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Reflections



Weekly Newsletter - September 2/3, 2023


~Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost~



**THERE WILL BE NO ADULT BIBLE CLASS THIS WEEKEND—
LABOR DAY WEEKEND**

Summer Sunday School Lessons

Date	Scripture	Bible Lesson
September 3	No Classes—Labor Day Weekend	
September 10	Mark 7:31-37	A Hearing Aide—Jesus Heals a Deaf Man
September 17	<p style="text-align: center;">Rally Day—1st Day of regular school year Sunday School Teacher Orientation during Sunday School</p> <p>9:15am—Opening in Sanctuary 9:30am—Adult Bible Study with Vicar in Sanctuary until 10:15am Teacher training with Pastor in Room 208 1st Graders and parents with Kaja in Room 119 Children in the Fellowship Hall Youth with Kara in the Youth Room 10:10am—Closing/Teachers get their students from Fellowship Hall and take to classrooms for parent pickup</p>	



ALTAR FLOWERS

Flowers for the altar this weekend are from Art & Denise Schwarting in celebration of them being blessed with 24 years of marriage.

Prayer of the Church /Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost/September 3 2023

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

For trust in the fatherly care of our avenging God, that we would not seek our own vengeance, but rather bless those who curse us, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the Church of God and all who proclaim the Word of God, that we may forsake the revelers who despise God's Word and always hear what is precious, the Gospel of Jesus Christ, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For our nation, its leaders, and those who serve for the good of our people and for their protection, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For peace in our time and the peace that God alone can give, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For those burdened by sickness and affliction, [*especially **Connie Bailey** (Lorrie Bailey's aunt), **Dorothy Blume** (Carol Schuldt's sister), **David Caplin** (Lillian Moyer's son-in-law), **Michelle Taylor-Copeland** (friend of Kristina Duncan), **Titus Hanneman** (nephew of Kate Ramsey), **Emma Haugen** (Friend of Gwen Enokian), **Patsy Heinitz**, **Gabe Hundley** (grandson of Karen Abernathy), **Dora Jacobson** (granddaughter of George and Carol Schuldt), **Hazel Jones** (Granddaughter of Danny Fuhrmeister), **Todd Jones** (Barb & Ron Jones' son), **Shirley Losby**, **Norma Miller** (Twyla Freeman's aunt), **Carson Pence**, **Julie Pratt-Mullenkamp** (Cousin of Ruth Varney), **Aaron Raschke** (brother of Ruth Varney), **John Robinson**, **Darran Sellers** (brother of Kevin Sellers), **Rozie Siems** (Daughter of Mary Siems), **Carol Simpson** (Kara Hartwig's mother), **Reece Ullerich**, **Andy Ungermann**, **Karen Warner**, **Lynne Westphal**, **Mark Wilson**, and **Beth Wu** (Schuldt's relative), that they may await healing and deliverance in the firm conviction that nothing can separate them from the love of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.***

For strong marriages, for You instituted marriage between one man and one woman. We give you thanks for the 24 years of marriage (Sept. 4) you have granted **Art and Denise Schwarting**. Bless them and all husbands and wives as you strengthen the love between them and their love for you. Let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

Lord as you have promised to hear us, we come to you with our silent prayers...

[We 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.**

BIRTHDAYS

Sun. 9/3 Jeffrey Kleinmeyer, Nalia Narine, Michael Schmidt
 Mon. 9/4 Kean Mueller, Christopher Stoll, Ryan Stoll, Michael Trimpe, Joseph Van Zante
 Tues. 9/5 Kale Clark, Sarah Gabel, Helen Jahnke, Kari Kibby, Emily Lenhart, Caden Olson
 Wed. 9/6 Crissy Pence
 Thurs. 9/7 Alta Wagner
 Fri. 9/8 Chad Dyson, Ryan Greene
 Sat. 9/9 Verne Folkmann, Jolene Nelson, Garry Wade

