



REDEEMER CHURCH

A COMMUNITY CHURCH FOR THE CITY
Elbert McGowan, Jr., Senior Pastor

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Rev. Zack Owens—May 17, 2026
“The Dialogue of Belonging (Part 1)”
1 Peter 2:9-10

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Zack Owens
Assistant Pastor of Congregational Care

* Call to Worship

Isaiah 43:16-21

Mr. Jerome Douglas
Director of Neighborhood Outreach and Missions

“Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, who brings forth chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick. Remember not the former things, nor consider the things of old. Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild beasts will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches, for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself that they might declare my praise.”

Prayer of Invocation and Confession of Sin

Mr. Jerome Douglas

Assurance of Pardon

Romans 5:8

Mr. Jerome Douglas

...but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

* Song of Preparation

“O, The Deep, Deep Love of Jesus”

*Oh the deep, deep love of Jesus,
vast unmeasured, boundless, free!
Rolling as a mighty ocean,
in its fullness over me.*

*Underneath me, all around me,
is the current of Thy love;
Leading onward, leading homeward,
to Thy glorious rest above.*

*Oh the deep, deep love of Jesus,
spread His praise from shore to shore!
How He loves us, ever loves us,
changeth never, nevermore.
How He watches o'er His loved ones
died to call them all His own;
How for them He intercedeth,
watching over them from the shore!*

*Oh the deep, deep love of Jesus,
love of every love the best!
'Tis an ocean vast of blessing,
'tis a haven sweet of rest!*

*Oh the deep deep, love of Jesus,
'Tis a heaven of heavens to me;
and it lifts me up to glory,
For it lifts me up to Thee!*

*** Song of Praise**

“Who You Say I Am”

*Who am I that the highest King Would welcome me?
I was lost but He brought me in, oh His love for me, oh His love for me!*

Chorus: *Who the Son sets free oh is free indeed,
I'm a child of God, yes I am!*

*Free at last, He has ransomed me, His grace runs deep.
While I was a slave to sin Jesus died for me, yes He died for me!*

Chorus: *Who the Son sets free oh is free indeed,
I'm a child of God, yes I am!
In my Father's house there's a place for me,
I'm a child of God, yes I am!*

*I am chosen not forsaken, I am who You say I am
You are for me, not against me, I am who You say I am!* **Chorus**

Baptism

Rev. Zack Owens

8:00am

Paul Henry Wilson, Covenant child of Amile & Kathryn Wilson

Old Testament Scripture Reading

Mr. Jerome Douglas

Deuteronomy 10:14-15

“Behold, to the LORD your God belong heaven and the heaven of heavens, the earth with all that is in it. Yet the LORD set his heart in love on your fathers and chose their offspring after them, you above all peoples, as you are this day.”

Exodus 19:4-6

“You yourselves have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles’ wings and brought you to myself. Now therefore, if you will indeed obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession among all peoples, for all the earth is mine; and you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.’ These are the words that you shall speak to the people of Israel.”

Pastoral Prayer

Mr. CL Pearce
Ruling Elder

Worship in Giving

Mr. CL Pearce

****Please find the Connect Pad on your pew at this time to sign in and pass it down the row.****

*Visitors: If you would like to be contacted by the church, please include your email address
Thank you to those giving online.*

Children's Church (Ages 4-5) 8:00am only

Parents: After worship in giving, you are welcome to send your child (4-5) to children's church before the end of special music.

