

**Redeemer Kids' Classes Breaking for December.** Redeemer Kids will have worship care without interruption, but our Redeemer Kids classes break in the months of December and July to give teachers respite and an oppurtunity to rotate in and out.

Meet Redeemer Lunch — December 15th, 10:30-12:30. If you are interested in joining the people called Redeemer, this class will introduce you to people who love you and information you need to make that commitment. Childcare and lunch available to those who register by Dec. 12.



**Redeemer Kids' Christmas Song Practice.** Redeemer Kids have been practicing songs to help lead us at the beginning of corporate worship on December 22. Rehersals will be downstairs following service.

Christmas Eve Service—6:30-7:30pm. We will be having a family-focused, one-hour Christmas Eve service. We are asking members and friends of Redeemer to RSVP so we have enough LED, flameless candles.



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We exist to share God's good news and be equipped to love him and neighbor in every area of life in Huntsville and beyond.



Order of Worship

December 1, 2024 First Sunday of Advent

## Welcome to Redeemer!

We are glad that you've joined us today for worship. Know that no question is off limits here. We take the gospel seriously and invite all people everywhere to enjoy the grace of God.

You can read what's coming up on the last page of the bulletin. More information can be found at redeemerhuntsville.org.

Any questions? Feel free to email us at info@redeemerhuntsville.org



## Guests

If you are a guest, we would love to send you some more information about Redeemer. Go ahead and take out your phone. (*It's okay, we promise!*) Scan the QR code on the right to answer just three short questions.



We would also love to gift you a resource that complements our sermon series through Exodus.

## **Restrooms & Relief**

Restrooms can be found in the hallway behind the chapel. A men's restroom is on the right outside of the double doors, and the women's room is around the corner. Water and coffee are available downstairs following worship.

#### **Parents**

Baby changing facilities are available in the respite room to the right as you exit the chapel. Nursing mothers are welcome to feed their baby wherever they feel comfortable, but one of our hosts can also help you find a private room.

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If you are not 1) a baptized believer who is 2) walking with Christ in faith and 3) in good standing with your local church, we ask that you refrain from this meal and take this moment to reflect upon your life and seek the grace God freely offers to all who cast themselves upon Jesus.

All communion bread is gluten-free.

# Song of Response with Doxology

O Come All Ye Faithful (Adeste Fideles)

O come all ye faithful Joyful and triumphant O come ye O come ye to Bethlehem Come and behold Him Born the King of angels

O come let us adore Him O come let us adore Him O come let us adore Him Christ the Lord

Sing choirs of angels Sing in exultation O sing all ye bright Hosts of heav'n above Glory to God all Glory in the highest

O come let us adore Him O come let us adore Him O come let us adore Him Christ the Lord

Praise God from whom all blessings flow! Praise Him all creatures here below! Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts! Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. Welcome & Thanksgiving\*

Isaiah 2:3

Hymn of Grace

O Come All Ye Faithful

Scripture Reading

Jeremiah 33:1-3; 14-18

Affirmation of the Faith

Athanasian Creed (6th cent.), pt. I

**Confession & Promise of Grace** 

Colossians 1:19-20

**Pastoral Prayer** 

Song of the Gospel

Only A Holy God

Song of Assurance

Before the Throne of God Above

Sermon

"Why Did God Become Man? To Fulfill the Promise"

Zach Carter

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Genesis 3:8-15

Lord's Supper

Song of Response

Christ Our Hope In Life and Death (select verses)

Benediction & Doxology

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## Call to Worship

Isaiah 2:3

<sup>3</sup> And many peoples shall come, and say:

"Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob,
that he may teach us his ways

and that we may walk in his paths."

