



# REDEEMER

## EAST HARLEM CHURCH

April 28, 2024

### GOD INVITES US

#### CALL TO WORSHIP:

**Leader:** We will exalt you, O Lord, for you have lifted us out of the depths.  
O Lord, you brought us up from the grave.

**All:** *Sing to the Lord, you saints of his; praise his holy name.  
Weeping may remain for a night, but rejoicing comes in the morning.*

**Leader:** When I felt secure, I said, "I will never be shaken." O Lord, when you hid your face, I was dismayed.

**All:** *But you turned our mourning into dancing; you removed our sackcloth and clothed us with joy, that our hearts may sing to you and not be silent. O Lord, our God, we will give thanks forever.*

**Taken from Psalm 30**

#### **Songs: COME, PEOPLE OF THE RISEN KING**

**Verse 1:** Come, people of the Risen King, who delight to bring Him praise; Come all and tune your hearts to sing to the Morning Star of grace. From the shifting shadows of the earth, we will lift our eyes to Him, where steady arms of mercy reach to gather children in.

**Chorus:** Rejoice, Rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice! One heart, one voice; O Church of Christ, rejoice!

**Verse 2:** Come, those whose joy is morning sun, and those weeping through the night; Come, those who tell of battles won, and those struggling in the fight. For His perfect love will never change, and His mercies never cease. But follow us through all our days with the certain hope of peace.

**Verse 3:** Come, young and old from every land – men and women of the faith. Come, those with full or empty hands – find the riches of His grace. Over all the world, His people sing – shore to shore, we hear them call. The Truth that cries through every age: "Our God is all in all."

#### **REJOICE THE LORD IS KING**

Rejoice the Lord is King! Your Lord and king adore. Rejoice give thanks and sing and triumph evermore. Lift up your heart! Lift up your voice. Rejoice again I say rejoice.

Jesus the Savior reigns, the God of truth and love. When he had purged our stains he took his seat above. Lift up your heart! Lift up your voice. Rejoice again I say rejoice.

His kingdom cannot fail, He rules o'er earth and heav'n. The keys of death and hell are to our Jesus giv'n. Lift up your heart! Lift up your voice. Rejoice again I say rejoice.

Rejoice in glorious hope, our Lord and king shall come. And take his servants up to their eternal home. Lift up your heart! Lift up your voice. Rejoice again I say rejoice.

### Prayer of Adoration: Luis Rosa

#### Song: I STAND IN AWE

**Verse 1:** You are beautiful beyond description. Too marvelous for words. Too wonderful for comprehension. Like nothing ever seen or heard. Who can grasp Your infinite wisdom. Who can fathom the depths of Your love. You are beautiful beyond description. Majesty, enthroned above.

**Chorus:** And I stand, I stand in awe of You. I stand, I stand in awe of You. Holy God to whom all praise is due. I stand in awe of You.

**Verse 2:** You are beautiful beyond description. Yet God crushed You for my sin. In agony and deep affliction. Cut off that I might enter in. Who can grasp such tender compassion. Who can fathom this mercy so free. You are beautiful beyond description. Lamb of God who died for me.

#### I STAND AMAZED IN THE PRESENCE

1. I stand amazed in the presence Of Jesus the Nazarene,  
And wonder how He could love me, A sinner, condemned, unclean.

**How marvelous! How wonderful! And my song shall ever be:  
How marvelous! How wonderful! Is my Savior's love for me!**

2. He took my sins and my sorrows, He made them His very own;  
He bore the burden to Calv'ry, And suffered and died alone.

3. When with the ransomed in glory His face I at last shall see,  
'Twill be my joy through the ages To sing of His love for me.

### Prayers of the People: Luis Rosa

#### LORD'S PRAYER

*Our Father, who is in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For yours is the Kingdom and power, and glory forever and ever. Amen.*

**GREETING:** *(If you're able, head over to the group chat feature to greet one another)*

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS: DAVEY FERNANDEZ

**VOLUNTEER TO ORGANIZE CC DONATIONS:** Once in a while, we need a small team of volunteers (4-6) who are skilled in the gift of organization to help put our CC donations in order. If you like to organize, prefer a

volunteer opportunity that is more on the quiet/behind-the-scenes side, and can serve once in a while, we invite you to join the Community Closet Organization team. The commitment for this serving opportunity would be a couple of hours on a Sunday afternoon at the EMMH (and lunch is provided!). Contact Davey for more info at [david.fernandez@reh.nyc](mailto:david.fernandez@reh.nyc).

**CLASS AND DISCUSSION CONTINUES TODAY:** This Sunday we will continue our book discussion. This week, we are in week 4 topics as we continue addressing a number of challenging questions from the book, *Confronting Christianity*. If you did not make our previous gatherings, please feel free to join this week. As a reminder, we are discussing the chapters in the book *Confronting Christianity: 12 Hard Questions for the World's Largest Religion*. Please come, having read the short chapters ahead of the discussion. For more information on the book, upcoming discussion topics, and to register, go to [reh.nyc/classes](http://reh.nyc/classes)

**REMINDERS:** Next Sunday is the first Sunday of May. You can join us for pre-service prayer or stay for post-service prayer with our Elders. Also the Community Closet will be taking donations from 1-3pm at the East Harlem Ministry Hub, located at 2271 2nd Ave.

