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# Reflections



Weekly Newsletter - February 20/21, 2021

~First Sunday in Lent~



HERE I AM!  
**DISCIPLES**

## Adult Bible Class



Date	Event	Area(s) of the Bible
February 21	<b>Chosen</b>	Matthew 4:18-22, Mark 1:16-20, Luke 5:1-11, John 1:35-51
February 28	<b>Taught</b>	Matthew 13, Luke 9:46-50
March 7	<b>Sent</b>	Luke 9:1-6, 23-27
March 14	<b>Transfigured</b>	Matthew 17
March 21	<b>Served</b>	John 17

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

Date	Scripture	Bible Lesson
February 21	Judges 16:4-31	The Weakened Judge—Samson
February 28	Ruth 1:1-2:13; 4:13-17	The Faith-Full Family—Ruth



**HEAR YE!! HEAR YE!! VOTERS MEETING**  
**FOLLOWING THE LATE SERVICE!!**  
**FEBRUARY 21, TODAY!**

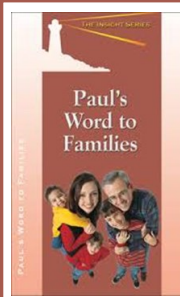


February 25, 6:00pm  
Fellowship Hall  
Rated (R)

**Please sign up or you can call Lorrie at the Church Office 338-5626**  
**Popcorn is provided.**



Rated (R)



New Adult Midweek Class starting February 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. Join us for "Paul's Words for Families" as we explore Paul's words of encouragement and instruction for families. Through this study you will gain insight into what it means to be a child of God in the context of family.

## Prayer of the Church/First Sunday in Lent/21 February 2021

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

Lord God, as we enter this Lenten season of repentance and renewed devotion, we pray that You would remember us according to Your steadfast love and goodness in Christ and instruct and lead us by Your Spirit in Your ways so that we may repent and believe the Gospel.

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

**Here I am**

Lord God, preserve all catechumens and their teachers, all children and their parents, and every Christian home from the assaults of the evil one. As Your Son overcame Satan in the desert by the Word of God, so also give us the victory through Christ and His Word.

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

**Here I am**

Lord God, from whom every good and perfect gift comes down to us from above, keep us from being enticed by our own desires to misuse Your gifts in sin, and help us to use them rightly in service to You and our neighbor.

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

**Here I am**

Lord God, You are our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. Be with those in Texas who are suffering with snow and ice, with lack of water and electricity. Warm those who are cold. Comfort those who are scared, and give your grace, mercy and peace.

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

**Here I am**

Lord God, we pray for the family and friends of **Helen Hartin** (Rita Knock's mother) as they mourn her death. Help us, we pray, in the midst of things we cannot understand, to believe and find comfort in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

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

**Here I am**

Lord God, our refuge in every trouble, You have promised to hear when we call to You. We pray that You would command Your angels to guard our brothers and sisters. [*We especially pray for **Dorothy Blume** (Carol Schuldt's sister), **Charles Calef**, **Bill Carney**, **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), **Lee Meraz**, **Creedon Miller** (Duane and Flo Miller's son), **Barb Nace** (Doris Siemer's niece), **Ron Rafferty**, **Nora Sellers** (Great niece of Kevin & Laurel Sellers), **Rozie Siems** (Daughter of Mary Siems), **Karen Warner**, **Rhonda Waters**, **Mark Wilson**, and **Pastor Zimmermann**].*

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

**Here I am**

Lord God, the time is fulfilled and Your kingdom is at hand as Your beloved Son comes to us here at the altar. By Your Spirit, grant that we may receive Him in repentance and believe the Gospel proclaimed to us in His body given and His blood shed.

