



~The Baptism of Our Lord~

## Adult Bible Class



### HERE I AM! PROPHETS



Date	Prophet	Area(s) of the Bible
January 10	<b>Isaiah:</b> <i>A Holy Call</i>	Isaiah 6, 1 Peter 1
January 17	<b>Elijah:</b> <i>Listening to the Voice</i>	1 Kings 18-19
January 24	<b>Jeremiah:</b> <i>Helpless Man, Hopeful Plan</i>	Jeremiah 29, Romans 8:18-30
January 31	<b>Hosea:</b> <i>Even When it's Tough</i>	Hosea 1, 3, 14
February 7	<b>Amos:</b> <i>Prophet for Everyman</i>	Amos 1
February 14	<b>Micah:</b> <i>Sweet Results</i>	Micah 1, 5, 7

Date	Scripture	Bible Lesson
January 10	Exodus 31:18-32:35	The Idle Idol—The Golden Calf
January 17	Exodus 25:1-19; 40:1-8, 34-38	A Tent for God—God with His People
January 24	Numbers 13:1-2, 25-14:24	The Fall-Short Report—The Twelve Spies
January 31	Joshua 2	The Unlikely Ally—Rahab Believes

**Upcoming  
Sunday School  
Lessons for  
Toddlin' through  
High School  
THEME:  
"God Leads  
His Nation"**



## BASICS OF THE FAITH

Saturday & Sunday  
January 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup>  
12:30pm to 4:30pm

**Basics of the Faith class is a two part class that will be coming again at the end of January. It is an excellent way to get a basic understanding of scripture or simply a refresher. It is open to any age who want to for their own personal growth. Sign up sheet is located on the Welcome Counter or you can call Lorrie at the Church Office..**

## Prayer of the Church/The Baptism of Our Lord/10 January 2021

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Heavenly Father, You have revealed Your Son to us in the wondrous Epiphany in the Jordan. So also You have revealed Your name and blessing to us in Holy Baptism, declaring us Your beloved heirs. Grant that we may daily die to sin and rise to newness of life, living with joy as Your baptized children.

The Lord answers, calls to us, and we respond:

**Here I am**

Heavenly Father, preserve Your Holy Church here and scattered throughout the world. Give steadfast faith to all Christians by the preaching of Your Word and through the Holy Sacraments, and send laborers into Your harvest. Strengthen us to bear one another's burdens and to show mercy toward those outside of the Church.

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Heavenly Father, preserve the family, especially all Christian homes. Turn husband and wife toward one another in love, equip fathers and mothers for their holy duty as teachers of the faith, and preserve all children in the saving faith and certain promises of their Baptism unto life everlasting.

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Heavenly Father, preserve our nation, its leaders and those who serve for the good of our people and for their protection. With the political unrest in Washington, D.C., calm hearts and steady hands, open ears to listen, and tame the tongue which can be so cruel. Grant peace in our time, O Lord, for You alone fight for us.

The Lord answers, calls to us, and we respond:

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Heavenly Father, give comfort and relief to those who are sick, depressed, tired, confused or in any need. [We especially pray for **Dorothy Blume** (Carol Schuldt's sister), **Charles Calef**, **David Caplin** (Lillian Moyer's son-in-law), **Jody Cole** (Charles Calef's friend), **Emee Elkeurti**, **Aubrey Galindo** (friend of Schrader's), **Gabe Hundley** (grandson of Karen Abernathy), **Dora Jacobson** (granddaughter of George and Carol Schuldt), **David Jones** (Lonne Loney's uncle), **Creedon Miller** (Duane and Flo Miller's son), **Barb Nace** (Doris Siemer's niece), **Artis Ogilvie** (Tom Ogilvie's mother), **Ron Rafferty**, **Nora Sellers** (Great niece of Kevin & Laurel Sellers), **Rozie Siems** (Daughter of Mary Siems), **Shirley Stutzman**, **Karen Warner**, **Mark Wilson**, and **Pastor Zimmermann**]

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**Here I am**

[*silent prayer*]

Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

## BIRTHDAYS

Sun. 1/10	Tiffany Arthur, Samantha Davis, Roxanne Kasal
Mon. 1/11	Bill Eckhardt Jr., Ryson Stuart, Lynne Thomas, Rob West
Tues. 1/12	Cole Jackson
Wed. 1/13	Esmeralda Davis, Molly Krogh, Jill Nemitz, Ryan Young
Thurs. 1/14	David Davis Jr., Ryan Freeman, Claire Hartwig, Makayla Reese, Joseph Robinson, Richard Sexton, Doris Siemer
Fri. 1/15	Carter Borntreger, Adelaide Philippi
Sat. 1/16	Raymond Boyum, Jim Mickelson, Ursula Tegatz

## STEWARDSHIP January 2/3

TIME	TREASURES		
Equipping Disciples Video 12/29	106	Contributions	\$17,161.15
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 1/2	45	A Little Farther	\$4,275.00
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 1/3	90+129+27=246	Monthly needs for budget	\$64,902.00
Total Saturday/Sunday Worship	291	New Years Eve-In Person/Live Stream	133

