



~Fourth Sunday in Lent~



HERE I AM!
DISCIPLES



Adult Bible Class

Date	Event	Area(s) of the Bible
March 14	Transfigured	Matthew 17
March 21	Served	John 17
March 28	<i>Palm Sunday</i>	
April 4	<i>Easter</i>	

Date	Scripture	Bible Lesson
March 14	1 Samuel 17:2-11, 33-51	The Fearless Shepherd-David and Goliath
March 21	1 Samuel 18:1-9; 20:18-42	The Faith-Full Friends-David and Jonathan
March 28	<i>Palm Sunday</i>	
April 4	<i>EASTER</i>	

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



**LENTEN
SCHEDULE**

2021

Until March 24

Services 1:00 & 6:10 pm
Midweek Meal 5:10 pm
Midweek Class 7:00 pm (*No Class March 17*)
Spiritual Growth Event 7:00 pm (*March 24*)

HOLY WEEK

March 31 SILENT WEDNESDAY
Prayer Walk 11:00 am—7:00 pm

April 1 MAUNDY THURSDAY
Services
1:00 pm, 5:30 pm & 7:00 pm

April 2 GOOD FRIDAY
Services
1:00 pm, 5:30 pm & 7:00 pm

April 3
Easter Worship
5:30 pm

April 4 EASTER
Easter Worship
6:30 am, 8:00 am, 9:30 am & 11:00 am

Prayer of the Church/Fourth Sunday in Lent/14 March 2021

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

O Lord God, in these Lenten days we pray that You would draw us into Your light. Expose where we, like Your people of old, have thought, spoken and acted against You, that in repentance we might look to Your Son lifted up on the cross for our salvation and be saved from Your righteous wrath.

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

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O Lord God, You led the saints by the straight way of faith in Your Son until they reached Your heavenly city. As we join in their eternal thanksgiving for Your steadfast love and wondrous works to the children of men, we pray that You would faithfully lead us to our heavenly home.

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O Lord God, You have made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our trespasses and sins. We pray that Your Spirit would be at work within us, that we may not carry out the sinful desires of our bodies and minds but be Your workmanship in Christ Jesus, walking in the good works You have prepared for us to do in Him.

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

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O Lord God, You are our light and our salvation. Hide in Your shelter [**Dorothy Blume** (Carol Schuldt's sister), **Charles Calef**, **David Caplin** (Lillian Moyer's son-in-law), **Jody Cole** (Charles Calef's friend), **Emee Elkeurti**, **Gabe Hundley** (grandson of Karen Abernathy), **Dora Jacobson** (granddaughter of George and Carol Schuldt), **David Jones** (Lonne Loney's uncle), **Ann Klopp** (mother of Louise Klopp), **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**, **Mark Wilson**, and **Pastor Zimmermann**] and all who suffer in body, mind or soul. Keep them in their day of trouble from falling into faithless fear, and uphold them with Your peace in Christ.

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

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O Lord God, through the life, death and resurrection of Your Son, You have delivered our souls from death, our eyes from tears and our feet from stumbling. Comfort all who mourn with this truth, that they may not grieve as others do who have no such hope.

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O Lord, 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. 3/14	LaVaughn Mullet, Zander Ohlmann, Ed Pederson, Tiffany Roiseland
Mon. 3/15	Ashley Cooney, Philip Rocca III, Paula Streeper
Tues. 3/16	Kennedy Chapman, Connor Cross, Robert Siems
Wed. 3/17	Raegan Pence
Thurs. 3/18	***
Fri. 3/19	Liam Hosier, Andrew Long, Zachary McComas, Willa Ohlmann, Jeanie Thurston
Sat. 3/20	Mary Benson, Janet Hein, David Segar, Rodney Wittich Jr.

STEWARDSHIP March 6/7

TIME	TREASURES		
Equipping Disciples Video 3/2	93	Contributions	\$15,745.85
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 3/6	54	A Little Farther	\$1,005.00
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 3/7	95+116=211	Monthly needs for budget	\$64,902.00
Recorded Service 3/28	30	Sunday School/Adult Bible Class	37/46
Total Saturday/Sunday Worship	295	Lenten Services 3/3	190

