

# SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

*November 22, 2009*

## *Reflection*

Who is this, so weak and helpless,  
Child of lowly Hebrew maid,  
Rudely in a stable sheltered,  
Coldly in a manger laid?  
'Tis the Lord of all creation,  
Who this wondrous path has trod;  
He is God from everlasting,  
And to everlasting God.

— *William How*



## 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

#### *Father, Long Before Creation*

Father, long before creation  
Thou hadst chosen us in love,  
And that love so deep, so moving,  
Draws us close to Christ above.  
Still it keeps us, still it keeps us  
Firmly fixed in Christ alone.

Though the world may change its fashion,  
Yet our God is e'er the same;  
His compassion and His covenant  
Through all ages will remain.  
God's own children, God's own children  
Must forever praise His name.

God's compassion is my story,  
Is my boasting all the day;  
Mercy free and never failing  
Moves my will, directs my way.  
God so loved us, God so loved us  
That His only Son He gave.

Loving Father now before Thee  
We will ever praise Thy love,  
And our songs will sound unceasing  
'Til we reach our home above,  
Giving glory, giving glory  
To our God and to the Lamb;  
Giving glory, giving glory  
To our God and to the Lamb.

### WELCOMING ONE ANOTHER

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

### SILENT PREPARATION

*Father, Long Before Creation*  
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Loving Company  
Words: from a Chinese Hymn  
Translated: Francis Johnson  
Chorus: Andrew Osenga  
Music: Andrew Osenga

## CALL TO WORSHIP

### *John 1:1-4,14*

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. In him was life, and that life was the light of men. The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

## ADORING GOD IN SONG

### *Who is This, So Weak and Helpless?*

Who is this, so weak and helpless,  
Child of lowly Hebrew maid,  
Rudely in a stable sheltered,  
Coldly in a manger laid?  
'Tis the Lord of all creation,  
Who this wondrous path has trod;  
He is God from everlasting,  
And to everlasting God.

Who is this, a Man of Sorrows,  
Walking sadly life's hard way,  
Homeless, weary, sighing, weeping  
Over sin and Satan's sway?  
'Tis our God, our glorious Savior,  
Who above the starry sky  
Is for us a place preparing,  
Where no tear can dim the eye.

Who is this? Behold him shedding  
Drops of blood upon the ground!  
Who is this, despised, rejected,  
Mocked, insulted, beaten, bound?  
'Tis our God, Who gifts and graces  
On His church is pouring down;  
Who shall smite in holy vengeance  
All His foes beneath His throne.

Who is this that hangs there dying  
While the rude world scoffs and scorns,  
Numbered with the malefactors,  
Torn with nails, and crowned with thorns?  
**'Tis our God Who lives forever**  
**'Mid the shining ones on high,**  
**In the glorious golden city,**  
**Reigning everlastingly. (Repeat bold)**

*Who is This, So Weak and Helpless?*  
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Words: William How  
Music: Christopher Miner

## CONFESSION OF SIN & ASSURANCE

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

### ASSURANCE OF PARDONING GRACE

#### *1 Peter 2:24*

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed.

### *O, to See the Dawn (The Power of the Cross)*

O, to see the dawn of the darkest day:  
Christ on the road to Calvary.  
Tried by sinful men, torn and beaten then  
Nailed to a cross of wood.

#### **Chorus:**

**This the pow'r of the cross:  
Christ became sin for us.  
Took the blame, bore the wrath  
We stand forgiven at the cross.**

O, to see the pain written on Your face,  
Bearing the awesome weight of sin.  
Ev'ry bitter thought, ev'ry evil deed  
Crowning Your bloodstained brow. **(Chorus)**

Now the daylight flees, now the ground beneath  
Quakes as its Maker bows His head.  
Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life;  
'Finished!' the victory cry. **(Chorus)**

O, to see my name written in the wounds,  
For through Your suff'ring I am free.  
Death is crushed to death, life is mine to live,  
Won through Your selfless love!

**This the pow'r of the cross:  
Son of God - slain for us.  
What a love, what a cost!  
We stand forgiven at the cross.**

*O, to See the Dawn*  
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Stuart Townsend

## WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

### *Deacon's Prayer*

Todd Blevins

### *The Giving of Our Tithes & Offerings*

Please sign and pass the registers.

