



Redeemer Students' Big Night Out—Jan. 3, 6:00-8:00pm.

Main Event at Bridgestreet. For more information, scan the QR code to the right or contact Noah Fowler at noah@redeemerhuntsville.org



Prayer and Praise—Jan. 5, 5:00-6:00pm. We are gathering for a time of prayer and praise to commit the new year to the Lord and ask God for a permanent building.

Redeemer Kids' Resumes Jan 12. Redeemer Kids continues to have worship care without interruption, but our Redeemer Kids classes resume on Jan 12.

Equip Classes launching Jan 12. Equip classes apply doctrine to life. All (even jr. high and high school students) are encouraged to participate. Help us manage space by registering for a class soon. Learn more by scanning the QR code to the right.



Men's Ministry Launch—Jan 17, 6:00-8:30pm. Dinner, vision & challenge, and two hours at Top Golf. Open to all men of Redeemer 12 years and up. Scholarships available for any in need. Don't let money be a barrier for participation.



We are rooted in the past and working for the future.

We know we aren't the first people to read our Bibles or gather as churches. Christ's churches were before us, and they will be after us. We want to find our place in the great work of God through human history of redeeming a particular people to himself.

So, we embrace a Reformed confession and practice to both hold everything under submission to Scripture and glean wisdom to guide our pastoral, theological, and missional instincts today.



**Redeemer
Church**

Order of Worship

December 29, 2024



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.



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.



I will hold fast to the anchor
It shall never be removed

Christ the sure and steady anchor
As we face the wave of death
When these trials give way to glory
And we draw our final breath

We will cross that great horizon
Clouds behind and life secured
And the calm will be the better
For the storms that we endured

Christ the shore of our salvation
Ever faithful ever true
We will hold fast to the anchor
It shall never be removed

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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* Psalm 77:11–15a

Song of Grace *Saved My Soul*

Scripture Reading John 7:53–8:11

Affirmation of the Faith *Orthodox Catechism* (1680)

Confession & Promise of Grace Colossians 1:20–22

Pastoral Prayer

Hymn of the Gospel *Here Is Love*

Hymn of Assurance *Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus*

Sermon “Doing Right within the Covenant Community”
Zach Carter
Exodus 22:16–23:9

Lord’s Supper

Song of Response *Christ the Sure and Steady Anchor*

Benediction & Doxology

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Call to Worship

Psalm 77:13–15a

- ¹³ Your way, O God, is holy.
 What god is great like our God?
- ¹⁴ You are the God who works wonders;
 you have made known your might among the peoples.
- ¹⁵ You with your arm redeemed your people

Song of Grace

Saved My Soul

*You my God have saved my soul
 I am Yours forevermore
 I won't be moved of this I'm sure
 You are my God and You saved my soul*

I was lost when You came for me
 Held in chains by the enemy
 But You broke them in victory
 Now I'm free I am free

You're my joy and You are my hope
 I am saved by Your grace alone
 I will sing of Your love for me
 I am free I am free

Now I stand with the Kings of kings
 He has paid for my every sin
 And from now through eternity
 I am free I am free

What once was dead is now alive
 You gave to me the breath of life
 You brought me up out from the grave
 I'm bursting out with songs of praise

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Lord's Supper

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

Christ The Sure And Steady Anchor

Christ the sure and steady anchor
 In the fury of the storm
 When the winds of doubt blow through me
 And my sails have all been torn

In the suffering in the sorrow
 When my sinking hopes are few
 I will hold fast to the anchor
 It shall never be removed

Christ the sure and steady anchor
 While the tempest rages on
 When temptation claims the battle
 And it seems the night has won

Deeper still then goes the anchor
 Though I justly stand accused
 I will hold fast to the anchor
 It shall never be removed

Christ the sure and steady anchor
 Through the floods of unbelief
 Hopeless somehow O my soul now
 Lift your eyes to Calvary

This my ballast of assurance
 See His love forever proved



Through death into life everlasting
 He passed and we follow Him there
 Over us sin no more hath dominion
 For more than conquerors we are

His Word shall not fail you He promised
 Believe Him and all will be well
 Then go to a world that is dying
 His perfect salvation to tell