*** Special Music**

“I Asked The Lord That I Might Grow”

*I asked the Lord that I might grow in faith and love and every grace.
Might more of His salvation know and seek more earnestly His face.*

*‘Twas He who taught me thus to pray and He I trust has answered prayer,
but it has been in such a way as almost drove me to despair.*

*I hoped that in some favored hour at once He'd answer my request.
and by His love's constraining power subdue my sins and give me rest.*

*Instead of this He made me feel the hidden evils of my heart,
and let the angry powers of hell assault my soul in every part.*

*Yea more with His own hand He seemed intent to aggravate my woe,
crossed all the fair designs I schemed, cast out my feelings, laid me low.*

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*Lord why is this, I trembling cried wilt Thou pursue thy worm to death?
"Tis in this way" The Lord replied "I answer prayer for grace and faith"*

*"These inward trials I employ from self and pride to set thee free
And break thy schemes of earthly joy that thou mayest seek thy all in me,
That thou mayest seek thy all in me."*

Prayer of Illumination

Rev. Zack Owens

Sermon Text

1 Peter 2:9-10
Pew Bible p. 1204

Sermon Title

"The Dialogue of Belonging (Part 1)"

*** Hymn of Faith**

"Jesus I Come"

*Out of my bondage, sorrow and night, Jesus, I come; Jesus I come.
Into Thy freedom, gladness and light, Jesus, I come to Thee.
Out of my sickness into Thy health, Out of my wanting and into Thy wealth,
Out of my sin and into Thyself, Jesus, I come to Thee. Jesus, I come to Thee.*

*Out of my shameful failure and loss, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.
Into the glorious gain of Thy cross, Jesus, I come to Thee.
Out of earth's sorrows into Thy balm,
out of life's storms and into Thy calm,
Out of distress into jubilant psalm, Jesus, I come to Thee.*

*Out of unrest and arrogant pride, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.
Into Thy blessed will to abide, Jesus, I come to Thee.
Out of myself to dwell in Thy love, out of despair into raptures above,
Upward forever on wings like a dove, Jesus, I come to Thee.*

*** Benediction**

Rev. Zack Owens

*** Departing Song**

"Jesus I Come"

*Out of the fear and dread of the tomb, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.
Into the joy and light of Thy home, Jesus, I come to Thee.
Out of the depths of ruin untold, into the peace of Thy sheltering fold,
Ever Thy glorious face to behold, Jesus, I come to Thee. Jesus, I come to Thee.*

Prayer Intercessor Team

Mr. Dave Garner & Mrs. Tam Garner (8:00am)
Mr. Herb Sanders & Mrs. Mary Sanders (11:00am)

***Please Stand.**

(Redeemer Church, PCA, CCLI #2579870)

SERMON POINTS

As a chosen race, we belong as wanted children.

And as a royal priesthood, we belong as privileged servants of the King.

- We belong to God:
 - As God Speaks about us (9, 10b)
 - Chosen Race
 - Royal Priesthood
 - Holy Nation
 - People for God's Possession
 - As we speak about God (10a)
 - Proclaim His Excellencies

SERMON QUESTIONS

1. Peter frames belonging as a dialogue:
God speaks about us (v. 9, 10b)
We speak about God (10a).
In your own words, what does that mean? What is God's part, and what is ours? In what ways do we struggle when our faith becomes a monologue?
2. What did Peter mean by "chosen race"? Why is it important that this is about *spiritual* family rather than ethnicity?
3. What four things did God do when Israel cried out in Exodus 2? What does that tell us about how God responds to His children today?
4. What does it mean that we are a "royal priesthood"? What does the word royal add to the idea of priesthood?
5. Can you think of a season when you felt like you were "standing on the threshold" (knowing you were invited into God's presence or the church, but struggling to feel welcome)? What did that feel like, and what helped (or could help)?
6. We talked about two sides of spiritual sickness: *Serving without belonging or belonging without serving*. Do you lean more toward one side or the other? What might be a way forward?
7. Are there circumstances in your life right now (pain, sin struggles, grief, busyness) that are tempting you to believe you are unwanted or don't belong? How does this passage speak into that?
8. John Calvin said each person is assigned a "certain measure." We can't and shouldn't do everything. What is one way you are currently using (or could use) your gifts in the life of this church, even in a small way?

