



REDEEMER

EAST HARLEM CHURCH

March 9, 2025

GOD INVITES US

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: Awake, my soul! Awake.

All: *I will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples. I will sing praises to you among the nations.*

Leader: For your steadfast love is as high as the heavens; your faithfulness extends to the clouds.

All: *Be exalted, O God, above the heavens. Let your glory be over all the earth.*

Taken from Psalm 57:8-11 (NIV)

Songs: Gospel Medley

Prayers of Adoration: Abe Cho

Song: We Fall Down/Worthy of it All/Alpha and Omega

Prayers of the People: Abe Cho

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: Abe Cho

Lenten Season Begins Today: The Lenten season begins today! Lent, which marks the 40 days leading up to Easter, is a season traditionally observed to focus attention toward repentance and reflection on our mortality, sin, brokenness, and our ultimate need for a Savior. Much like Advent, Lent focuses attention on the person and work of Christ. To help us use the season well, consider participating in several ways: We have a Lent new sermon series, weekly pre-service prayer Gathering, Lent Prayer Walk in East Harlem, Lent Devotional, a Good Friday Service, and Easter Celebration service that includes an Easter Egg Hunt for the kids, and more. For more info on all of these points, visit www.reh.nyc/lent.

New Class - Wise Stewardship: Pursuing Financial Health & Generosity Continues Today: On Sundays March 9, 16, and 23, at 12:30 pm in the worship space, we will offer a class called Wise Stewardship. In this class we focus on budgeting, net worth, financial planning, and more. REH deacon, Darren Schuringa, will be drawing from his extensive knowledge of finance to help us learn how to be good stewards of the resources we possess so that we might be confident with our finances, as well as plan for how we can practice generosity in ways that honor God and others. **Additionally, pre-registering for this class, as well as ensuring you are able to make all the gatherings, is especially important, as there will be assignments to ensure you get the most from the course. Register at reh.nyc/classes**

All Middle and High School Youth: Serve with Us: We kick off our 1st service day today at 12:30pm. EHYM is participating in REH's 2025 call to practice generosity by serving others in various ways. All middle and high school youth are invited to serve with EHYM at the dates and locations on the graphic. Email us at ehym@reh.nyc for more information.

Family CG Today: We invite all parents or guardians with children to join today at 12:30 at the HUB. Free pizza is offered but please bring your own beverages. For more information, please speak with Nohemi Campos.

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.

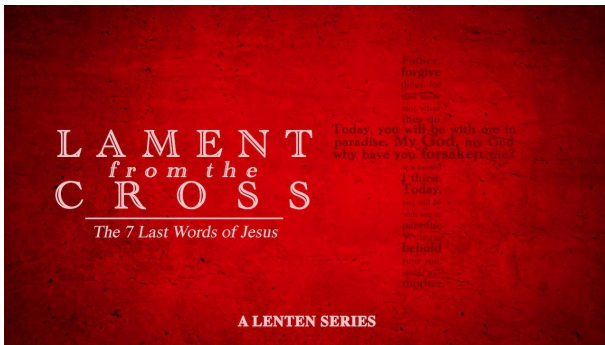
This is our opportunity to continue our worship through our gifts. Here at REH our perspective is reflected in our G.I.V.E. teaching. As we approach our giving, are we:

- 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.



GOD SPEAKS

SCRIPTURE READING: Luke 23:26-38

READER: Johanna Cinquegrana

SERMON: Lament from the Cross: The Seven Last Words of Jesus - Lament & Sin - Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do

26 As the soldiers led him away, they seized Simon from Cyrene, who was on his way in from the country, and put the cross on him and made him carry it behind Jesus. 27 A large number of people followed him, including women who mourned and wailed for him. 28 Jesus turned and said to them, “Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me; weep for yourselves and for your children. 29 For the time will come when you will say, ‘Blessed are the childless women, the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed!’

30 Then “they will say to the mountains, “Fall on us!” and to the hills, “Cover us!”” 31 For if people do these things when the tree is green, what will happen when it is dry?” 32 Two other men, both criminals, were also led out with him to be executed. 33 When they came to the place called the Skull, they crucified him there, along with the criminals—one on his right, the other on his left. 34 Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.” And they divided up his clothes by casting lots. 35 The people stood watching, and the rulers even sneered at him. They said, “He saved others; let him save himself if he is God’s Messiah, the Chosen One.” 36 The soldiers also came up and mocked him. They offered him wine vinegar 37 and said, “If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself.” 38 There was a written notice above him, which read: THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS.

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: Amazing Love/And Can It Be

GOD SENDS