## This Week at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, January 10-17

<u>Sunday, 1/10</u>		<i>Wednesday continued</i>	
Worship-In Person/Live Stream	8:00am	Midweek	6:45pm
Sunday School-In Person	9:20am	Adult Midweek	7:00pm
Adult Bible Class-In Person/ZOOM	9:20am		
Worship-In Person/Live Stream	10:30am	<u>Thursday, 1/14</u>	
Un-Deck the Halls	12:00pm	Comfort Tiers	9:00am
		Board of Directors	7:00pm
<u>Monday, 1/11</u>			
Staff Meeting	1:00pm	<u>Friday, 1/15</u>	
Sunlight AA Group	6:00pm		
Outreach Committee Meeting	6:30pm	<u>Saturday, 1/16</u>	
		Worship-In Person/Live Stream	5:30pm
<u>Tuesday, 1/12</u>			
Women's Beth Moore Bible Study	9:30am	<u>Sunday, 1/17</u>	
SM-Small Group/Marcia	6:30pm	Worship-In Person/Live Stream	8:00am
		Sunday School-In Person	9:20am
<u>Wednesday, 1/13</u>		Adult Bible Class-In Person/ZOOM	9:20am
TOPS	8:00am	Worship-In Person/Live Stream	10:30am
Properties Committee Meeting	5:45pm	<i>Thank you for worshipping with us!</i>	



## MISSION GUILD LWML NEWS

Our Mission Guild takes the month of January off and there is no meeting scheduled because of the usual challenges of winter in Iowa. We did, however, enjoy the Christmas meeting held in December, where we had the joy of giving out the profits from the virtual Cookie Walk. We were so blessed to receive over \$3000.00 in donations and we thank all of Our Redeemer's members and friends for their generosity! The list of ministries receiving donations was published in the last Beacon.

Our February meeting was originally planned as Bunco Night, but we decided to change it to a Bingo night as that can more easily fit Covid-19 restrictions. It will also be a night to make special LWML Mites offerings. Watch Reflections for more specifics on this fun-filled event. In the meantime, Serve the Lord with Gladness!



It is time to “Undeck the Halls” and Julie Nieland needs volunteers to take down decorations and put them away. The “undecking” will take place following late Sunday Service on January 10. Pizza will be provided to those who come help. Sign-up link is in your Monday email that also contains worship links or you can call Lorrie at the Church Office. Come and help out and enjoy company. Many hands make light work.



Thank you for all the cards and well wishes we received for our 45<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. It made even a COVID celebration very special!

*Laurel & Kevin Sellers*

“Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened.” (Matthew 7:7-8).

This is the way Jesus called his disciples and involved people in kingdom ministry.

Has Jesus knocked on your heart’s door? We are inviting you to think about your spiritual gifts and how you can use those gifts to bless others through Stephen Ministry.

We are recruiting for our 2021 training which starts in mid February. Applications are available on the Welcome Center Counter in the narthex.

If you have questions about Stephen Ministry, either plan to attend an informational session on **Monday, January 18, at 7:00pm** in Room 208/210 or for more information about Stephen Ministry, please speak with one of our Stephen Leaders.



**STEPHEN  
MINISTERS  
CARE**

**STEPHEN LEADERS**

Rev. Brent Hartwig	338-5626
Bill Benson	517-881-9848
Marica Hulse	351-7059
Kathy Schweer	466-3084
Kevin Sellers	631-8924



**January 28/6:00pm**  
**Fellowship Hall**  
**Rated PG**

**Please sign up.**  
**Popcorn is provided.**



Lunch Bunch will be meeting on January 20 in the Fellowship Hall. Bible Class is at 11:00am followed by lunch at 12:00pm. Be sure to bring your sack lunch with you. We look forward to seeing you there.



**Building Healthy Families:**

What is the strongest muscle in the human body in proportion to its size? Surprise! It’s the tongue! As you gather with your family during these long winter days and nights, remember the power of the tongue described in James 3:5, *The tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great things. How great a forest is set ablaze by such a small fire!*; and Proverbs 18:23, *Death and life are in the power of the tongue. Words kill and words give life. They’re either poison or fruit. You choose.*

Lutheran Family Service  
[www.LutheranFamilyService.org](http://www.LutheranFamilyService.org)



# Preschool Newsletter



December 4-8, 2021

Director/Teacher, Kaja Mueller Assistants, Kate Ramsey -M/W/F, Sara Cross T/TH  
Preschool Phone: 319-338-3949 www.ourredeemerpreschoolic.org preschool@ourredeemer.org

*Our Redeemer Preschool where children play, learn, and grow in Jesus!*

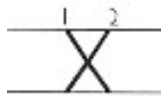
## This Week

### CIRCLE TIME

- Classroom rules
- What is nocturnal?
- Night time conversations
- Night time animals
- Color white
- Letter Xx
- Simeon and Anna meet Jesus
- Counting
- Calendar
- Syllables in your name
- Line Leader story



Big Line  
Big Line



### CRAFTS

- Paint a night sky with a bat.
- Color snowman for bulletin board .
- Color pajamas.
- Paint with the color white.