This Week at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, March 14-21

<u>Sunday, 3/14-Daylight Saving Time Begins</u>		<i>Wednesday continued</i>	
Worship-In Person/Live Stream	8:00am	Lenten Service	1:00pm
Sunday School-In Person	9:20am	Lenten Meal	5:10pm
Adult Bible Class-In Person/ZOOM	9:20am	Lenten Service	6:10pm
Worship-In Person/Live Stream	10:30am		
		<u>Thursday, 3/18</u>	
<u>Monday, 3/15</u>		Comfort Tiers	9:00am
Staff Meeting	1:00pm	SM-Large Group/Marcia	6:45pm
Sunlight AA Group	6:00pm		
LWML	7:00pm	<u>Friday, 3/19</u>	
<u>Tuesday, 3/16</u>		<u>Saturday, 3/20-First Day of Spring</u>	
Bell Choir	6:00pm	Worship-In Person/Live Stream	5:30pm
SM-Small Group/Marlene	6:30pm		
Stephen Ministry Training	6:45pm	<u>Sunday, 3/21</u>	
Assimilation	7:00pm	Worship-In Person/Live Stream	8:00am
		Sunday School-In Person	9:20am
		Adult Bible Class-In Person/ZOOM	9:20am
<u>Wednesday, 3/17</u>		Worship-In Person/Live Stream	10:30am
TOPS	8:00am		
Bible Study	11:00am	<i>Thank you for worshipping with us!!</i>	
Lunch Bunch	12:00pm	<i>Please join us for worship again!!</i>	



We are asking everyone to keep an eye out for some beautiful, open, potted Easter plants (Easter Lilies, Asters, Mums, Aztec Lilies, Daffodils, Tulips, Begonia, etc.) and purchase them. Drop them off at church in the Board Room during Holy Week. We will need them at church by the end of Good Friday services (Friday, April 2). Please mark your name on the bottom of the potted plant so you can take them back home after late service on Easter Sunday. The more plants, the more beauty. Thanks in advance for helping us out again this year.



Prayer Walk returns! The Fellowship Hall is transformed into a serene and prayerful setting with several areas designed to guide your prayers and meditations. Spend as much or as little time as you choose at one or any number of the settings between 11:00 am and 7:00 pm on Wednesday, March 31.

PLAN TO ATTEND!



Lunch Bunch meets the first and third Wednesday of each month. Lunch Bunch will be meeting again on March 17 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.



March 25, 6:00pm
Fellowship Hall

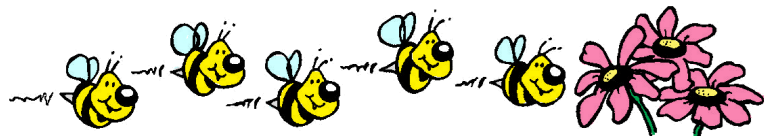
Please sign up
or you can call
Lorrie at the
Church Office
338-5626

Popcorn is
provided.

Rated (PG-13)



Building Healthy Families: Wives, want to have a closer relationship with your husband, even during times of conflict? Check your tone, your attitude, and your words. Research supports what Scripture has already told us: During an argument, 83% of husbands feel disrespected. *“Each one of you also must love his wife as he loves himself, and the wife must respect her husband.” (Ephesians 5:33)* Respect your husband always, even when you’re not happy with him. It’s not just a good idea, it’s a clear directive from the creator of marriage Himself. And it works! **Lutheran Family Service - www.LutheranFamilyService.org**



Tasting Bee Announcement

Due to the continued social distancing and COVID safety recommendations, we will not be having the LWML Tasting Bee in person this year. As this LWML event is our second largest fundraiser, we are hoping that the congregation will still support this fundraiser. This year we are asking that you consider how much money you would have spent for ingredients and preparation of the recipes and donate that amount. Tickets would have cost \$10 and we are asking that you consider donating an amount equal to the number of tickets that you would have purchased. We are going to prepare a cookbook this year with favorite recipes from past cookbooks as well new recipes. We are looking for 50 recipes to be submitted for the cookbook. For every donation of at least \$10, you will receive one of the cookbooks. There will be an electronic sign up for those wishing to submit a recipe and that will come out soon. If you have any questions, feel free to contact one of the Tasting Bee chairs: Sandy Wagner at packratsandy@yahoo.com, Donna Saehler at saehler.donna@iowacityschools.org.



LUTHERAN WITNESS subscriptions will need to be in by April 15.

If you wish to continue your subscription or add a new one, stop by the office to check or add your address and drop off a check in the amount of \$15.96 made out to Our Redeemer Lutheran Church and in the memo line please put Lutheran Witness Subscription.



Preschool Newsletter



March 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 Jesus!