STEWARDSHIP August 26/27 2023

TIME		TREASURES	
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 8/26—5:30pm	77	Contributions	\$6,727.00
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 8/27—8:00am	104	Monthly needs for budget	\$67,240.58
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 8/27—10:30am	143		
Recorded Services 8/26	4		
Total Saturday/Sunday Worship	328	Adult Bible Class/Sunday School	46/11

This Week at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, September 3—10, 2023

<u>Sunday, 9/3</u>		<u>Thursday, 9/7</u>	
Worship-In Person/Live Stream	8:00am	Comfort Tiers	9:00am
Worship-In Person/Live Stream	10:30am	Al-Anon	7:30pm
<u>Monday, 9/4—Labor Day-Office Closed</u>		<u>Friday, 9/8</u>	
Chamber Singers	6:00pm		
Sunlight AA Group	6:00pm	<u>Saturday, 9/9</u>	
		Men's Bible Study	8:00am
<u>Tuesday, 9/5</u>		Worship-In Person/Live Stream	5:30pm
Human Care Committee	6:30pm		
Al-Anon	7:00pm	<u>Sunday, 9/10</u>	
		Worship-In Person/Live Stream	8:00am
<u>Wednesday, 9/6</u>		Sunday School/Adult Bible Class	9:20am
TOPS	8:00am	Worship-In Person/Live Stream	10:30am
Bible Study	11:00am		
Lunch Bunch	12:00pm		
Choir Rehearsal	6:45pm		



Building Healthy Families: So often we slip into the habit of living for the approval of others, which leads to frustration, disappointment and disillusionment in life and relationships. In Matthew 6, Jesus tells us not to do things for the approval of men. He then goes on to assure us that our Father who sees and knows us inside out is the One who can and will meet all our needs, including our need to be recognized, valued and loved. Whew! What a relief! Life begins to look different (and much better) when seen through the eyes of faith in our loving, gracious, living and forgiving God. Fix your eyes on Jesus - not your boss, co-worker, spouse, child or neighbor - and live in the light of His great love this week! **Lutheran Family Service** www.LutheranFamilyService.org

The Lutheran Women in Mission of the Dubuque Zone invite you to join them for a Fall Retreat



Where: Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca

When: September 8 & 9

Theme: "Christ Above All"

Verse: Colossians 1:15-17

Bible Studies led by Rev. Caleb Schewe,
St. John's, Monticello, Dubuque Zone Counselor

Please bring: Bibles, snacks to share, flashlight, and essentials for Friday night as needed and your heart for mission work of all kinds.

In Gathering (donation items for \$\$) for Camp

Children are welcome

For more information contact Laurel at 319-331-3242 or Email at: klksellers@gmail.com
Lorrie also has the information and can be reached at the Church Office



POTLUCK SALAD SUPPER September 18, 2023, 6:00 pm Fellowship Hall

All women are invited to kick off the new LWML year by bringing a favorite salad to our potluck salad supper. Everything else will be provided by our hostesses Marlyce Hollis and Kathy Folkmann. Vicar Boester joins us to tell about his journey to the ministry and lead a short Bible Study. Kathy Schweer will have the opening devotion. Hope to see everyone there!



CEDAR RAPIDS ZONE FALL EVENT



"Thanks Be to God" Come to the LWML Fall Zone Event, Saturday, September 30, 2023 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Marion. Registration is at 8:30am with a brunch at 9:00am. The guest speaker will be Anna Noble, recently back from a short term mission trip to Guatemala, telling us the many ways God is at work there. **Gifts From the Heart** can be brought for Central Furniture Rescue. **NO** furniture will be accepted at this event, but small, new or gently used household items for kitchens, baths, and bedrooms will be welcomed. **RSVP to your president.**



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QUESTIONS? PLEASE CONTACT:

Rev. Dr. Brent Hartwig
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Register Online: **RegisterNow.ittworld.com**

Tour Code: **Hartwig24**

DEPARTURE PREFERENCE:

- Chicago, IL (ORD) Other: _____
- Land Only - I will be securing my own flights.

Legal Name: _____
First, middle and last as it appears on your passport!