The Sacrament of Covenant (Infant) Baptism

As we read through the Word of God, it becomes clear that God's sovereign grace is embraced in the "covenant" framework of Scripture. By grace alone, God has covenanted with His people that He will have them to/for Himself from every nation, tribe, people, and language (Rev 7). It is a covenant generally that embraces family solidarity (see Acts 2:39; Acts 16:31; Gen 17:7). As noted elsewhere, "every person identified in the Bible as having a household present at his or her conversion also had the household baptized." Because of God's covenant, all history marches forward to the time when God's covenant people will live in the New Jerusalem in a renewed world order enjoying fully their relationship with God: "they will be His people, and God Himself will be their God" (see Rev. 21:3).

Even today, Christ continues as "the Mediator of the new covenant" (Heb 8), the one Mediator between God and man (1 Tim 2). Salvation is covenant salvation: regeneration, justification, adoption, sanctification are covenant mercies. Baptism and the Lord's Supper, corresponding to/replacing the old covenant rites of circumcision and Passover, are covenant ordinances. God's law is covenant law, and keeping it is the truest expression of gratitude for covenant grace and loyalty to our covenant God. An understanding of this covenant of grace guides us through, and helps us appreciate, all the wonders of God's redeeming love.

Christians in our theological tradition believe that children of believers, infant children, are and should be included as members of the visible covenant community, the church. Why? Because we believe, based upon the Bible, that infant children of believers have the status of covenant children and therefore should be baptized, just as Jewish male infants previously had been circumcised. Again, why? Because, if infants are deemed members of the visible covenant community with their believing parents, it is fitting to give them the sign of covenant status and of their place in the covenant community.

Is there something magic about the water? No. Do baptized infants have no obligation to make a public profession of personal faith in Jesus Christ? Certainly, they do. When we celebrate the sacrament of covenant baptism, we publicly recognize a covenant child through the covenant sign of baptism as a child of at least one believing parent (1 Cor 7:14), thus as a member of the visible church. At the same time, we are careful also to affirm that neither baptism nor being the child of believing parents will suffice to make that child a true believer. At some point, each baptized infant/child must personally turn from their sins and express their own faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

The outward and visible sign in baptism is water. As water is poured down on the head of a child, we are reminded of the cleansing blood of the Lord Jesus Christ that delivers us from the penalty of sin (1 John 1:7) as well as the sanctifying virtue of the Holy Spirit delivering us from the power of sin (Rom 8:2).

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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More Information:

On the QR Code you'll find links to announcements and online giving.

*** PRAYER REQUESTS/UPDATES ***

- Joya McNeil & Family: As Joya's dad Edgar recovers from a stroke.
- Donald Dorsey: In the hospital with vascular issues.
- Myah Lane: As she undergoes treatment for Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia.
- Thomas Eaves, son of Sterling & Lizzie Eaves: In remission from Leukemia.
- Caroline & Tu Combs: As Caroline undergoes treatment for stage 4 breast cancer.

See QR Code or redeemerjackson.com/this-Sunday for updates and *Take Them a Meal*.

2026 Graduates

- **High School:** Gracie Blanks, Daniel Carter, Analise Franklin, Emma Fults, Gate Gregory, Jetson Hollingsworth, Linus Howell, Satomi Mills, Lydia Moller, Murray Rankin, Cade Slay, Ezra Splaingard, Nati Stackler, Carley Thompson, Barham Whitehead
- **College:** Abigail Newman
- **Post Grad:** Kailee Boylan, Gabriel Garcia, Susan Gibson, Stuart Mills,
- **Professional School:** Emily De Lashmet, Maria Miller

*** SEEKING TO SERVE ***

Community Garden Workday, May 20, 5:30-7:00pm

Join Hope Exchange as we care for the veggies, vines, and fruit trees in the Art + Soil Community Garden. The garden is a space for community and collaboration, for creation care and soul care, and for learning and networking. Whether you're an experienced gardener or just want to put your hands in the dirt and learn, join us in the garden located at the corner of Robinhood and Londonderry. Questions or ideas? Contact Sylvia Leggette at artandsoilgarden@gmail.com.

