



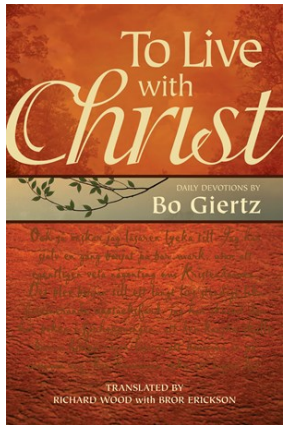
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Reflections



Weekly Newsletter - July 2/3, 2022

~Third Sunday after Trinity~



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Adult Bible Class/Summer Sunday School

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This Sunday’s coffee and snacks are being provided by ORLC Comfort Tiers in between early service and Sunday School. Donations will go towards the purchase of materials for continued projects. Come join us for a little fellowship before heading off to Bible Class and Sunday School.



Building Health Families: Many years ago, our Lutheran ancestors left behind the familiar and came to America seeking religious freedom in a new land. We celebrate that freedom today, even as we recognize the growing challenges to religious liberty. Join us in praying for our leaders this week, both those in government and in our church. Pray that God will strengthen our leaders to speak and act in ways that secure our freedom not just to have faith, but to live out that faith in the public square. Your prayers for the staff and leadership of Lutheran Family Service as they boldly proclaim God’s plan for life, marriage and family are also appreciated.

Lutheran Family Service - www.LutheranFamilyService.org.

Prayer of the Church / 3rd Sunday after Trinity / July 3, 2022

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

Merciful Lord, at Your Son's instruction we pray that You would continue to send laborers into Your vineyard, that the plentiful harvest may be gathered into the peace of Your kingdom. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Merciful Lord, in this sin-sick world nations engage in violence, injustice and wrongdoing. Give peace, we pray, to all nations, that all people may enjoy the comforting goodness of Your will being done on earth. Hear our prayers on behalf of all who make, administer and judge our laws, and provide opportunities for Your Gospel to be proclaimed without hindrance.

Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Merciful Lord, in Your Son You have borne the burdens of all mankind. Look with mercy upon [*Pete Berry* (friend of Myrl and Denise Holida), *Dorothy Blume* (Carol Schuldt's sister), *Ernest Bowman*, *Joanne Bowman*, *David Caplin* (Lillian Moyer's son-in-law), *Susan Carlson*, *Jody Cole* (Charles Calef's friend), *Emee Elkeurti*, *Debra Fuhrmeister*, *Emma Haugen* (Friend of Gwen Enokian), *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), *Mike Kopf*, *Joanne Leeper* (mother of Cathleen Loney), *Cathleen Loney*, *Norma Miller* (Twyla Freeman's aunt), *Barb Nace* (Doris Siemer's niece), *Bob Nace*, *Deloris Nace*, *Diane Schultz*, *Rozie Siems* (Daughter of Mary Siems), *Reece Ullerich*, *Mark Wilson* and *Beth Wu* (Schuldt's relative)] and all for whom we pray. According to Your gracious will, restore these servants with strength and healing now, and grant them patience to await the resurrection on the Last Day.

Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Merciful Lord, keep our hearts from greed, that we may joyfully support Your Church and those who serve us in Your name. Keep us from pride of heart that delights more in what we do than in what You have done. Accept with our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving the tithes and offerings we bring this day.

Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Merciful Lord, as Your people of old drank and were satisfied by Your abundant comfort shown to Jerusalem, may we likewise be satisfied to eat and drink of Your Son's body and blood, given for our comfort today.

Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Merciful Lord, we offer you our silent prayers.

[Pause 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. 7/3 Daniel Heren, Debra Vinsand
 Mon. 7/4 Kylea Greve, Denise Schwarting, Kevin Sellers
 Tues. 7/5 Heidi Bricker, Evelyn Mueller, Karrie Price
 Wed. 7/6 Linda Diggelmann
 Thurs. 7/7 Diane Amundson, Kelsey Benson, Pearl Bricker, Linda McBride, Dixie Walker
 Fri. 7/8 Mike VanKirk, Jerry Waddilove
 Sat. 7/9 ***

STEWARDSHIP June 25/26, 2022

TIME	TREASURES		
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 6/25—5:30pm	68	Contributions	\$7,739.25
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 6/26—8:00am	101	A Little Farther	\$75.00
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 6/26—10:30am	124	Monthly needs for budget	\$66,114.00
Recorded Services 6/25	0	(All ages combined)	
Total Saturday/Sunday Worship	293	Adult Bible Class/Sunday School	88

This Week at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, June 26—July 4, 2022

