



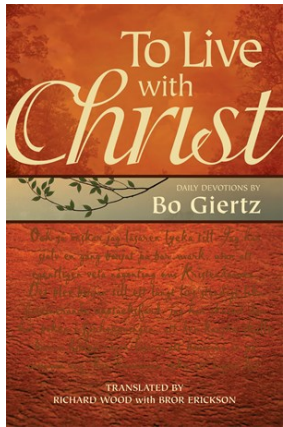
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# Reflections



Weekly Newsletter - July 9/10, 2022

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## Adult Bible Class/Summer Sunday School

Date	Scripture	Bible Lesson
July 10	Mark 12:41-44	A Trusting Widow—Jesus Teaches about Offerings
July 17	Luke 22:7-23	Forever Food—The Lord’s Supper
July 24		Betrayed and Arrested—Jesus in Gethsemane
July 31	<i>NYG Presentation</i>	

## 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 family to help defray next year’s expenses as he completes his seminary training. **Vicar Lewis will be needing help loading the moving van on August 1, 9:30am to 11:30am.**



## Prayer of the Church / 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity / July 10, 2022

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

Father in heaven, we confess that apart from Christ we have no righteousness. Yet we rejoice that, because Your Son has died and risen for us, You promise that our righteousness exceeds even that of the scribes and Pharisees. Because we know the hope that You have laid up for us in heaven, let others see in us a confident faith in the Lord Jesus Christ and a caring love for all those in need.

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

Father in heaven, as You grant the length of days to many in our families and communities, You bless us with their wisdom and grant us the opportunity to live out Your love for them. Help us to rightly treasure them, and as they grow in weakness and need, deepen their trust in Your strength to bear and Your power to save.

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

Father in heaven, as You have granted us to live in a nation where Your people may still gather without fear, bless our leaders with Your wisdom and guard us from the rising ungodliness in our land, that Your Gospel may be preached boldly and continue to bear fruit and grow.

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

Father in heaven, You have commanded that special attention and care be paid to the fatherless and widows. Abide with all who are lonely. Use us to visit the homebound and those in care facilities, those who require ongoing care and those in hospice. Comfort all those in need of healing and help, especially [**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**, **Bob Hansen**, **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 our brothers and sisters in this congregation who are in need of mercy.

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

Father in heaven, by Your mercy we are heirs of a great inheritance and stand among all the saints who have loved You and known the delight of Your favor. Accept our thanksgiving for the faithful who went before us, and bring us at last with them into Your eternal presence in the marriage supper of the Lamb that knows no end.

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

Father in heaven, 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. 7/10 Daniel Lake  
 Mon. 7/11 Kathryn Bolton, Marlene Folkmann  
 Tues. 7/12 Pat Karnes, Dennis Stockman  
 Wed. 7/13 Tom Hannemann  
 Thurs. 7/14 Jonathan House, Kathryn Lothamer, Timothy Lyon  
 Fri. 7/15 Kevin James, Jamin Lane, Lindsay Stacey  
 Sat. 7/16 Gary Johnson, Julia Schafer, Chad Sexton, Alexander Wardenburg

## STEWARDSHIP July 2/3, 2022

TIME	TREASURES		
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 7/2—5:30pm	68	Contributions	\$21,837.00
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 7/3—8:00am	79	A Little Farther	\$3,730.00
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 7/3—10:30am	147	Monthly needs for budget	\$66,114.00
Recorded Services 7/2	0		
Total Saturday/Sunday Worship	294	Adult Bible Class/Sunday School	45/8

