



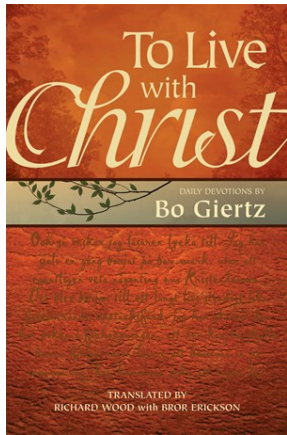
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Reflections



Weekly Newsletter - August 20/21, 2022

~Tenth Sunday after Trinity~



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Adult Bible Class/Summer Sunday School

Date	Scripture	Bible Lesson
August 21	Mark 15:16-16:8	The Living Wonder—Jesus' Death and Resurrection
August 28	John 20:19-31	The Proof Room—Jesus Appears to Thomas
September 4	<i>No Class—Labor Day Weekend</i>	
September 11	Rally Day—1st day of regular Sunday School —Teacher Orientation during Sunday School	



Building Healthy Families: “A man’s spirit can endure sickness, but who can bear a broken spirit?” (Proverbs 18:14) It’s easier for us to deal with short term difficulties, including sickness that resolves with treatment or time. But many are suffering today from the prolonged nature of personal, cultural or political unrest and turmoil we see all around, creating low levels of stress that are constant and unresolved. Everyone needs someone with whom they can share both burdens and encouragement. Look around to see who God has put on your path. Who has or is close to having a broken spirit and needs a word of hope from you? Your listening ear can be just what they need when feeling overwhelmed. LFS counselors are also available to help, in person or through video link, when needed. **Lutheran Family Service** - www.LutheranFamilyService.org.

This Sunday’s coffee and snacks are being provided by LWML between early service and Sunday School. Donations will go towards continued mission projects.

Come join us for a little fellowship before heading off to Bible Class and Sunday School.



FLOWERS TODAY

Flowers this weekend are from Twyla Freeman in loving memory of Larry on his birthday.

Prayer of the Church / 10th Sunday after Trinity / August 21, 2022

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

God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, grant us repentant faith to strive to enter ever more deeply into Your blessings of forgiveness, life and salvation. By the witness of Your saints, gather many from the very corners of this world to enter Your kingdom. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Eternal Lord, grant wisdom, integrity and skill to our president, the Congress of the United States, our governor and all those in authority, that in the exercise of their lawful duties justice would be maintained, the innocent defended, wickedness restrained, liberty upheld and consciences respected. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Eternal Lord, as a new school year starts, we ask that You bless our schools and students with riches of knowledge – preschool, elementary, junior high, high school, and college. As Your Son grew in strength and wisdom, so bless students with learning in whatever fashion that leads to faithful and loving service in the world. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Eternal Lord, grant healing to the sick, strength to the weak, endurance to bear up under trial, patience to await His deliverance and peace at the last. *[We especially pray for **Pete Berry** (friend of Myrl and Denise Holida), **Dorothy Blume** (Carol Schuldt's sister), **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), **Harry Karnes**, **Brad Koelper** (Donna Saehler's nephew), **Joanne Leeper** (mother of Cathleen Loney), **Cathleen Loney**, **Norma Miller** (Twyla Freeman's aunt), **Aaron Mueller**, **Barb Nace** (Doris Siemer's niece), **Bob Nace**, **Deloris Nace**, **Rozie Siems** (Daughter of Mary Siems), **Ronna Sojka**, **Reece Ullerich**, **Mark Wilson**, **Beth Wu** (Schuldt's relative) and **Tim Zimmerman**].* Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Eternal Lord, in Your holy presence we recline at Your table and receive the blood of Your Son, which speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. Let this blood of Christ thoroughly bless our created bodies and sanctify us completely. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

[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

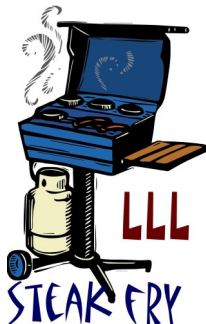
Sun. 8/21	Carrie Faudel, Susan Hansen, Brian Kempnich, Cole Schneider, Jeremy Warner
Mon. 8/22	Spencer Holman, Claire Milam, Carol Stoll, Gregory Wilson Jr.
Tues. 8/23	Dustin Villhauer
Wed. 8/24	Mark Becker, Carla Jackson
Thurs. 8/25	Virginia Alston, Isabella Brogley, Zoey Palmer, Todd Schuldt
Fri. 8/26	Kristen Baker, Gary Burge, Leola Meraz, Kylie Miller, Randall Sexton
Sat. 8/27	Rob Bowman, Alan Cross, Paul LaRoche, Brittney Pirkel, Nathaniel Thoe, Samuel Weis

STEWARDSHIP August 13/14, 2022

TIME	TREASURES		
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 8/13—5:30pm	77	Contributions	\$6,677.11
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 8/14—8:00am	69	A Little Farther	\$150.00
Worship-In Person —10:30am	170	Monthly needs for budget	\$66,114.00
Recorded Services 8/13	17		
Total Saturday/Sunday Worship	333	Fun Faith Fest Registration	60

This Week at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, August 21-28, 2022

<u>Sunday, 8/21</u>		<u>Thursday, 8/25</u>	
Worship-In Person/Live Stream	8:00am	Comfort Tiers	9:00am
Summer Sunday School	9:20am	Lantern Park	10:00 am
Worship-In Person/Live Stream	10:30am	Briarwood	4:00pm
Preschool Cleanup	11:45am	Over Eaters Anonymous	5:00pm
		Al-Anon	7:30pm
<u>Monday, 8/22</u>		<u>Friday, 8/26</u>	
Staff Meeting	1:00pm		
Sunlight AA Group	6:00pm		
Chamber Singers	6:00pm	<u>Saturday, 8/27</u>	
Old Capitol Quilters	7:00pm	Men's Bible Study	8:00am
		Worship-In Person/Live Stream	5:30pm
<u>Tuesday, 8/23</u>		<u>Sunday, 8/28</u>	
Solon Nursing Home	9:30 am	Worship-In Person/Live Stream	8:00am
LLL Steak Fry	6:00pm	Summer Sunday School	9:20am
Stephen Ministry Small Group/Thompson		Worship-In Person/Live Stream	10:30am
Al-Anon	7:00pm	District 10 Meeting	2:30pm
<u>Wednesday, 8/24</u>		Oaknoll Service	6:30pm
TOPS	8:00am		
Emerson Point Service	2:00pm		
Board of Directors	7:00pm		



LLL Steak Fry August 23 at 6:00pm Fellowship Hall

Men of the congregation are invited to bring their own meat to grill along with a side dish.



If they come, we can build it!

**NEED VOLUNTEERS TO HELP REPAIR THE WOODEN FENCE AT THE PARSONAGE
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, BEGINNING AT 9:30 a.m.**

*****THIS DATE HAS BEEN CHANGED FROM AUGUST 13 TO SEPTEMBER 10
BECAUSE OF PEACH DELIVERY!*****



This is a large project (remove fence pickets, repairing fence posts and reassembling fence), so we need lots of volunteers! If you're available for the day and/or a few hours, we would greatly appreciate your help!

**The sign-up sheet will be on the counter outside the office door.
Or, let Louise Klopp or Dave Yansky know whenever you can be available.**

Some tools to bring with you:

Cordless drill

Claw hammer

Pliers

Heavy-duty protective work gloves



**WOMEN, YOU ARE INVITED!!
2022 LWML IED Fall Retreat**

The women of the Davenport Zone LWML invite you to join us for the Fall Retreat at Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca on September 9 & 10. There will be fun, fellowship and growth in God's Word with our sisters in Christ.

Theme: Stand on God's Promises **Theme Verse:** Deuteronomy 31:8

Bible Studies led by: Rev. Bradley Ferch, Immanuel, Davenport,
Davenport Zone Pastoral Counselor

Items to bring: Bibles and a snack to share;
Flashlight, bedding/towels and essentials, if spending Friday night.