Sunday, 7/3-NYG Commissioning		Thursday continued...	
Worship-In Person/Live Stream	8:00am	Over Eaters Anonymous	5:00pm
Summer Sunday School	9:20am	Al-Anon	7:30pm
Worship-In Person/Live Stream	10:30am		
		Friday, 7/8	
Monday, 7/4-Office Closed		***	
Sunlight AA Group	6:00pm		
		Saturday, 7/9	
Tuesday, 7/5		Men's Bible Study	8:00am
Al-Anon	7:00pm	Worship-In Person/Live Stream	5:30pm
Wednesday, 7/6		Sunday, 7/10	
TOPS	8:00am	Worship-In Person/Live Stream	8:00am
		Summer Sunday School	9:20am
Thursday, 7/7		Worship-In Person/Live Stream	10:30am
Comfort Tiers	9:00am		

Farewell & Godspeed to our Vicar

July 31 will be Vicar Lewis's last Sunday in the Our Redeemer pulpit. Plan to attend the farewell lunch for him and his family following late service—meat and beverages will be provided. Please bring side dishes and desserts to share. A freewill offering will go to the Lewis's to help defray next year's expenses as he completes his seminary training.





NO LUNCH BUNCH IN JULY & AUGUST

Due to busy summer schedules, there will be no Wednesday Bible studies and Lunch Bunch again until September 7.

UNDIES SUNDAY



The Human Care Committee would like to thank the members of Our Redeemer for their "undie-niably" great support in making our first Undies Sunday in June a great success! With the help of Scheels in Coralville (who helped us kick off the event with the donation of 444 pairs), we were able to donate a total amount of 770 pairs of new underwear to the Iowa City Shelter House. The men, women, and children who utilize the homeless shelter thank you as well.



**TAKE OFF POUNDS
SENSIBLY**

Are you resolving to achieve a healthier lifestyle in the New Year? We are a caring weight loss support group looking for new members. Chapter 168 meets in the Fellowship Hall every Wednesday at 8:30am.

The TOPS new membership fee is \$49.00.
The TOPS annual renewal membership fee is \$37.00.
The Chapter 168 monthly fee is \$5.00.

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

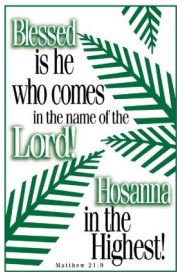
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Summer Sunday School

All classes are using the same scripture topic each week.

Adult Bible Study is in the Fellowship Hall.

5th grade and younger meet in the Toddlin Room, room 215.

6th through 12th grade are in the Youth Room, room 110.

DID SOMEONE SAY



If you build it, they will come....SO, We Are Going!

The LWML is going on a Road Trip to Dyersville on Saturday, August 20. **We wish to invite all members of the congregation, male or female, to join us.** We will be making a stop with guided tour (\$2) at the Basilica of St. Francis Xavier with 64 stained glass windows, then to the Field of Dreams (also a guided tour, \$16, with a group of 20 or more), then lunch, then to the "If you build it Exhibit" (\$5), and finally to the Baseball Hall of Dreams (Free). After that, your carloads are on their own to either head home or go to other places in Dyersville... Historical home of James Dyer (founder

of Dyersville) which features a collection of over 2,000 dolls ... or the National Farm Toy Museum. We will carpool from church leaving at 8 AM. If you are interested in going, the signup sheet is located on the counter in the welcome center. **Signup will end July 10 so we can make the appropriate reservations with the Dyersville Chamber of Commerce.** We will contact you later for payment of the various activities. Questions, call Cynthia at 319-338-5546.



Everyone is welcome!

STOCK THE PANTRY

Let's help

*Vicar Morgan & Caroline
Garrett
with their*



Pantry Needs

The Garretts will be moving into the vicarage on August 5th. Let's give them a warm Our Redeemer welcome with things for their pantry.

Suggested items to donate include:

- *non-perishable food items
- *household goods
- *paper products
- *cleaning supplies
- *gift cards (grocery store, local restaurants or area businesses)

The items collected will be presented to them upon their arrival. We will continue to collect them through his installation on August 6/7. Please place your donations of goods in the box in the Narthex. **However**, please put your donations of gift cards in the church office.



PRAYERFULLY SEEKING VOLUNTEERS TO HELP WITH THIS YEAR'S FUN FAITH FEST: AUGUST 14

We are very excited to announce that we will be having our Fun Faith Fest this year! This event is large and in order to get the event set up and make it successful, we are in need of a lot of volunteers. This event will have an outdoor church service, hotdog lunch, cotton candy, popcorn, games and prizes, and more! Please watch Reflections for future announcements. If you have any questions please contact Melody Strom.



DATES: Sun, August 7th—Thurs, August 11th

TIME: 5:00 pm—8:15 pm

Nightly Schedule

5:00 pm Meal

5:30 pm Opening

5:45 pm Activities

8:00 pm Closing

8:15 pm Pick up

Register Now for VBS!