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

**Here I am**

Gracious Father, we silently bring before you our prayers:

[*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. 2/21	Lori Aisenbrey, Gary Sheets
Mon. 2/22	Jeff Ealy, Andrew Lake, Lindsey Lyrenmann, Jerry Wilske
Tues. 2/23	Sheila Alt, Amanda Hoffman, Cameron Koch, Aubry Lyon, Giovanni Servantez
Wed. 2/24	Mitchell Holman, David Jarvis, Shane Rosenberg, Mark Vinsand
Thurs. 2/25	Abby Borg, Carol Holman, Scott Klett
Fri. 2/26	Dawn Ealy, Brian Holman, Reese Lane, Wesley McDowell, Ryan West
Sat. 2/27	Zach Aisenbrey, Ian Gates, Rita Knock

## STEWARDSHIP February 13/14

TIME	TREASURES		
Equipping Disciples Video 2/9	106	Contributions	\$9,696.98
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 2/13	50	A Little Farther	\$1,888.33
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 2/14	100+118+39=257	Monthly needs for budget	\$64,902.00
Total Saturday/Sunday Worship	307	Sunday School/Adult Bible Class	39/83

## This Week at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, February 21-28

<u>Sunday, 2/21</u>		<u>Wednesday continued</u>	
Worship-In Person/Live Stream	8:00am	Lent Meal	5:10pm
Sunday School-In Person	9:20am	Lent Service	6:10pm
Adult Bible Class-In Person/ZOOM	9:20am	Midweek/Adult Midweek	7:00pm
Worship-In Person/Live Stream	10:30am		
Voter's Meeting	12:00pm	<u>Thursday, 2/25</u>	
Small Group Bible w/ Marlene	5:30pm	Comfort Tiers	9:00am
		Christ in Film-The Green Mile (R)	6:00pm
<u>Monday, 2/22</u>			
Staff Meeting	1:00pm	<u>Friday, 2/26</u>	
Sunlight AA Group	6:00pm	P.A.L.S. Group	10:00am
<u>Tuesday, 2/23</u>		<u>Saturday, 2/27-NOISY OFFERING</u>	
Women's Beth Moore-ZOOM	9:30am	Worship-In Person/Live Stream	5:30pm
SM-Small Group/Marlene	6:30pm		
Stephen Ministry Training	6:45pm	<u>Sunday, 2/28-KIDS CLUB SUNDAY/NOISY OFFERING</u>	
		Worship-In Person/Live Stream	8:00am
<u>Wednesday, 2/24</u>		Sunday School-In Person	9:20am
TOPS	8:00am	Adult Bible Class-In Person/ZOOM	9:20am
Lent Service	1:00m	Worship-In Person/Live Stream	10:30am

**Building Healthy Families:** *How was your day?* After arriving home from work or school, we may ask – or hear – that all too familiar question. There's nothing wrong with the question, but could you dig a little deeper and connect more with your spouse, children, grandchildren, neighbor, or friend? Try one of these: *How did you see God at work today?* or *What's something on your mind that I can pray about today?* Then see where God takes that conversation!

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



# Thank You!

Skip and Marilyn Kempnich, and their family, would like to express their sincere thanks to the Our Redeemer community for the cards and messages sent to us regarding the passing of Jean Criswell. It is comforting to know that even in this time of physical separation this community of believers walks with us through this journey.

**March 7, 2021**  
**Following Late Service**



**Trivia Challenge takes on a COVID look!**

Each table will provide their own snacks. A limited number of individually prepackaged snacks and bottled water will be provided by a Thrivent Action Team. There will be no child care provided. Masks should be in place except when eating.

**What is the Trivia Challenge?**

Trivia Challenges are informal, fun competitions where teams battle to see who has the greatest knowledge of trivia. General knowledge and trivial interest questions are asked by a trivia host and the winner is the team which, at the end of the event, has correctly answered the most number of questions.

**How does the Trivia Challenge work?**

The events themselves are quite simple. You gather a group of eight participants to form a team. The Challenge is run in rounds. During each round the host asks a series of ten questions. The teams discuss the answers at their table and record their answers on their score sheet.

At the conclusion of each round, the sheets are collected and checked for accuracy. Meanwhile, the answers are revealed to the participants.

At the conclusion of the seven rounds, total scores are added up and a traveling trophy is awarded to the winning team.

**How can I sign up?**

Either call the Church Office or fill out this online form: <https://forms.gle/YChVrcdi3MhEEYau7>

**2021 PANCAKE DAY IS GOING VIRTUAL**  
**Even Though We Will Not Be Meeting In Person**  
**Our Support Is Still Needed For**



**ORLC's Pancake Day is an important**  
**fundraising event for CommUnity**

**PLEASE MAKE A DONATION ON OR BEFORE MARCH 6<sup>th</sup>.**

Cash / Check / On-Line

Make checks payable to ORLC. Memo line = Pancake Day.

