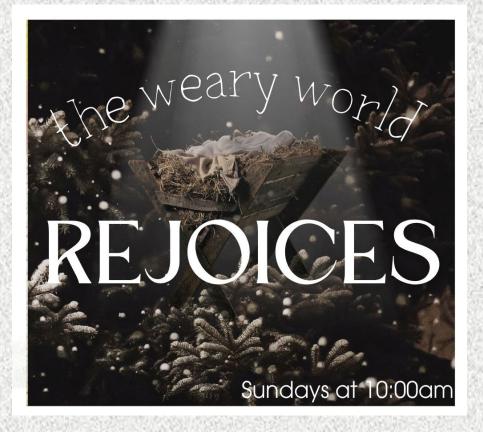
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WELCOME, WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE WITH US TODAY.

Redmond United Methodist Church has been serving at the heart of Redmond since 1896. We are a Reconciling Congregation, committed to being in ministry with people of all races, gender identities, sexual orientations, ages, immigration status, and abilities. Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, you are always welcome here. Please visit redmondumc.org to find out more information about our congregation, submit prayer requests, and let us know you've been with us in worship today.



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WE GATHER

As God's beloved people, we gather to dwell in God's presence in this place of grace and worship.

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING

+WORSHIP IN SONG

Prepare the Way of the Lord The United Methodist Hymnal #207

+WORSHIP IN SONG

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel The United Methodist Hymnal #211

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

We seek God's Word as it is revealed through the reading of scripture, sermon, and shared words of witness.

MUSICAL OFFERING

Lo, How a Rose E'er Bloomin RUMC Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 11:1-10 (Inclusive Bible)

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 3:1-12 (Inclusive Bible)
One: Holy Wisdom,
Many: Holy Word

SERMON

"Gospel is Peace" Rev. Yvonne Agduyeng

WE RESPOND

God's Word moves within us, prompting a response that begins here and flows into all areas of our lives beyond this time of worship.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

One: Lord, in your mercy, Many: Hear our prayers.

SUNG COMMUNION

LORD'S PRAYER

SUNG COMMUNION

MUSIC DURING HOLY COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER HOLY COMMUNION

WE GO FORTH

Inspired by God's Word, we are called to go forth from this place, ready to live and serve as followers of Jesus Christ in the world.

+WORSHIP IN SONG

All Earth is Waiting
The United Methodist Hymnal, #210

+BENEDICTION

+Many: May the Peace of the Lord Christ go with you.

MUSIC FOR DEPARTURE

Worship concludes with the Postlude music which prepares us to transition from worship to life in the world. You are invited to remain seated until the Postlude concludes or to exit quietly. Welcome! We are so glad you are here today. Whether you are a long time member or a first time visitor, we hope you will find answers to any questions you may have about Redmond UMC.

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Children and Families on Sundays

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Join us for Coffee Hour

We hope you will join us in the Narthex/Lobby following today's service for Coffee Hour and Fellowship. Today's Coffee Hour is made possible by our Welcoming & Hospitality Team! If you would like to volunteer or donate cookies for any Sunday service, there is a sign up sheet on the treat table.

Staying Safe at RUMC

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We are on Native Land

We acknowledge that the land on which we live, work, and worship is the traditional land of the Duwamish, Stillaguamish, and Coast Salish people, who were forcibly displaced from this area. We honor their ongoing connection to this land and accept our responsibility to engage in a more truthful retelling of history that moves us toward justice and thriving for all.

The Weary World Rejoices-Sermon Series

Ours is a weary world - longing for justice, aching for peace, uncertain of what tomorrow holds. The story of Advent speaks directly into this moment: God's love breaking into a divided and uncertain time, arriving in vulnerability yet full of promise. This season, we gather to be still, to listen for ancient words of hope, and to let the wonders of Christ's birth renew us. In the swirl of our own time, we discover again the truth: God is with us and that changes everything.

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Sunday School Volunteers

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Sisters in Faith - Tuesdays @1:30

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Christmas Eve Services

This year, we are excited to offer two Christmas Eve Services. The first service will take place at 6:30pm. This family-friendly service is perfect for bringing the whole family together for a joyful Christmas Eve experience. Our second evening service, the Candlelight Service, will begin at 11:00pm, providing a serene opportunity for reflection and peace.

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