RedeemerKids Leader Training, June 3 & June 10, 7:00pm

RedeemerKids is offering a special training for Redeemer Church members who are interested in serving in children's ministry but may feel unsure about how to get started. This training will provide practical guidance on leading large groups as well as effectively managing individual classrooms. We're offering two different dates on June 3 & June 10—whether you're a first time volunteer or a seasoned pro, this training is required in order to serve at VBS. Sign up through the QR code or redeemerjackson.com/this-Sunday.

Help Lead Summer Children's Church, 1st & 3rd Sundays

In order for us to have children's church during the summer months, we will need at least 6 leaders to serve twice from June - Aug during the 8:00am service. If you would like to serve as a teacher or teacher assistant for children's church, please contact Jajuan McNeil at mrmcneil@redeemerjackson.com

Summer Sunday School with RedeemerKids

During the summers, RedeemerKids shift from their usual curriculum and study the New City Catechism during the Sunday school hour. We need more leaders to pitch in and help to lead the littlest of members starting in June. Would you consider serving during the summer? Reach out to Jajuan McNeil at mrmcneil@redeemerjackson.com

*** CALLED TO CONNECT ***

RCA ArtShare, May 21, 6:30-8:00pm

Join us for our art "open mic night." It's an opportunity for anyone engaged in creative activity to share in a friendly and relaxed environment. Play a song, share a poem, show a painting or drawing, or read a short story. Even if it's in a rough draft form, come share what you've been working on. We'll meet at the Berkompas home in Belhaven, contact Peter Davis at peterdart@live.com for the address. Light refreshments provided, and all ages welcome!

Church-Wide Fellowship Brunch, Ellie Craven & Candace Robins

Introduction, June 7

Join us for our monthly congregation wide brunch during the Sunday School hour on June 7! We'll enjoy food and fellowship and have the opportunity to hear from our new music team. Be sure and pick up your littles from the nursery before coming to brunch, we want everyone, including our diligent nursery workers, to be able to join us!



*** NEWS TO NOTE ***

Announcing The New Director of Music Ministry and Assistant Director of Music Ministry

We are thrilled to announce that our search for a new Director of Music Ministry has culminated in the addition of two wonderful women to our ministry staff:

Ellie Craven, Director of Music Ministry, Begins June 1

Ellie Wise Craven is a native of Washington state. She moved to Mississippi in 2010 to attend Belhaven University, where she earned a Bachelors in Music. While studying there, Ellie truly experienced the love and faithfulness of Christ and fully devoted herself to His will in her life. She then earned a Masters in Music in Choral Conducting from the University of Southern Mississippi, which gave her the opportunity to tour and perform across the US and Europe as a member of the Southern Chorale.



After getting married and moving back to Jackson, Ellie started using her gifts and training to teach music, both as an elementary music teacher and a choir director. She has always felt the joy and importance of corporate and collaborative worship in all musical styles and traditions, and hopes to always use these gifts and training to help God's people "make a joyful noise!". Ellie is married to Joseph Craven. The two feel called to love the city of Jackson and reside in Fondren with their two dogs, Radar and Bubba.

Candace Robins, Assistant Director of Music Ministry, Began May 1

Candace Robins is a Jackson native with more than twenty years of experience serving in music ministry leadership across churches, conferences, and community spaces. She is grateful to serve as Assistant Music Director! She loves to lead and support worship, encourage the music team, and cultivate a Christ centered atmosphere each week.



Candace is a graduate of Jackson State University and has pursued graduate studies at Reformed Theological Seminary. She also serves as Director of Programs at Jackson Leadership Foundation, where she supports community leaders, strengthens ministries, and builds meaningful partnerships across the city. Candace is the proud mother of Nylah, Zeek, Brayden, and Chrissy.