This will ensure that the funds collected will support **CommUnity**.

On-Line donations can be made through the **CommUnity** website.

<https://builtbycommunity.org/pancake-day/>



**DONATE HERE!**

**Human Care  
Committee  
will be collecting  
peanut butter  
& jelly  
February 1  
to February 28**

**THANK YOU  
FOR  
CONTRIBUTING!**



# Preschool Newsletter



February 8-12, 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 Je-*

## This Week

### CIRCLE TIME

How we show and receive love.  
Bible: Jesus feeds the five thousand  
Graph—favorite color, number of people  
in family, favorite ice cream flavor  
Line leader color song  
Number 5  
Tally counting  
Tens frame counting  
Number dice  
Sight words  
Alphabet song  
Line leader book

### CRAFTS

Marble painting  
My five senses  
Free style

### TEACHER TIME WITH MRS. KAJA

Number 5 poster  
Math assessments  
Monthly worksheet

### VALENTINES PARTY

We Love song  
Valentines story  
Decorate valentines cookies  
I Have A Little Heart song  
Love Come Down song  
Give a valentine game—T  
Hugs and kisses with arms game—T  
Skidamarink A-Dink A-Dink  
Tick-Tac-Toe with beanbags—W  
Guitar-stop and go, fast and slow

## Question for a Kid?

How do you share that you love someone everyday?

## Snack This Week

We enjoyed honey toasted oat cereal, raisins, and water this week. We had chocolate milk on Monday and Tuesday because of Valentines Day.



Happy 5 1/2 Birthday Wyatt!

## Number Poster

Number	Number Word	Tally
5	five	
Tens Frame		Picture

## Future Dates

March 10—No School  
March 16-19—No School Spring Break  
April 16—No School - Parent/Teacher Conferences

Thank you for the great Valentines and fun party!







# Children's Ministry

Birth—5<sup>th</sup> Grade

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



## Kid's Club

**6:45pm to 8:00pm**

**Contact**  
**Marnie Schrader**  
**to sign up!**

## Children's Bell Choir

The Sunday School children will be sharing their bell choir songs on February 28 and April 25 during services. They are rehearsing between early service and Sunday School with Tiffany Roiseland. Come and join us!



## Sunday School

**Meet in your classrooms from 9:20am to 10:05am to learn more about God's word and how much Jesus loves your friends!**



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

# 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

## Wednesdays in Lent: Wednesday, February 24<sup>th</sup>

- 5:10 pm** Lenten Meal: *Chicken noodle soup, Caesar salad, dinner rolls & dessert*
- 6:10 pm** Lenten Worship Service
- 7:00 pm** Confirmation & Midweek Classes

## Confirmation Classes

Wednesday, February 24<sup>th</sup>

### 6<sup>th</sup> Grade—Lecture

**UNIT 3: God's Grace through Jesus**  
*Passion Week*



### MEMORY WORK:

"For the Son of Man came to seek and to save what was lost." Luke 19:10

### 7<sup>th</sup> Grade—Lecture

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**  
Review Day  
EXAM: March 3



### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade—Small Group

**The Lord's Supper—Benefits of Communion**  
*These words, "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins," show us that in the Sacrament forgiveness of sins, life, and*



*salvation are given us through these words. For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation.*

**ROUGH DRAFT OF CONFIRMATION PAPER**  
DUE: February 24<sup>th</sup>

## High School Midweek during Lent



*Christians have the best news in the world to share!*  
*During this season of Lent, come and hear about this Good News.*

February 24 **Preparing to Confess**

March 3 **"Captivity and Freedom"**

March 10 **"Death and Life"**

March 17 **"Isolation and Community"**  
*(meal & worship only)*

March 24 **The Gospel in Your Words**

Join us for a group game, craft or activity related to the theme for the week.

*Bring a friend!*

## Youth Trivia Challenge Teams



Join us on Sunday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, we have 2 designated Youth teams.

- High School Youth
- Confirmation Youth

*Sign up with Kara by text, email or in-person.*



## Youth Sunday School

Sundays @ 9:20 am  
ROOM & ZOOM

*(Link sent via REMIND text)*

Confirmation—Room 208  
High School—Youth Room



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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.