

December 20, 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 a Community Group, please contact Brandon Eggar at 930-4480, or visit our website, 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

9:15-9:25 a.m. **Prayer**
9:30-10:55 a.m. **Worship**
11:00-11:15 a.m. **Congregational Meeting**

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

Redeemer Presbyterian Church

December 20, 2009

Fourth Sunday in Advent

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

“Christmas, then, is not a dream, a moment of escapism. Christmas is the reality, which shows up the rest of ‘reality.’ And for Christmas, here, read Christianity. Either Jesus is the Lord of the world, and all reality makes sense in his light, or he is dangerously irrelevant to the problems and possibilities of today’s world. There is no middle ground. Either Jesus was, and is, the Word of God, or he, and the stories Christians tell about him, are lies.” N.T. Wright

Remember not the former things, nor consider the things of old. Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. Isaiah 43:18-19

“Our lives are so chaotic because in our arrogance we dwell on how *our* plans have been skewed. God had plans too.” Timothy J. Keller

Welcome and Announcements

Mr. John Y. Ames

Prelude

Redeemer Choir

“Ding Dong, Merrily on High”

Call to Worship

The Rev. Thomas C. Gibbs

Minister: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;

People: Those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shined.

Minister: For to us a child is born, to us a son is given;

People: And the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Minister: Jesus Christ is the Light of the World. In his name, let us worship God!

***Hymn of Adoration**

Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

1. Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, — "Glo - ry to the new - born King;
2. Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored, Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord!
3. Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of Righ - teous ness!

peace on earth, and mer - cy mild, — God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!"
Late in time be - hold him come, — off - spring of the Vir - gin's womb.
Light and life to all he brings, ris'n with heal - ing in his wings.

Joy - ful, all ye na - tions, rise, — join the tri - umph of the skies; —
Veiled in flesh the God - head see; — hail th'in - car - nate De - i - ty, —
Mild he lays his glo - ry by, — born that man no more may die, —

with th'an - gel - ic host pro - claim, "Christ is — born in Beth - le - hem!"
pleas'd as man with men to dwell, Je - sus, — our Em - man - u - el.
born to raise the sons of earth, born to — give them sec - ond birth.

Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry — to the new - born King."

Words by Charles Wesley; Music by Felix Mendelssohn

Minister: Who is God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth?

All: **[God is] the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who out of nothing created heaven and earth and everything in them, who still upholds and rules them by his eternal counsel and providence, is my God and Father because of Christ his Son.**

I trust him so much that I do not doubt he will provide whatever I need for body and soul, and he will turn to my good whatever adversity he sends me in this sad world. He is able to this because he is almighty God; he desires to do this because he is a faithful Father.

[‡]The Heidelberg Catechism originated in Germany in 1562 under the authority of Elector Frederick III, who ruled the most important German province, the Palatinate, from his castle in Heidelberg. He commissioned the preparation of a new catechism for guiding ministers and teachers in instructing people in the Christian faith.

***Song of Praise**

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

1. All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re-deeme-er, King, to
2. The peo-ple of the He - brews with palms be - fore thee went; our
3. Thou didst ac - cept their prais - es; ac - cept the prayers we bring, who

whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring! Thou
praise and prayer and an - thems be - fore thee we pre - sent: to
in all good de - light - est, thou good and gra - cious king! All

art the King of Is - rael, thou Da - vid's roy - al Son, who
thee, be - fore thy pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise; to
glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re - deem - er, King, to

in the Lord's name com - est, the King and bless - ed One!
thee, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.
whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring!

Words by Theodulph of Orleans; Music by St. Theodulph

Scripture Warning

The Rev. Brandon S. Eggar

Minister: And by this we know that we have come to know him, if we keep his commandments. Whoever says "I know him" but does not keep his commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him, but whoever keeps his word, in him truly the love of God is perfected. By this we may be sure that we are in him: whoever says he abides in him ought to walk in the same way in which he walked. 1 John 2:3-6

Public Confession

Minister: Let us confess our sins together.

