

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

January 31, 2010

Reflection

Never mistake temptation for opportunity.

— *Anonymous*

Providence is a Christian's diary, not his Bible!

— *Thomas Watson*

Bitterness drives us inward in self-absorbed depression, while true repentance enables us and motivates us to start to serve other people's needs.

— *Iain Duguid*



PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

***In recognition of the reason and reverence of worship, please remember to turn off your cell phones. Also, if you need a drink, please bring only water into the worship service. Thank you.*

SONG OF ASCENTS

Better Is One Day

How lovely is Your dwelling place, O Lord Almighty.
For my soul longs and even faints for You.
For here my heart is satisfied within Your presence.
I sing beneath the shadow of Your wings.

Chorus:

**Better is one day in Your courts,
Better is one day in Your house,
Better is one day in Your courts,
Than thousands elsewhere.
Better is one day in Your courts,
Better is one day in Your house,
Better is one day in Your courts,
Than thousands elsewhere,
Than thousands elsewhere.**

One thing I ask and I would seek; to see Your beauty,
To find You in the place Your glory dwells.

(Chorus)

My heart and flesh cry out, for You, the living God,
Your Spirit's water to my soul.
I've tasted and I've seen. Come once again to me.
I will draw near to You.
I will draw near to You.
(Chorus twice)

WELCOMING ONE ANOTHER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SILENT PREPARATION

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Words & Music:
Matt Redman*

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 84:1-2,10-12

ADORING GOD IN SONG

Whate'er My God Ordains Is Right

Whate'er my God ordains is right,
Holy His will abideth.
I will be still whate'er He does,
And follow where He guideth.
He is my God, though dark my road.
He holds me that I shall not fall,
Wherefore to Him I leave it all.

Whate'er my God ordains is right,
He never will deceive me.
He leads me by the proper path,
I know He will not leave me.
I take, content, what He hath sent.
His hand can turn my griefs away,
And patiently I wait His day.

Whate'er my God ordains is right,
Though now this cup in drinking
May bitter seem to my faint heart,
I take it all unshrinking.
My God is true, each morn anew.
Sweet comfort yet shall fill my heart,
And pain and sorrow shall depart.

What'er my God ordains is right,
Here shall my stand be taken
Though sorrow, need, or death be mine,
Yet I am not forsaken.
My Father's care is round me there.
**He holds me that I shall not fall,
And so to Him I leave it all. (Repeat bold)**

*Whate'er My God
Ordains is Right
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Music: David Braud*

Jesus, Lover of My Soul

Jesus, lover of my soul,
Let me to thy bosom fly,
While the nearer waters roll,
While the tempest still is high;
Hide me, O my Savior, hide, till life's storm is past;
Safe into the haven guide, receive my soul at last!

Other refuge have I none, I helpless hang on Thee;
Leave, oh, leave me not alone,
Still support and comfort me!
All my trust on Thee is stayed,
All help from Thee I bring;
Cover my defenseless head
In the shadow of Thy wing.

Thou, O Christ, are all I want;
Here more than all I find;
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint,
Heal the sick, and lead the blind.
Just and holy is Thy name; I am all unrighteousness;
False and full of sin I am,
Thou art full of truth and grace.

Plenteous grace with Thee is found;
Grace to cover all my sin;
Let the healing streams abound;
Make and keep me pure within.
Thou of life the fountain art, let me take of Thee;
Spring Thou up within my heart, for all eternity.

Jesus, lover of my soul, let me to thy bosom fly.

Jesus, Lover of My Soul
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Music: Greg Thompson

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Heidelberg Catechism Question 26

Leader: What do you believe when you say, "I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth"?

