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# Reflections



Weekly Newsletter - April 8/9, 2023

### ~Easter Sunday~



#### April 9

Easter Sunday—No Adult Bible Class

#### April 16

Overcoming through Seeing and Persistence

#### April 23

Overcoming through Surrender and Shalom

#### April 30

Overcoming through the New David and the Renewed Covenant

## **Sunday School Lessons**

Date	Scripture	Bible Lesson
April 9	Easter—No Classes	
April 16	1 Samuel 16:1-13; 2 Samuel 5:1-5; 7:4-17	A King Forever—David
April 23	2 Samuel 4:4; 9:1-13	The King's Table—Mephibosheth
April 30	1 Kings 11:9-13, 26-40; 12:1-24	Jeroboam and Rehoboam



## **LUTHERAN WITNESS**

subscriptions will need to be in by Friday, April 14. If you wish to continue your subscription or add a new one, stop by the office to check or add your address and drop off a check in the amount of \$19.20 made out to Our Redeemer Lutheran Church and in the memo line please put Lutheran Witness Subscription.



### EASTER BREAKFAST

The youth provide Easter Breakfast at 8:30am to 10:30amon Easter morning, April 9<sup>th</sup>.

Come join us for a delicious

### Prayer of the Church / Easter Sunday/April 9, 2023

In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

Rejoicing in the risen Christ who is our strength, our song and our salvation, let us pray to the Lord: Lord, have mercy.

For holiness of life, joined by Baptism to Christ's death and resurrection, that God would move us to repentance and set our minds on things above, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.** 

For help amid doubt and fear, that we would be certain that Christ is risen from the dead, rules over all things for our good, and greets us with life in His Means of Grace, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.** 

For our homes, that God would be the companion of those who live alone and fill every household with His wisdom and grace until He guides us to His holy abode, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.** 

For all in authority, that they would govern humbly as those placed in their positions by the risen Christ who is glorious in power, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.** 

For those in any affliction or need, , [especially Dorothy Blume (Carol Schuldt's sister), David Caplin (Lillian Moyer's son-in-law), Debra Fuhrmeister, Debbie Hartwig, Emma Haugen (Friend of Gwen Enokian), Gabe Hundley (grandson of Karen Abernathy), Dora Jacobson(granddaughter of George and Carol Schuldt), Norma Miller (Twyla Freeman's aunt), Barb Nace (Doris Siemer's niece), Bob Nace, Deloris Nace, Julie Pratt-Mullenkamp (Cousin of Ruth Varney), Patricia Schable (friend of Lorrie Bailey), Rozie Siems (Daughter of Mary Siems), Ronna Sojka, Reece Ullerich, Karen Warner, Mark Wilson, Beth Wu (Schuldt's relative),] that God would give them healing according to His will, sustain them in the faith and, for Christ's sake, raise them up in glory on the Last Day, let us pray to the Lord: Lord, have mercy.

Heavenly Father, discern our needs and listen to our silent prayers.

[Pause for a moment of silent prayer]

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.** 



## Happy 90th Birthday Glorine Berry!!!!

It was asked by Glorine Berry's family if we could wish her a Happy 90th Birthday by sending her cards. Her birthday is on April 26 and her address is listed below.

Glorine Berry 73 Amhurst St. Iowa City, IA 52245

### **BIRTHDAYS**

Sun. 4/9 Brian Piegors, Noah Siems, Lauren Slater, William Wittich

Mon. 4/10 Ellis Dyson, Emily Worden

Tues. 4/11 Crew Borntrager, Sloane Miller, Brian MorrisonWed. 4/12 Mara Caylor, Morgan Kimball, Kevin Rauch