Title: _____ Preferred Name: _____
Ex: Mr. Mrs. Ms. Rev. Dr. Fr. If different than above

Street Address: _____

City / State / Zip: _____

Main Phone: Area Code (_____)
(Select one) Home Cell Office

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(Select one) Home Cell Office

Email: _____
I prefer to have my correspondence sent to me via **email** OR **mail**

Birth Date: _____ / _____ / _____ Sex: M F Age: _____
Month Day Year

Emergency Contact: _____

Phone: Area Code (_____) Relationship: _____

Emergency Contact Email: _____

Rooming Options:
 I would like to room with: _____
We would prefer a shared bed separate beds

- Please match me with a roommate (*imagine* will choose one for me)
- I want a single room (limited availability and at an additional cost)

FULL DEPOSIT OF \$500/PERSON REQUIRED

**COPY of PASSENGER'S PASSPORT (photo pg)
REQUIRED 100 DAYS PRIOR to TRAVEL**

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INCLUDED IN PRICE:

1) Round trip airfare per brochure — deluxe motor coaches — First Class / Superior Class hotels — guided sightseeing — entrance fees to sites visited — breakfast & dinner daily per brochure

2) Taxes and fuel charges totaling **\$695 USD** comprised of **\$364.60** for fuel charges (subject to increase by airline up to 30 days prior to departure) and **\$330.40** for taxes (including federal inspection fees for the U.S. Customs and Immigrations; international air transportation tax; agricultural tax; other per person taxes imposed by government entities; airport taxes and fees including the September 11th Security fee up to \$10 per person, passenger facility charges up to \$18 per person, federal domestic flight segment fees up to \$3.50 per segment and U.S. and International arrival and departure, and other government imposed fees up to \$300 per person).

3) Gratuities of **\$160** for tour guide or cruise director, local host, driver, local guides, and/or ships' crew; gratuities on ferries, and cruise ships.

NOT INCLUDED IN PRICE:

Not included in your package are passports, visas, COVID-19 tests, vaccinations, laundry, lunches, telephone, mini-bar, alcohol, other beverages, and food outside of the contracted tour operator menu as presented at a hotel or restaurant (these extra items will be billed to you before leaving the hotel, or restaurant), airport transfers on non-qualifying flights, portage at airports, travel insurance, excess baggage fees, any fees or fuel surcharges imposed by the airlines after the date you register for your trip, and all other items not specifically mentioned.

PAYMENT:

A full deposit of \$500 per person is required at time of registration.

Credit cards are only accepted for the initial deposit. **All other remaining payments must be made in the form of a check, including final payment.**

Final payment is **due no later than 100-days prior to departure.**

Registrations received after 100-days prior to departure must be accompanied by full payment. Registrations received between 90-75 days prior to departure are subject to a \$300 late fee.

Tour pricing is based on a minimum group size of 20 passengers to be valid. The following supplements may apply for smaller groups: 19-15 travelers, \$150 per person; 14-10 travelers, \$195 per person. If group size is less than 10 travelers, the tour may be canceled due to lack of participation.

If final (full) payment is not received by Imagine Tours and Travel, LLC (hereafter referred to as *Imagine*) 75-days prior to departure, you will be automatically cancelled from the tour and your initial deposit of \$500 will be forfeited and additional fees may apply. *Imagine* reserves the right to add a surcharge if the dollar declines by more than 2% against the shekel or euro based on foreign exchange rates in effect on date (06/15/23) when your tour was booked by your tour leader/church. **All payments are required in US Funds.**

ACCOMMODATIONS:

Price is based on double occupancy (two persons sharing a room). When available, single rooms are often smaller than doubles. While *Imagine* will try to match roommates, we cannot guarantee one will be available. Roommates may be assigned as late as 75 days prior to departure. If one is not available or if you request a single room, there will be a **single room supplement charge of \$995 for the basic itinerary.**

ITINERARY & CHANGES:

Because airlines often change flight schedules after brochures are printed, *Imagine* reserves the right to shorten or lengthen the itinerary accordingly. You will be notified in writing when possible. If itinerary changes necessitate extra overnights, you will be charged \$195 per night/per person (single rooms \$225/night). Meals for extra nights are not included. **Any changes and/or deviations from the program and/or departure city listed, by the passenger, must be provided in writing to *Imagine* no later than 100-days prior to departure and any extra costs incurred will be billed to the passenger.** All deviations are subject to a standard fee of \$150 plus any applicable airline fees. All tours are final at 70-days prior to departure. No changes and/or additions may be made to the tour after that time.

