



*To all who are weary and desire rest, to all who mourn and long for comfort, to all who sin and need a Savior, Redeemer City Church opens wide its doors with a welcome from King Jesus the mighty Friend of sinners, the Ally of his enemies, the Defender of the indefensible.*



*January 12, 2020 – First Sunday After Epiphany*

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**Season of the Cross:** Green for Ordinary Time

Ordinary time runs between Epiphany and Lent. Ordinary Time has traditionally been devoted to seeking our Lord in the simple, ordinary day-in and day-out rhythms of life. It is a time in which we are all invited to order our lives around Christ's life and teaching.

## Song of Gathering and Preparation

*We prepare our hearts, and bodies for worship by singing about the God we serve.*

Come Boldly to the Throne of Grace

### Call to Worship: Isaiah 43:18-21

*We read God's Word, the Bible, together. It reminds us of who God is and what He expects from us.*

Leader: 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.

**All: To give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself that they might declare my praise.**

## Songs of Adoration

*We respond to God's invitation with songs of praise. These songs are designed to draw our attention to the wonder and glory of God.*

Awake My Soul

### Reading of the Law: Matthew 12:34-37

*While the law cannot justify us or make us righteous; it is a teacher given to lead us to Christ, the fulfiller of the law.*

...For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks. The good person out of his good treasure brings forth good, and the evil person out of his evil treasure brings forth evil. I tell you, on the day of judgment people will give account for every careless word they speak, for by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned."

## Prayer of Adoration and Confession

*We pray together, praising God for who He really is (Adoration) and admitting our inability to live up to what He expects of us (Confession).*

### Assurance of Pardon: Hebrews 8:8-12

*We read God's Word together and are reminded that grace and mercy are freely given to all who have faith in Jesus Christ.*

"Behold, the days are coming, declares the Lord, when I will establish a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah, not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt. For they did not continue in my covenant, and so I showed no concern for them, declares the Lord. For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my laws into their minds, and write them on their hearts, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. And they shall not teach, each one his neighbor and each one his brother, saying, 'Know the Lord,' for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest. For I will be merciful toward their iniquities, and I will remember their sins no more."

## Greeting

*In Jesus, we have not only been reconciled to God, we have also been reconciled to one another. Therefore, we greet one another as brothers and sisters.*

## Song of Praise and Celebration

*Our response to God's free grace is celebratory worship. We express our praise to God for who He is and what He has done to save us*

Build My Life  
I Boast No More

## Worship Through Giving: Mercy

*We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace for us in Jesus by giving generously to the work of this church and the kingdom of God.*

## Announcements & Kids' Worship Dismissal

*Children through fifth grade are dismissed for kids' worship.*

## Prayer of Thanksgiving & Intercession

*We again express in prayer our gratitude to God for what he has done and ask him to continue to act for our good and the good of others in our community and the world.*

## Proclamation of God's Word

*A small portion of God's Word is explained to us and applied to our own lives.*

Ezekiel 36; 2 Corinthians 5; Galatians 6 (see insert)

## Song of Response & Sending

*We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace by singing again of His goodness and greatness.*

Doxology (Romans 11)

## Benediction

*Because the hand of God's wrath was raised against Jesus, we now receive the hand of God's blessing as we are sent out to live our lives to the glory of God.*

May the LORD bless you and keep you;  
May the LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;  
May the LORD turn His face toward you and give you His peace,  
Both now and forevermore. Amen.

**Proclamation of God's Word:** See Below for Pew Bible Page Numbers  
*A small portion of God's Word is explained to us and applied to our own lives.*

25 I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. 26 And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. 27 And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules.

Pg. 724 (Ezekiel 36:25-27 ESV)

17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. 18 All this is from God...

Pg. 954 (1 Corinthians 5:17-18 ESV)

14 But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. 15 For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation.

Pg. 975 (Galatians 6:14-15 ESV)

**Quotes:**

"Mere improvement is not redemption, though redemption always improves people even here and now and will, in the end, improve them to a degree we cannot yet imagine. God became man to turn creatures into sons: not simply to produce better men of the old kind but to produce a new kind of man. It is not like teaching a horse to jump better and better but like turning a horse into a winged creature. Once it has got its wings, it will soar over fences which could never have been jumped" — C.S. Lewis, *Mere Christianity* (pg 216)

**Resources:**

Tim Keller, "*Biblical Change*" article (unpublished)  
C.S. Lewis, *Mere Christianity*  
Dallas Willard, *The Divine Conspiracy*

**Sermon Series:** All Things New  
**Sermon Title:** Nice People or New Men?  
**Date:** January 12, 2020

## **I. A NEW HEART**

*"Out of the overflow of the heart"*

## **II. A NEW CREATION**

*"The old is gone, the new has come"*

## **III. A NEW COVENANT**

*"All this is of God..."*

## Announcements

Greeting this morning is the **Winfree/Eagin** Community Group.

**Vision Dinner:** Our next Vision Dinner will be **THIS Wednesday, January 15, at 5:30p.** Following the meal, we will have a short congregational meeting in the sanctuary for a presentation of the 2020 budget. Childcare and dinner will be provided. Please help us prepare by taking a moment to RSVP at: [redeemerwh.org/vd](https://redeemerwh.org/vd).

**Renew Polk Worship Service: Sunday, January 26, 5p,** Trinity Presbyterian Church, the Renew Polk Network will host a worship service for all of our network churches. We hope you will join us. Consider making this a Community Group outing.

**Wine, Cheese & Dessert Night:** Ladies, join us for a Wine, Cheese, & Dessert night on **January 25 from 6-8pm** at Erin Emry's home (1300 N Lake Otis Dr.) Bring a friend! If you'd like to bring something to share, you can signup at: [redeemerwh.org/wine](https://redeemerwh.org/wine).

**Person of Jesus Study: Beginning Wednesday, January 22,** we'll be having a lunch-time group from 12-1pm and an evening group from 7-8pm. Pizza will be provided for the lunch-time group or you can bring your own lunch. These groups will meet weekly until April 29.

**Get Connected Lunch:** Are you new to Redeemer? Join us for our Get Connected Lunch **Sunday, February 2, from 12-2pm.** We'd love to help you learn how to get better connected to the life of our church and answer any questions you may have. Lunch and childcare provided. Visit [redeemerwh.org/connect](https://redeemerwh.org/connect) to RSVP. We look forward to getting to know you better!

**Get Connected:** The best way to stay up-to-date with what's happening at Redeemer is through our online newsletter ([redeemerwh.org/newsletter](https://redeemerwh.org/newsletter)) and our mobile app ([redeemerwh.org/app](https://redeemerwh.org/app)).

**Worship Playlists:** Follow our weekly set list on **Spotify** and **Apple Music** so that you can become familiar with the songs that we'll be singing on Sundays. You can find the playlist on the "RedeemerWH" app (above) or at: [redeemerwh.org/RCCmusic](https://redeemerwh.org/RCCmusic).



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