Thurs. 4/13 Eva Richardson, Paige Rocca, Laurel Sellers, Karen Wright

Fri. 4/14 Brenda Johnson

Sat. 4/15 Craig Fobain, Marc Knottnerus, Bob Lake

### STEWARDSHIP April 1/2, 2023

TIME TREASURES			
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 4/1—5:30pm	72	Contributions	\$9,805.00
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 4/2—8:00am	100	Monthly needs for budget	\$67,240.58
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 4/2—10:30am	179		
Recorded Services 4/3	7	Lenten Worship Services 3/29	126
Total Saturday/Sunday Worship	360	Adult Bible Class/Sunday School/Preschool	66/28

### This Week at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, April 9-16, 2023

Sunday, 4/9—Easter Sunday		Wednesday continued	
Easter Worship-In Person/Live Stream	7:30am	Midweek Classes	6:45pm
Easter Breakfast	8:30am	Adult Midweek	7:00pm
Easter Worship-In Person/Live Stream	9:00am		
East Egg Hunt	10:05am	Thursday, 4/13	
Easter Worship-In Person/Live Stream	10:30am	Comfort Tiers	9:00am
		Lantern Park	10:00am
Monday, 4/10		Briarwood	4:00pm
Staff Meeting	1:00pm	Board of Directors	7:00pm
Chamber Singers	6:00pm	Al-Anon	7:30pm
Old Capitol Quilters	6:00pm		
Sunlight AA Group	6:00pm	<u>Friday, 4/14</u>	
Outreach Committee	6:30pm	****	
Tuesday, 4/11		<u>Saturday, 4/15</u>	
Assimilation Committee	6:30pm	Worship-In Person/Live Stream	5:30pm
Al-Anon	7:00pm		
		<u>Sunday, 4/16</u>	
Wednesday, 4/12		Worship-In Person/Live Stream	9:00am
TOPS	8:00am	Sunday School & Adult Bible Class	9:20am
Properties Committee	5:30am	Worship-In Person/Live Stream	10:30am
Choir Rehearsal	6:45pm	Chamber Singers Open Rehearsal	4:00pm

## **Pictorial Directory Spring Photo Time!!**



worship services.

Where: In the Chapel

Who: Anyone without a photo in the pictorial directory and anyone who would like an updated

photo in it.

What to Bring: Your smiles!!

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

Other options if these dates don't work for you:

- -- submit a photo to the church office by email (redeemer@ourredeemer.org)
- -- bring or send a printed one to the office
- --contact an Assimilation Committee member to take your photo at a time that works for you.

Contact Cory Strumpel (319-321-6436) or Pam Wilson (319-530-1920) with questions or to schedule at a different time.

THANK YOU!!

**Assimilation Committee** 



## **Coralville Church Softball league:**

It has been many years since we have had a team, but some people are interested in organizing a team. We need a minimum of 10 people, both men and women. Players must enter high school in the fall (or older) and be affiliated with the church to participate. Games are played Friday evenings.

We must register by April 9<sup>th</sup>! If you have questions or are interested in joining, please reach out to Daniel Heren 309-265-5413, or email at <u>djbears73@hotmail.com</u>.



## **Tasting Bee Update**

Time is drawing near. If you signed up to make a recipe, get it in very, very soon. It is important to help us to keep things going on time. Send your recipe to pakratsandy@yahoo.com.

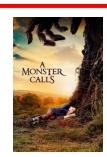
There are still a few tickets available. If you would like to purchase ticket(s), please contact Laurel Sellers at 319-331-3242 or consultant@ourredeemer.org. Cynthia Fruendt, Donna Saehler, or Sandy Wagner (packratsandy@yahoo.com) can also provide tickets.



## **POPCORN PROVIDED**

Come join us April 27, at 6:00pm,in the Fellowship Hall, for the continuation of the Christ in Film series.

The upcoming "feature" will be
"A Monster Calls" Rated (PG-13)



## Blessing Books Now through May 8th

We will continue to do our senior books a page at time.

Messages of encouragement and congratulations to
the graduates can be sent via email or write them on a
quarter sheet of paper allowing half an inch on the left for binding.