Thanks to The Director of Music Ministry Search Committee

As we hire ministry staff at Redeemer, the Session forms a Search Committee to determine the job description, create the application, evaluate the applicants, and propose a candidate. The Director of Music Ministry Search Committee was formed in Dec 2023 and now is dismissed with tremendous gratitude for their perseverance: Claire Graves, Joyce Hamme, Elbert McGowan, Jr., Akida Mosby, Andy Sauerwein, William Stackler, Bryant Taylor, Susan Vickery, and Stan Wagon.

Groundbreaking Ceremony at Chastain, May 19, 10:00am

The Redeemer's School invites you to attend the official groundbreaking ceremony at the former Chastain Middle School as we celebrate this exciting new chapter for TRS and the future of our community.

Sabbatical for Brian Gault, May 31—July 31

We are thankful to share that Brian Gault will take a sabbatical this summer, granted by the session as part of our church's ongoing commitment to care and flourishing. Sabbaticals are a regular practice based on biblical rhythms of rest from labor after several years of sustained ministry. They provide an intentional space for rejuvenation, rest, and renewal both for pastors and their families, caring for their long-term health and thriving within our church family.



Brian, Leigh, and their six girls joined Redeemer in 2017. Since his ordination in 2018, Brian has brought his passion for the word of God and the growth of God's people into the image of Christ to his role as the Assistant Pastor of Shepherding & Discipleship. Brian's intrinsic curiosity, passion for purposeful questions, delight in attuning to the spiritual needs of the flock, skill in creating elegant systems, winsomeness, and wisdom in instruction will be deeply missed this season.

During Brian's sabbatical, the rest of our pastoral staff will share his responsibilities, though the absence of his (in)famous dad jokes will certainly echo across the congregation. If you have any questions about what this season will look like, reach out to Brian and the pastoral staff. Join us in prayer that this season would be marked by deep Shalom for the Gaults.

Giving Update through March 2026

Our budget year runs from July—June.

Thank you for your generous giving!

General Fund

Total Budget: \$2,143,590

Year-to-Date-Budget: \$1,607,692

Year-to-Date-Giving: \$1,690,653

Mar Budget: \$178,632

Mar Giving: \$139,705

***** Redeemer Kids *****
K4-5th Grade

Children's Church, May 17

Children ages 4-5 join us as we study Covenant Theology this spring. 8:00am service only, for ages 4-5.

Kids With a Mission, May 29-30, 9:00am-1:00pm

Kids With A Mission is a half day summer camp for rising fourth and fifth graders in our church community. We use our time to discover and sometimes rediscover the beauty in our city and to see how missionaries in our city are working to bring peace to different areas. Day one we'll take a tour of historic Jackson, and day two we'll spend some time serving at the former Chastain building. See QR code or redeemerjackson.com/this-Sunday to sign up.



Vacation Bible School, June 15-18, 5:30-7:30pm

VBS is a once yearly intensive study for kids k4- 5th grade. We take the time to eat together, study God's word, sing God's word, memorize God's word and play. We will be studying Noah's Ark this year to understand the salvation of the Lord. See QR code or redeemerjackson.com/this-Sunday to register.



***** Redeemer Youth *****
6th-12th Grade

High School RYM Spot Available

We've had a spot open up for one more female student (rising 9th grade- May 2026 graduate) to join us for the High School RYM trip July 3-7. Please email Stephanie Greer sgreer@redeemerjackson.com if you are interested or want more information!

Middle School Summer Kickoff, June 3, 5:00-6:30pm

Rising 6th-8th graders, come jump into summer at Defy Trampoline Park with your youth leaders and friends at our Middle School Summer Kickoff! Please RSVP in the Redeemer Youth GroupMe or Stephanie at sgreer@redeemerjackson.com so we can get a headcount for this event.

High School Summer Kickoff, June 7, 5:30-7:00pm

Rising 9th-12th graders, come dive into summer with our summer kickoff pool party at the Arndt's home in Belhaven! Please RSVP in the GroupMe or to Stephanie at sgreer@redeemerjackson.com. We will share the address in the GroupMe closer to the event.

