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COME BEHOLD THE WONDROUS MYSTERY

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Revelation 22: 12, 13, 20

Leader: With great hope, hear and hold fast the promise of the Lord Jesus: "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end. Surely I am coming soon."

People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!



WELCOME TO REDEEMER!

We're glad to have you joining us in worship today. If you'd like to know more about Redeemer, including ways to get involved, please scan the QR code and let us know.



We have a hearing loop. Please switch your hearing aid to T-coil.

ADORING GOD IN SONG *Joy Has Dawned*

Joy has dawned upon the world, Promised from creation: God's salvation now unfurled Hope for ev'ry nation. Not with fanfares from above, Not with scenes of glory, But a humble gift of love, Jesus, born of Mary.

Sounds of wonder fill the sky With the songs of angels, As the mighty Prince of Life Shelters in a stable. Hands that set each star in place, Shaped the earth in darkness, Cling now to a mother's breast, Vuln'rable and helpless.

Shepherds bow before the Lamb, Gazing at the glory; Gifts of men from distant lands Prophesy a story. Gold, a King is born today; Incense, God is with us; Myrrh, His death will make a way By His blood He'll win us. Son of Adam, Son of Heav'n, Given as a ransom; Reconciling God and man-Christ our mighty Champion! What a Saviour, what a Friend, What a glorious myst'ry: Once a babe in Bethlehem, Now the Lord of hist'ry.

Gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, in excelsis Deo!

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PARENTS AND NURSING MOMS:

We have a "wiggle room" in the back of the Sanctuary. While not soundproof, it does offer you a little extra room to move around. If you are a nursing mom in need of a quiet place on Sunday mornings, the "wiggle room" and infant nursery are available options. We also have a nursing mother's room, changing tables and changing supplies available on the lower level. Head downstairs and look for our nursery coordinator by the check-in area. She will be happy to answer any questions and help you get settled.

Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

Come behold the wondrous mystery In the dawning of the King He the theme of heaven's praises Robed in frail humanity In our longing, in our darkness Now the light of life has come Look to Christ, who condescended Took on flesh to ransom us

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Come behold the wondrous mystery Christ the Lord upon the tree In the stead of ruined sinners Hangs the Lamb in victory See the price of our redemption See the Father's plan unfold Bringing many sons to glory Grace unmeasured, love untold Come behold the wondrous mystery Slain by death, the God of life But no grave could e'er restrain Him Praise the Lord, He is alive! What a foretaste of deliverance How unwavering our hope Christ in power resurrected As will we be when He comes What a foretaste of deliverance How unwavering our hope Christ in power resurrected As we will be when he comes.

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CONFESSION OF SIN & ASSURANCE

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

MATTHEW 1:21-23

She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins. All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet: "Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel" (which means, God with us).

DEACON'S PRAYER

CISCO OJEDA

THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

Ministry Moment: Redeemer Men's Ministry

HOW CAN WE GIVE TO THE CHURCH?

There are several ways to give to the church. You can drop a check or cash in the offering plate as it is passed. You can mail a check, bring it by the church office, or leave it in our outside mailbox. You can also give online through your Breeze account or on our website. Online you can give by credit card or Bank ACH. Questions? Contact the church office, office@redeemerpca.net

Doxology TRINITY HYMNAL #731

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heav'nly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

GREET ONE ANOTHER

MINISTRY OF WORD & PRAYER

Reading of Scripture

LUKE 1:46-56 PAGE 1088-1089 IN THE PEW BIBLE

Prayer for the Kingdom of God on Earth IVAN SPRONK



CHILDREN'S CHURCH:

Children ages 3 through K are invited to go to Children's Church during the Song of Preparation. Children's Church consists of a lesson, singing, and they will meet the Elder of the Week. This is an optional activity that will help to prepare your child for participating in the full worship service.

SONG OF PREPARATION Jesus Cast a Look on Me

Jesus cast a look on me, Give me sweet simplicity Make me poor and keep me low, Seeking only Thee to know

All that feeds my busy pride, Cast it evermore aside Bid my will to Thine submit, Lay me humbly at Thy feet

Make me like a little child, Of my strength and wisdom spoiled Seeing only in Thy light, Walking only in Thy might

Leaning on Thy loving breast, Where a weary soul can rest Feeling well the peace of God, Flowing from His precious blood

In this posture let me live, And hosannas daily give **In this temper let me die, And hosannas ever cry!** (Repeat bold)

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SERMON Songs of Christmas: Mary's Song Luke 1:46-56 dan seale, senior pastor



RESPONSE AND BLESSING

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus TRINITY HYMNAL #196

Come, Thou long-expected Jesus, Born to set Thy people free; From our fears and sins release us; Let us find our rest in Thee. Israel's strength and consolation, Hope of all the earth Thou art, Dear Desire of every nation, Joy of every longing heart.