4 year old Preschool—8th Grade

AGES FOR VBS: Children must be a minimum of age 4 (turned 4 by 8/1/2022), and ready to be in a small group situation without their parents. All children must be toilet-trained and able to use the bathroom independently. We have classes for children who meet the pre-K4 requirements through incoming 8th graders for the 2022-23 school year.

To register, use this link:

<https://vbsmate.com/events/OurRedeemerVBS2022/24838>

WAYS TO HELP

- Pray for students & volunteers
- Donate money for scholarships (avg cost is \$15.00 per student)
Please make check payable to "ORLC" with "VBS" on the memo line and place check in the box in the Narthex.
- Donate items (signup sheets are in the Narthex)
- Volunteer to help (see below for signup link)

VBS Volunteers Wanted!

We need volunteers to help us make our VBS a success.

Possible opportunities: craft helper, snack helper, help with dinner, be an "Explorer Guide" (class leader, taking group from station to station), and many other options

If you're available for a few hours, a couple of nights, or all 5 nights, we would greatly appreciate whenever you can help.

If you are willing to help, go to:

<https://vbsmate.com/volunteers/OurRedeemerVBS2022/24838>



FRUIT FOR PIES



The Youth are requesting fruit donations for their annual Youth Pie Sale held in November.

If you have any extra fresh fruit, we are asking you to donate it to the youth to make their pies. The types of fruit we are looking for are:

CHERRIES



BLUEBERRIES



PEACHES



BLACKBERRIES



STRAWBERRIES



RASPBERRIES



CURRENTS



RHUBARB



When apples are ready later in the year, we would appreciate them also.

Please wash the fruit, slice or chop as appropriate, and put the fruit in a LABELED gallon ziploc bag. Please write "Youth Pies" on the bag and the type of fruit & approximate quantity. Place the bag(s) in the church kitchen freezer.

We appreciate keeping down the cost of making the pies. With your help there will be some FABULOUS pies in November for you to buy.

If you have questions, contact Kara Hartwig.



Preschool Newsletter

Summer 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!



Things NOT to worry about when your child starts school:



Can't name any of the other kids in her/his class. There's so much that's new and so many kids. Teachers will help the children learn each other's names once they're sure everyone knows the more vital things—like where the bathroom is and that it's OK to use it.

Questions to ask kids:



What five words do you think most describe you?

Preschool Centers:

WRITING- Enable children to...

- *attempt to create print
- *develop fine-motor control
- *become aware of how lines can be combined to form letters and letters combined to form words
- *learn how writing and speech relate
- *use pictures, letters and words to represent objects
- *use a variety of materials for self-expression
- *feel a sense of pride in their development of writing skills



Enroll your child in preschool today!

Spaces are filling up! The enrollment link is also available on our website at www.ourredeemer.org

[Our Redeemer Preschool 2022-2023 Registration Form](#)



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



Date	Scripture	Bible Lesson
July 3	Matthew 21:1-11; Psalm 24:7-10	The King Arrives—Jesus into Jerusalem
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SAVE THE DATES! Vacation Bible School 2022

August 7th—11th

Registration for both students and volunteers is available online at

<https://vbsmate.com/events/OurRedeemerVBS2022/24838>

SCHOLARSHIPS!

The ability to attend VBS should not be determined by finances. Our Redeemer does not have a registration fee—costs of about \$15 per person are covered by your generous donations. Please help out today! The box for contributions is on the Welcome Center.

Youth

6th —12th Grade

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

Peach Fundraiser



We are no longer accepting orders.

Thank you to those who have already mailed or dropped off their peach order form with payment to the church.

If we have not received your order form with payment to the church, please be aware that we are no longer accepting prepaid orders for our Youth Peach Fundraiser. Based on harvest predictions, our grower decreased our originally requested order amount, and we have already reached the revised amount.

Sign up to attend VBS or volunteer to help!

Confirmation (incoming 6th—8th graders) - Signup to attend. *We're excited to see you and your friends!*

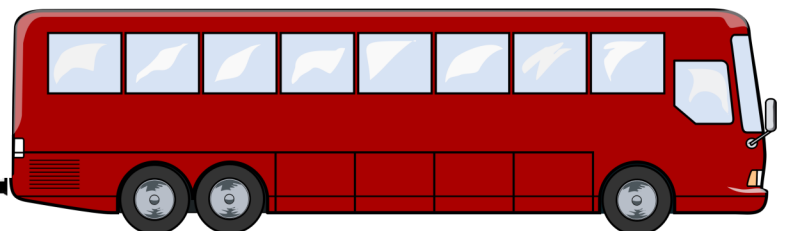
High School (incoming freshman and older) - Signup to volunteer for one night, a few nights or all five. *We're flexible and happy for your help!*

VBS SIGNUP FOR CONFIRMATION & HIGH SCHOOL:

<https://vbsmate.com/events/OurRedeemerVBS2022/24838>



Sun, August 7th —
Thurs, August 11th
5:00 pm—8:15 pm



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.