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Sermon

“Doing Right within the Covenant Community”

Zach Carter

Exodus 22:16–23:9



Scripture Reading

John 7:53–8:11

The Woman Caught in Adultery

8 ⁵³They went each to his own house, ¹but Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. ²Early in the morning he came again to the temple. All the people came to him, and he sat down and taught them. ³The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery, and placing her in the midst ⁴they said to him, “Teacher, this woman has been caught in the act of adultery. ⁵Now in the Law, Moses commanded us to stone such women. So what do you say?” ⁶This they said to test him, that they might have some charge to bring against him. Jesus bent down and wrote with his finger on the ground. ⁷And as they continued to ask him, he stood up and said to them, “Let him who is without sin among you be the first to throw a stone at her.” ⁸And once more he bent down and wrote on the ground. ⁹But when they heard it, they went away one by one, beginning with the older ones, and Jesus was left alone with the woman standing before him. ¹⁰Jesus stood up and said to her, “Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?” ¹¹She said, “No one, Lord.” And Jesus said, “Neither do I condemn you; go, and from now on sin no more.”¹

Affirmation of the Faith

Orthodox Catechism (1680), Lesson 10

Q27: What do you understand by the providence of God?

A: Providence is the almighty and ever present power of God² by which he upholds, as with his hand, heaven and earth and all creatures.³

¹ Almost every Bible in the English language has a footnote that says this pericope is not in the original manuscripts. This needs nuance: this pericope does not occur in the earliest manuscripts *at this location*. This does not mean, however, that this passage is not Scripture. Papias (c. 120), disciple of the Apostle John, attested to the same of this passage in his notes on canon. More, the witness of the Holy Spirit over time helping the faithful hear the Lord’s voice in this text is more than enough reason to affirm it’s canonicity, even if contemporary scholars are unclear of its original location.

² Jer. 23:23-24; Acts 17:24-28

³ Heb. 1:3



He rules over the leaf and blade, rain and drought, fruitful and lean years, food and drink, health and sickness, prosperity and poverty.⁴

All things, in fact, come to us not by chance⁵ but from his fatherly hand.⁶

Q 28: How does the knowledge of God's creation and providence help us?

A: We can be patient when things go against us,⁷ thankful when things go well,⁸ and for the future we can have good confidence in our faithful God and Father that nothing will separate us from his love.⁹

All creatures are so completely in his hand that without his will they can neither move nor be moved.¹⁰

Confession and Promise of Grace

Colossians 1:20–22

²⁰ And through [Jesus] to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

²¹ And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds,

²² he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him.

Pastoral Prayer

Hymn of the Gospel

Here Is Love

Here is love wide as the ocean
Loving kindness as a flood
When the Prince of Life our ransom
Shed for us His precious blood

⁴ Jer. 5:24; Acts 14:15-17; John 9:3; Prov. 22:2

⁵ Prov. 16:33

⁶ Matt. 10:29

⁷ Job 1:21-22; James 1:3

⁸ Deut. 8:10; 1 Thess. 5:18

⁹ Ps. 55:22; Rom. 5:3-5; 8:38-39

¹⁰ Job 1:12; 2:6; Prov. 21:1; Acts 17:24-28



Who His love will not remember
Who can cease to sing His praise
He can never be forgotten
Throughout Heav'n's eternal days

On the mount of crucifixion
Fountains opened deep and wide
Through the floodgates of God's mercy
Flowed a vast and gracious tide
Grace and love like mighty rivers
Poured incessant from above
And Heaven's peace and perfect justice
Kissed a guilty world in love

Of Your fullness You are pouring
Your great love on me anew
Without measure full and boundless
Drawing out my heart to You
You alone will be my glory
Nothing in the world I see
You have cleansed and sanctified me
You Yourself have set me free

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Hymn of Assurance

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

O soul are you weary and troubled
No light in the darkness you see
There's light for a look at the Savior
And life more abundant and free

*Turn your eyes upon Jesus
Look full in His wonderful face
And the things of earth
Will grow strangely dim
In the light of His glory and grace*