## This Week at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, July 10-17, 2022

<u>Sunday, 7/10</u>		<u>Thursday, 7/14</u>	
Worship-In Person/Live Stream	8:00am	Comfort Tiers	9:00am
Summer Sunday School	9:20am	Lantern Park	10:00am
Worship-In Person/Live Stream	10:30am	Briarwood	4:00pm
		Over Eaters Anonymous	5:00pm
<u>Monday, 7/11</u>		Al-Anon	7:30pm
Staff Meeting	1:00pm		
Old Capitol Quilters	6:00pm	<u>Friday, 7/15</u>	
Sunlight AA Group	6:00pm	***	
Outreach Committee	6:30pm		
		<u>Saturday, 7/16</u>	
<u>Tuesday, 7/12</u>		Worship-In Person/Live Stream	5:30pm
Al-Anon	7:00pm		
		<u>Sunday, 7/17</u>	
<u>Wednesday, 7/13</u>		Worship-In Person/Live Stream	8:00am
TOPS	8:00am	Summer Sunday School	9:20am
Properties Committee	5:30pm	Worship-In Person/Live Stream	10:30am



**DATES:** Sun, August 7<sup>th</sup>—Thurs, August 11<sup>th</sup>

**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—8<sup>th</sup> 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 8<sup>th</sup> 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>



## 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 again on August 14th. 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, bouncy house, dunk tank, cotton candy, popcorn, games and prizes, and more! Please use the link provided here to sign-up or sign-up in person at church on each the Saturday or Sunday services. The signup will be on the counter outside the office door.

[Fun Faith Fest Sign-Up Link](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4dacad2fabf5cf8-funfaith1) or <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4dacad2fabf5cf8-funfaith1>

We are also in need of borrowing 11 canopy tents for the game booths. If you have one to loan please call/text me at 319-330-3326 or email me at [jmstrom@southslope.net](mailto:jmstrom@southslope.net). A big thank you in advance!  
Melody Strom



**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.

If you would like more information call or email:

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## 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.



**Building Healthy Families:** When you see the beautiful flowers and vegetables growing in your (or someone else's) garden this week, let them remind you of someone who needs your attention and love. Great relationships don't just happen - they require your time and attention. *"Remember that children, marriages, and flower gardens reflect the kind of care they get."* (H. Jackson Brown, Jr.)

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

## Essentials Needed!!

It's time for spring cleaning and garage sales, so the Comfort-tiers would like everyone to check out any linens they come across for us to use in our quilts, please. We use any washable curtains or drapes, sheets in any condition, pillowcases, tablecloths, and such. Also, if you find old cotton adult T-shirts, we use them for diapers by folding logos inside. Baby clothes from birth to 24 months (shirts, sleepers without feet, caps, jackets, socks and receiving blankets) in good condition go into the Baby Kits as do colored hand towels. Medium size bath towels go into the Health Kits. If you need lists of the kits, they are on the card table across from the kitchen. You have all been such supporters of our projects and we are SO grateful for all you do! May the Lord bless you all, every day as you bless the people who receive our efforts. Thank you.





