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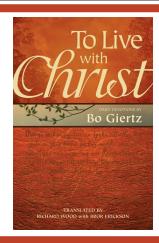


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Weekly Newsletter - February 5/6, 2022

~The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany~



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Upcoming Sunday School Lessons

Date	Scripture	Bible Lesson
February 6	John 2:13-22	A Temple Cleansing—Jesus Clears the Temple
February 13	John 3:1-21	The Born-Again Truth—Jesus Teaches Nicodemus
February 20	John 4:1-42	Living Water—Jesus Teaches the Samaritan Woman
February 27	John 5:1-17	The Poolside Sign—Jesus Heals at Bethesda

Adult Bible Class

Date	Topic
January 9-February 27	To Die with Christ: Christian Death and Burial
March 6-April 10	Theology of the Cross
April 24-May 8; May 29	The Philippians: To Live is Christ. To Die is Gain.
May 22	Sunday School Celebration

Seeking Volunteers to Help

February 6, 2022

Following 10:30 a.m. Worship Service in the Fellowship Hall. Volunteers are needed to help replace the felt tips on all the chairs. **Many hands will make quick work.**

Equipment: bring needle nose pliers to remove the old tips. Plan to stay after Worship and help out!

Prayer of the Church/Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany/February 6, 2022

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

O Lord God of hosts, build up Your Church and manifest Your Spirit among us with wisdom and knowledge. Let our words be measured and intelligible to our fellow Christians and to those outside Your Church, that we may utter our "Amens" in Christ.

Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Sustain those called to be fishers of men in Christ's Church, that they would not be discouraged when they toil all night and take nothing, but continue to let down their nets at His Word according to that calling.

Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Bless all Christian homes, that Your Word would be sown and produce much fruit.

Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Give us faith to let down the nets of Your Word in our daily vocations and trust Your Son to do His gracious work through poor sinners like us.

Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

O God, be not far from us. As You have worked deeds of salvation in Christ Jesus, so make haste to help us now in every trouble. Give healing to the sick, strength to the weak and comfort to the afflicted [We especially pray for Theodore Alderman, Pete Berry (friend of Myrl and Denise Holida), Dorothy Blume (Carol Schuldt's sister), David Caplin (Lillian Moyer's son-in-law), Susan Carlson, Benita Carney, Earl Christensen (brother-in -law of George and Carol Schuldt), Mary Coblentz, Jody Cole (Charles Calef's friend), Larry Curran (Cathleen Loney's father), Chad Dyson, Emee Elkeurti, Gwen Enokian, Jack Fesler (Denise Fesler's father in-law), Debra Fuhrmeister, Gabe Hundley (grandson of Karen Abernathy), Dora Jacobson (granddaughter of George and Carol Schuldt), David Jones (Lonne Loney's uncle), Brad Koelper (Donna Saehler's nephew), Helen Jahnke, Mildred Krogh, Norma Miller (Twyla Freeman's aunt), Barb Nace (Doris Siemer's niece), Bob Nace, Deloris Nace, Chad Pence, Betty Redeker, Nora Sellers (Great niece of Kevin & Laurel Sellers), Rozie Siems (Daughter of Mary Siems), Mark Wilson and Beth Wu (Schuldt's relative)].

Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Heavenly Father do not forsake us nor the generations to come.

Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Send from Your altar, O Lord, the body and blood of Christ. Cleanse us and our lips by this blessed Sacrament, delivering the atonement Christ has won for us, that we may be worthy to stand before You now and at the Last Day.

Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

You invite us to call you Father and will listen to the needs of your children. Hear our silent prayers.

[We pause for a moment for silent prayer.]

All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever. **Amen.**

BIRTHDAYS

Sun. 2/6 ***

Mon. 2/7 Blake Ealy

Tues. 2/8 Rodney Anderson, Ryan Bruckman, Sandra Jacobs, Heather Krogh, JoAnne Schmid

Wed. 2/9 Ellen Sager, Stephanie Servantez Thurs. 2/10 Drew Boyson, Liam Boyum Fri. 2/11 Kelby Heck, Dianna Reuter

Sat. 2/12 William Alt, David Fruendt, Randy Lovstuen

STEWARDSHIP January 29/30

TIME		TREASURES	
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 1/29—5:30pm	50	Contributions	\$13,896.00
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 1/30—8:00am	91	A Little Farther	\$490.00
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 1/30—10:30am	147	Monthly needs for budget	\$66,114.00
Recorded Services 1/29	25		
Total Saturday/Sunday Worship	313	Sunday School/Adult Bible Class	34/63

This Week at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, February 6-13, 2022

