

November 24, 2024

GOD INVITES US

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: God says to us, "Come, all who are thirsty, come to the waters."

All: We who have no money, come, let us buy and eat!

Leader: God says to us, "Come, buy wine and milk without money and without cost."

All: Why do we spend money on what is not bread, and why do we labor for what does not

satisfy?

Leader: God says to us, "Listen, listen to me, and eat what is good, and your soul will delight in the

richest of fare."

All: Let us listen to him and come near to him. Let us hear him, that our souls may live.

Taken from Isaiah 55 (NIV)

Songs:Christ is Risen, Hallelujah/Hallelujah, Salvation and Glory

Prayers of Adoration: Luis Rosa

Song:Goodness of God/Great is thy Faithfulness

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

NOMINATION MONTH: During the month of November, REH receives nominations for the following: deacon, deaconess, elder, and shepherdesses. If you are a member of REH, and you believe another member of the

congregation might be gifted and called to one of these roles, and would like to nominate them, please go to reh.nyc/nominate for more information about the nomination process.

ANNUAL TOY DRIVE BEGINS: Join our annual toy drive as we partner with PS 155, <u>a title 1 school</u> in East Harlem, ensuring families with material needs are able to provide gifts for their children this Christmas. If you would like, purchase a toy through our <u>wish list</u> as this link will automatically send the toy directly to our secure UPS mailBox. Toys on this list range from \$2.50-\$13.

Ship toys to:

Redeemer East Harlem Church/REH 1872 Lexington Ave #207 New York, NY 10035

You may also drop toys (any unwrapped toys from any shop!) at the REH Worship Space on Sundays when you come for service at 10:30 am - 12:30 pm. You can also drop toys off at our Ministry Hub (EHMH) located at 2271 2nd Ave, on Wednesdays and Fridays between 9 am - 5 pm.

All toys should be received by Dec. 18 at 5 pm at the latest. Thank you for supporting East Harlem families with material needs this Christmas.

WE GO ON TOUR WITH JOHN O. - DEC 5TH: On Dec. 5th at 7 pm, a friend of REH, John Onwuchekwa, and others, will be at the Salvation Army Building for the We Go On tour. In a time when despair and uncertainty exist for many, the gathering will be an interactive event exploring the intersection of hope & grief. **As an encouragement for REHers to attend, they are making the event free for all REH congregants.** If you attend REH and use code WGOALLFAM at check out to get a 100% discount. (**Please do not distribute this code, as this offer is extended to the REH church family ONLY**) For more on John O. and the We Go On tour, check out their Instagram or go to wegoontour.com.

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.

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

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.

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.

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. 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. 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 or a printed version in the back.



SCRIPTURE READING: Revelation 21:1-6, 10-11, 22-23, 27, 22:3-4, 16-17

READER: Esther Vidal

SERMON: Revelation: Embracing & Awaiting the Kingdom - The New Creation

21:1 Then I saw "a new heaven and a new earth," for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no

longer any sea. 2 I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. 3 And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Look! God's dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. 4 'He will wipe every tear from their eyes.

There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away."5 He who was seated on the throne said, "I am making everything new!" Then he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true."6 He said to me: "It is done.I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To the thirsty I will give water without cost from the spring of the water of life.10 And he carried me away in the Spirit to a mountain great and high, and showed me the Holy City, Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God.

11 It shone with the glory of God, and its brilliance was like that of a very precious jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. 22 I did not see a temple in the city, because the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple. 23 The city does not need the sun or the moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and the Lamb is its lamp. 27 Nothing impure will ever enter it, nor will anyone who does what is shameful or deceitful, but only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life.

22: 3 No longer will there be any curse. The throne of God and of the Lamb will be in the city, and his servants will serve him. 4 They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. 16 "I, Jesus, have sent my angel to give you this testimony for the churches.I am the Root and the Offspring of David, and the bright Morning Star."17 The Spirit and the bride say, "Come!" And let the one who hears say, "Come!" Let the one who is thirsty come; and let the one who wishes take the free gift of the water of life.



PRAYER OF CONFESSION: Justin Adour

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: It is Well

GOD SENDS