For out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

# Hymn of Grace

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Sing choirs of angels Sing in exultation O sing all ye bright Hosts of heav'n above Glory to God all Glory in the highest

Yea Lord we greet Thee Born this happy morning Jesus to Thee be all glory giv'n Word of the Father Now in flesh appearing

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## Sermon

"Why Did God Become Man? To Fulfill the Promise" Zach Carter Genesis 3:8–15

- 1. What We Should Have Been
- 2. What We Became
- 3. What He Became
- 4. What We Can Now Become

# Song of Assurance

Before The Throne Of God

Before the throne of God above I have a strong and perfect plea A great High Priest whose name is Love Who ever lives and pleads for me

My name is graven on His hands My name is written on His heart I know that while in heaven He stands No tongue can bid me thence depart

When Satan tempts me to despair And tells me of the guilt within Upward I look and see Him there Who made an end of all my sin

Because the sinless Saviour died My sinful soul is counted free For God the Just is satisfied To look on Him and pardon me

Behold Him there the risen Lamb My perfect spotless Righteousness The great unchangeable I AM The King of glory and of grace

One with Himself I cannot die My soul is purchased by His blood My life is hid with Christ on high With Christ my Saviour and my God

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# **Scripture Reading**

Jeremiah 33:1-3; 14-18

#### The Lord Promises Peace

33 The word of the Lord came to Jeremiah a second time, while he was still shut up in the court of the guard: "Thus says the Lord who made the earth, the Lord who formed it to establish it—the Lord is his name: "Call to me and I will answer you, and will tell you great and hidden things that you have not known...

#### The Lord's Eternal Covenant with David

<sup>14</sup>"Behold, the days are coming, declares the Lord, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. <sup>15</sup> In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David, and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. <sup>16</sup> In those days Judah will be saved, and Jerusalem will dwell securely. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

<sup>17</sup> "For thus says the Lord: David shall never lack a man to sit on the throne of the house of Israel, <sup>18</sup> and the Levitical priests shall never lack a man in my presence to offer burnt offerings, to burn grain offerings, and to make sacrifices forever."

#### Affirmation of the Faith

Athanasian Creed (6th cent.), pt. I

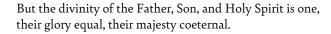
Whoever desires to be saved should above all hold to the true Christian faith.

# Anyone who does not keep it whole and unbroken will doubtless perish eternally.

Now this is the true Christian faith:

That we worship one God in trinity and the trinity in unity, neither blending their persons nor dividing their essence.

For the person of the Father is a distinct person, the person of the Son is another, and that of the Holy Spirit still another.



What quality the Father has, the Son has, and the Holy Spirit has. The Father is uncreated, the Son is uncreated, the Holy Spirit is uncreated.

The Father is immeasurable, the Son is immeasurable, the Holy Spirit is immeasurable.

The Father is eternal, the Son is eternal, the Holy Spirit is eternal.

And yet there are not three eternal beings; there is but one eternal being.

So too there are not three uncreated or immeasurable beings; there is but one uncreated and immeasurable being.<sup>1</sup>

Salvation requires genuine and steadfast belief in the Lord Jesus Christ as he is revealed in Scripture, fully God, fully man, who took on flesh and died on the cross, rose from the dead, ascended to heaven, from whence he shall come to judge. He was incomplete neither in humanity nor deity, nor was there any loss of divinity or confusion of the natures, but rather a perfect and complete subsisting of the two natures in his one person.

Cf., James M. Hamilton, Jr., "The Chiastic Structure of the Athanasian Creed," *Journal of Evangelical Theological Society* 66, no. 2 (2023): 297.

## Confession and Promise of Grace

Colossians 1:19-20

<sup>19</sup> For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, <sup>20</sup> and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

# **Pastoral Prayer**

# Song of the Assurance

Only A Holy God

Who else commands all the hosts of heaven Who else could make every king bow down Who else can whisper and darkness trembles Only a Holy God

What other beauty demands such praises What other splendour outshines the sun What other majesty rules with justice Only a Holy God

Come and behold Him
The One and the Only
Cry out sing holy
Forever a Holy God
Come and worship the Holy God

What other glory consumes like fire What other power can raise the dead What other name remains undefeated Only a Holy God

Who else could rescue me from my failing Who else would offer His only Son Who else invites me to call Him Father Only a Holy God Only my Holy God

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> One weakness of dividing a single creed into three parts is that those unfamiliar with the confession will not get a sense of the whole's meaning. Here is a summary: