

REDEEMER CHURCH

A COMMUNITY CHURCH FOR THE CITY

Elbert McGowan, Jr., Senior Pastor

REDEEMER CHURCH, PCA
ORDER OF WORSHIP | JANUARY 9, 2022

"Facing Gospel Rejection with Gospel Resolve" - Acts 21:1-36

Reflection Quote

"To be loved but not known is comforting but superficial. To be known and not loved is our greatest fear. But to be fully known and truly loved is, well, a lot like being loved by God. It is what we need more than anything. It liberates us from pretense, humbles us out of our self-righteousness, and fortifies us for any difficulty life can throw at us."

—Tim Keller, *The Meaning of Marriage*

Prelude

Musicians

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Brian Gault

Assistant Pastor of Shepherding and Discipleship

*** Call to Worship**

Philippians 3:8-11

Mr. Steve Lanier

Director of Outreach & Missions

"Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith--that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead."

Prayer of Invocation, Confession of Sin, Reminder of Pardon

Mr. Steve Lanier

*** Song of Preparation**

"Be Lifted High"

Jesus we lift your name on high, Your name on high. Be lifted high.

Jesus we lift your name on high, Your name on high. Be lifted high (x3)

Be lifted high. Be lifted high. Be lifted high. Be lifted high in all the earth.(x2)

Jesus your name be glorified. Be glorified. Be lifted high. Jesus your name be glorified. Be glorified. Be lifted high.

Cristo, tu nombre alabaré Alabaré, te alabaré Cristo, tu nombre alabaré Alabaré, te alabaré
Te alabaré Alabaré, alabaré Tu nombre alabaré Alabaré Alabaré, alabaré Tu nombre alabaré

*** Song of Praise**

"Promises"

God of Abraham You're the God of covenant and faithful promises

Time and time again You have proven You'll do just what You said

Pre-Chorus: Though the storms may come And the winds may blow, I'll remain steadfast
And let my heart learn when You speak a word It will come to pass

Chorus: Great is Your faithfulness to me Great is Your faithfulness to me
From the rising sun to the setting same I will praise Your name
Great is Your faithfulness to me, oh

God from age to age Though the earth may pass away
Your word remains the same Your history can prove
There's nothing You can't do You're faithful and True (*Pre-Chorus*) (*Chorus*)

Oh Your faithfulness, it never runs out

Bridge: I put my faith in Jesus My anchor to the ground
My hope and firm foundation He'll never let me down (*Repeat*) (*Chorus*)

Confessing the Faith

Apostle's Creed

Mr. Steve Lanier

Pastoral Prayer

Mr. Grant Callen, Ruling Elder

Scripture Reading and Prayer of Illumination

Rev. Brian Gault

Sermon Text

Acts 21:1-36

Sermon Title

"Facing Gospel Rejection with Gospel Resolve"

*** Hymn of Praise**

"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.
'Till 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 pow'r of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man, can ever pluck me from His hand;
'Till He returns or calls me home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand!

*** Worship in Giving and Benediction**

Rev. Brian Gault

Prayer Intercessor Team

Mr. Levi Gill/Mrs. Kateri Gill

***Please Stand.**

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SERMON QUESTIONS

- We have all experienced rejection in this life. Share a time that you experienced rejection. What were the hardest things about that experience? How did God meet you in that rejection?
- Thinking about Paul's 'Resolve on the Journey,' which would be the most difficult obstacle for you to face: (1) travelling for several months straight, (2) leaving loving communities, (3) facing rejection and imprisonment?
- How does Luke show value and honor to women in this passage? Why was this so radical in Paul's day?
- Where does Paul's resolve come from? Discuss Keller's reflection quote and the *Friday Night Lights* rallying cry: "Clear eyes, Full hearts, Can't lose!" How does that change the way we encounter obstacles in our lives?
- What are the false accusations Paul faces in Acts 21:21, and what is the Response that the elders propose? Why does Paul respond this way, and how does it relate to Acts 15? How does Paul's response relate to gospel freedom and *adiaphora* (i.e., 'things indifferent')?
- What's the irony of Paul's rejection in Jerusalem in the Temple? What's the relation of Paul's rejection in Acts 21 to the rest of the book? While it looks like disappointment and failure, how does God use it to fulfill the mission of Acts set out in Acts 1:8?

ANNOUNCEMENTS

redeemerjackson.com/this-Sunday

Let Us Know You Were Here!

Please aim your smart phone camera at the QR code and fill out the short attendance form. This helps us keep track of Members and Visitors alike, and also includes links to announcements, online giving, and prayer requests.



PRAYER REQUESTS/UPDATES

- *Mary Dent, recovery from shoulder surgery.*
- **See QR CODE for Take Them a Meal.**
- *Members serving in front-line fields: medical, emergency, grocery, teachers, restaurant, home care.*
- *Lydia Abraham: Mito Disease, Stage 4 Liver Cirrhosis, pain management and wisdom from doctors in her treatment. For updates on Lydia, please see QR CODE.*

BIRTH

- *Marquise Seneca Marshall, January 1, 2022, son of Nathan Marshall*

CALLS TO ACTION

Redeemer Music Ministry Information Meeting, Jan 9 at 9:45am

Are you a musician? Do you sing? Join us this Sunday in the sanctuary at 9:45 for an informational meeting to explore how you might fit in the Redeemer Music Ministry community. Ages 13 & up and all skill levels welcome. Email Candace Robins at: redeermusicministry@gmail.com for more info.

Nursery Needs Desk Workers for 8am Service

Desk workers are needed in the Nursery for the 8:00am service, weekly or biweekly. The rate of pay is \$12.50/hour. Please email Velma Warner at: vwarner@redeemerjackson.com to discuss in detail the duties for the position.

Volunteer Training with Jackson Youth for Christ, Jan 15

For those who would like to volunteer at Chastain Middle School, a training is scheduled for Saturday, Jan 15, from 8:30am-12:30pm at Redeemer Church, 640 E. Northside Drive, Jackson in the Youth Room. Breakfast and snacks will be provided. For more information email Jenny Ozier at: jozier@yfc.net or 601.613.4008 or email Steve Lanier at: slanier@redeemerjackson.com.

Volunteer with Jackson Youth for Christ at Chastain Middle School, beginning Jan 20

Jackson Youth for Christ is looking for volunteers to minister to the student body at Chastain Middle School beginning January 20, 2022, from 7:30-8:00am. Two applications are needed. Jackson Public Schools and Youth for Christ. See QR CODE for more info. & to sign up.

Mission to North America's Disaster Response Training Session, Jan 22

Mission to North America is hosting a FREE Disaster Response Training Session on January 22, 2022 at the MNA Disaster Response Warehouse, in Rome, GA. There is no fee for the training, but travel, food and lodging will be the responsibility of the attendees. See QR CODE for more info. & to sign up.

Redeemer Explored Class Begins Feb 20

Thinking about becoming a member? Redeemer Explored is a 10-week class that explores the history, vision, and theology of Redeemer Church. Class runs from Feb 20 – May 1 on Sunday mornings from 9:45-10:35am in Room 103. To hold your spot in the class, email bgault@redeemerjackson.com.

*****NEWS TO NOTE*****

Youth Ministry Transition

It is with sadness and joy that we announce that Wright Busching, our Director of Youth Ministry, is pursuing another call. As Wright finishes his Master of Divinity degree at RTS this spring, he is pursuing a call in either church planting or RUF campus ministry. He will continue to serve as Director of Youth Ministry until his call is settled and he moves on the field, which we expect will be sometime this summer.

Wright Busching has served faithfully at Redeemer as our Director of Youth Ministry since 2017, serving as a Deacon for 4 years before that. We are announcing his transition now so that we can begin the process of finding his replacement, praying for a seamless transition. As a sending church, Redeemer often has the joy of participating as God raises up future ministers of the gospel to serve God's kingdom in various ways around the world. But after 14 years at Redeemer, we are sad to see the Buschings go!