All: Behold, the Lord's hand is not so short, that it cannot save, or his ear dull, that it cannot hear; but our iniquities have separated us from God and our sins have hidden his face from us so that he does not hear. Our mouths are filled with anger, our lips are quick to speak lies and our eyes are filled with illicit and unnecessary desires. Our feet are swift to run to evil and our thoughts are the thoughts of iniquity. We have lost our way and are far from the way of peace. The roads we travel are crooked and desperate. We hope for light, but behold darkness. Lord, only you can intercede and bring health to us. Only your strong arm can bring us salvation. May the Redeemer of Zion save us.

Prayer adapted from Isaiah 59:1-12

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon and Comfort

Isaiah 1:18

Minister: Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.

*Song of Renewal

What Child Is This

1. What child is this, who, laid to rest, on Mar - y's lap is
2. Why lies he in such mean es - tate, where ox and ass are
3. So bring him in - cense, gold, and myrrh; come, peas - ant, king, to

sleep - ing? Whom an - gels greet with an - thems sweet, while
feed - ing? Good Chris - tian, fear; for sin - ners here the
own him; the King of kings sal - va - tion brings, let

shep - herds watch are keep - ing? This, this is
si - lent Word is plead - ing. Nails, spear, shall
lov - ing hearts en - throne him. Raise, raise the

Christ the King, whom shep - herds guard and an - gels sing:
pierce him through; the cross be borne for me, for you:
song on high, the vir - gin sings her lul - la - by:

haste, haste to bring him laud, the babe the son of Mar - y.
hail, hail the Word made flesh, the babe, the son of Mar - y.
joy, joy for Christ is born, the babe, the son of Mar - y.

Traditional English Carol

Lighting of Advent* Wreath—the Shepherds Candle

The Chris Specia Family

Jeremiah 23:3-8

Luke 2:8-15

Reader: We light the fourth candle of Advent, the Shepherds 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.**

** 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 2nd 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 4th is the Shepherds candle; and the center candle is the Christ candle, lit on Christmas Eve.*

**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

“Christmas Love”

Advent Series: Christmas According to John's Gospel

John 1:11-13

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

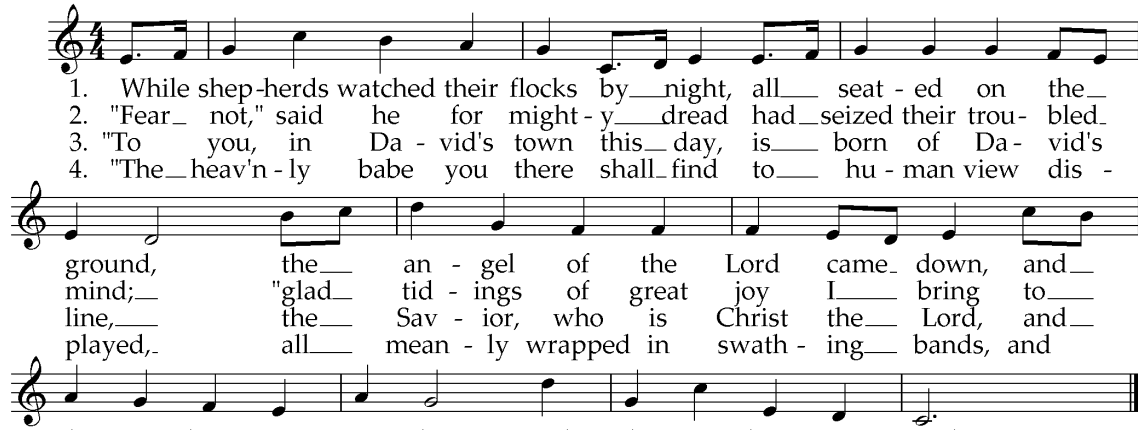
Infant Holy, Infant Lowly

The musical score is written on four staves in a 3/4 time signature with a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). The melody is simple and consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are printed below the notes, with some words hyphenated across lines.

