



**First Sunday Prayer and Praise.** Tonight, Jan 4, 6:00-7:00pm. We gather on the first Sunday of the month to offer prayers and petitions for our neighbors, missionaries, ministries, and fellow members. We open with a brief devotional and sing a few hymns.

**Serve at Redeemer.** As our church grows in size, we want to ensure that we are leveraging all of our members' and attenders' gifts and talents to help build up the church. If you've been here for a while, and would like to let us know ways you'd love to contribute your energy, talents, or expertise, scan this QR code.



*We have a particular need for qualified adults to serve during corporate worship once every four-to-six weeks in all ages from 6wks to 5yrs.*

And because of the new hall coordinator role, couples can now serve together! Email Thomas for more information at [thomas@redeemerhuntsville.org](mailto:thomas@redeemerhuntsville.org)

**Elder and deacon candidates** will be considered by vote on January 11, 2026. On this day, members will have an opportunity to vote by ballot for each name nominated at the November 16 members meeting. Contact the church office if you need a copy of that nomination.

**Adult Equip Classes** start January 11. The following classes are offered:

- How to Study and Understand the Bible (Kirk Miller)
- Introduction to Reformed Theology (Stephen Murphy)
- Financial Peace University (Jay West)

**Redeemer Students (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade)** Semester starts back up Sunday evening, January 11. Students meet at the Baptist association building at 2318 Whitesburg Dr, Huntsville, AL 35801. Dinner served at 6. Worship and small groups follow. Contact Vince with questions at [vince@redeemerhuntsville.org](mailto:vince@redeemerhuntsville.org)



## Order of Worship

January 4, 2026



## Welcome to Redeemer, and Happy New Year!

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](http://redeemerhuntsville.org).

Any questions? Feel free to email us at [info@redeemerhuntsville.org](mailto:info@redeemerhuntsville.org)

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### 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.

### Giving

Redeemer relies upon the generosity of her members to support the ministries and missions of the church. You can make a one-time gift by dropping funds into the black box at the rear of the sanctuary or electronically by scanning the QR code on the right.





No guilt in life no fear in death  
 This is the power of Christ in me  
 From life's first cry to final breath  
 Jesus commands my destiny  
 No power of hell no scheme of man  
 Can ever pluck me from His hand  
 Till He returns or calls me home  
 Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

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## Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessing flow!  
 Praise Him all creatures here below!  
 Praise Him above you heavenly hosts!  
 Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost; Amen.



## Today's Worship Leaders

Stephen Murphy, Presiding Elder  
 Zach Carter, Preaching

David Smith, Lead Musician

## Welcome & Thanksgiving\*

Psalm 33:20–22

## Hymn of Praise

*Praise to the Lord*

## Scripture Reading

Hebrews 11:23–40  
 Wayne Eads

## Affirmation of the Faith

*Orthodox Catechism*

## Confession and Assurance of Pardon

1 Timothy 2:1–6

## Pastoral Prayer

## Song of Adoration

*Only A Holy God*

## Song of Assurance

*His Mercy Is More*

## Sermon

“What's New About the Christian Life?”  
 Romans 8:1-11  
 Zach Carter

## Lord's Supper

## Song of Response

*In Christ Alone*

## Benediction & Doxology

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## Call to Worship

Psalm 145:10–13

- <sup>10</sup> All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD,  
and all your saints shall bless you!
- <sup>11</sup> They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom  
and tell of your power,
- <sup>12</sup> to make known to the children of man your mighty deeds,  
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.
- <sup>13</sup> Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,  
and your dominion endures throughout all generations.

## Hymn of Praise

*Praise To The Lord*

Praise to the Lord the Almighty the King of creation  
O my soul praise Him  
For He is thy health and salvation  
All ye who hear now to His temple draw near  
Join me in glad adoration

Praise to the Lord who o'er all things  
So wondrously reigneth  
Shielded thee under His wings  
Yea so gently sustaineth  
Hast thou not seen how thy desires have been  
Granted in what He ordaineth

Praise to the Lord O let all that is in me adore Him  
All that hath life and breath  
Come now with praises before Him  
Let the amen sound from His people again (*repeat*)  
Gladly forever adore Him

Zach Bolen  
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## Scripture Reading

Hebrews 11:23–40

<sup>23</sup> By faith Moses, when he was born, was hidden for three months by his parents, because they saw that the child was beautiful, and they were not afraid



