



REDEEMER

CITY CHURCH

October 8, 2017 – Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost



Songs of Gathering and Preparation

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

Great Are You Lord

Call to Worship

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

5 I am the LORD, and there is no other, besides me there is no God; I equip you, though you do not know me, 6 that people may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is none besides me; I am the LORD, and there is no other. 7 I form light and create darkness, I make well-being and create calamity, I am the LORD, who does all these things. 8 "Shower, O heavens, from above, and let the clouds rain down righteousness; let the earth open, that salvation and righteousness may bear fruit; let the earth cause them both to sprout; I the LORD have created it. 9 "Woe to him who strives with him who formed him, a pot among earthen pots! Does the clay say to him who forms it, 'What are you making?' or 'Your work has no handles'? 10 Woe to him who says to a father, 'What are you begetting?' or to a woman, 'With what are you in labor?'" (Isaiah 45:5-10 ESV)

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).

Song of Repentance

In this song of repentance we acknowledge our sin and our need of a Savior.

His Mercy is More

Assurance of Pardon

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

9 Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: neither the sexually immoral, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor men who practice homosexuality, 10 nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God. 11 And such were some of you. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God. ... 19 Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, 20 for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.

(1 Corinthians 6:9-11; 19-20 ESV)

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.

Songs 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

Holy, Holy, Holy
Our Great God

Confession of Faith: Heidelberg Catechism 10-12

Q10. Does God permit disobedience and rebellion to go unpunished?

Answer: Certainly not. God is terribly angry with the sin we are born with as well as the sins we personally commit. As a just Judge, God will punish them both now and in eternity.

Q11. But isn't God also merciful?

Answer: God is certainly merciful, but also just. God's justice demands that sin, committed against his supreme majesty, be punished with the supreme penalty – eternal punishment of body and soul.

Q12. According to God's righteous judgment we deserve punishment both now and in eternity: how then can we escape this punishment and return to God's favor?

Answer: God requires that his justice be satisfied. Therefore the claims of this justice must be paid in full, either by ourselves or by another.

Ministry Spotlight

Brad Beatty, *Heart for Winter Haven*

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.

(Children through fifth grade are dismissed for kid's worship)

Proclamation of God's Word

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

Romans 1:18-32 *(see insert)*

Songs of Response & Sending

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

By Thy Mercy
Behold Our God

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.

(There is no offering taken during the service. An offering box is located at the front and the back of the sanctuary.)

Announcements

Greeting this morning are the **Lutz & Portlock** Community Groups.

Women's Retreat: Mark your calendars for **November 3-5** for our annual Women's Retreat. We will be returning to the Orange Lake Resort in Kissimmee. The cost is \$185 for a shared room or \$235 for a single room. Scholarships are available. For registration, visit: redeemerwh.org/retreat or the table outside. You may pay in full or provide a \$50 deposit to secure your spot. **The registration deadline is TODAY.**

Women's Fall Bible Studies: There are two options for the Fall Women's Bible Studies. Both groups are going through "Gospel Love." Monday nights **6:30-8pm**, contact Sally Goodwill for more information. Thursday mornings, **9:30-11am**, childcare provided, contact Vicky Portlock for more information.

Coffee Crew: We looking for a few new volunteers to help with coffee setup on Sunday mornings. Members of the team will only serve once every 5-6 weeks. If you are interested in helping out in this way, please contact lisarepella@gmail.com.

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

Our Mission

Our mission is to make Jesus' invisible kingdom visible in Winter Haven, Polk County, and the world.

Church Planting

One of the ways we hope to accomplish our mission is by planting new churches throughout Polk County. We are proudly partner with Renew Polk (renewpolk.org), a missional partnership of churches, that exists to catalyze funds and resources for PCA church planting in Polk County. The aim of Renew Polk is to see 20 new churches planted in Polk County over the next 20 years.

Community Groups

We also meet during the week in homes for what we call Community Groups. If you are interested in visiting a community group, contact Jonathan Winfree, jonathan@redeemerwinterhaven.org or visit our website.

"The purpose of Community Groups is to create a community where Jesus Christ is experienced and mutual ministry is enjoyed."

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