Upcoming Summer Sunday School

9:45-10:35am

June 14—July 26

Joint Adult Sunday School

A summer Sunday School meant to help Redeemer Church have confidence that *ordinary Christians* are God's primary means of care, and to encourage habits of simple, faithful "*one anothering*" in our church community.

Youth (6th-12th): Studying the Bible with the 7 Arrows

High School Teachers: Chael Williams, Stephanie Greer, Rob Vickery,
Mary Kathryn Evans, & Cadden Christie

Middle School Teachers: Chael Williams, Stephanie Greer,
Lane Morgan, Goodness Adegbola, & Jake Garner

Location: Youth Room

This summer during Youth Sunday School we will be exploring tools of how to best study the Bible on our own and in community. We will be using the 7 Arrows questions and examining a number of passages individually and as a group using different Biblical genres such as Law, OT Narrative, Poetry, Gospels, Acts, and Epistles.

Children's (K4-5th): New City Catechism

This summer, RedeemerKids are studying the New City Catechism questions 1-10 during the Sunday School hour. The New City Catechism offers newly written truths for old questions as we build a foundation for belief and understanding.

Spring Adult Sunday School Block 2

9:45-10:35am

Apr 12—May 31

Redeemer Explored

Teachers: Elbert McGowan, Jr., Barry McCay

Location: Room 109

Would you like to know more about Redeemer Church? Are you interested in becoming a member? If so, you need to take this class. Pastor Elbert McGowan, Jr., along with the elders, will teach this 7-week introductory course on the ins and outs of Redeemer Church and how you can get involved.

If you are ready to join Redeemer or have further questions, you will have the opportunity to meet with an elder at the end of the class.

Generous Justice

Teachers: Brian Gault, Grant Callen

Location: Fellowship Hall

This seven-week Sunday School class explores the core themes of Tim Keller's *Generous Justice* and how they shape a lived, biblical vision of mercy, righteousness, and neighbor-love. Together we will examine the Scripture's call to *mishpat* (justice) and *tzadeqah* (righteousness) in daily life, learning how God's grace motivates compassion rather than guilt or duty.

Each week connects Keller's insights to practical areas such as caring for the poor, addressing social and racial inequities, cultivating cross-cultural relationships, and integrating personal responsibility with concern for systems that harm the vulnerable. Participants will engage in discussion, reflection, and real-life application, discovering how the gospel empowers believers to seek restoration in their communities and embody God's heart for justice with humility, wisdom, and generosity.

Covenant Theology

Teachers: Josh Anderson, Joshua Coleman,

Jonny Parker, Jermaine Van Buren, Jr.

Location: Sanctuary

This class will explore the riches of covenant theology and how it shapes the way Reformed Christians read the Bible. Scripture repeatedly reveals God's covenant promise: "I will be your God, and you will be my people" (Ex 6:7).

Over seven weeks, we will trace this theme through the major covenants of the Bible using insights from J. V. Fesko's book *Signed, Sealed, Delivered*. The series will introduce the foundations of covenant theology and examine the covenant of redemption, the covenant of works, and God's covenant of grace in both the Old and New Covenants. We will also consider covenant signs and the relationship between covenant and the church. Our prayer is that this class will help participants see more clearly the beauty of Scripture and the richness of God's relationship with His people.

Spring Children & Youth Sunday School

9:45-10:35am

Feb 8—May 31

Youth (6th-12th): Truths That You Can Trust

High School Teachers: Chael Williams, Stephanie Greer, Rob Vickery,
Mary Kathryn Evans, Cadden Christie

Middle School Teachers: Chael Williams, Stephanie Greer,
Josh Anderson, Mary Kathryn Evans, Lane Morgan

Location: Youth Room

In a world that is constantly shifting and information that is always changing, it is important that we “build our houses on the rock.” This spring Redeemer Youth will be studying truths you can trust to remind us of the unchanging truth of God’s Word. Using Paul David Tripp’s *12 Truths Every Teen can Trust* as a resource, we will be learning together about core doctrines of the Christian faith serve as a firm foundation for living the Christian Life.