# STOCK THE PANTRY



*Let's help  
Vicar Morgan & Caroline  
Garrett with their*

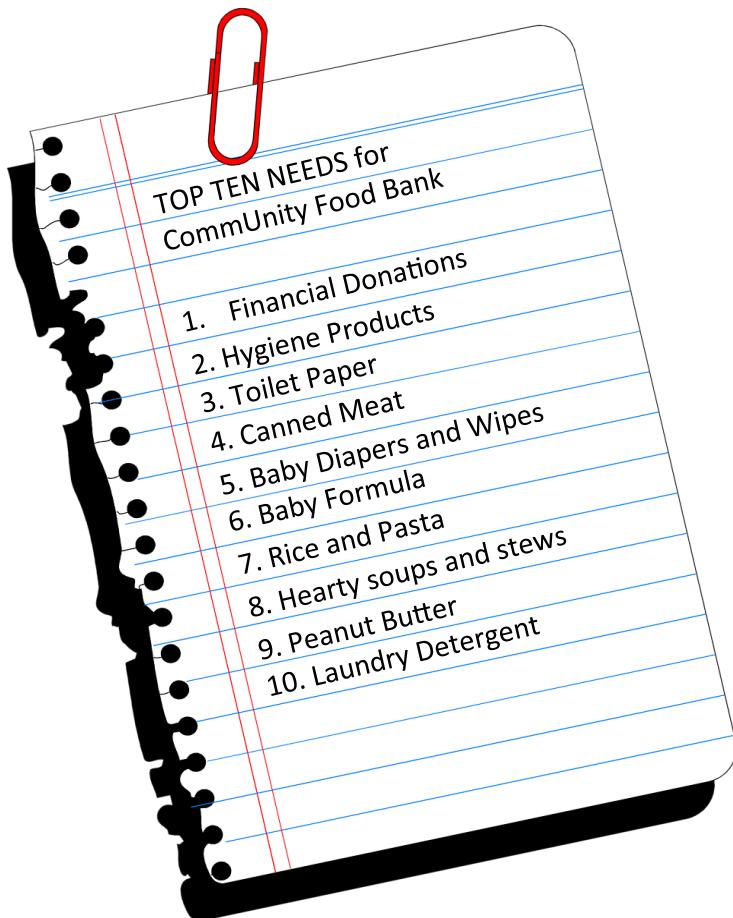
## *Pantry Needs*

The Garretts will be moving into the vicarage on August 5<sup>th</sup>. 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.



## Donation bin located in Church Office

Please consider picking up extra items as you are shopping to donate to the CommUnity Crisis Center.

# 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.**

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!**





# 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:



**Won't tell you anything about what he/she did at school.** Some kids just like to keep home and school separate. Others find it confusing to try to summarize a day's events. Try asking about specifics. If you are really curious, feel free to check with your child's teacher.

Questions to ask kids:



If you could travel back in time three years and visit your younger self, what advice would you give yourself?

## Preschool Centers:

**BLOCKS** - Enable children to...

- \*express creativity
- \*discover concepts of quantity, length and inequality
- \*plan and work with one another to solve problems
- \*use building as a means of non-verbal expression
- \*develop large and small muscle control
- \*improve eye-hand coordination



**Enroll your child in preschool today!**

Spaces are filling up! The enrollment link is also available on our website at [www.ourredeemer.org](http://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—5<sup>th</sup> Grade



Date	Scripture	Bible Lesson
July 10	Mark 12:41-44	A Trusting Widow—Jesus Teaches about Offerings
July 17	Luke 22:7-23	Forever Food—The Lord's Supper
July 24		Betrayed and Arrested—Jesus in Gethsemane
July 31	<i>NYG Presentation</i>	



## SAVE THE DATES! Vacation Bible School 2022

August 7<sup>th</sup>—11<sup>th</sup>

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

6<sup>th</sup> —12<sup>th</sup> Grade

Youth Coordinator Kara Hartwig [youthcoordinator@ourredeemer.org](mailto: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 6<sup>th</sup>—8<sup>th</sup> graders) - Signup to attend. *We're excited to see you and your friends!*

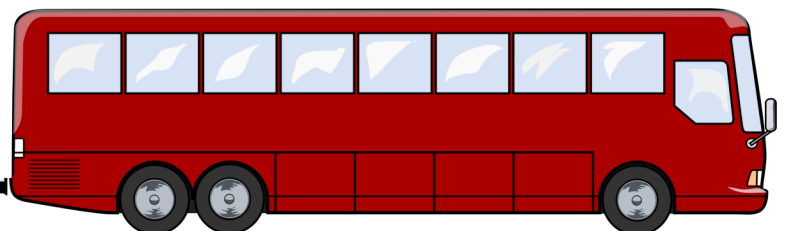
**High School** (incoming freshman and older) - Signup to volunteer for one night, a few nights or all five. *We're flexible and happy for your help!*

**VBS SIGNUP FOR CONFIRMATION & HIGH SCHOOL:**

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



Sun, August 7<sup>th</sup> —  
Thurs, August 11<sup>th</sup>  
5:00 pm—8:15 pm



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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.