Director of Youth Ministry Search Committee

With the news of Wright Busching's transition, the Session is forming a Search Committee to begin the process of identifying our next Director of Youth Ministry. Please pray with us that God will guide us through this process.

2021 Contribution Information

You will receive your official statement for tax purposes via email (if applicable) by January 14, 2022, or you can access your statement immediately through Breeze. Please email Felecia Marshall at: fmarshall@redeemerjackson.com or call 601.362.9987 with any questions you may have regarding your 2021 contributions.

11am Nursery Opens Jan 9

Thanks to all the volunteers who signed up to serve. We are pleased to open nursery at the 11am service on Jan 9. Parents, if you will be utilizing the Nursery for worship (8:00 or 11:00) or Sunday School please register your child(ren).

Sunday School Resumes Jan 16

Sunday School will resume in 2022 with the following schedule:

Jan 16: Connect Sunday School (Children's SS resumes)

Jan 23: Serve Sunday School

Jan 30: Congregational Meeting to Elect Officers (no Children's SS)

Feb 6: Spring Sunday School Kickoff Brunch

Children & Youth Schedule

Rooted resumes Jan 23.

Upside Down & Crossroads resume Jan 26.

Hope Exchange Community Group Begins Jan 26

Join Hope Exchange every Wednesday night from 6:00-7:45pm as we grow meaningful relationships and practice healthy communication. There will be food, fellowship, and gospel-centered conversation as we seek restoration in our lives and community.

Anniversary & Installation Service Moved

In order to make the celebration of God's faithfulness to Redeemer more central in the life of the church, the Session is scheduling the Anniversary Service in the morning on Feb 13. At the 11am service, we will also have the ordination and installation of officers. During the Sunday School hour, we will have a reception (read "party"). Hope you can join us!

Masks on Entry & Exit

With COVID numbers on the rise, we are asking that you mask up upon entering and exiting the sanctuary. At this time, we will continue with our 3 regular seating options.

**Spring Growth Groups begin Jan 9-16.
SUNDAY GROWTH GROUPS**



OZIER/PEARCE 4:30pm
Childcare provided (call ahead)
Place: Pearce Home, Madison



BERKOMPAS/STONE
5:00pm
Childcare provided (call ahead)
Place: Stone Home, Jackson



CALLEN/MARSHALL
5:00pm
Childcare provided (call ahead)
Place: Callen Home, Madison



VICKERY/ROWAN
5:45pm
No Childcare
Place: Vickery Home, Jackson



GAULT
6:00pm
No Childcare
Place: Gault Home, Clinton

Please see the QR CODE for specific meeting times and locations.

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KING/McNEIL 5:30pm
No Childcare
Place: Redeemer Church



**OWENS/SHULER/
HOOD**
5:30 pm
Childcare provided
(call ahead)
Place: Owens Home, Jackson



EVANS/McGUFFEY/SMITH
5:00pm
Childcare provided (call ahead)
Place: McGuffey Home, Jackson

WEDNESDAY GROWTH GROUPS



McCAY/POLLARD/SIMPKINS
6:30pm; Childcare provided
(Redeemer programs)
Place: Redeemer Church, Jackson



GARNER/WALLACE
6:30pm;
No Childcare
Place: Garner Home, Brandon

Please see the QR CODE for specific meeting times and locations.

Congregational Meeting for Officer Elections on Jan 30, 9:45am

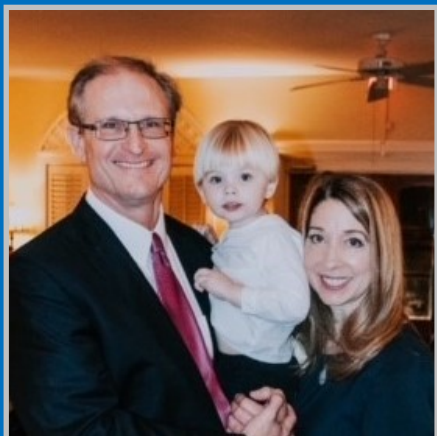
The Session has called a Congregational Meeting on Sun, Jan 30 for the purpose of electing officers. We will meet in the sanctuary during the Sunday School hour (9:45-10:35am).