### OFFERTORY SONG

(on next page)

*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.*

***Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted***

Stricken, smitten, and afflicted,  
See Him dying on the tree!  
'Tis the Christ by man rejected;  
Yes, my soul, 'tis He, 'tis He!  
'Tis the long expected prophet,  
David's Son, yet David's Lord;  
By His Son, God now has spoken:  
'Tis the true and faithful Word.

Tell me, ye who hear Him groaning,  
Was there ever grief like His?  
Friends through fear His cause disowning,  
Foes insulting His distress:  
Many hands were raised to wound Him,  
None would interpose to save;  
But the deepest stroke that pierced Him,  
Was the stroke that Justice gave.

Ye who think of sin but lightly,  
Nor suppose the evil great,  
Here may view its nature rightly,  
Here its guilt may estimate.  
Mark the Sacrifice appointed!  
See Who bears the awful load!  
'Tis the Word, the Lord's Anointed,  
Son of Man, and Son of God.

Here we have a firm foundation,  
Here the refuge of the lost.  
Christ's the Rock of our salvation,  
His the Name of which we boast.  
**Lamb of God for sinners wounded!**  
**Sacrifice to cancel guilt!**  
**None shall ever be confounded**  
**Who on Him their hope have built. (Repeat bold)**

*Stricken, Smitten and Afflicted*  
© Philip Palmertree Music  
Words: Thomas Kelly  
Music: based on 17th century  
German tune  
(arr Phillip Palmertree)

**1 John 4:1-6**

page 1209 in the pew Bibles

***Prayer for the Kingdom of God on Earth***

Jeff Smith

SONG OF PREPARATION

***Blessed Are the Sons of God***

Trinity Hymnal #526

Blessed are the sons of God,  
They are bought with Christ's own blood;  
They are ransomed from the grave,  
Life eternal they shall have:

**Refrain:**

**With them numbered may we be,  
Here and in eternity.**

They are justified by grace,  
They enjoy the Savior's peace;  
All their sins are washed away,  
They shall stand in God's great day:  
**(Refrain)**

They are lights upon the earth,  
Children of a heav'nly birth;  
One with God, with Jesus one,  
Glory is in them begun:  
**(Refrain)**

*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 -  
Morris  
4 year old to 1st grade -  
Seale*

*Next Month's Children's Church  
Workers:  
2 & 3 year old -  
**(OPEN - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!)**  
4 year old to 1st grade -  
Spronk*

***To Tell The Truth***

1 John 4:1-6

Senior Pastor Dan Seale

***For Further Discussion & Application:***

How can we use the test in 4:1-3 to discern truth from error?

How have John's reader's "overcome" the false teachers (4:4)?

According to 4:5, why are false teachers so often popular?

You can best tell a counterfeit dollar bill by knowing and studying the real thing so carefully. You may not be tempted to believe a false gospel, but what can you do this week to know the true Gospel better?

***Sunday Lunch Question:***

Meditate this week on the fact that Jesus is the Christ. What does this mean, and what implications does it have for your life? How can your actions better reflect this belief?

## SONG OF RESPONSE

***In Christ Alone***

In Christ alone my hope is found,  
He is my light, my strength, my song;  
This cornerstone, this solid ground,  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease.  
My comforter, my all in all,  
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh,  
Fullness of God in helpless babe!  
This gift of love and righteousness,  
Scorned by the ones He came to save.  
'Til on the cross as Jesus died,  
The wrath of God was satisfied.  
For every sin on Him was laid;  
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,  
Light of the world by darkness slain;  
Then, bursting forth in glorious day,  
Up from the grave He rose again!  
And as He stands in victory,  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;  
For I am His, and He is mine,  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,  
This is the power of Christ in me;  
From life's first cry to final breath,  
Jesus commands my destiny.  
**No power of hell, no scheme of man,  
Can ever pluck me from His hand;  
'Til He returns or calls me home,  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand! (Repeat bold)**

'Til He returns or calls me home,  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

## BENEDICTION

*In Christ Alone*  
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## THIS WEEK