People: That the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who out of nothing created heaven and earth and everything in them, ¹ who still upholds and rules them by his eternal counsel and providence, ² is my God and Father because of Christ his Son. ³ I trust him so much that I do not doubt he will provide whatever I need for body and soul, ⁴ and he will turn to my good whatever adversity he sends me in this sad world. ⁵ He is able to do this because he is almighty God; ⁶ he desires to do this because he is a faithful Father. ⁷

The Heidelberg Catechism is a teaching tool, taking the form of a series of questions and answers, to instruct people in the basics of the Christian faith. It was written in 1563 at the request of Frederick III who ruled the Palatinate, an influential German Province. The catechism based each of its statements on the text of the Bible. It has been translated into many languages and is one of the most widely used catechisms of the Reformation period.

*Scriptural reference footnotes:
Question 26:*

¹ Genesis 1&2; Exodus 20:11; Psalms 33:6; Isaiah 44:24; Acts 4:24; 14:15

² Psalms 104; Matthew 6:30; 10:29; Ephesians 1:11

³ John 1:12-13; Romans 8:15-16; Galatians 4:4-7; Ephesians 1:5

⁴ Psalms 55:22; Matthew 6:25-26; Luke 12:22-31

⁵ Romans 8:28

⁶ Genesis 18:14; Romans 8:31-39

⁷ Matthew 7:9-11

CONFESSION OF SIN & ASSURANCE

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDONING GRACE

2 Corinthians 5:21, 8:9

God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich.

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

We invite everyone to fill out the registry pad located on the end of the aisle.

If you are a visitor, we hope that you have been encouraged by the time that you have spent worshipping with us today.

Prayer requests can also be submitted online through our web site at any time. Private requests will only be seen by the church leadership.

Deacon's Prayer

Steve Brown

The Giving of Our Tithes & Offerings

Please sign and pass the registers.

OFFERTORY SONG

O Father, You Are Sovereign

Trinity Hymnal #75

O Father, you are sovereign in all the worlds you made;
Your mighty word was spoken and light and life obeyed.
Your voice commands the seasons and bounds the
ocean's shore,
Sets stars within their courses and stills the tempest's
roar.

O Father, you are sovereign in all affairs of man;
No pow'rs of death or darkness can thwart your perfect
plan.
All chance and change transcending, supreme in time
and space,
You hold your trusting children secure in your embrace.

O Father, you are sovereign, the Lord of human pain,
Transmuting earthly sorrows to gold of heav'nly gain.
All evil overruling, as none but Conqu'ror could,
Your love pursues its purpose — our souls' eternal good.

O Father, you are sovereign! We see you dimly now,
But soon before your triumph earth's every knee shall
bow.
With this glad hope before us our faith springs up anew:
Our sovereign Lord and Savior, we trust and worship
you!

MINISTRY OF WORD & PRAYER

Ruth 3

page 260 in the pew Bibles

Prayer for the Kingdom of God on Earth

Rob Helms

SONG OF PREPARATION

Thy Mercy My God Is the Theme of My Song

Thy mercy, my God, is the theme of my song,
The joy of my heart, and the boast of my tongue.
Thy free grace alone, from the first to the last
Hath won my affection and bound my soul fast.

Without Thy sweet mercy I could not live here;
Sin would reduce me to utter despair.
But through Thy free goodness my spirits revive,
And He that first made me still keeps me alive.

Thy mercy is more than a match for my heart
Which wonders to feel its own hardness depart.
Dissolved by Thy goodness, I fall to the ground
And weep to the praise of the mercy I've found.

Great Father of mercies! Thy goodness I own
And the covenant love of Thy crucified Son.
All praise to the Spirit whose whisper divine
Seals mercy and pardon and righteousness mine!

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Seals mercy and pardon and righteousness mine!

*If you are able,
please stand
in honor of God's Word,
which is forever true.*

*Children age 30 months through 1st
grade are invited to go to
Children's Church
during this song.*

*Children's Church is an optional
activity during the sermon to help
young children prepare to sit through
the service. There is singing and an
explanation of this week's Scripture
Passage by an Elder.*

*This Month's Children's Church
Workers:
2 & 3 year old -
Poole
4 year old to 1st grade -
Brown & Morris*

*Next Month's Children's Church
Workers:
2 & 3 year old -
Coyer
4 year old to 1st grade -
Dumm*

*Thy Mercy My God Is the
Theme of My Song
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(ASCAP)
Words: John Stocker
Music: Sandra McCracken*

For Further Discussion & Application:

What means has God used to show his kindness throughout the book? Specifically in Chapter 3?

