 3. The shep - herds heard the sto - ry, pro - claimed by an - gels  
 4. This flow'r, whose fra-grance ten - der with sweet-ness fills the  
 5. O Sav - ior, child of Mar - y, who felt our hu - man

sprung, of Jes - se's lin - eage com - ing, as men of  
 mind; with Mar - y we be - hold it, the vir - gin  
 bright, how Christ, the Lord of glo - ry, was born on  
 air, dis - pels with glo - rious splen - dor the dark-ness  
 woe; O Sav - ior, King of glo - ry, who dost our

old have sung. It came, a flow'r - et bright, a -  
 moth - er kind. To show God's love a - right she  
 earth this night. To Beth - le - hem they sped and  
 ev - 'ry - where. True man, yet ver - y God; from  
 weak - ness know, bring us at length, we pray, to

mid the cold of win - ter, when half-spent was the night.  
 bore to men a Sav - ior, when half-spent was the night.  
 in the man-ger found him, as an - gel her - alds said.  
 sin and death he saves us and light-ens ev - 'ry load.  
 the bright courts of heav - en and to the end - less day.

*Words from a German hymn; Tune: ES IST EIN; ROS' ENTSPRUNGEN*

## It Came upon the Midnight Clear

1. It came up - on the mid - night clear, that glo - ri - ous song of  
 2. Still through the clo - ven skies they come, with peace - ful wings un -  
 3. And ye, be neath life's crush - ing load, whose forms are bend - ing  
 4. For lo, the days are has - t'ning on, by proph - et bards fore -

old, from an - gels bend - ing near the earth to  
 furled, and still their heav'n - ly mu - sic floats o'er  
 low, who toil a - long the climb - ing way with  
 told, when with the ev - er - cir - cling years comes

touch their harps of gold: "Peace on the earth, good  
 all the wea - ry world: a - bove its sad and  
 pain - ful steps and slow, look now! for glad and  
 round the age of gold; when peace shall o - ver

will to men, from heav'n's all gra - cious King; the  
 low - ly plains they bend on hov - ring wing, and  
 gold - en hours come swift - ly on the wing: O  
 all the earth its an - cient splen - dors fling, and

world in sol - emn still - ness lay to hear the an - gels sing.  
 ev - er o'er its Ba - bel sounds the bless - ed an - gels sing.  
 rest be - side the wea - ry road and hear the an - gels sing.  
 the whole world. give back the song which now the an - gels sing.

*Words by Edmund H. Sears; Music by Richard S. Willis*

The Offering

Hymn of Blessing

Angels We Have Heard on High

1. An - gels we have heard on high, sweet - ly sing - ing o'er the plains,  
2. Shep herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why your joy - ous strains pro - long?  
3. Come to Beth - le - hem and see him whose birth the an - gels sing;

and the moun - tains in re - ply ech - o back their joy - ous strains.  
Say what may the tid - ings be, which in - spire your heav'n - ly song?  
come, a - dore on bend - ed knee Christ the Lord, the new - born King.

Glo - - - - - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o,  
Glo - - - - - ri - a, in ex - cel - sis De - o.

*Traditional French Carol*

**\*Benediction**

Mr. Gibbs

Minister: Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel, who alone does wondrous things.

**People: Blessed be his glorious name forever; may the whole earth be filled with his glory!**

Minister: May his name endure forever, his fame continue as long as the sun! And, may you, his people, be blessed in him! Amen!

**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;  
Stephanie Teply-Westney, violin; Jim Dante, flute; Bonnie Anderson, clarinet;  
Song Leader: Carrie Alley*

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# REDEEMER Highlights....December 13, 2009

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## This Week

- Today                    2:00-3:30 p.m.    **Middle School Community Groups:** Girls will be at the Randolph home, (417 Canterbury Hill, 78209) for CG, while the boys will be at the Beham home, (265 W. Wildwood, 78212). This will be the last CG of the year.
- Tonight                    6:00-7:15 p.m.    **Intro to Christian Theology:** At the Church office.