WHO SHOULD "SIGN" THE BLESSING BOOKS? Everyone in the congregation can sign.

**WHAT SHOULD I WRITE?** Write a short note of Christian encouragement, share your favorite Bible verse or simply sign your name.

**HOW DO I SHARE MY MESSAGE?** You can either write your message on a quarter sheet of paper and email a picture of it <u>or</u> just email the text you want--you can use the same message or create one for each student (please make sure that you specify the recipient of individual messages).

Please email your message to Laurel at: consultant@ourredeemer.org by April 30<sup>th</sup>



Tyce Alt Alexis Faudel Han
Austin Bell Corey Holman Luke
Avery Bolton Andrew Hotz Mac
Mara Caylor Max Krogh Hill
Ava Cross Ella Nelson

Hannah Ramsey Luke Ramsey Madeline Schrader Hillary Wilson



### **Lenten Rose is Blooming in Sensory Garden**

The Lenten Rose is beginning to bloom in the Sensory Garden just east of the Fellowship Hall emergency exit door. The Lenten Rose is not actually a rose but a hellebore hybrid. It is a semi-evergreen perennial that is usually one of the first plants to bloom. The bloom is the shape of a rose and the flowers generally bloom during Lent. Thus, its name "Lenten Rose". The flower has a wide range of color including white, pink, and burgundy. Take a look at our plant which is marked with a yellow stake.



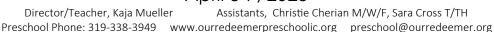
### SUMMER STAFF NEEDED

Looking for a summer job? Get that and more with a summer camp experience at Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca. Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca in Solon, IA is hiring **male and female camp counselors** for the upcoming summer. Don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity to spend your summer serving as a Christian role model for youth from Eastern Iowa and beyond! Employment begins May 30 and ends August 4. All summer staff go through training in early June to be fully trained in camp activities and safety, including CPR, AED, and first aid training. Candidates should be at least 18 years old. To get started, head on over the <a href="www.nloma.org">www.nloma.org</a> and complete a summer service profile. Please contact Alec at <a href="319-848-4187">319-848-4187</a> or email <a href="programdirector@iodiseca.org">programdirector@iodiseca.org</a>. if you have any questions or for more information, check out the Camp's website at <a href="www.campiodiseca.org">www.campiodiseca.org</a>.



## Preschool Newsletter

April 3-7, 2023





Our Redeemer Preschool where children play, learn, and grow in Jesus!

## Home Question

When there is a storm outside, where do you like to be inside?

## This Week

Welcome question Science cloud experiment Letter of the week F f Spring songs & chants Bible lesson—Woman Anoints Jesus' Feet



Big line Little line Little line

Number 7 seven Holy week books

Fire drill

Librarian, Mrs. Casey visit spring books How our body works books Easter egg paintings

Easter egg paintings
Design a plate craft—you will
receive them before the
end of the school year.

Fish craft 5 senses craft





### Dates

April 19/20—Spring Program

April 20—Conferences

April 21—No School

April 24—No School

May 25/26—Last Days of School

## 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.

**Consigner Number:** lowa City #43522

### Enrollment for 2023-2024

Preschool enrollment for next year is open! Get your enrollment in soon to reserve your child's spot in class. Preschool is from 9:00am until 12:00pm. Morning/lunch extended care and scholarships are available. Ask for more details, at: preschool@ourredeemer.org.

Currently enrolled for the 2023-2024 school year:

M/W/F = 8 of 18 students T/Th = 5 of 14 students



Across the sky and down from heaven, that's the way to make a seven.

## F† (To Alouette)

Five fast fishes swimming down the river. Five fast fishes swimming down the stream. Swimming past five floating logs. Swimming past five floating frogs. Floating logs. Croaking frogs. Floating logs.

Crocking frogs. Five fast fishes.