1. In - fant ho - ly, in - fant low - ly, for his bed a cat - tle stall; ox - en
2. Flocks were sleep ing: shep - herds keeping vig - il till the morn - ing new saw the
low - ing, lit - tle know - ing Christ, the babe, is Lord of all. Swift are
glo - ry, heard the sto - ry, tid - ings of a gos - pel true. Thus re -
wing - ing an - gels sing - ing, no - els ring - ing, tid - ings bring - ing: Christ the
joic - ing, free from sor - row, prais - es voic - ing, greet the mor - row: Christ the
babe is Lord of all, Christ the babe is Lord of all.
babe was born for you, Christ the babe was born for you.

Polish Carol; Traditional Polish Melody

While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks



1. While shep-herds watched their flocks by night, all seat - ed on the
 2. "Fear not," said he for might - y dread had seized their trou - bled
 3. "To you, in Da - vid's town this day, is born of Da - vid's
 4. "The heav'n - ly babe you there shall find to hu - man view dis -

ground, the an - gel of the Lord came down, and
 mind; "glad tid - ings of great joy I bring to
 line, the Sav - ior, who is Christ the Lord, and
 played, all mean - ly wrapped in swath - ing bands, and

glo - ry shone a - round, and glo - ry shone a - round.
 you and all man - kind, to you and all man - kind."
 this shall be the sign, and this shall be the sign:
 in a man - ger laid, and in a man - ger laid."

5. Thus spake the seraph, and forthwith
 appeared a shining throng
 of angels praising God, who thus
 addressed their joyful song,
 addressed their joyful song:

6. "All glory be to God on high,
 and to the earth be peace;
 good will henceforth, from heav'n to men,
 begin and never cease,
 begin and never cease!"

Words by Nahum Tate; Music by George Frederick Handel

Good Christian Men, Rejoice

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major, 6/8 time. The melody is simple and repetitive, consisting of eighth and quarter notes. The lyrics are printed below the notes, with some words underlined to indicate syllable placement. The lyrics are: 1. Good Chris-tian men, re- joice, with heart and soul and voice; 2. Good Chris-tian men, re- joice, with heart and soul and voice; 3. Good Chris-tian men, re- joice, with heart and soul and voice; give ye heed to what we say: Je - sus Christ was born to - day; now ye hear of end - less bliss: Je - sus Christ was born for this! now ye need not fear the grave: Je - sus Christ was born to save! earth and heav'n be - fore him bow, and he is in the man - ger now. He hath o - pened heav - en's door, and man is bless - ed ev - er - more. Calls you one and calls you all to gain his ev - er - last - ing hall. Christ is born to - day! Christ is born to - day! Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this! Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!

1. Good Chris-tian men, re- joice, with heart and soul and voice; _____
2. Good Chris-tian men, re- joice, with heart and soul and voice; _____
3. Good Chris-tian men, re- joice, with heart and soul and voice; _____

give ye heed to what we say: Je - sus Christ was born to - day;
now ye hear of end - less bliss: Je - sus Christ was born for this!
now ye need not fear the grave: Je - sus Christ was born to save!

earth and heav'n be - fore him bow, and he is in the man - ger now.
He hath o - pened heav - en's door, and man is bless - ed ev - er - more.
Calls you one and calls you all to gain his ev - er - last - ing hall.

Christ is born to - day! _____ Christ is born to - day!
Christ was born for this! _____ Christ was born for this!
Christ was born to save! _____ Christ was born to save!

Medieval Latin carol; German melody

The Offering

Hymn of Blessing

Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come

1. Joy to the world! The Lord is come: let
2. Joy to the earth! The Sav - ior reigns: let
3. No more let sins and sor - rows grow, nor
4. He rules the world with truth and grace, and

earth re - ceive her King; let
men their songs em - ploy; while
thorns in - fest the ground; he
makes the na - tions prove the

ev - ery heart pre - pare him room, and
fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains re -
comes to make his bless - ings flow far
glo - ries of his righ - teous - ness and

heav'n and na - ture sing, and heav'n and na - ture sing, and
peat the sound ing joy, re - peat the sound ing joy, re
as the curse is found, far as the curse is found, far
won - ders of his love, and won - ders of his love, and

heav'n and heav'n and na - ture sing.
peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
as, far as the curse is found.
won - ders, won - ders of his love.