LAND ONLY:

Land Only price is \$4,137 per person. Price does not include international flights. Land Only passengers may be responsible for transfers and/or additional overnights incurred by booking their own flights. We recommend you purchase a ticket which can be changed without large penalties, as the group's flights may change. Passengers changing from the regular tour to Land Only after 120 days prior to departure will be charged a fee of \$150 per person.

AIRLINE TICKETS:

In order to keep prices low, *Imagine* does not guarantee you will be on the most direct flights to your final destination. *Imagine* also does not guarantee the group will be on the same flights, particularly if registering 100 days prior to departure. Flight routings are chosen by the airlines and not *Imagine*. Airline tickets cannot be changed or refunded once issued. Air transportation to/from your destination will be economy class aboard IATA and ARC carriers utilizing APEX or SUPER APEX non-refundable, non-amendable tickets for groups of 10 or more flying together for entire itinerary. *Imagine* is unable to use individual frequent flyer points to upgrade or accept them as partial payment for air transportation. Deviations by the passenger, from the group's scheduled flights, could result in different routings/air carriers. Airline changes, if allowable, made by the passenger after final payment has been made, may incur additional fees.

FLIGHT TIMES:

All flight times are subject to change by the airlines without advance notice. *Imagine* is not responsible for such changes or delays and does not reimburse expenses resulting from such delays. If making your own flight arrangements to a departure city or any other portion of your trip, we recommend you purchase a ticket which can be changed without large penalties. All passengers are responsible for reconfirming their flights with the airline 24 hours prior to departure.

PASSPORT:

Each passenger is responsible for making sure that they have a **valid passport that has an expiration date at least six months after the date of return from their trip.** A copy of your valid passport must be submitted to our office by 100 days prior to departure.

VISAS:

Applicable visas will be obtained by *Imagine* for U.S. and Canadian Citizens only. All passengers who do not carry U.S. or Canadian Passports will be responsible for obtaining visas to the countries they are visiting. *Imagine* is not responsible for non-U.S. & Canadian Passport holders.

TRIP RESCHEDULING:

Imagine and/or Trip leader reserve the right to re-schedule the dates of the Trip to future dates TBD due to governmental action, pandemic, or other circumstances beyond their control. Should that occur, all travelers will be rebooked for the new dates. Travelers unable to travel on the new dates may cancel their participation and will be assessed a cancellation fee of up to \$300 per person, plus any additional penalties/fees imposed by ground operator(s), airlines, or other vendors. Travelers can transfer to another available tour up to one year from their original departure date.

CANCELLATION FEES:

Any passenger cancelling from the day of registration to 100 days prior to departure will be charged a **\$300 non-refundable administrative fee** per person plus any airline penalties, if applicable. You will also be charged a single room fee if your cancellation forces your roommate into a single room from 75 days prior until the date of departure.

The following charges also apply: 99-75 days = **\$500**; 74-55 days = **\$1950**; 54-41 days = **75% of total cost**; 40 days to day of departure = **100% of total cost.** **All cancellations must be received in writing.** On or after the day of departure there is no refund for any services not used. **We strongly recommend you purchase travel insurance.** If *Imagine* cancels the tour due to lack of participation, there will be a charge of \$200 deducted from the amount refunded to each passenger for administrative fees plus any airline penalties if applicable. No changes may be made to the tour within 70-days of departure, as the tour is officially closed.