In-Gathering (donation items) for Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca: Napkins, paper towels,
toilet paper, 13 gallon trash bags, cleaning supplies, copy paper, postage stamps

Servant Event: Tied Fleece Blankets for Project Linus (Bring a blanket to make per zone.)

Sharing Activity: Promise Bracelets

Schedule: The Friday and Saturday times and schedule are still being revised and set at this time. More information and the registration form will be in the summer Alive.

*****Registration forms are on the LWML table across from the kitchen*****



A BIG FUN FAITH FEST THANK YOU!!!!

Our annual Fun Faith Fest was another successful outreach of our congregation to the community, thanks to the many volunteers from Our Redeemer who so graciously gave of their time and talents!! This was the day that the Lord had made, complete with no rain and breezes and clouds to cool the day, and we were made glad in it! From the wonderful outdoor service and sweet songs of Vacation Bible School children, inspiring music from the Praise Team, to the delicious hot dog lunch and homemade ice cream, to the sweet baby goats, to the cotton candy and popcorn, to the bouncy house and this year's debut of the dunk tank, to the fun games and cool prizes, the day was full of outreach. We were excited to see the number of new faces and new families who were in attendance. We thank God for Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, for stepping up and creating a memorable day of witness of our MARVELOUS God to the community! Our many, many thanks to ALL the people who showed up to help in any way! God provided immeasurably more than we imagined. Please know you were an answer to prayer!

Co-directors: Melody Strom, Donna Saehler, and Carol Homan

50th
Anniversary

THANK YOU!!

Marge and I would like to thank everyone who either attended our 50th anniversary celebration or sent a card of congratulations. It was so thoughtful of you! We have been blessed to consider Our Redeemer a very special congregation and for us to be a part of it. May our gracious Lord continue to pour out His blessings upon You!

Pastor Lemke



RALLY DAY IS SEPTEMBER 11

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| 9:15 am | Opening for all Sunday School/
Adult Bible Class-Sanctuary |
| 9:30 am | 1 st Grade-Room 119
Sunday School-Fellowship Hall
Adult Bible Class-Sanctuary
Youth-Youth Room
Teacher Training-Room 208 |
| 10:30 am | Presentations for 3 year-olds, 1 st
graders, 3 rd graders, 6 th graders,
and juniors during late service. |
| Noon | Potluck in Fellowship Hall |



Lunch Bunch will resume on September 7. This group meets the first and third Wednesday of each month at noon in the Fellowship Hall. Usually the main dish is provided and those attending may contribute by bringing a potluck dish.

You are also invited to come an hour earlier at 11:00 am to participate in Bible study led by the pastor and/or vicar.

For more information, contact the church office at 319-338-5626 or redeemer@ourredeemer.org.



CHOIR REHEARSAL BEGINS on Wednesday, August 31 in the Music Room (Room 206).

Anyone of high school age and older who enjoys singing is encouraged to join! Rehearsals run through early May. The choir sings regularly for worship services.

If you are interested in details, please contact Louise Klopp at choirdirector@ourredeemer.org.



Midweek schedule will begin on September 14

Everyone is invited to the Fellowship Hall for a meal which begins at 6:00 pm. Meals are typically served the first Wednesday of the month and during Advent and Lent.

6:45 pm Midweek Classes include:

Kids Club—ages 4 through 5th grade

Confirmation—6th through 8th grade

6:45 pm Choir (begins on August 31)

7:00 pm Adult Class

Confirmation orientation will take place on the first night of Midweek, September 14.



NOISY OFFERING SEPTEMBER 10/11

Bring your loose coins to throw in the noisy offering bucket as you enter the narthex. These coins contribute to the debt retirement as a part of the "A Little Farther" campaign.

Congregational Meeting



VOTERS' MEETING SEPTEMBER 18 Following Late Service

This is your opportunity to be part of the voting body of Our Redeemer. Any communicant member who has reached the age of 18 years and has signed the voters' register at a regular or special meeting of members shall be a voting member and shall be entitled to a vote at any meeting of the members.

