

## A great big Thank You!

### Se-ren-i-ty

*\*The state of being calm, peaceful, and untroubled.*

God has richly blessed us with the opportunity to enhance our property by adding an outdoor area for all to rest and reflect on the Savior's love for us.

Thank you all for your continual financial support through our numerous bake sales and cash donations.

-Thank you for donating your time and talents to see the garden come to life.

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Chris and Cliff Hall

Steve and Susan Price

Jimmy Zimmerman

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Myrtle tree.

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-Thank you for the donation of the last remaining bedding plants.

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-Thank you to my husband, Dave for his expertise, manpower, support and the for the many, many hours working along side of me to fulfill this vision.

In His service,

Diane Amaral

# The Redeemer Report

## W I N T E R I S S U E

December  
2019



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## ***A Message From Pastor***

**God's own Son is born a child . . . ;  
*God the Father is reconciled.***

Advent is just the season for reconciliation. It is a penitential season, calling us to examine ourselves, acknowledge our sin with contrition, and trust that our sin is forgiven for the sake of Christ. Such self-examination reveals that the fault for our broken relationships is not one-sided. The sin visited upon me by another has driven a wedge between us, but so has my sin. Part of the distance between me and others is due to my sinful actions—my sinful refusal to forgive, my sinful pride that will not admit my fault, my sinful contentment with a cold shoulder..

That is the glorious, biblical proclamation found in “The Quempas Carol.” We are blessed to hear therein the refrain, “God’s own Son is born a child . . . God the Father is reconciled.” This is not wishful thinking driven by our longings. It is reality driven by Christ.

You are reconciled to the Father. Each stanza of “The Quempas Carol” announces our reconciliation to the Father in Christ.

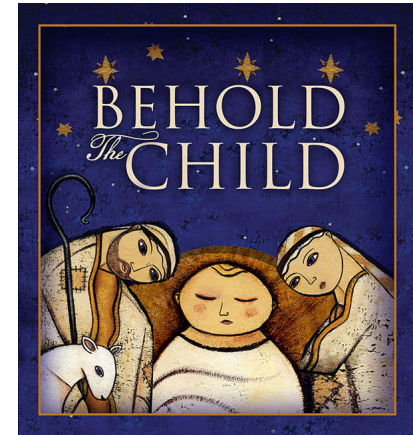
Wednesday of the first week in Advent will greet us with the first stanza, in which the angel of the Lord makes known that reconciliation is had because Christ has come “For You and All the World.” The second stanza will serve us on Wednesday of the second week in Advent as we hear that Jesus reconciles us to the Father “To Set You Free from All Your Sorrow.” Then, our ears will be filled with the promise that we are reconciled to the Father because Christ comes “For You, to Bear Your Flesh in Weakness.” Our joy will find its climax at the Nativity of Our Lord, when we hear the fourth stanza’s message that Jesus’ birth is the Lord’s visitation of “All the World with His Free Grace Supplying.”

Behind it all is the Word of God that the Spirit might quicken in us faith to trust these promises.



A lite supper will be offered  
after the mid-week services

## ***Advent 2019***



*Midweek Advent services at 4pm*

### **Behold the Child**

**Midweek of Advent 1    12/4/2019**  
“For You and All the World—Luke 2:8–20”

**Midweek of Advent 2    12/11/2019**  
“To Set You Free from All Your Sorrow—  
Matthew 2:1–12”

**Midweek of Advent 3    12/18/2019**  
“For You, to Bear Your Flesh in  
Weakness—Luke 1:46–55”

*Christmas Eve service at 5pm*

**Christmas Eve    12/24/2019**  
“All the World with His Free Grace  
Supplying—John 1:1–14”