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#### Ongoing Consideration

**Volunteer with a Sunday Service Team:** Help support the work of our church by serving on one of our Sunday Service Teams. We need you to help us make Sundays happen! If interested in learning more, go to [www.reh.nyc/volunteer](http://www.reh.nyc/volunteer).

**East Harlem Youth Ministry:** All middle school and high school youth are invited to check out our weekly youth ministry, EHYM, which meets on Friday nights at 6:30 pm. For more information, check out [www.reh.nyc/youth](http://www.reh.nyc/youth)

**Community Groups:** Need to connect with a CG? They are a great way to grow in your relationship with God and others. Join one! For more information, go to [www.reh.nyc/cg](http://www.reh.nyc/cg).

**Giving Options:** You now have multiple ways to give. For more information about our perspective on giving and the various ways you can do so, please go to [www.reh.nyc/give](http://www.reh.nyc/give).

**Prayer:** Did you know the REH prayer team meets every Monday-Friday for a 15-minute prayer conference call? They want to pray for you! If you have a prayer request, you can always go to [www.reh.nyc/prayer](http://www.reh.nyc/prayer). They will be notified of your request and will bring it before the lord. You can join that call! You can go to the same webpage for the call-in details.

#### TITHES AND OFFERING: G.I.V.E.

This is our opportunity to continue our worship through our gifts. Here at REH our perspective is reflected in our G.I.V.E. teaching. As we approach our giving, are we:

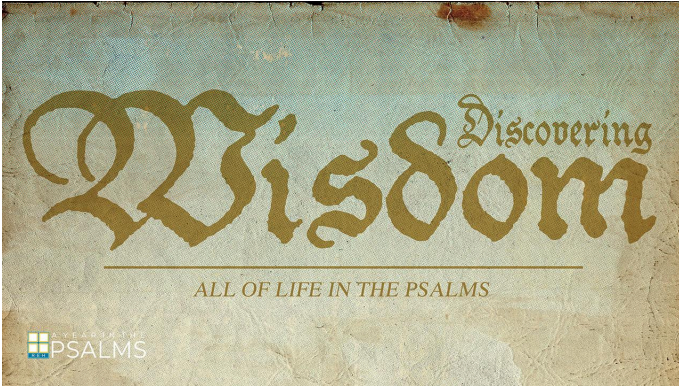
- G - Generous and sacrificial in our offerings
- I - Intentional and prayerful in our personal giving plans
- V - Voluntarily giving our first fruits, that is giving tithes first, not giving what's leftover
- E - Expecting God to honor our sacrificial giving by providing our needs

We want to thank those who faithfully give their tithe and offerings, as your generosity is what makes the work of Redeemer East Harlem possible.

To give, you can go to our website: [www.reh.nyc/give](http://www.reh.nyc/give). You can also text your gift by using the number on the screen. You can also send in your gifts to our ministry hub address found on the website or in your bulletin.

Lastly, for those who desire to learn more about what we believe about obedience in our generosity, read more at [www.reh.nyc/give](http://www.reh.nyc/give) or a printed version in the back.

## GOD SPEAKS



### **SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 8**

**READER: Allison Hilario**

1 LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory in the heavens. 2 Through the praise of children and infants you have established a stronghold against your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger.

3 When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in

place, 4 what is mankind that you are mindful of them, human beings that you care for them 5 You have made them a little lower than the angels and crowned them with glory and honor. 6 You made them rulers over the works of your hands; you put everything under their feet: 7 all flocks and herds, and the animals of the wild, 8 the birds in the sky, and the fish in the sea, all that swim the paths of the seas. 9 LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

**SERMON: Discovering Wisdom: All of Life in the Psalms - Discovering our True Identity**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION: CJ Francis**

**APOSTLES CREED & COMMUNION:**

**All:** I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead.

**All:** He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. **Amen**

**FINAL SONG: ALL I HAVE IS CHRIST**

**Verse 1:** I once was lost in darkest night. Yet thought I knew the way. The sin that promised joy and life had led me to the grave. I had no hope that You would own a rebel to Your will. And if You had not loved me first, I would refuse You still.

**Chorus:** Hallelujah all I have is Christ. Hallelujah Jesus is my life.

**Verse 2:** But as I ran my hell-bound race. Indifferent to the cost. You looked upon my helpless state and led me to the cross. And I beheld God's love displayed. You suffered in my place. You bore the wrath reserved for me. Now all I know is grace

**Verse 3:** Now Lord I would be Yours alone. And live so all might see the strength to follow Your commands could never come from me. O Father use my ransomed life in any way You choose. And let my song forever be my only boast is You.

**GOD SENDS**