<u>Sunday, 2/6</u>		Thursday, 2/10	
Worship-In Person/Live Stream	8:00am	Comfort-Tiers	9:00am
Sunday School/Adult Bible Class	9:20am	Lantern Park	10:00am
Worship Service	10:30am	Briarwood	4:00pm
		Over Eaters Anonymous	5:00pm
Monday, 2/7		Board of Directors	7:00pm
Staff Meeting	1:00pm	Al-Anon	7:30pm
Sunlight AA Group	6:00pm		
Youth Committee	6:00pm	<u>Friday, 2/11</u>	
Chamber Singers	6:30pm	Old Capitol Quilters Setup	10:00am
Mission Committee	7:00pm	SM Retreat (February 11, 12)	***
<u>Tuesday, 2/8</u>		Saturday, 2/12-Noisy Offering	
Women's Beth Moore Study	9:30am	Men's Bible Study	8:00pm
SM-Small Group/Marcia-Skip	6:30pm	Worship –In Person/Live Stream	5:30pm
SM-Training	6:45pm	SM-Retreat	
Al-Anon	7:00pm		
Wednesday, 2/9		Kid's Club Sunday, 2/13-Noisy Offering	
TOPS	8:00am	Worship-In Person/Live Stream	8:00am
Choir Rehearsal	6:45pm	Sunday School/Adult Bible Class	9:20am
Midweek	6:45pm	Worship-In Person/Live Stream	10:30am
Adult Midweek	7:00pm	Our Redeemer Bowling Day	1:00pm



BASICS OF THE FAITH
Friday, February 25, 7:00pm
Saturday, February 26
9:30am to 3:30pm

Basics of the Faith class will be coming again at the end of February. Sign-up sheets are out on the Welcome Counter. This is an excellent opportunity for refreshing your knowledge or if you are new to the church. All are welcome.



The Human Care Committee will be collecting peanut butter and jelly February 1 through March 1. THANK YOU FOR CONTRIBUTING! Look for the bin out by the Welcome Counter.





Our Redeemer BOWLING Day Sunday, February 13 1:00 pm at Colonial Lanes



Cost: \$2/person --includes bowling, shoe rental, pizza and drink

This fun event is for all ages of our congregation and friends are welcome to join us!

NOTE: Children 5th grade and younger must attend with a parent.

Sign up by Sunday, February 6 using the link below:

https://forms.gle/fL4inzUW7AVfptPY6



2022 FLOWER CALENDAR

Get your choice of dates to beautify our church today—the 2022 flower calendar is on the bulletin board between the upper level restrooms and the nursery. Sign up to provide altar flowers in celebration of an event, in memory of a loved one, or just because.



POPCORN PROVIDED

Come join us February 24, at 6:00pm, in the Fellowship
Hall, for the Christ in Film series. The upcoming

"feature" will be

"Casablanca" Rated (PG)





Sunday February 27, 12:00pm Fellowship Hall

Time to brush up on your trivia and make those phone calls to get your team set up. Signup sheet is on the Welcome Counter.

Building Healthy Families: Did you know the world has declared a special week to celebrate a fruit of the Spirit? The founders of *National Random Acts of Kindness Week* might not know it, but kindness is on the list! (See Galatians 5) How might you give witness to the faith that is in you by doing something "unusually kind," in Jesus' name, for someone this week? Shovel your neighbor's snow, pay for the order of the car behind you in the drive through, send flowers to someone who lives alone, stop to visit someone living in a care center...be creative and have fun!

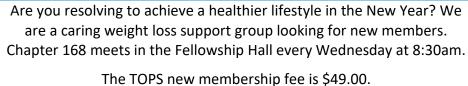
Lutheran Family Service - www.LutheranFamilyService.org.



THE GIVING CHAIR

There are again quilts available on 'The Giving Chair' located next to the Luther window. If you know of anyone who could use one or more, please take them and distribute them. We have extras on hand if you need some for an immigrant family, a family moving into a Habitat house, someone ill or recovering at home or now in a wheel chair and needs a lap robe, a flood or storm victim etc.; you and they are very welcome.

The Comfort-tiers





The TOPS annual renewal membership fee is \$37.00.

The Chapter 168 monthly fee is \$5.00.

The weight-in starts at 8:30am. The 30-minute meeting starts at 9:00am.

If you would like more information call or email:
Eunice Scheer
(319) 383-4599
eunicescheer@outlook.com

Bob Powers (319) 338-9651

baronvonpowers@gmail.com



ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN BAKE SALE



Relief for Human Need Worldwide

A Bake Sale to support Orphan Grain Train will held in conjunction with the annual Pancake Day fundraiser.

The Orphan Grain Train provides physical relief for domestic and international disasters. Please consider donating baked goods to support this Lutheran outreach to those in need.

Donated items can be dropped off in the Fellowship Hall on the Friday prior to Pancake Day.

Contributions should include the name of the donated item & the suggested sale price.

For more information contact: Pat Sexton

MARCH 4

MARCH 5

OUR REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH PANCAKE DAY HISTORY

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church's annual Pancake Day has become a "must attend" event for Iowa City. To many, Pancake Day signifies a number of thins; spring is soon to arrive, a break from cabin fever, a good breakfast, and/or the support of a local charity.

The first Pancake Day was in 1969, and it was organized to raise funds for the church organ. The 1969 Pancake Day was a success and it was decided to make this an annual event. The Lutheran Layman's League oversaw the smooth operation of successive Pancake Days. The funds raised during the LLL's tenure went to support "511 Melrose".

In 2008, the organizing of Pancake Day was shifted from the LLL to the Mission Committee. Also, at this time, "511 Melrose" became self-supporting with funds raised from football gameday parking.

Seeking a new outlet for the funds raised, several charities were contacted, but only CommUnity (formerly known as Crisis Center) answered with a positive "yes". So, for the past 10+ years, the finds raised from the ORLC Pancake Day have supported Community.

Pancake Day is a chance for ORLC to "show hospitality" to the surrounding area.





"Contribute to the need of the saints and seek to show hospitality." Roman 12:13



St. Paul's Lutheran Chapel, our campus ministry at The University of Iowa, Presents:

Variety! An Evening of Talented Performers and Delectable Desserts.

The event will take place at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, 2301 E. Court St., Iowa City, on Saturday, March 26, 2022, at 7:00 PM (doors open at 6:30 PM). All proceeds go to our yearly LCMSU teaching weekend (Theologian in Residence) and for future servant event trips.

Tickets are:
Adults - \$10
Students and Children - \$7
2 and under – Free

Tickets are available at St Paul's Chapel. You may reserve your tickets and pick them up the night of the show by sending an email to:

stpaulschapel.iowacity@gmail.com subject line VARIETY!

In the email please indicate the number of tickets you need. Tickets will also be available at the door. Please note: Advance ticket sales and reservations are most appreciated and will help assure ample desserts and seating. Many thanks!



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Children's Ministry

Birth—5th Grade



UPCOMING SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSONS 9:20 a.m.-10:15 a.m.

February 6:

A Temple Cleansing-Jesus Clears the Temple

February 13:

The Born-Again Truth-Jesus Teaches Nicodemus

February 20:

Living Water-Jesus Teaches the Samaritan Woman

February 27:

The Poolside Sign-Jesus Heals at Bethesda



Kids Club

Preschool (4 year olds) - 5th grade

Wednesday, February 9th 6:45 pm—8:00 pm Toddlin' Room

Lesson: Trinity Window

Teachers: Jonie & Paula





SAVE THE DATE!

Kids Club Sunday February 13

Noisy Offering February 12/13 Our Redeemer BOWLING Day Sunday, February 13 1:00 pm at Colonial Lanes



Cost: \$2/person --includes bowling, shoe rental, pizza and drink

This fun event is for all ages of our congregation and friends are welcome to join us!

NOTE: Children 5th grade and younger must attend with a parent.

Sign up here:

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Preschool Newsletter

January 31—February 4,, 2022

Director/Teacher, Kaja Mueller Assistants, Sheena White 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

Welcome question
Math equation
Space chant
Letter Nn
Telephone number
Bible lesson—Jesus feeds the
5,000
Shape activities—circle,
square, rectangle, star,
heart, pentagon, hexagon
Job / career books
Different tools for different jobs



Big line Big line Big line



Let's get ready to play in the snow!

1	2	3	4	5
X				
snow pants	boots	coat	hat	gloves

Question for a kid

What do you want to do when you grow up?

Teacher Time

Finishing up space week items

Hearts for the hallway Letter N craft Letter N worksheet Number 5 five



Dates

February 14/15—Valentines Party in class March 1—No School March 14-18—No School Spring Break April 20/21—Spring Program April 22—Conferences, No School May 26/27—Last Days of School Celebration and Graduation

February Snack Prayer

God is great, God is good, Let us thank Him For our food. Amen!





Fat old five goes down and around. Put a flag on the top and see what you've found!

Enrollment for 2022-2023



Preschool enrollment for next year is open! Get your enrollment in soon to reserve your spot in class. No The Old Grey Mare)
Nathaniel had a naughty little
nanny goat, who never ate a
single oat, just nibbled on his
overcoat.
Nathaniel had a naughty little

nanny goat, her name was Nannabelle.



2022-2023 Enrollment Form



Child First Name			Middle	Last_		
Birth Date	Sex:	Male	Female	Age as of Septemb	oer 15, ye	ears
What year in school: Prek 3	OR	Prek 4				
DAILY SCHEDULE:		-				
7:30am Extended Care Dro	op off	i	OTHER INFO	RMATION:		
9:00am Preschool Starts			* Our Prescho	ool starts after Labor Day	and ends before Memo	orial Day.
9:30am Learning Centers				ay enroll throughout the s		llow.
10:30am Snack/Bathroom				information is available u		7.00
11:00am Outside Recreation	1			are hours - Students may		ne aπer 7:3uam ana
11:45am Story/Music				cked up any time before g snack will be provided b		ol student. Those
12:00pm Preschool Ends/Pic	k Up/Lur	nch		staying for lunch should p		
12:45pm Lunch Ends/Pick Up		1		n afternoon snack will be		
1:00pm Story/Quiet Rest Tir	ne	1		er Weather you will be no		
3:00pm Snack		i		ayed, no preschool, exter		oon.
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4:00pm Learning Centers		i_				
5:30pm Day Ends/Pick Up						
CHECK DESIRED PROGRAM:						***************************************
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				NG extended care	7:30am-12:00pm	\$244/month
				NG e.c. & LUNCH	7:30am-12:45pm	\$292/month
				OON extended care	9:00am-5:30pm	\$438/month
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	chool Pro				9:00am-12:00pm	\$384/month
(5 Day) Pres	chool Pro	ogram	with extende	ed care LUNCH time	9:00am-12:45pm	\$505/month
				NG extended care	7:30am-12:00pm	\$565/month
		•		NG e.c. & LUNCH	7:30am-12:45pm	\$686/month
	chool Pro	ogram	with AFTERNO	DON extended care	9:00am-5:30pm	\$1,051/month
(5 Day) Pres	chool Pro	ogram	with FULL da	y extended care	7:30am-5:30pm	\$1,234/month
Financial scholarships are available for Preschool, not for extended care or lunch expenses. Scholarship Application due August 1st.						
Name of Parent(s) or Guardian(s)_						
Address				City	Zip	
Best Phone Number						
Best Email						
Our Redeemer Preschool admits ch We do not discriminate on t			lor, nationality o	or ethnic origin to all rights, p r ethnic origin in administration om is Christian-based.		

Please mail your completed form along with the \$50 non-refundable registration fee made payable to:

Our Redeemer Preschool

2301 E. Court Street

Iowa City, IA 52245

Upon receipt of the Enrollment Form and fee, your child's spot will be reserved. An enrollment packet will be sent to you containing all additional paperwork to be completed. Thank you for enrolling your child with Our Redeemer Preschool.

Updated: 1/19/2022



6th —12th Grade

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

Confirmation (6th—8th Grades)

Wednesday, February 9th at 6:45pm

6th Grade—Lecture

New Testament: Gospels

MEMORY DUE: Matthew 28:18-20

7th Grade—Lecture



The Lord's Prayer: 6th & 7th Petitions

and Conclusion

MEMORY DUE: 3rd, 4th & 5th Petitions

& Meanings

8th Grade—Small Group

The Lord's Supper

ROUGHT DRAFT OF PAPER DUE:

Wednesday, February 23



YOUTH Sunday School

Confirmation—Room 208 High School—Youth Room



Sunday, February 6th

9:20 am -10:15 am

LESSON: A Temple Cleansing-Jesus Clears the Temple

Youth Trivia Challenge Teams

Join us on Sunday, February 27th, we have 2 designated Youth teams.



Table #3 High School Youth

Table #4 Confirmation Youth

Sign up at the Welcome Center.

High School Midweek Schedule

Wednesdays at 6:45 pm in the Youth Room All high school youth and their friends are welcome!

Least Likely Heroes of the Bible

February 9 Reluctant Redeemer—Moses: Can God

Really Use Me?

February 16 When God Feels Far Away—David: Is God

Really There?

February 23 **Deathbed Doubts—John the Baptist: Is**

Jesus Really the Messiah?

REGISTER NOW

Registration closes on February 15th



UKANDU 2022

Summer Servant Event Dates:
June 18—25, 2022

Must be 8th grade or older to
participate in UKANDU without a
parent.

REGISTRATION CLOSES SOON!

Online registration ends **February 15**th

What will we be doing?

Youth participants and adult chaperones work together to serve Chicago-land communities.

Project Opportunities (you request top 3):
Painting * Vacation Bible School *
Landscaping * Construction * Outreach—
Street Evangelism * Sport Camp

Total Cost? \$286.80 per person

\$51.75 non-refundable deposit due at registration

How do I register? Contact Pastor or Kara

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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.