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Reflections



Weekly Newsletter - May 22/23, 2021

~The Day of Pentecost~

COMING UP IN SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASS

Date	Class	Additional Information
May 23	Sunday School Sunday	<i>All Ages (Children, Youth & Adults)</i>
May 30	No Adult Bible Class	<i>Memorial Day Weekend</i>



Adults and all children are invited to the Fellowship Hall for doughnuts, coffee, and juice in celebration of Sunday School Sunday. We hope that everyone will join us

Upcoming Sunday School Lessons for Kids

THEME: "God Restores His People"

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Did You Know: *The average teen spends about nine hours a day online.* That's not okay. Setting limits, being familiar with apps, and maintaining open communication are essential when raising teens. Participation in summer activities such as sports are great alternatives to screen time. Learn more through blog posts from our counselors on LFS' web site.
Lutheran Family Service - www.LutheranFamilyService.org



Lunch Bunch meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays

of each month. Lunch Bunch will be meeting again on June 2 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.

Prayer of the Church/The Day of Pentecost/23 May 2021

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

God of comfort, Your Spirit fills the world and gladdens Your Church with the remembrance of all Christ Jesus has spoken. Glorify His name among us in every word and deed.

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

Here I am

God of comfort, by Your Spirit You have established Your Holy Church on the proclamation of Christ, our Savior. Sustain the apostolic preaching to the ends of the earth, that in every tongue the mighty works of God in Christ may be heard.

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

Here I am

God of comfort, give hope to Your people in the midst of this world of death and despair. Put Your Spirit within us to believe, to live and to serve according to Your promises and commands. Lead our homes to confess our confidence in Your power to raise the dead — now and at the Last Day.

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

Here I am

God of comfort, Your Son acknowledged Satan as ruler of this world and its ways, yet one whose reign is judged and whose time is short. Beat back his lies and deadly work, that the order of Your creation may be seen. Give us good government and leaders who are both honest and faithful. Even so, let us look eagerly for Your Son's return, and let that be quickly.

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

Here I am

God of comfort, we call on Your name, praying in Your Spirit to help and save all [*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), Chad Dyson, Emeel Elkeurti, Kara Hartwig, 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), Norma Miller (Twyla Freeman's aunt), Barb Nace (Doris Siemer's niece), Faith Pederson, Ron Rafferty, Judy Schweer (Kathy Schweer's daughter-in-law), Bob Siemer, Deloris Siemer, Rozie Siems (Daughter of Mary Siems), Karen Warner, Mark Wilson, and Pastor Zimmermann.*]

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

Here I am

God of comfort, send Your Holy Spirit upon Your faithful people, that convicted of their sin they may also be convinced that the righteousness of Christ is theirs, and in such repentance and faith receive the things of Christ declared in this Supper: His holy body and precious blood for the forgiveness of sins. Unite us by Your Spirit of truth in faith and confession, and comfort us with the knowledge that this world's prince is judged.

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

Here I am

God of comfort, listen to our silent prayers.

[we pause for a moment for 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.



“In His Hands”

**Even there your hand will guide me,
your right hand will hold me fast.**

Psalm 139:10

LWML Spring Event Publicity

Bethany Lutheran Church (2202 Forest Dr. SE, Cedar Rapids) invites you to the ***LWML Cedar Rapids Zone Spring Event to be held Saturday, June 5th with registration at 8:30 and the program at 9:00.***

Please join us as we learn more about mission work in India from our speaker Sheila Willms. Due to Covid-19, we will not serve food or drink and the Bethany safe practices of social distancing and wearing a mask will be observed.

An Ingathering of hand sanitizer refill jugs, pump hand soap, Clorox disinfecting wipes and Forever Postage Stamp will be collected for His Hands Free Clinic. Looking forward to seeing you.

WEDDING SHOWER

THE CONGREGATION IS INVITED



Who: Grace Hartwig & Ethan Coblenz

What: Wedding Shower

When: Sunday, June 13, 2021
2:00 - 3:00 pm Open House
3:00 pm Games

Where: ORLC Fellowship Hall

***Registered at Amazon, Target,
Bed, Bath and Beyond***

Everyone in the congregation is invited to a shower for Grace Hartwig and Ethan Coblenz sponsored by the LWML. Come for as much time or as little as you like. From 2:00 - 3:00 pm, Grace and Ethan will greet their guests while they mingle and partake of light refreshments. At 3:00 pm, there will be games followed by gift opening.



You're Invited!

**Graduation Party for
Claire Gienapp**

June 12, 2021 1-3 p.m.

Ned Ashton House

820 Park Road, Iowa City, IA

We'd love to share this with all of you!

BIRTHDAYS

Sun. 5/23 Fred Walters
 Mon. 5/24 Marlene Moeller
 Tues. 5/25 Brent Caven, Jace Caven
 Wed. 5/26 Rebecca Cahoon, Patricia Kaefring, Stacey Klett, Jackson Lyon, Riley Reynolds, Darra Stuart, Jamie Young
 Thurs. 5/27 Joshua Josten, Harold Scheer, Scott Stuart
 Fri. 5/28 Heather Bernhard
 Sat. 5/29 Lynn Kubit

STEWARDSHIP MAY 15/16

TIME—HOLY WEEK/EASTER		TREASURES	
Equipping Disciples Video 5/11	77	Contributions	\$8,905.78
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 5/15--5:30pm	59	A Little Farther	\$635.00
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 5/16--8:00am	93	Monthly needs for budget	\$64,902.00
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 5/16—10:30am	96		
Recorded Service 5/15	19		
Total Saturday/Sunday Worship	267	Sunday School/Adult Bible Class	****

This Week at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, May 23-30, 2021

<u>Sunday, 5/23</u>		<u>Thursday, 5/27</u>	
Worship-In Person/Live Stream	8:00am	Comfort Tiers	9:00am
Sunday School Sunday (All Ages)	9:20am	Al-Anon	7:30pm
Worship-In Person/Live Stream	10:30am	Preschool Graduation	
District 13 Meeting	2:30pm		
Noah Hartwig Graduation Reception	3:00pm	<u>Friday, 5/28</u>	
		Preschool Graduation	
<u>Monday, 5/24</u>		<u>Saturday, 5/29</u>	
Staff Meeting	1:00pm	Worship Service	5:30pm
Sunlight AA Group	6:00pm		
SM-Small Group/Marcia	6:30pm		
<u>Tuesday, 5/25</u>		<u>Sunday, 5/30</u>	
		Worship-In Person/Live Stream	8:00am
Stephen Ministry Training	6:45pm	Worship-In Person/Live Stream	10:30am
Al-Anon	7:00pm		
<u>Wednesday, 5/26</u>		Thank you for worshipping with us!!	
TOPS	8:00am		
Emerson Point	2:00pm	Please come back and worship with us again!	



Preschool Newsletter

May 17-21, 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!

End-of-Year Celebration

On the last days of preschool, May 27 & 28, we will have our end-of-year celebration in the church sanctuary at 11:45 am. Mask are required. Look for your assigned pew.



Question for a Kid

If you could build anything, what would it be?

Snack This Week

We enjoyed gluten free pretzels, raisins, and water this week for snack.

This Week

Bible: The Holy Spirit came at Pentecost
Construction Week — vehicles, different building materials, how to build, what can we build, jobs
Twinkle, twinkle little stoplight song
Sign words—up, down, tall, small, off, on, Mom, Dad, stop, slow, go
Boat game—port, starboard, bow, stern
Yellow song
Line leader book
End-of-the-year songs

CRAFTS

Stop light
Pentecost flame
Finger painting

TEACHER TIME

Numbers—
one more, one less
Construction math



YELLOW

(Tune: If Your Happy and You Know It)

Y-E-L-L-O-W spells yellow.
Y-E-L-L-O-W spells yellow.
Like the early morning sun
When the day has just begun.
Y-E-L-L-O-W spells yellow.



Daffodils and baby ducks are yellow.
Lemonade and scrambled eggs are yellow.
I like the smiley face that is yellow,
He is such a happy fellow.
Y-E-L-L-O-W spells yellow.

Thrivent Action Team Free Books

Books at home provide opportunities for parents to bond with the child, help with literacy skills and language development, and promote interest in reading. Thanks to Thrivent Action Team money, a small committee within the church has purchased Christian books for each child free of charge every month. May we all continue to live and thrive during this pandemic. Enjoy reading together as a family!



Consign through the Stuff; this is a fundraiser for our preschool. You can donate items by dropping them off yourselves or placing them in a box outside the preschool. Preschool will receive 50% of the profit from the donated items that are sold at Stuff. All items given to Stuff will be a donation if they cannot sell them.
Iowa City #43522



Children's Ministry

Birth—5th Grade

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

Sunday School Updates

May 23rd– Sunday School Sunday during the Sunday School hour in the Fellowship Hall Multigenerational Bible Class

May 31st– No Sunday School for Memorial Day

June 6th-First Summer Sunday School in the Toddlin' Room

Sunday School Sunday



June 6th

The Apostles

Please call the church office after May 23rd to sign up to teach a lesson and serve the kids of ORLC. Lessons will be provided.

Contact Marnie Schrader for more information

Thank You!

I want to say thank you to Angela Hotz and Ryan Haack for teaching our Sunday School children this year and Paula Caylor for being my partner for Kids Club. I also want to thank the staff, members, and Children's Ministry Committee for supporting, filling in and especially praying for me and our Children's Ministry this year. God has blessed us in a trying time! Marnie



VBS 2021 IS COMIING!

August 1st-5th

4 years old-8th grade

5:00 pm Meal

5:30-5:45 Opening

5:30-8:00 Activities

8:00-8:15 Closing

Look for the sign-up June 1, 2021!

Youth Ministry

6th – 12th Grade

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

UKANDU @HOME 2021

Saturday, June 26, 2021



"One Day Making a Difference"

(based on Psalm 84:10)

Sign up to be a part of UKANDU @HOME 2021 and serve our local community.

Open to the entire congregation.
(Youth who are 7th grade and younger must attend with a parent.)

REGISTRATION OPENED

Monday, May 17th!

For more information, contact Pastor or Kara.

EMPTY PRINTER CARTRIDGES FOR RECYCLING ANNOUNCEMENT

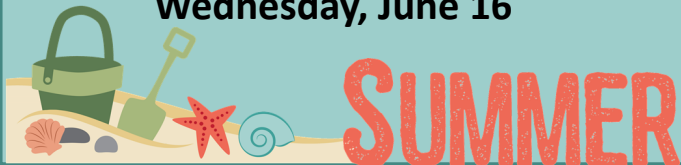


ORLC's Youth would like to take the time to thank those who have donated empty printer cartridges for a recycling project. The youth are no longer participating in that project and are no longer taking donations for it.

JUNE JULY AUGUST

Summer Youth Schedule Coming Soon!

Summer Youth activities begin on
Wednesday, June 16th



Everyone is invited to

Noah Hartwig's

Graduation Open House

Sunday, May 23rd

3:00 pm – 7:00 pm

in the Fellowship Hall



Sunday School Sunday

Sunday, May 23

9:20 am – 10:05 am

Fellowship Hall



At this special event, ALL ages (including adults) will celebrate together:

- what we have learned in Sunday School this past year
- look forward to what's ahead in Sunday School for this summer

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.