The following four men have been nominated by the congregation, completed officer training, passed written and oral exams, and been approved by the Session:

Office of Deacon: Levi Gill, Blaise King, Greg Ross

Office of Elder: Shelby Watts

You will have a chance to vote to elect them to their office on Jan 30. If elected, they will be ordained and installed at our Anniversary Service on Sun, Feb 13 at 5:00pm. See QR CODE to read more about these men.



THIS WEEK

Deacon on Call for the Week January 9

Tamarco White, 601.421.0224

Sunday, Jan 9

- 8:00 am Limited Return to In-Person Worship
Live Stream Available
- 9:45 am No Sunday School
- 11:00 am Limited Return to In-Person Worship

Monday, Jan 10

- 6:00 pm Diaconate Meeting

Tuesday, Jan 11

- 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal
- 7:30 pm Women's Bible Study

Wednesday, Jan 12

- 9:00 am Mom's Bible Study

Saturday, Jan 15

- 8:00 am Youth for Christ Volunteer Training
- 8:30 am Men's Basketball

Sunday, Jan 16 –Baptism Sunday

- 8:00 am Limited Return to In-Person Worship
Live Stream Available
- 9:45 am Connect Sunday School
- 11:00 am Limited Return to In-Person Worship

COMING UP

- Tues, Jan 11:** Women's Bible Studies Resume
- Wed, Jan 12:** Mom's Bible Study Resumes
- Sun, Jan 16:** Connect Sunday School
- Sun, Jan 23:** Serve Sunday School
- Sun, Jan 23:** Rooted Resumes
- Wed, Jan 26:** Upside Down/Crossroads resume
- Wed, Jan 26:** Hope Exchange Community Group resumes
- Sun, Jan 30:** Congregational Meeting, No Sunday School
- Sun, Feb 6:** Spring Sunday School Brunch
- Sun, Feb 13:** Anniversary Service & Officer Installation

STAFF

Elbert McGowan, Jr., Senior Pastor
Steve Lanier, Director of Outreach & Missions
Brian Gault, Asst Pastor of Shepherding & Discipleship
Zack Owens, Asst Pastor of Congregational Care
Wright Busching, Director of Youth Ministries
Symeon Robins, Music Director
Candace Robins, Assistant Music Director
Jajuan McNeil, Director of Children's Ministry
Joya McNeil, Children's Ministry Assistant
Velma Warner, Nursery Coordinator
Wilson Jamison, Intern & Youth Ministry Assistant
Jermaine Van Buren, Jr., Intern
Stephanie Morton, Middle School Ministry Assistant
Ann Chestnut, High School Ministry Assistant
Felecia Marshall, Business Administrator
Mary Sanders, Administrative Assistant

RULING ELDERS

Grant Callen
Gene Dent
Tommy Dent
Scott Marshall
Barry McCay
Kelle Menogan, Sr.
Marculis Mosby
Otis Pickett, Sr.
Paul Rankin
Herb Sanders
Trey Watkins

DEACONS

Grafton Bragg
Philip Carter
Davidson Forester
Jon Fults
David Garner
Jake Garner
John Hooker
Detrick Johnson
Baskin Jones
Guin Kendrick
Cody McCain
Jonathan Shull
Jeremy Smith
Ellis Tucker
Tamarco White



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Children's Bulletin



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My Worship Notes

Your name: _____

Date:

Preacher:



Scripture: _____

Open your Bibles to the Scripture.

Is it in the Old Testament or
in the New Testament? OT/NT

The Scripture is on _____ in my Bible.

Listen to the sermon and mark each time you hear:



<div></div>	<div>God</div>	<div>Jesus/Christ</div>	<div>Believe</div>
<div></div>	<div></div>	<div></div>	<div></div>

My favorite song we sang:



What are two things that were prayed for today?

1. _____

2. _____

1. What do we learn about God in this Scripture?

2. How does this good news change the way we think, feel, or live?



**Can you draw a picture from this scripture that helps
you remember God's Word?**

