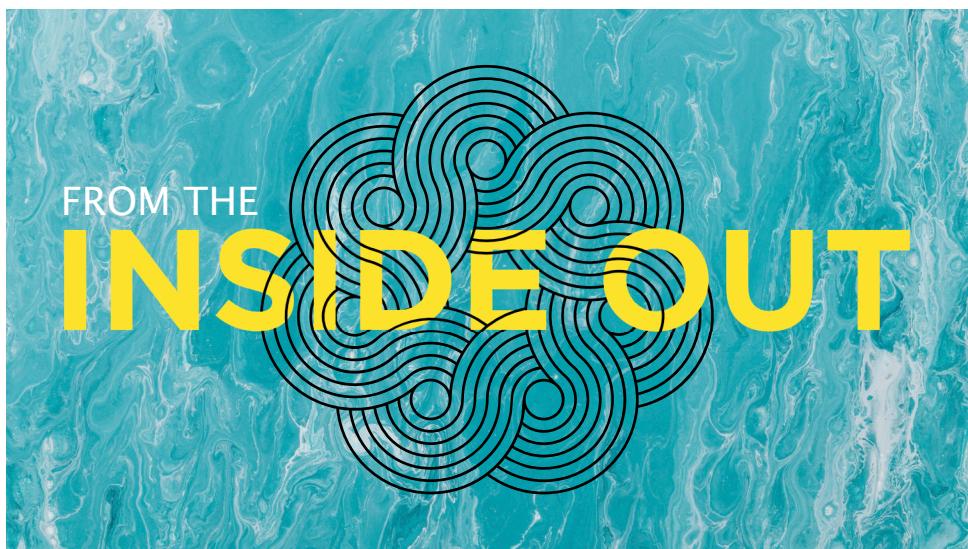




To all who are weary and desire rest, to all who mourn and long for comfort, to all who sin and need a Savior, Redeemer City Church opens wide its doors with a welcome from King Jesus the mighty Friend of sinners, the Ally of his enemies, the Defender of the indefensible.



July 28, 2019 – Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Season of the Cross: Green for Ordinary Time

Ordinary Time is the long season that takes up three quarters of the church year. This portion of Ordinary Time runs between Pentecost and Advent. 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.

We Are Listening

Call to Worship: Based on Philippians 2

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

Leader: Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Congregation: We confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, and deserving of all our worship and adoration.

Leader: Let us worship God.

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.

Praise to the Lord the Almighty
Majesty

Reading of the Law: Matthew 22:37-40

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.

And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets."

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: Ephesians 2:1-7

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

And you were dead in the trespasses and sins in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience—among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh...

...carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

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

Welcome of Christ
O Great God

Worship Through Giving

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.

2 Peter 1; Ephesians 4; 1 Corinthians 13 (see insert)

Song of Response

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

Thank You Jesus

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
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3 His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence, 4 by which he has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire. 5 For this very reason, make every effort to supplement your faith with virtue, and virtue with knowledge, 6 and knowledge with self-control, and self-control with steadfastness, and steadfastness with godliness, 7 and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love. 8 For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they keep you from being ineffective or unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Pg. 1018 (2 Peter 1:3-8 ESV)

17 Now this I say and testify in the Lord, that you must no longer walk as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds. 18 They are darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, due to their hardness of heart. 19 They have become callous and have given themselves up to sensuality, greedy to practice every kind of impurity. 20 But that is not the way you learned Christ!-- 21 assuming that you have heard about him and were taught in him, as the truth is in Jesus, 22 to put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, 23 and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, 24 and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness...

29 Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear. 30 And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. 31 Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. 32 Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

Pg. 978 (Ephesians 4:17-24, 29-32 ESV)

7 Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Pg. 960 (1 Corinthians 13:7 ESV)

Sermon Series: From the Inside Out
Sermon Title: You've Got A Friend in Jesus
Date: July 28, 2019

I. BROTHERLY AFFECTION

The hallmark of friendship is affection.

II. BITTERNESS

We too easily become hard-hearted towards one another.

III. THE BEAUTY OF JESUS

Jesus is the friend we need. His friendship can make us good friends to one another.

Announcements

Greeting this morning is the **Beatty** Community Group.

Summer Schedule: Remember that **through August 4 we will have only one service at 10am**. We'll resume our normal schedule of two services on August 11.

Children's Ministry Training: We will be having a Children's Ministry gathering to celebrate the past year, plan for the upcoming, and get familiar with our new curriculum. There are two opportunities to attend. A meal and childcare will be available for both meeting. **RSVP for EITHER Sunday, August 4 following the service or Wednesday, August 7 at 6pm: redeemerwh.org/training.**

Women's Bible Study: Women's Summer Book Study on *Even Better Than Eden* by Nancy Guthrie will meet next on **August 5 in Covenant Hall from 6:30-8:00 pm**. We will be studying Chapter 8 - "The Story of the Dwelling Place."

REMAINING SCHEDULE

August 5 - The Story of the Dwelling Place

August 19 - The Story of the City

Marriage Conference: Join us for two nights away on a marriage retreat with video teachings by Pastor, Marriage Counselor, and Author Dr. Paul Tripp. There will be four group sessions, a night out together for dinner and fun, and also a date night. Save the date and begin to secure childcare if needed. The conference will be held **October 4-6 at the Terrace Hotel in downtown Lakeland. We've reached capacity, but you can sign up without a deposit on a waiting list as we speak with the hotel regarding additional rooms.** Visit redeemerwh.org/marriage for registration and a conference trailer.

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



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