Come to earth to taste our sadness, He whose glories knew no end, By His life He brings us gladness, Our Redeemer, Shepherd, Friend. Leaving riches without number, Born within a cattle stall, This, the everlasting wonder, Christ was born the Lord of all.

Born Thy people to deliver, Born a child and yet a king, Born to reign in us forever, Now Thy gracious kingdom bring. By Thine own eternal Spirit Rule in all our hearts alone, By Thine all-sufficient merit, Raise us to Thy glorious throne.

BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Christmas Gifts for Refugee Hope Partners

This year we are collecting gifts to support programs and activities at Refugee Hope Partners (RHP) in 2023. Gifts are due Sunday, January 1. RHP sent a list, asking for books, toys, storage supplies and gift cards. (Walmart and Food Lion Gift Cards are given to refugee neighbors going through tough times.) There are cards available in the foyer for each item they've requested. Take a card, purchase the item and return it to the table in the foyer. We'll deliver the items to RHP in the new year. Have a question? Reach out to Brook in the church office, office@redeemerpca.net.

Redeemer Family Christmas Party: Sunday, December 11, 6:00 p.m.

The Children's Ministry Team invites everyone to join us tonight for a night of church family fun as we drink cocoa, sing carols, and watch a Christmas movie. We'll gather at 6:00 p.m. for Cookies and Cocoa in the foyer. At 6:15 p.m. we'll sing some Christmas carols in the 242 Room. After carols, we will watch *A Charlie Brown Christmas*. Come in your festive Christmas sweater. Kids are welcome to wear Christmas pjs. Please bring a plate of cookies or snack to share.

Redeemer Christmas Dinner: Saturday, December 17, 6:00 p.m.

Join us for a festive evening for adult members and friends of Redeemer. (Childcare will NOT be provided.) Appetizers, salad, a full buffet dinner with a carving station, and dessert will be served. Cost is \$30 per person. Visit www.redeemerpca.com/ christmas-2022 to RSVP. Today is the last day to register for this event.

Message from the Diaconate - Gift of Thanks to Our Staff

To the Redeemer Family: Thank you for your faithfulness in supporting the ministries and staff of Redeemer throughout 2022. The Diaconate would like to provide the opportunity for you to contribute to a year-end gift for the staff. This monetary gift will be given as a small token of appreciation for the hard work and dedication our church staff provides throughout the year.

We would like to collect your contributions by Sunday, December 25. As these funds are being collected for the express purpose of a year-end gift for the staff of Redeemer PCA, your contribution is considered a donation to a charitable organization. Please note "year-end staff gift" in the memo portion of your check. Your contribution will be included in your annual statement of giving to Redeemer. If you have any questions, please contact any Deacon.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday

- Sunday School, 9 a.m.
- Worship, 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary
- Redeemer Church Family Christmas Party, 6:00 p.m., in the foyer and the 242 Room

Monday

• Men's Monday Evening Bible Study, 7:30 p.m., at Redeemer

Wednesday

• Student Ministry Large Group, 6:30 p.m., 242 Room, at Redeemer

Thursday

• Music Ťeam Practice, 7:30 p.m., at Redeemer

Friday

• Men's Friday Morning Bible Study, 7:00 a.m., virtual and at Redeemer

Saturday

• Christmas Dinner, 6:00 p.m., the 242 Room.

- December 18: Lessons & Carols Service, 10 a.m.
- December 22: **Prayer Meeting**, 7 p.m., Room 2 at Redeemer
- December 24: **Christmas Eve Service**, 4:30 p.m. No childcare. Children are welcome in worship. The 242 Room and nurseries will be open and available for families to use. The service will be livestreamed in the 242 Room.
- December 25 & January 1: Worship at 10 a.m., NO Sunday School
- The Church Office will be closed December 23-January 2.

Scan this QR code to learn more about our upcoming events and to RSVP:



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Cartee & Colleen MTW - Senior Director of Field Operations

> Jonathan & Beka MTW

Justine Bowser Refugee Hope Partners - Raleigh

Dan Gilchrist Equipping Leaders International - Africa

> **Tim & Huilan** MTW - East Asia

Jamie & Jacki Gildard MTW - France

Shaun & Becky Hurrie MTW - South Africa

Matt & Caroline Newkirk MTW - Japan

Puerta de Esperanza MTW - Honduras

The Basaran Family Cru - Family Life Ministry

> Isaac & Gloria India

Tim & Angela Inman MNA - Christ Church, Dunn, NC

Russell & Latoya McCutcheon Reconciliation Church, Knightdale, NC

> **Chuck & Lauren Askew** RUF - NCSU

Kris & Santae Cooper RUF - NC Central

Sam & Shaunna Kennedy RUF - UNC Wilmington

Skylar & Dori Adams RUF - ECU

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