How is God's loving-kindness lived out by Ruth and Boaz in this chapter? Where were the places where they could have chosen self-interest over serving others?

What is Boaz's role as a kinsman-redeemer? How does Christ act as our kinsman-redeemer?

Look back at the word plays from chapter 1- empty and full, bitter and pleasant. How do you see the author continuing these word plays in this chapter? What lessons do you learn from this?

Sunday Lunch Question:

How have you seen God's loving-kindness in your life in the last year? How have you been an agent of God's love to someone else this year?

In the Middle of the Night

Ruth 3

Senior Pastor Dan Seale

SONG OF RESPONSE

How Deep the Father's Love for Us

How deep the Father's love for us,
How vast beyond all measure
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss.
The Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring many sons to glory.

Behold the Man upon a cross,
My sin upon His shoulders.
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished;
His dying breath has brought me life.
I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything:
No gifts, no power, no wisdom.
But I will boast in Jesus Christ:
His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward?
I cannot give an answer.
But this I know with all my heart:
His wounds have paid my ransom.

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BENEDICTION

*How Deep the Father's
Love for Us*
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THIS WEEK

Today

9:15 a.m. Adult Sunday School
"Getting the Message: A Plan for Interpreting and Applying the Bible"

9:15 a.m. Children's Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Worship Service

4:30 p.m. Outreach Committee Ministry Project

6:00 p.m. Informational Meeting for Dalton, Georgia Mission Trip

Monday

7:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study
(meets at church, Lorilynn Spronk, 789-4282)

7:30 p.m. Middle School & High School Small Groups
(see web site for locations or contact Andy Wood)

Wednesday

9:45 a.m. Women's Bible Study
(meets at church, Sally Narveson, 783-7582)

6:00 p.m. Fellowship Supper

7:00 p.m. Missions Committee Meeting

Thursday

7:45 p.m. Music Team Practice

Friday

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study
(meets at church, Dan Seale, 518-2370)

Birthdays & Anniversaries

See the screen in the foyer or the weekly e-letter.

Next Sunday:

Nurseries Team VII (Meghan Newkirk, Coordinator)

Greeters Cross

Fellowship Supper

will be held at the church on Wednesday, February 3 at 6:00 p.m. The Smith community group will be responsible for the set up and clean up. Please bring a main dish to share, plus another item according to your last name: A-E Vegetable, F-P Side Dish, Q-Z Dessert. Please remember that all foods must be NUT FREE due to allergies of some in the congregation.

For more information on all upcoming events, please check out the online events calendar or the weekly e-letter.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We will celebrate communion next Sunday.

Women's Spring Conference

All women, visitors and members, are invited to join us for a conference held on April 9-10 on the campus of Reformed Theological Seminary in Charlotte. The cost is \$35. For more information, please pick up a flyer from the foyer table or contact Becky Chapman at 878-5675. **The deadline for reservations is TODAY!**

Outreach Committee Needs Your Help

Today from 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m., the Outreach Committee will meet at the church to assemble parachutes to be used for dropping New Testaments, Christian literature, and radios for people living in the jungles of Colombia. This should be a fun family ministry activity. Questions? Please contact Josh Hurst at 467-7341.

Dalton, Georgia Mission Trip

Tonight at 6:00 p.m., there will be a brief informational meeting at the church for the Dalton, GA Mission Trip. The dates for the trip will be June 12-19. If you are considering this trip make every effort to attend. If you are interested but cannot attend, please speak to Pastor Dan as soon as possible. We want to reserve our spots for this trip by mid-February.

Baby Welcome

All women of the church are invited to a Baby Welcome on Tuesday, February 16 from 7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. at the home of Season Moore (9615 Allbrooke Drive, Raleigh 27613). We will be welcoming Will Lyons, Elaine Wisler, and Cooper Wood. This is an opportunity to meet the new babies and talk to the mothers. No gifts are required. Redeemer presents a small gift to each child on behalf of the congregation. If you have any questions, please contact Becky Chapman at 878-5675.

Women's Monthly Bible Study & Fellowship - Now Meets Twice a Month

All women are invited to join us on the second Saturday of each month from 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and the 4th Thursday of each month from 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at Panera Bread located at 6675 Falls of Neuse Road. Each meeting will be spent in a short study in the scriptures, prayer time and fellowship. Questions? Contact Sook Cadwell at scadwell@nc.rr.com or 846-7088.

Men's Leadership Training

All men, visitors and members, are invited to meet at the church on Wednesday nights in February (10, 17, 24) and March (10, 17, 24, 31) from 7:15 p.m. to 9:15 p.m. for a time of teaching, equipping and mutual encouragement to grow in our ability to be gracious, godly, humble leaders in our homes, church, and community. For more details speak to Dan or Andy.

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Call anytime—
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Save the Date
for these upcoming events that you won't want to miss!

- February 3: Fellowship Supper
- February 10, 17, 24: Men's Leadership Training
- February 16: Baby Welcome
- February 17: Ladies' Fellowship Night
- February 19: Intro to Redeemer Dinner & Dessert
- February 20: Intro to Redeemer Class
- March 10, 17, 24, 31: Men's Leadership Training
- April 9-10: Women's Spring Conference
- June 21-26: Middle School EDGE Conference
- July 11-17: Senior High RYM Conference
- July 19-23: Vacation Bible School

Hear Sunday's Sermons online @ www.redeempca.net.



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CHURCH LEADERSHIP

ELDERS:

Anthony Dunn
Rob Helms
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Jeff Smith
Ivan Spronk
Steve Welsh
Andy Wood

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Steve Brown
Mark Brubaker
Al Cadwell
Ken Coyer
Dave Larsen

John Morris
Cisco Ojeda
Tim Phillips
David Tucker
David Walliser

SENIOR

PASTOR:
Dan Seale

ASSOCIATE

PASTOR:
Andy Wood

COMMUNITY GROUPS

Outside of Sunday Morning Worship, Community Groups are the main way to get plugged in here at Redeemer. As we continue to grow, these groups become more and more important in helping people connect and feel a part of our community. Groups of individuals and families meet in someone's home on the first and third Sundays of the month. It's in these smaller settings, also called shepherding groups, that we can be cared for and learn, serve, grow and pray together as a family.

North Raleigh (Creedmoor/I-540)

Leader: Ivan Spronk 789-4282
Time & Place: 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.
3108 Cranesbill Drive, 27613

North Raleigh (Baileywick)

Leader: Dave Larsen 345-3996
Time & Place: 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.
816 Berwyn Way, 27615

Northwest Raleigh

Leader: Rob Helms 518-1271
Time & Place: 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.
3405 1st Place, 27613

Northeast Raleigh (Durant Road)

Leader: Dan Kemp 848-9945
Time & Place: 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.
9944 Koupela Drive, 27614

Lake Lynn Area

Leader: Mike Newkirk 412-0621
Time & Place: 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
4208 Omni Place, 27613

Southwest Raleigh/Cary

Leader: Jeff Smith 949-9710
Time & Place: 5:00 - 7:30 p.m.
108 Wilander Drive, 27511

Crabtree Area

Leader: Anthony Dunn 881-0478
Time & Place: 5:45 - 7:30 p.m.
1804 Kenwyck Manor Way, 27612

North Raleigh (Creedmoor/I-540)

Leader: Steve Welsh 676-1944
Time & Place: 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
5217 Antherton Bridge Road, 27613