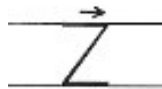
This Week

CIRCLE TIME

- Weather week
- Weather vocabulary
- Clouds
- Jesus visits Zacchaeus
- Letter Zz
- Number 7 seven
- Rhyming words
- Number and Action dice
- Line leader book
- Weather book



Little Line
Big Line
Little Line

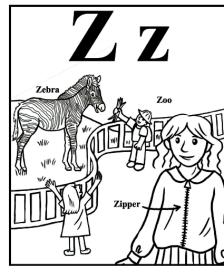


CRAFTS

- Weather wheel
- Zacchaeus

TEACHER TIME

- Letter Z worksheet
- Number 7 seven chart
- Assessments—Language and Literacy



Question for a Kid?

In what kind of weather do you need to wear a jacket?

Snack This Week

We enjoyed whole wheat goldfish, 100% applesauce and water throughout this week. We did have special treats for birthdays. See Snack calendar outside classroom for details.



Happy 5th Birthday Nathan!



Happy 5th Birthday Blythe!

Zz (To On Top of Old Smokey)

Z is for Zelda, who zoomed off to Mars. She zipped and she zagged past a zillion bright stars. She zipped to the left and she zapped to the right. Then Zelda zoomed home by the moon's golden light.



The weather is turning warmer so make sure your child has good running shoes on. If it rains, rubber boots for the playground.

Future Dates

- March 16-19—No School—Spring Break
- March 27—Preschool Family Trivia Kahoot Night
- April 5/6—Scholastic online book orders due.
Class code: **MQWNQ**
- April 14/15—Spring Program—will be posted on ClassDojo.
- April 16—No School - Parent/Teacher Conferences on Zoom.
- May 27/28—Graduation Program in church sanctuary (mask requirement, assigned seating)



Preschool Family Trivia Kahoot Night!

Join all the preschool families online for **Preschool Family Trivia Kahoot Night on Saturday, March 27, 2021 at 6:30 PM** via Zoom and Kahoot. Information will be sent through email and on ClassDojo the day before the event. We hope your whole family will join in on the fun! Click on the Zoom link that will be emailed to you and we can walk through it all together. You will need 2 devices: a device to submit answers and one to watch zoom on.



Children's Ministry

Birth—5th Grade

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

Children's Bell Choir

The Sunday School children will continue to rehearse with the bells so they can play for April 25th services.

They will be rehearsing between services periodically.
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.

Kids Club

Wednesdays 6:45-8:00

We will not be having Kids Club Parent Night this year. Instead Paula and Marnie will be walking the kids through a mini prayer walk in which they will make a set of resurrection eggs to bring home.
Contact Marnie Schrader for more info!



Youth Ministry

6th —12th Grade

Youth Coordinator Kara Hartwig youthcoordinator@ourredeemer.org (319) 855-2728

Wednesdays in Lent: Wednesday, March 17th

- 5:10 pm** Lenten Meal: *scalloped potatoes w/ham, cottage cheese, applesauce and dessert (hosted by LWML)*
- 6:10 pm** Lenten Worship Service
- 7:00 pm** No Classes (*ICCS D Spring Break*)

Confirmation (6th—8th Grades)

Wednesday, March 17th
6th, 7th and 8th Grades

Join us during Spring Break for:

- 5:10 pm **Lenten Meal**
and
6:10 pm **Lenten Worship**

NO Classes on March 17th

CLASSES RESUME ON
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24TH

High School

Save these dates...

Spiritual Growth Event

Wednesday, March 24th

7:00—9:00 pm

High School Youth will attend the Spiritual Growth Event and host a presentation of gifts during the Reception afterwards.



Prayer Walk*

Wednesday, March 31st

6:45—9:00 pm

High School Youth will participate in the Prayer Walk and help take down the centers afterwards.



**Earn Silver Cord hours*

Spiritual Growth Event

Wednesday, March 24th

7:00 pm in the Sanctuary



The service includes “questioning” the 8th graders about the Christian faith as they personally confess the truths they have learned during Confirmation class. The 8th grade Confirmands will also present their papers about their Confirmation Verse and their banners.

All 6th and 7th Grade Confirmation students will attend during class with their Small Group leaders.

Following the event, there will be a reception in the Fellowship Hall hosted by the High School youth.

It's Spring Break and we're still having Youth Sunday School!



Join us on Sunday, March 14th and Sunday, March 21st at 9:20 am.

ROOM & ZOOM (*Link sent via REMIND text*)

Confirmation—Room 208

High School—Youth Room

Equipping disciples through hearing God's Word in Sunday School.



OUR REDEEMER OFFICE DIRECTORY

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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 20th 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.

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.