Children’s (K4-5th): Investigating God’s Word

K4: Room 208

Teachers:

Rachel Harbarger, Amanda McGuffey

2nd: Room 207

Teachers:

Gene Everitt, KK Harrington,
Rebecca Walker

K5: Room 209

Teachers:

Beth Clarke, Sarah Love Crawford

3rd: Room 206

Teachers:

Christa Williams, Page Callen,
Andrea Burks

1st: Room 210

Teachers:

Krisan Parish, Claire Graves, Emmaline Smith

4th: Room 202

Teachers:

Angela Simpkins, Samuel Bolen

This spring, RedeemerKids is
"Investigating God’s Word."

5th: Room 204

Teachers:

Haley Arndt, Tyler Espinoza,
Jake Garner

continuing through

Nursery (2-3):

Exploring God’s Word Through the New Testament

This spring , our Nursery Sunday School classes will be looking at God’s Son. Our focus will be on exploring the New Testament as we study the birth and early years of Jesus. Each lesson is designed to help children discover and understand these foundational stories from Scripture. In every lesson, the children are continually directed to Jesus and encouraged to recognize their need for Him.

THIS WEEK

Deacon on Call Week of May 17

Lane Morgan, 601.573.3131

Sunday, May 17

Baptism

8:00am Worship Service
8:00am Livestream Available
9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Worship Service

Monday, May 18

Tuesday, May 19

7:00pm Choir Practice

Wednesday, May 20

5:30pm Community Garden Workday

Thursday, May 21

6:30pm RCA ArtShare

Friday, May 22

Saturday, May 23

8:30am Men's Basketball

Sunday, May 24

8:00am Worship Service
8:00am Livestream Available
9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Worship Service

STAFF

Elbert McGowan, Jr., Senior Pastor
Brian Gault, Asst Pastor of Shepherding & Discipleship
Zack Owens, Asst Pastor of Congregational Care
Jerome Douglas, Dir Neighborhood Outreach & Missions
Jajuan McNeil, Director of Children's Ministry
Joya McNeil, Children's Ministry Assistant
Chael Williams, Director of Youth Ministry
Stephanie Greer, Assistant Youth Director
Katie Drake, Director of Women's Ministry
Velma Warner, Nursery Coordinator
Ellie Craven, Director of Music Ministry
Candace Robins, Assistant Director of Music Ministry
Brandon Slay, Director of AV Ministries
Andre Warner, Audio/Visual Assistant
Coralie Keplinger, Coordinator of Communications
& Operations, Assistant to the Senior Pastor
Mary Sanders, Interim Administrative Assistant
Josh Anderson, Intern
Joshua Coleman, Intern
Markese Lee, Intern
Interim Music Ministry Team:
Joyce Hamme, Arthur Phillips, Meg Mills, Akida Mosby

RULING ELDERS

Karl Arndt
Grant Callen
Tu Combs
Gene Dent
Baskin Jones
Scott Marshall
Barry McCay*
Kelle Menogan, Sr.
Marculis Mosby
CL Pearce
Herb Sanders
Andy Sauerwein
William Stackler
Rob Vickery
Trey Watkins

DEACONS

Grafton Bragg
Philip Carter
Preston Denley
Davidson Forester*
Jon Fults
David Garner
Jake Garner
Clayton Gressett
Reid Haygood
John Hooker*
Detrick Johnson
Blaise King*
Cody McCain
Lane Morgan
Greg Ross
Jaimar Scott
Seth Shannon
Jonathan Shull
Jeremy Smith
Ellis Tucker
Johnston Walker
Tamarco White

*Sabbatical

COMING UP:

May 29-30: Kids With a Mission
June 1: Diaconate Meeting
June 3: Session Meeting
June 3: RedeemerKids Leader Training
June 10: Summer Fellowship Potluck
June 13: Community Garden Workday
June 15-18: Vacation Bible School
June 22-26: Middle School RYM
July 3-7: High School RYM



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