### READING CENTER

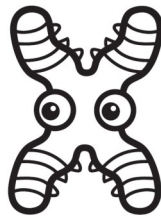
- Night Time
- Sleep books

### NIGHT TIME

- Sorting
- Coloring
- Counting
- Charting
- Animal puzzles

### Future Dates:

Xx



## Snack This Week

We enjoyed apple slices, popcorn, and water this week for snack.

## Question for a Kid?

If you were nocturnal, what would you do at night?



**Happy 5th Birthday, Emily!**



**Happy 4 1/2 Birthday Mila!**

## Xx (To Camptown Races)

Xavier was an alien, extraterrestrial. He was born on Planet X, extremely far from Earth. He had two pointy heads; his vision was x-ray. He saw exactly everything in an alien way.



**Nocturnal** animals are awake and active at **night** and then sleep during the day. Some **nocturnal** animals can be seen during the day, but most of them spend their whole day resting. Examples of **nocturnal** animals include bats, skunks, aardvarks, and owls. Animals that are active during the day are called **diurnal**. They hunt or feed during the day and sleep during the night.

### nocturnal animals



The Earth orbits around sun to make daytime and night time!





# Children's Ministry

Birth—5<sup>th</sup> Grade

Children's Coordinator Marnie Schrader [mvschrader@icloud.com](mailto:mvschrader@icloud.com) (319) 530-1563

*Welcome back to  
Sunday School!*



**Sunday School  
9:20am to 10:05am**



**Come in and share  
in the learning of  
God's Word!**



Masks/face coverings are required for participation in all Children's Ministry activities at this time.

**Kid's Club  
6:45pm to 8:00pm**

**We will continue  
learning about the  
women of the Bible!**

**Contact Marnie Schrader to sign up!**



# Youth Ministry

6<sup>th</sup> — 12<sup>th</sup> Grade

Youth Coordinator Kara Hartwig [youthcoordinator@ourredeemer.org](mailto:youthcoordinator@ourredeemer.org) (319) 855-2728

## Confirmation (6<sup>th</sup>—8<sup>th</sup> Grade)

Wednesday, January 13<sup>th</sup>

### 6<sup>th</sup> Grade—Small Group

#### Old Testament: *Homecoming*

The LORD moved Cyrus (king of Persia) to build Him a house at Jerusalem and send God's people back to Jerusalem.



**EXAM:** Weds, January 27<sup>th</sup>

### 7<sup>th</sup> Grade—Small Group

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER



**The Introduction:** *Our Father who art in heaven.*

**1<sup>st</sup> Petition:** *Hallowed be Thy name.*

**2<sup>nd</sup> Petition:** *Thy kingdom come.*

### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade—Lecture

#### The Apostle's Creed—3<sup>rd</sup> Article

*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.*



#### MEASUREMENTS FOR CONFIRMATION ROBES:

Weds, January 13<sup>th</sup> during class

## High School

### High School Midweek Schedule

All high school youth & their friends are welcome

January 13 **Game & Devotion** @ 6:45 pm

January 20 **Game & Devotion** @ 6:45 pm

January 27

**College Care Packages "Packing Night"**  
@ 6:45 pm in the Fellowship Hall



## Youth Sunday School

Sundays @ 9:20 am  
ROOM & ZOOM

**Confirmation**—Room 208

**High School**—Youth Room

Link will be sent via REMIND text.

## Youth Family Ski Day

Monday, January 18<sup>th</sup>

8 am— 6 pm

Open to entire congregation

\$42/person for lift, rental & lesson

If interested, sign up here:

<https://forms.gle/KVbX8BCf6FsjNupt5>



## OUR REDEEMER OFFICE DIRECTORY

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### 2021 Board of Elders

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## DEADLINES

**Reflections** (printed weekly): Information must be submitted (written, typed, emailed or faxed) each Wednesday by 5:00 pm

**Beacon Newsletter & Church Activities Calendar** (printed monthly): Information must be submitted (written, typed, emailed or faxed) by noon on the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month.

## RADIO

**Lutheran Hour Ministries on Radio**—WMT 600 AM Radio on Sunday mornings at 6:30 am, and KXEL 1540 AM Radio on Sunday mornings at 9:30 am. For more information on Lutheran Hour Ministries go to [www.LHM.org](http://www.LHM.org).

## VOLUNTEER BACKGROUND SCREENING

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church has a strong, caring ministry with children and youth. To promote the safest and most secure environment possible all employees and volunteers, both new and existing, undergo a background screening before working with younger members. Performing background checks provides safeguards and peace of mind to our staff, volunteers, parents, youth, and children.