Fa la la la la



## Scholastic Book Order

Thank you for ordering books. Happy reading! Ordering online is fast and easy: <a href="mailto:scholastic.com/readingclub">scholastic.com/readingclub</a>—
ENTER Class Activation Code MQWNQ.



## Our Redeemer Preschool

For children ages 3-5 years and are potty trained

Open House

May 10, 2023 5:30pm-6:30pm

- ▼ Meet the staff
- ▼ Explore our classroom
- ♥ Create a craft
- **▼** Ask questions
- ▼ Enroll your child

Ask about our 5 days, 3 days, 2 days, and extended care options.



Phone: (319) 338-3949
Email: preschool@ourredeemer.org
www.http://ourredeemer.org/preschool/

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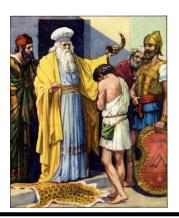
## Children's Ministry

Birth—5<sup>th</sup> Grade

## Sunday School

9:20 am-10:15 am For children ages: Birth to 5<sup>th</sup> grade

April 16<sup>th</sup>
Lesson: A King Forever—David
1 Samuel 16:1-13;
2 Samuel 5:1-5; 7:4-17





Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup> 10:05 am

We will be holding the Easter Egg Hunt on Easter Sunday.

All children 5th grade and younger are invited to join us for the Easter Egg Hunt.

Please meet outside on the grassy hill be the West door.

In case of rain, we will meet in the Youth Room.





## KIDS CLUB

For children ages: 4 years old–5<sup>th</sup> grade 6:45pm

Wednesday, April 12<sup>th</sup>
Lesson: Pentecost
Teachers: Jonie & Paula

## Easter Schedule



**Easter Sunday Worship** Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup>

SERVICÉS: 7:30 am, 9:00 am & 10:30 am



### Easter Breakfast

Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup> 8:30 am—10:30 am Freewill donation to support Youth



6<sup>th</sup> —12<sup>th</sup> Grade

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

## Confirmation (6<sup>th</sup>—8<sup>th</sup> Grades)

Wednesday, APRIL 12<sup>th</sup>
Confirmation Classes—6:45pm

6<sup>th</sup> Grade—Lecture
Third Morning



7<sup>th</sup> Grade—Lecture
Baptism



8<sup>th</sup> Grade—Small Group
The Bible



## Surday school

## **Youth Sunday School**

9:20 am—10:15 am
Confirmation—Room 208
High School—Youth Room

EASTER— April 9
No Sunday School—*Help With Easter Breakfast* 

April 16

Lesson: A King Forever—David
1 Samuel 16:1-13; 2 Samuel 5:1-5; 7:4-17

Equipping disciples through hearing God's Word in Sunday School.

## Spring Confirmation Retreat Parents Meeting

All Confirmation students who are going on the retreat and their parents should attend.



Wednesday, April 19<sup>th</sup> 8:00 pm Fellowship Hall

### Save these dates...

### Set up for Easter Breakfast\*

Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup> 8:00 am—12:00 pm



All Confirmation & High School Youth and their families prepare the food and set up & decorate the Fellowship Hall for the next day.

**\***Earn Silver Cord hours

### **Help with Easter Breakfast\***

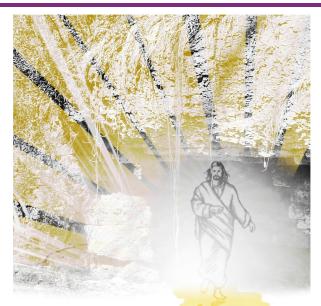
Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup> 6:00 am—12:00 pm



All Confirmation & High School Youth and their families help with the Easter Breakfast. They cook the food, serve the food, bus tables, run the dishwasher, etc. \*Earn Silver Cord hours

Go to SignUp Genius if you can help...

https://www.signupgenius.com/ go/30E0C4FA8A62AA2FA7-easter1





#### 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 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.

### 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.