<b>Today</b>	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service
	5:30 p.m.	Youth Group <i>(meets at church, supper provided by Ojeda)</i>
<b>Monday</b>	7:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study Will NOT Meet
	7:30 p.m.	Middle School & High School Small Groups <i>(Note: The Middle School Girls' Small Group will NOT meet this week. All others will meet as scheduled. See web site for locations or contact Andy Wood.)</i>
<b>Tuesday</b>	7:30 p.m.	Outreach Committee Meeting
	7:30 p.m.	Choir Practice
<b>Wednesday</b>	9:45 a.m.	Women's Bible Study Will NOT Meet
<b>Friday</b>	7:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study Will NOT Meet

### Birthdays & Anniversaries

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

### Next Sunday:

Nurseries      Team V (Kelly Ojeda, Coordinator)  
Greeters        Kemp & Rushing

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

Hear Sunday's Sermons online @ [www.redeempca.net](http://www.redeempca.net).

### Book Table

Are you looking for a book to read or to give as a gift? There are several great choices on the new book table in the foyer. Each book includes an envelope that lists the suggested price. Payment by cash or check can be placed in the envelope and left in the basket.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Visitor Luncheon TODAY!

All visitors are invited to join us for a luncheon to be held immediately following today's worship service.

### Are You New To Redeemer?

Would you like a chance to ask questions and to meet other new people? If so, please join us for the following:

- **Introduction to Redeemer Dinner & Dessert** will be held at the home of Dan & Debbi Seale (5701 Harrington Grove Drive, Raleigh 27613) on Friday, December 4 from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
- **Introduction to Redeemer Class** will be held at the church on Saturday, December 5 from 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Light breakfast will be served.

So that we can plan accordingly, please RSVP to Theresa in the church office. Childcare will be available for Saturday only.

### Women's Christmas Ornament Exchange

will be held at the home of Anjie Welsh (5217 Atherton Bridge Road) on Wednesday, December 2 at 7:00 p.m. This will be a fun night of food and fellowship with the women of Redeemer. Please bring a wrapped ornament to be exchanged. Contact Becky Chapman with any questions at 878-5675 or [becky\\_chapman@bellsouth.net](mailto:becky_chapman@bellsouth.net).

### Angel Tree and National Guard Gift Collection

Redeemer will participate with Angel Tree and the Family Resource Center to collect Christmas gifts for local children and families. Collection starts on Sunday, November 22 and ends Sunday, December 13. More details to follow. \*\* Volunteers will be needed to help with the gift distribution on Saturday, December 19 at 9:00 a.m. If you would like to help, please contact Theresa in the church office or Andy Wood.

### Christmas Dinner & Concert

Please join us for our annual Christmas Dinner & Concert to be held at the church on Saturday, December 12 at 6:00 p.m. This is an adults only event and childcare will not be provided. Entertainment will be provided by Christa Wells and Nicole Witt. Please register online or pick up a flyer from the foyer table. Questions? Contact Shirley Tucker at 847-5157 or [stucker27@nc.rr.com](mailto:stucker27@nc.rr.com). **Reservation deadline is Sunday, November 29!**

### Children's Church

Volunteers are needed in December for the 2 & 3 year old group. Please contact Suzanne Brown at 845-9167 if you have any questions or Theresa in the church office at 518-2370 if you would like to volunteer.

*Need to contact Dan?  
Call anytime—  
518-2370 (office)  
or 413-9954 (cell)  
dan@redeempca.net*

*Need to contact Andy?  
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andy@redeempca.net*

*Church Office  
Theresa Curtis—518-2370  
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*Prayer chain:  
Cynthia Morris—845-9372  
cynthiamorris@bellsouth.net*

### Save the Date

*for these upcoming events that you won't want to miss!*

- December 2: Women's Christmas Ornament Exchange
- December 4: Intro to Redeemer Dinner & Dessert
- December 5: Intro to Redeemer Class
- December 8: Youth Group Parents' Meeting
- December 12: Christmas Dinner & Concert
- December 15: Saints Alive Luncheon
- December 16: Ladies' Fellowship Night
- December 19: Angel Tree Gift Distribution
- December 20: Community Group Caroling



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## CHURCH LEADERSHIP

### ELDERS:

Anthony Dunn  
Rob Helms  
Mike Newkirk  
Dan Seale  
Jeff Smith  
Ivan Spronk  
Steve Welsh  
Andy Wood

### DEACONS:

Todd Blevins  
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*