## 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

*In Christ Alone*

In Christ alone my hope is found  
He is my light my strength my song  
This Cornerstone this solid Ground  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm  
What heights of love what depths of peace  
When fears are stilled when strivings cease  
My Comforter my All in All  
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh  
Fullness of God in helpless babe  
This gift of love and righteousness  
Scorned by the ones He came to save  
Till on that cross as Jesus died  
The wrath of God was satisfied  
For every sin on Him was laid  
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay  
Light of the world by darkness slain  
Then bursting forth in glorious Day  
Up from the grave He rose again  
And as He stands in victory  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me  
For I am His and He is mine  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ



What riches of kindness He lavished on us  
 His blood was the payment His life was the cost  
 We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford  
 Our sins they are many His mercy is more

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## Sermon

“What’s New About the Christian Life?”

Romans 8:1-11

Zach Carter

1. Before God, we have a new verdict.
2. Because of God, we have a new mindset.
3. United with God, we have new power.



of the king’s edict. <sup>24</sup>By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh’s daughter, <sup>25</sup>choosing rather to be mistreated with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. <sup>26</sup>He considered the reproach of Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking to the reward. <sup>27</sup>By faith he left Egypt, not being afraid of the anger of the king, for he endured as seeing him who is invisible. <sup>28</sup>By faith he kept the Passover and sprinkled the blood, so that the Destroyer of the firstborn might not touch them.

<sup>29</sup>By faith the people crossed the Red Sea as on dry land, but the Egyptians, when they attempted to do the same, were drowned. <sup>30</sup>By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after they had been encircled for seven days. <sup>31</sup>By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had given a friendly welcome to the spies.

<sup>32</sup>And what more shall I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets— <sup>33</sup>who through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, <sup>34</sup>quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, were made strong out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. <sup>35</sup>Women received back their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, so that they might rise again to a better life. <sup>36</sup>Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. <sup>37</sup>They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were killed with the sword. They went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, mistreated— <sup>38</sup>of whom the world was not worthy—wandering about in deserts and mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth.

<sup>39</sup>And all these, though commended through their faith, did not receive what was promised, <sup>40</sup>since God had provided something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect.

## Affirmation of the Faith

*Orthodox Catechism*

Q 12: According to God’s righteous judgment, we deserve punishment both in this life and in the life to come. How, then, can we escape this punishment and be restored to God’s favor?

**A: God requires that his justice be satisfied.<sup>1</sup> Therefore, the demands of his justice must be fully met, either by ourselves or by another.<sup>2</sup>**

<sup>1</sup> Ex. 23:7; Rom. 2:1–11

<sup>2</sup> Isa. 53:11; Rom. 8:3–4



Q 13: Can we pay this debt ourselves?

**A: No. On the contrary, we increase our debt every day.<sup>3</sup>**

Q 14: Can another creature—any at all—pay this debt for us?

**A: No. First, God will not punish another creature for the guilt of a human being.<sup>4</sup> Moreover, no mere creature can bear the weight of God's eternal wrath against sin and deliver others from it.<sup>5</sup>**

Q 15: What kind of mediator and deliverer, then, must we seek?

**A: One who is truly human<sup>6</sup> and truly righteous,<sup>7</sup> and yet more powerful than all creatures—that is, one who is also true God.<sup>8</sup>**

## Confession and Assurance of Pardon

1 Timothy 2:1–6

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, <sup>2</sup>for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. <sup>3</sup>This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, <sup>4</sup>who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. <sup>5</sup>For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>who gave himself as a ransom for all.

## Pastoral Prayer

### Song of Adoration

*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

<sup>3</sup> Matt. 6:12; Rom. 2:4–5

<sup>4</sup> Ezek. 18:4, 20; Heb. 2:14–18

<sup>5</sup> Ps. 49:7–9; 130:3

<sup>6</sup> Rom. 1:3; 1 Cor. 15:21; Heb. 2:17

<sup>7</sup> Isa. 53:9; 2 Cor. 5:21; Heb. 7:26

<sup>8</sup> Isa. 7:14; 9:6; Jer. 23:6; John 1:1



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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## Song of Assurance

*His Mercy Is More*

*Praise the Lord His mercy is more  
Stronger than darkness new every morn  
Our sins they are many His mercy is more*

What love could remember no wrongs we have done  
Omniscient all knowing He counts not their sum  
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore  
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

What patience would wait as we constantly roam  
What Father so tender is calling us home  
He welcomes the weakest the vilest the poor  
Our sins they are many His mercy is more