Words by Isaac Watts; Music by George Frederick Handel

***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; Jonathan Card, guitar;
Jim Dante, flute; Bonnie Anderson, clarinet;
Michael Shay, trombone; Patrick Shay, trumpet;
Song Leaders: Jonathan Card, Stacy Van Klaveren*

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REDEEMER Highlights....December 20, 2009

This Week

Today	11:00 a.m.	Congregational Meeting: Please plan to stay for a Session called congregational meeting immediately following the worship service.
Monday	10:30 a.m.	Decorate Christmas Cookies: Meet at the Whyle home, 1219 Sand Wedge, 78258. Call Tabitha at 416-0978 for the gate code, or if you have questions. Please bring a topping (frosting, sprinkles, etc). Tabitha will provide the cookies.
Thursday	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.
Ongoing		Nursery Workers Needed: Redeemer is looking to hire several paid workers to serve weekly in our nurseries on Sunday mornings. If you know someone who might be a good fit for one of these positions, please contact Jill Higey at jillhigey@gmail.com .

Upcoming Events

January 3	1:00-4:00 p.m.	Youth Christmas Party: At Stephanie Woodward's House, 11711 Spring Ridge, 78249. Bring a friend, a snack, appetizer or dessert, and a white elephant gift to exchange! Call Matt Beham for more info, 508-7662.
January 6	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.
January 7	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.
January 13	7:00 p.m.	Newcomer's Dessert with Tom and Tara: At their home, 219 Arcadia Pl., 78209. Get to know the Gibbs family and more fully Redeemer's vision.

Making Contact

Administrative.....Harriet Peavy, Heather Rudd ,930-4480
Book Table/ Media Brandon Eggar 930-4480
Children’s Ministries.....Jill Higey, 930-4480
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Community Life & MembershipBrandon Eggar, 930-4480
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Local Missions..... Victor Martinez, 930-4480
Men’s Ministries.....Jeff Judson, 822-1292; Henry Sauer, 310-6542
Mercy/ Financial Aid..... Wes Bright, 826-3100
Mission, Cultural Engagement & OutreachVictor Martinez, 930-4480
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Pastoral Care.....Tom Gibbs, 930-4480
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Training in the Pews.....Ralph and Debbie Shay, 488-2561
Usher/ Greeter Coordination.....Wes Bright, 826-3100
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World Missions.....Elizabeth Bright, 995-3600
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Young Professionals Community.....Brandon Eggar, 930-4480
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Serving Today

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, Sara Ames
Nursery Set-up/Take Down: Larry Rickels, The Basse Family
Nursery Greeter: Trisha Hadler
Itty Bitty Babies: Jeremy & Angel Whitley *Crawlers:* Bekah Stolhandske, Brian Casey
Cruisers & Climbers: Margaret Fitch
Younger Toddlers: Dan & Harriet Peavy; *Older Toddlers:* Samantha Mann, Stephanie Woodward
Training in the Pews: Tobin & Gina Walker
Cookies: Laura Hobbs, Laura Sedgwick

Serving Next Week

Worship Set-up/Take Down: Ross Van Klaveren, Tom Ryan, Andy Scott, Chris Specia, Chris Duvall, John Ames
Greeters: Roger & Jessica Castano, Rob & Kristen Eller, Craig & Liz Goedecke
Communion Set-up/Take Down: Bekah Stolhandske, Liz Goedecke
Nursery Set-up/Take Down: Larry Rickels, Anna Sharp, Bebe Camp
Nursery Greeter: Lizette Crosson
Itty Bitty Babies: Kevin & Jane Wallace; *Crawlers:* April Duvall
Cruisers & Climbers: Sara Gill
Younger Toddlers: Sarah & Larry Watford; *Older Toddlers:* Marcus & Heather Rudd
Training in the Pews: Dan & Tabitha Whyte, Elizabeth Berenguer
Cookies: Tara Gibbs, Cara McVicar

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)	\$773,498
Budgeted Expenses (YTD)	\$888,936
Actual Expenses (YTD)	\$890,479
Actual Ahead (Behind)	(\$116,981)

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

“Christmas Love”

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