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Reflections



Weekly Newsletter - October 15/16, 2022

~Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost~

Future Sunday School Lessons

Date	Scripture	Bible Lesson
October 16	Acts 12	A Jail Bail—Peter Escapes Prison
October 23	Acts 13:1-3; 14:8-18	On Your Feet—Paul, Barnabas, and a man born lame
October 30	Acts 15:1-14; 22-35	The Gentile Cause—The Jerusalem Council



ADULT BIBLE CLASS

October 16

Doubt: A Character Study (continued)

October 23

Mission Update-Panama Lutheran Church

October 30, November 6, 13

Doubt: A Character Study (continued)



egge will us for all services music on October 22 & 23



FLOWERS TODAY

Flowers this weekend are from Skip And Marilyn Kempnich in memory of their parents.



Please send the church office names of people who have died since All Saints

Day in 2021 (November) and that you would like to have recognized on November 5/6, along with their date of death and their relation to you. Church members that have died will also go on the list. Please have these to 338-5626 or redeemer@ourredeemer.org by **October 28.**



The Letter "B"

The students of ORLC are currently learning the letter "B". The Preschool is asking everyone that has spare random buttons to donate them. The students will use them in crafts as a fun way to learn about "B". Thank you to everyone in advance for the button donations.

Prayer of the Church / 19th Sunday after Pentecost / October 16, 2022

In peace, let us pray to the Lord: Lord, have mercy.

That as we call to our righteous God day and night in our prayers, He may grant us faith to rest securely in His mercy and justice as we await the coming of the Son of Man,

let us pray to the Lord: Lord, have mercy.

That the Lord would continue to proclaim His Word to us throughout all generations; and that parents may be strengthened to teach God's Word to their children, so that all may be trained in righteousness and equipped for every good work,

let us pray to the Lord: Lord, have mercy.

That the leaders of all nations, especially our own, may receive wisdom and understanding, punish evil and reward good, and fear God and respect man,

let us pray to the Lord: Lord, have mercy.

That we would be delivered from evil; and for the lives of those who face sickness, injuries and troubles, [especially Pete Berry (friend of Myrl and Denise Holida), Dorothy Blume (Carol Schuldt's sister), David Caplin (Lillian Moyer's son-in-law), Emee Elkeurti, Cynthia Fruendt, 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, 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, Julie Pratt-Mullenkamp (Cousin of Ruth Varney), Rozie Siems (Daughter of Mary Siems), Ronna Sojka, Reece Ullerich, Karen Warner, Lynne Westphal, Mark Wilson, and Beth Wu (Schuldt's relative),] let us pray to the Lord: Lord, have mercy.

For the family and friends of *Brad Koelper (Donna Saehler's nephew)* as they mourn his death. Help us, we pray, in the midst of things we cannot understand, to believe and find comfort in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting,

let us pray to the Lord: Lord, have mercy.

For repentant hearts among all who commune this day, that confident in the protection and grace of Christ, we may receive the pledge of salvation in His body and blood and so be preserved from all evil and guarded in all our ways,

let us pray to the Lord: Lord, have mercy.

For Your Word tells us, "Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 4:6-7). So hear our silent prayers:

[Silent Prayers]

Preserve us, O Lord, from all temptation and *DOUBT*. Grant us faith, that we may rest all our prayers and the desires of our hearts in Your merciful arms, for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen**.

BIRTHDAYS

Sun. 10/16	Kari Lepic, Vera Ostrander
Mon. 10/17	Travis Cole, Kirk Heck, Jessica Nishida, Kenneth Palmer
Tues. 10/18	James Becker, Cynthia Glandorf, Carol Graves, Brock Kimball
Wed. 10/19	Sheila Payton
Thurs. 10/20	Fern Parish
Fri. 10/21	Brian Manary, Nicholas Reuter, Denise Robe
Sat. 10/22	David Lake, Dan LaRoche, Ronna Sokja, Casey Wagner, Mark Wilson

STEWARDSHIP October 8/9, 2022

TIME		TREASURES	
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 10/8—5:30pm	43	Contributions	\$10,235.00
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 10/9-8:00am	116	A Little Farther	\$375.00
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 10/9—10:30am	173	Monthly needs for budget	\$66,114.00
Recorded Services 10/8	11		
Total Saturday/Sunday Worship	343	Adult Bible Class/Sunday School	66/30

This Week at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, October 16-23, 2022

<u>Sunday, 10/16</u>		Wednesday continued	
Worship-In Person/Live Stream	8:00am	Midweek Class	6:45pm
Sunday School/Adult Bible Class	9:20am	Adult Midweek	7:00pm
Worship-In Person/Live Stream	10:30am		
		<u>Thursday, 10/20</u>	
<u>Monday, 10/17</u>		Comfort Tiers	9:00am
Sunlight AA Group	6:00pm	Over Eaters Anonymous	5:00pm
Children's Committee	6:00pm	Board of Directors	7:00pm
Chamber Singers Rehearsal	6:00pm	Al-Anon	7:30pm
LWML with Joy the Comfort Dog	7:00pm		
		<u>Friday, 10/21</u>	
<u>Tuesday, 10/18</u>		***	
Solon Nursing Home	9:30am		
SM-Small Group/Marcia	6:30pm	Wendysue Fluegge at all three services	
Assimilation	6:30pm	Saturday, 10/22-Clergy Appreciation	
Al-Anon	7:00pm	Men's Bible Study	8:00pm
		Hartwig Family	10:00am
<u>Wednesday, 10/19</u>		Worship-In Person/Live Stream	5:30pm
TOPS	8:00am		
Bible Study	11:00am	Sunday, 10/23-Clergy Appreciation	
Lunch Bunch	12:00pm	Worship-In Person/Live Stream	8:00am
Windmill Manor	2:00pm	Sunday School/Adult bible Class	9:20am
Choir Rehearsal	6:45pm	Worship-In Person/Live Stream	10:30am

The Race is On!

For those who use any of these streets for routes to church please add some drive time on the day of Sunday, October 23 and take an alternate route to church.



Iowa City Road Races Inc. P.O. Box 3148 Iowa City, IA 52244 Soan DePrenger, President

September 27, 2022

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church 2301 E. Court St. Iowa City, IA 52245

To Whom It May Concern:

On Sunday, October 23, 2022 will be the 47th Annual Iowa City Road Races Run for the Schools. I am again asking for your patience this year with road closures and traffic delays. The three main races begin at 9:00 AM. There is a one-mile fun run for children that starts at 8:00 AM, on College St. only.

We have again contracted with the Road Safe Traffic Systems for re-routing on Hwy. 1 (between Burlington St. and Jefferson St). We have secured the Department of transportation request for temporary closure of Hwy 1 during the race. At 5:00 AM, College St. will shut down from Linn St. to Muscatine Ave. At 5:00 AM, Gilbert St. will be shut down from Burlington St. to Washington St. At 5:30 AM, Dodge St will be shut down and southbound traffic will be rerouted on to Washington St. At 5:30 AM, Governor St. will be shut down and northbound traffic will be rerouted on to Burlington St. The roads should all be reopened by 12:30 PM.

We are sorry for any inconvenience. Again, thank you for your patience.

Sincerely,

Matthew Fettkether Iowa City Road Races – Race Director



LWML Meeting October 17 7:00 pm Fellowship Hall

Special guest at the regular meeting of the LWML will be Joy the Comfort Dog and her handler Cindy Goerdt, member of Bethany in Cedar Rapids LWML. Come meet them and find out how the comfort dog ministry is a blessing to many. Carol Zimmermann will have devotions and hostesses are Sharon Hintze and Kathy Folkmann.



See you there!

Lunch Bunch will be meeting again on **October 19**. Don't' forget Bible Class at 11:00am, taught by Pastor or Vicar in the Fellowship Hall followed by potluck lunch. Bring your favorite dish to share. All are welcome.

Here are additional meeting dates until the end of the year:

October 19 November 2 & 16 December 7 & 21



Pictorial Directory Photo Time!!

When: Weekends of Oct. 15 & 16/November 19 & 20 after any of the worship services
Where: In the Chapel
Who: Anyone who doesn't have a photo in the directory and anyone who needs an updated photo
What to Bring: Your smiles!!

This is also a good time for anyone to update their contact information for the directory, even if you don't need a photo taken. Or you can update information by emailing or calling Lorrie in the office.

If neither date works, you can submit a photo to the church office (by email or bring in a printed one). Another option is to contact the Assimilation Committee for someone to take your photo at a time that works for you. Contact Cory Strumpel at 319-321-6436 or Pam Wilson at 319-530-1920 with questions or to schedule at a different time.

Thank YOU!! Assimilation Committee



CLERGY APPRECIATION OCTOBER 22/23

The apostle Paul began the concept of clergy appreciation when he said in 1 Timothy 5:17, "Let the elders who rule well be considered worthy of double honor, especially those who labor in

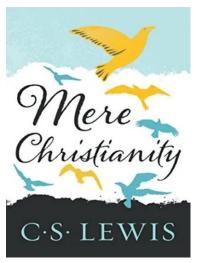
preaching and teaching". Paul restated this concept in 1 Thessalonians 5:12-13 when he said that those who work hard among you should be held in the highest regard for their work. In 1992 Clergy Appreciation Month was started.

Shepherding God's flock can be difficult and lonely work at times. Many pastors leave the ministry each year.

There are many stories of men, in the Old and New Testaments who have experienced loneliness and weariness of ministry. In 2 Timothy 4, Paul said that no man stood with him, but Paul eventually came to understand that God was with him, even when he thought that he was deserted by men. The prophet Elijah sat under a broom tree and wanted to die. He later told God that he felt alone in his ministry. In 1 Kings chapter 19, God eventually showed Elijah that he had 7,000 supporters.

Pastor Appreciation Month was started to keep the pastors out from under Elijah's broom tree. Pastors are a blessing to their congregations and their families. On October 9 and 10, a basket will be available in the narthex for cards, notes of appreciation, and small gifts for Pastor Hartwig and Vicar Morgan Garrett.

Book Club



Thursday Nights 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm

October 27, 2022 Session 2 (Book 2)

November 17, 2022 Session 3 (Book 4)

Mere Christianity by C.S. Lewis will be the book that we will continue to unpacking in Book Club. Come join us for fellowship as we go through the book.

<u>Calling All</u> <u>New Members</u>

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What:	Brunch and Fellow	ship Time
When:	Sunday, October 30 worship service	0, following the 10:30
Where:	Church Fellowship kitchen)	Hall (lower level by the
Why:		ds, enjoy a delicious oout Our Redeemer's ities.
Host:	Assimilation Comm	nittee
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Who is a new member? If you have joined Our Redeemer in the last year or during Covid, and have not yet been able to attend a new member brunch, you're invited.

Watch for an invitation in the mail and RSVP as soon as possible. We're looking forward to getting to know you!



SOCKTOBER

Warm toes = warm hearts

This year Our Redeemer Human Care Committee will again be sponsoring a month long Socktober running the month of October. So why SOCKTOBER? Because every night in the United States an estimated 600,000 people live on the streets and need simple things, like socks, to help get them thru the night. Plus, the NUMBER 1 needed clothing items for those in need is new socks, but people rarely ever donate new socks to the homeless! New socks are like gold to the homeless. For people without permanent housing feet work overtime when there isn't a warm home to return to each night. Our committee is working in partnership with the Iowa City Homeless Shelter to collect socks. We are asking the congregation to donate NEW crew socks (dark are preferred) with reinforced toes are the best. Please place your donations in the SOCKTOBER box in the narthex. If you prefer to give a monetary gift rather than socks, we'd be happy to shop for you! Please make your check out to Our Redeemer Lutheran Church with Socktober in the memo line and place in the offering plate. With Covid still a concern please contribute new items only. We are, also, still taking donations for brand new packs of underwear for men, women, and children. Thank you for your help.



LOOKING FOR TRUNK VOLUNTEERS AND CANDY DONATIONS!!

We are looking for Trunk or Treat volunteers to volunteer to set their trunks and join in the fun for children. We are also seeking candy donations. If you would like to volunteer a trunk please sign up at the Welcome Counter. Make sure to include what the theme of your trunk is. If you would like to donate candy, it can be dropped off at the Church Office during regular hours of operation.



Time to start thinking COOKIES!

The <u>29th Annual LWML Guild Cookie Walk</u> will be <u>Saturday, December 3rd</u>, 9:00 am to 11:00. Please start pulling out your cookbooks or visiting your favorite recipe websites for the cookies you would like to bake. Also, think about how you can help on <u>Friday, December 2nd and/or Saturday,</u> <u>December 3rd</u>. Sign-up will start November 5th & 6th in the narthex.

A NOTE FROM PROPERTIES COMMITTEE

If you find something in the church that is in need of repair please feel free to stop in the office during the week and request a "CHURCH PROPERTIES" form and fill it out. If you do not know where they are, Lorrie can make sure that you get one.

Thank you, properties Committee



PRIME TIME DINNER Sunday November 6th after the 10:30am service

The Prime Time Dinner is for everyone in the congregation aged 60 and older. The dinner is hosted by the Human Care Committee with Chef Steve Rudin preparing his usual delicious meal to delight the tastebuds. In order to determine the amount of food needed for this special occasion the Human Care Committee requests that you RSVP to Tracy Nelson at her email address or on the signup sheet located on the Welcome Counter by Sunday, October 23rd, 2022.

Tracy's email address: tracy-nelson@uiowa.edu



Building Healthy Families:



A large research study recently asked thousands of children this one question: *If you were granted one wish about your parents, what would it be*? What would you guess was their answer...more time together...more money...more vacations? All wrong. The kids' number one wish was that their parents would be less tired and less stressed. How about taking your Savior up on His personal invitation: Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. (Matthew 11:28) Remember that LFS counselors who share your faith and values are here to help you re-set.

Lutheran Family Service www.LutheranFamilyService.org.



Preschool Newsletter

October 10-14, 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

CIRCLE TIMES

Difference between letters & numbers Math equation

Color song orange

Letter B—recognize, write, and make the sound

Number 2 two

Bible: God keeps His promises to Abraham and Sara, Isaac is born.

Big line Little curve Little curve

Special readers on Monday— <u>How Do You Babysit a</u> <u>Grandpa?</u>

Pumpkin playdough cutters

Gourds and pumpkins in sensory table

Bear books

"Going On a Bear Hunt" song Pumpkin cutting craft Butterfly painting—optional Letter B button—optional Free style painting



TEACHER TIME

Letter B Number 2

Assessments will be taking place this month. We want to see what each student knows and what we get to work with them on.

Bb (To Ninety-Nine Bottles)

Bubba's best buddy was Bingo the Bear. Bubba was Bingo's best friend. They both



lived together on Blueberry Lane, picking big berries in sun and in rain.

Home Question

What would you like to grow in a garden so you could eat it?



Preschool Needs

We would like 5 empty, cleaned out cheese ball containers for storage and activity play for preschool. Please leave them outside the classroom and Kaja

will pick them up. Thank you!

Preschool would love to have any nice, clean buttons that you are not using. We use them





ORANGE

(TUNE: THE WHEELS ON THE BUS)

O-R-A-N-G-E, O-R-A-N-G-E, O-R-A-N-G-E Orange is what that spells.

ORANGE



Jac-O-Lanterns are always orange. Carrots are always orange. Oranges are always orange. O-R-A-N-G------E!.



Children's Ministry

Birth—5th Grade

KIDS CLUB

For children ages: 4 year olds—5th grade



Wednesday, October 19th from 6:45 pm—8:00 pm

Lesson: God the Father

Teacher(s): Jonie & Paula

LEGACY POINTE VISIT

The Kids Club costume parade and songs at Legacy Pointe is Wednesday, October 26 from 6:30 pm—7:00 pm. Afterwards we will return to Our Redeemer for fall activities.

Sunday School

9:20 am—10:15 am For children ages: Birth—5th grade in their designated classes

October 16th A Jail Bail: Peter Escapes from Prison Acts 12





Sunday October 30th 4:00 pm

In the church lower parking lot. If you are wanting to do a trunk the signup sheet is located at the Welcome Counter. Candy donations are appreciated and can be dropped off at the office.

Children's Christmas Worship 2022

December 11, 2022—during worship

The name of the Christmas story the children will share is called "That's What Angels Say." Emails have been sent out. Practice starts today!

All Kindergarten through 8th grade students will start to learn the music for our Children's Christmas



Children's Christmas Worship Service in December. Practices will be held with Allison Haack during the regular music time for students (9:15 for younger students, 10:00 for older youth). Preschool age students will have their own short program of songs they will practice during their Sunday School class with Mrs. Haack. They do not need to attend any Saturday Practices.

All rehearsals will be held during the Sunday School hour.

October 16 – Request a speaking part/solo for those interested October 23 – Parts/Scripts



6th —12th Grade Youth Coordinator Kara Hartwig <u>youthcoordinator@ourredeemer.org</u> (319) 855-2728

Confirmation Classes (6th—8th Grade)

Wednesday, October 19th at 6:45 pm

Large Group Activities

6th, 7th and 8th Graders



Meet in the Fellowship Hall

Bible trivia w/Vicar (includes questions from 6th, 7th & 8th grade content)



Books of the Bible relay races with Small Group Leaders



7th & 8th Grade Fall Confirmation Retreat

WHEN: 6:30 pm on Friday, November 4th — Saturday, November 6th at 8:00 am
 WHERE: Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

Parents, please plan to attend the guest speaker presentation, which will end around 8 pm. Registration link coming soon.

YOUTH Sunday School

Confirmation—Room 208 High School—Youth Room



Sunday, October 16th 9:20 am —10:15 am

LESSON: Called Christian—The Church in Antioch Grows Acts 9:26-31; 11:19-30

That's What angels say

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Children's Christmas Service K-8th Grades

CONFIRMATION students interested in speaking roles and vocal solos need to attend the placements session on **Sunday, October 16th** during the Sunday School hour.

Practices are held during Sunday School in October, November and December plus <u>Saturday rehearsals</u> on December 3rd and 10th.

The Children's Christmas Service will be on Sunday, December 11th during 8:00 am & 10:30 am worship.

High School Midweek All high school youth and their friends are welcome! Wednesday, October 19th at 6:45 pm



"Drama in Friendships" SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER

Friday, November 4th @ 7 pm Fellowship Hall

YOUTH (6th—12th grades) and their PARENTS are invited to hear about navigating relationships with friends from a Christian worldview.

Welcome & refreshments starting at 6:30 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.