## Upcoming Events

- December 20            11:00 a.m.        **Congregational Meeting:** Session has called a congregational meeting immediately following the worship service.
- December 24            6:00 p.m.        **Service of Lessons and Carols:** Christmas Eve service to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ our Lord. At the McAllister Fine Arts Center.
- December 24-25                            **Redeemer Office is Closed:** In observance of the Christmas holiday.
- February 19-20                            **Winter Grace Women's Conference:** Ladies! Mark your calendars for an outreach/discipleship event at the Bright Shawl, and begin thinking about who you'd like to invite! This year's conference will feature Dr. Kathleen Nielson, author of numerous Bible studies, articles and poems.

## Making Contact

Administrative.....Harriet Peavy, Heather Rudd ,930-4480  
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World Missions.....Elizabeth Bright, 995-3600  
Worship/ Event Assistance.....Ken Harrison, 828-8864  
Young Professionals Community.....Brandon Eggar, 930-4480  
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## Serving Today

**Worship Set-up/Take Down:** Ross Van Klaveren, Charlie Hargis, Bernard Hildebrand, Carter King, John Ames  
**Greeters:** Bowman & Mary Williams, Jordan McVicar, Chris & Erin Specia, Toby & Krisanne Stolhandske  
**Communion Set-up/Take Down:** Heather Rudd, Mary Williams  
**Nursery Set-up/Take Down:** Larry Rickels, Marcus Rudd, Josh Brack  
**Nursery Greeter:** Georgianna Hildebrand  
**Itty Bitty Babies:** Joe & Carolyn Liller; **Crawlers:** Janet Pursell  
**Younger Toddlers:** Don & Connie Hendrix; **Older Toddlers:** Nell Glazener-Cooney, Laura Kaupp  
**Training in the Pews:** Ralph & Debbie Shay, Jason & Kacey Register  
**Cookies:** Julie Farrell, Elizabeth Bright

## Serving Next Week

**Worship Set-up/Take Down:** Ross Van Klaveren, Cristian Moza, Mark Randolph, John Ames  
**Greeters:** Tom Ryan, Andy & Kim Scott, Manny & Sandy Alaniz  
**Communion Set-up/Take Down:** Haley Beham  
**Nursery Set-up/Take Down:** Larry Rickels, The Basse Family  
**Nursery Greeter:** Trisha Hadler  
**Itty Bitty Babies:** Marcus & Heather Rudd; **Crawlers:** Bekah Stolhandske, Brian Casey  
**Cruisers & Climbers:** Anna Louise Judson  
**Younger Toddlers:** Dan & Harriet Peavy; **Older Toddlers:** Samantha Mann, Stephanie Woodward  
**Training in the Pews:** Tobin & Gina Walker, Ben & Destiny Ingram  
**Cookies:** Laura Hobbs, Laura Sedgwick

## 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 Rudd, Assistant Administrator

## Session

Josh Alley, RE  
Brandon Eggar, TE, Clerk  
John Fitch, RE  
Tom Gibbs, TE, Moderator  
Jeff Judson, RE  
Jason Register, RE  
Bowman Williams, RE

## Diaconate

Wes Bright, Chairman  
Bob George, Treasurer  
Jake Gray  
Ken Harrison  
Henry Sauer  
Jeremy Whitley

## Stewardship Corner

Actual Giving (YTD)	\$758,742
Budgeted Expenses (YTD)	\$867,966
Actual Expenses (YTD)	\$854,505
Actual Ahead (Behind)	(\$ 95,763)

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

## “Rejection”

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup> He was in the beginning with God. <sup>3</sup> All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. <sup>4</sup> In him was life, and the life was the light of men. <sup>5</sup> The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. <sup>6</sup> There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. <sup>7</sup> He came as a witness, to bear witness about the light, that all might believe through him. <sup>8</sup> He was not the light, but came to bear witness about the light. <sup>9</sup> *The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.* <sup>10</sup> *He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him.* <sup>11</sup> *He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him.* <sup>12</sup> But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, <sup>13</sup> who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God. <sup>14</sup> 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. **John 1:1-14**