The purpose of the September meeting shall be elections of members of boards and committees for the following calendar year, progress reports by the boards and committees, and transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting.

WHY SHOULD I CONSIDER WEARING MY NAMETAG?

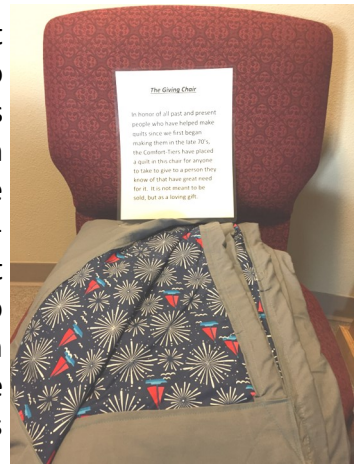
Vicar Garrett and Caroline are here! It's time to dust off our name tags to make it a bit easier for them to connect names with faces. We also have some new members' names to learn, and some of us will welcome the chance to jog our memories and get to know our church friends' names again since Covid interrupted our ability to gather.



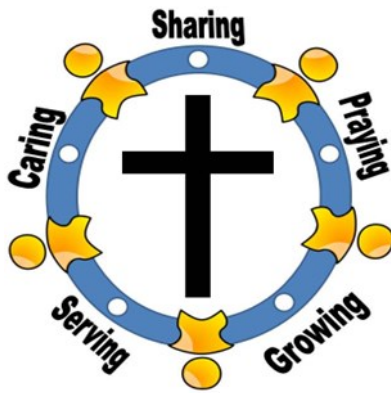
So, where is your name tag? It could be in one of the drawers of the Welcome Center, or in your communication box, or your house/car! But, if you need a replacement, don't hesitate to contact Barb Gienapp via email at barbara-gienapp@uiowa.edu or 319-331-9409 or sign up for a new name tag in the Welcome Center.

The Giving Chair

is in honor of all past and present people who have helped make quilts since we first began making them in the late 1970's. The Comfort-Tiers have placed a quilt on a chair for anyone to take to give to a person they know of that have great need for it. It is not meant to be sold, but as a loving gift. You will find the chair with a quilt sitting in the narthex between the 95 Theses window and the pew outside the south doors to the sanctuary. If the chair is bare and you need one or know someone who has need of more than one, please call me at 338-4806 and leave a message as I usually can't get to that phone in three rings!



Carol Schuldt << << <<

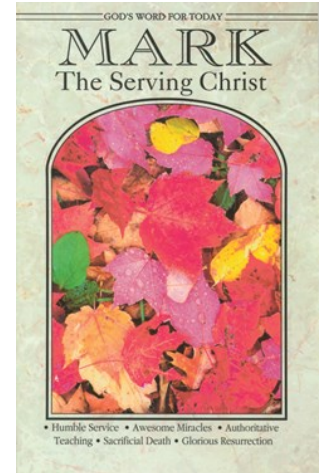


Small Group Ministry Mission Statement:
To grow in grace using our spiritual gifts, through good stewardship for the benefit of the group so that the body of Christ may be built up.

Upcoming Events for Adult Ministry ...

Wednesday Nights
7:00 pm – 8:00 pm
September 14 – November 16

Many people who are great by the world’s standards or who are in positions of authority lord their greatness over those they consider below them. Often such people expect to be served. But not our Lord Jesus. The Lord of heaven and earth took on the lowly form of a man to serve humanity and to sacrifice His life to ransom people from sin, death, and Satan. (10 sessions)

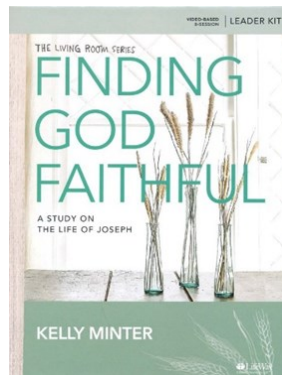


Bible Studies For Women

FINDING GOD FAITHFUL: A STUDY ON THE LIFE OF JOSEPH

By Kelly Minter

Tuesday evenings
7:00 – 8:30 pm
September 13, 27
October 11, 25
November 1, 29
December 13
January 10

