

JANUARY 19, 2025

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Silent Preparation

Jesus's baptism is an act of humility. He consents to be counted as if he were a sinner, along with everyone else. This act foreshadows the time on the cross when he will die for the sins of the people of Israel and indeed for the sins of all those who are his. As 2 Corinthians 5:21 puts it, "For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God." Fulfilling "all righteousness" includes not only Jesus being righteously obedient to his Father's will but providing by his perfect righteousness a righteousness for us, "that we might become the righteousness of God." This act of exchange, in which Jesus takes our sin and gives to us his righteousness, is depicted symbolically beforehand when he is baptized by John.

-Vern Poythress

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

/ GOD'S SUPREMACY /

Call to Worship Psalm 149:1 - 4 Rev. Clay Wooten

Minister: Praise the LORD! Sing to the LORD a new song, his praise in the assembly of the godly!

People: Let Israel be glad in his Maker; let the children of Zion rejoice in their King!

Minister: Let them praise his name with dancing, making melody to him with tambourine and lyre!

All: For the LORD takes pleasure in his people; he adorns the humble with salvation.

Prayer of Invocation

* Hymn of Joy "O, For a Thousand Tongues To Sing" (Hymnal #164)

- 1. O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise, the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace!
- 2. My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim, to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of Thy name.

- 3. Jesus! The name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease; 'Tis music in the sinner's ears, 'Tis life, and health, and peace.
- 4. He breaks the power of reigning sin, He sets the prisoner free; His blood can make the foulest clean, His blood availed for me.
- 5. He speaks, and, listening to His voice, new life the dead receive, the mournful, broken hearts rejoice, the humble poor believe.

* Hymn of Need "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing!" (Hymnal #457)

- 1. Come, thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above. Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it mount of God's unchanging love.
- 2. Here I raise my Ebenezar; hither by thy help I've come; and I hope, by Thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God; He, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.
- 3. Oh, to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be! Let Thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to Thee: prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my heart, O take and seal it; seal it for Thy courts above.

Scripture Reading Isaiah 64:1 - 12

Oh that you would rend the heavens and come down, that the mountains might guake at your presence - as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil- to make your name known to your adversaries, and that the nations might tremble at your presence! When you did awesome things that we did not look for, you came down, the mountains guaked at your presence. From of old no one has heard or perceived by the ear, no eye has seen a God besides you, who acts for those who wait for him. You meet him who joyfully works righteousness, those who remember you in your ways. Behold, you were angry, and we sinned; in our sins we have been a long time, and shall we be saved? We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a polluted garment. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. There is no one who calls upon your name, who rouses himself to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have made us melt in the hand of our iniquities. But now, O Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. Be not so terribly angry, O Lord, and remember not iniquity forever. Behold, please look, we are all your people. Your holy cities have become a wilderness; Zion has become a wilderness, Jerusalem a desolation. Our holy and beautiful house, where our fathers praised you, has been burned by fire, and all our pleasant places have become ruins. Will you restrain yourself at these things, O Lord? Will you keep silent, and afflict us so terribly?

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

/ GOD'S RENEWAL /

Seeing Ourselves Rightly

1 Corinthians 10:13

Minister: No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon Romans 5:1

Minister: Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord lesus Christ.

Hymn of Reflection "It Is Well with My Soul" (Hymnal #691)

1. When peace, like a river, attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll; whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul –

Refrain: It is well (It is well) with my soul (It is well); It is well, it is well with my soul.

- 2. Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come, let this blest assurance control, that Christ has regarded my helpless estate, and has shed His own blood for my soul. (Refrain)
- 3. My sin, O the bliss of this glorious thought! My sin, not in part, but the whole, is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more; Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! (Refrain)
- 4. O Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled back as a scroll, the trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend, even so it is well with my soul. (**Refrain**)

Minister: People of God, receive the goodness and mercy of your Savior.

People: We receive His mercies with thanksgiving!

Minister: Now, lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

* The Greeting of Peace

Minister: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also, with you.

/ GOD'S GRACE /

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon "From Baptism to Battle" Rev. Clay Wooten
Mark 1:9 - 13

Celebration of Holy Communion

Redeemer welcomes to the table all those who have trusted in Jesus Christ as Savior and who acknowledge Him as Lord. And yet, because communion is a sacrament of the Church, all are welcome to partake who are baptized members in an evangelical church (a church where the Gospel is loved and proclaimed). It is our request that children not participate in the Lord's Supper until they themselves have become communing members of such a church. However, children are encouraged to come up with their families, even though they may not be taking communion.

The Communion

We will go row by row and walk down the center forming a line in the front. You will receive both elements. Take them back to your seat by way of the outer aisle. The elements are taken together as a unified body following recitation of the Words of Institution noted below.

* We use wine to represent the bittersweetness of Christ's death. Grape juice is available in the center.

The Words of Institution

Minister: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

People: Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Minister: Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore, let us keep the feast.

Minister: The gifts of God are for the people of God. Come eat and drink with thanksgiving.

People: Hallelujah!

/ GOD'S BLESSING /

Offertory Prayer & Offering

Hymn of Reflection "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" (Hymnal #252)

- 1. When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died, my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.
- 2. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ my God! All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood.
- 3. See from His head, His hands, His feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down! Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?
- 4. *Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

* Benediction Ephesians 3:20 - 21 Rev. Clay Wooten

Minister: Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever

ALL: Amen!

*The Congregation stands

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Growing in Grace Update

We are excited to share the progress of our Growing in Grace campaign. We are actively working through the city permit process and are making great headway. While there's still work ahead, we are encouraged by the progress and remain hopeful in our commitment to this mission. Thank you for your prayers, support, and patience as we journey together in faith and continue to grow in grace.



Please use the QR code to view an informational handout and hear more about the vision and upcoming changes!

Stay Connected

Are you receiving our church updates and announcements? If not, we'd love to add you to our email list so you don't miss out on important news and events! To be added to the email list, there is an option on the homepage of the website, or you can email us at rpcedmond08@gmail.com.

Baby Shower for Erica Maltbie

Ladies of Redeemer, we warmly invite you to join us in celebrating Erica Maltbie and family as they prepare to welcome their baby boy! We will be having a diaper shower TODAY, Sunday, January 19 at 2 pm at Saundra Naifeh's home. See the RPC Weekly email for more information.

Please RSVP to Debbie Mitchell at 281 - 687 - 0999.

Redeemer Kids- Save the Date(s)!

Saturday, February 8 - Family Night! Stay tuned for more info.

Saturday, April 12 - Easter Egg Hunt! Details to come.

June 10 - 12 - Grab your cowboy hats and plan to join us for Wonder Junction VBS!

SERMON NOTES

Visitors

Thank you for joining us! We would love to hear more about you, and give you the opportunity to learn more about us. If you are interested, please scan the QR code to be taken to the New Visitor form on our website.



Online Giving

Redeemer Presbyterian Church operates on tithes and offerings from our members and friends. Please consider giving to support our efforts to spread the Gospel in Edmond and \P beyond! You may drop your gift in the offering plate at the end of the service or scan the QR code to give online.



Children & Youth Ministries

Nursery (birth - 4Y)	available during sermon only
Children's Church (4Y - 1st grade)	
Sunday School (K - 5th grade / Youth / Adult)	Sunday mornings 9:15am - 10 am
Financial Summary YTD (as of December 31, 2024)	
Income	actual \$383,363 (budgeted \$348,000)
Expense	actual \$281,145 (budgeted \$297,398)