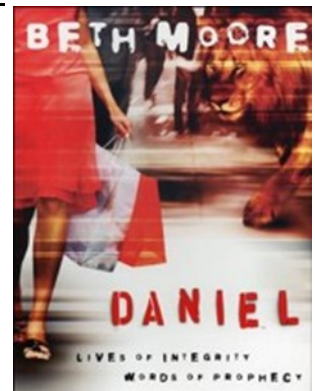


Trace the path of Joseph’s life in the Book of Genesis to observe how God’s sovereignty reigns, even in our darkest moments. Learn to recognize when God is working during periods of waiting, trust God’s plan when life doesn’t make sense, and rest in the sufficiency of His presence in every circumstance. His provision is enough, His presence is constant, and His purpose is unstoppable. (8 sessions)

DANIEL: LIVES OF INTEGRITY, WORDS OF PROPHECY

By Beth Moore

Tuesday mornings
10:00 am – 12:00 pm
September 13, 27
October 11, 25
November 8, 22
December 13
2023 dates TBD



Join Beth Moore in a faith-building study of prophecy and learn how to shine for Christ in our modern culture. Just as the prophet Daniel faced unbelievable pressures to compromise his faith, to live in a hostile culture, and confront temptations and threats, today's believers face many of the same trials. (12 sessions)

Preschool Newsletter

August 15-19, 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!



**Classroom opens
September 6th**

Playground Clean Up August 21st at 11:45 am

Stay after late worship to help clean up the playground for our preschoolers. Thank to a Thrivent Action Team we will be able to seal the wood playground equipment, rake up weeds, rake the sand, and clean the toys. Many hands will make light work.
Bring: work gloves, rake, shovel



Painting the Preschool

The preschool room needs to be painting before school starts in September. If you can help contact Kaja Mueller to help preschool@ourredeemer.org. The plan is to start on Monday and see what we can get done throughout the week.



Orientation Night

Families who have enrolled their preschooler will get to attend Wednesday, August 31, 2022 from 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm in the church Fellowship Hall. Students and families come and explore our preschool classroom and meet the teachers during this special orientation night! A light snack will be provided. Important information (schedule, snacks, policies, etc.) will be shared.



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

THANKS *and* Praise

**We have Sunday School Teachers
for all levels!!**



RALLY DAY September 11

- 9:20 am Opening for all ages in the sanctuary
- 9:30 am 1st Grade will meet with Kaja in Room 119
Toddlin' through 5th grade Sunday School (except 1st grade)-
Fellowship Hall
- Noon Potluck

Presentations for 3 year-olds, first graders, third graders, sixth graders, and juniors will take place during late service.

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Youth

6th —12th Grade

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

Peach Pickup was Saturday, August 13th

A big thank you...



to everyone who helped with Peach Pickup Day and everyone who bought peaches from us! - Our Redeemer Youth

FALL SCHEDULE BEGIN SOON

Sunday, September 11th



Rally Day—start of Fall Sunday School, Milestone Gifts & Potluck Lunch

Wednesday, September 14th

Confirmation & High School Midweek classes begin, includes a Midweek Meal

Wednesday, September 14th

Confirmation Orientation for Parents & Students (6th, 7th & 8th grades)



Dear Lord Jesus, we pray for...

- teachers, paraeducators, cafeteria personnel, custodians, librarians, guidance staff and all those who work in schools;
- students (our own children, grandchildren, neighbors' & church family's children, children in our community and around the world); and the
- parents, grandparents & guardians of the students.

Please be with them as school begins and throughout the year ahead. Keep them strong in their faith. Guard, protect and bless them so that they may be equipped in every way to serve others in whatever purposes the Lord calls them. Amen.



Youth Sunday School

Sunday, August 21st
Sunday, August 28th

Youth Room
Confirmation &
High School

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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.