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Imagine and its associated companies agree to provide the itinerary described in this brochure. This represents the entire agreement between the passenger and his agent, the travel agent, the tour host, and the tour operator. All prices, itineraries and schedules are subject to regulations and changes by acts of government, international agreement, and airline tariff adjustments, rules, and regulations. *Imagine* reserves the right to refuse or revoke travel to anyone who is, in the sole judgment of *Imagine*, incapable of group travel. Except for the willful negligence of its direct employees, the tour operator assumes no liability or responsibility for any injuries, inconveniences, illness, irregularity, or incidental damages caused by circumstances beyond the control of the tour operator or by any person or reason whatsoever, including but not limited to events such as strikes, revolts, wars, natural disasters, pandemic, closures of airports or hotel, default or omission of any common or private carrier, or the fault, negligence, or omission of and by any third party providing services or facilities related to or included in this tour or any part thereof, or in arranging for the same, or the acts or omissions of the travel agent or the tour host. The conditions become a binding contract when your enrollment and payment are received and accepted by *Imagine*. Florida law will be applicable to any dispute which arises out of or concerns regarding this brochure or your tour.

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Because wearing your name tag helps –

- ◆ others to call you by name
- ◆ you to be known by others
- ◆ the Vicar & Krista Boester to match a name with a face
- ◆ encourage new members to wear their name tags
- ◆ those who have a hard time remembering names
- ◆ start conversations
- ◆ everyone to get to know each other better
- ◆ to identify those who are members and those who are visiting
- ◆ those who think they know your name, but because you're wearing your name tag, they can be sure of it



Lutheran World Relief
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COLLECTING FOR LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF KITS



While shopping, why not pick up a few items for the school kits.

Each School Kit requires the following items (all new):

- Four 70-sheet notebooks of wide or college ruled paper, approximately 8x10 ½"; **no loose leaf paper.**
- One **BLUNT** scissors
- Five ballpoint pens (no gel), secured with rubber band
- One box of 16 or 24 crayons

Backpacks are sewn for these items by Lillian Moyer and others.

******At this time, we have an abundance of pencils, but we always need all of the other items that go in the school kits—ESPECIALLY NOTEBOOKS.***



Personal Care Kits are also needing items:

- One like new, light-weight bath-sized towel (between 20"x40" and 52"x27"), dark color preferred
- Two bath-size bars soap in original wrappings, any brand (4-5oz) (both sensitive and deodorant)
- One adult sized toothbrush in wrapping or from multipacks with each in a business sized envelope

For our Baby Kits we do need A LOT OF sleepers without feet, t-shirts, tops and pants for both boys and girls.

*****We are always running out of sleepers without feet or shirts/pants outfits we can use in place of sleepers for our baby kits.**

*****Please donate NEW towels (dark, light weight).**

Drop your items into the blue bins in the downstairs hallway across from the kitchen door .



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.



Summer Preschool Newsletter

August 28–September 1, 2023



42 years

Director/Teacher, Kaja Mueller Assistants, Christie Cherian M/W/F, Sara Cross T/TH
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Our Redeemer Preschool where children play, learn, and grow in Jesus!

Preschool Playground Clean-up

Thank you to all who helped with the playground clean up. It was great to pull weeds, trim the trees, paint the chalkboard, stain the wood surfaces, spray the tires, and wash all the outdoor toys. The kids will enjoy getting into the playground now.



First Days of School September 5&6



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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:** Iowa City #43522

Preschool Lawn Signs

As you leave preschool, there will be lawn signs by the door for you to take home. Place it where others can see it on your lawn. We want to share Our Redeemer Preschool with everyone. We still have openings in our classes for next year, so spread the word!

Our Redeemer
Preschool

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Children's Ministry

Birth—5th Grade



RALLY DAY
Sunday
September 17

Rally Day will be September 17 with a potluck at noon. All Sunday School classes, this includes the adult class, will meet in the sanctuary at 9:20am.

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



There will be no Sunday School or Adult Bible Class this weekend. It is Labor Day weekend.

Sunday School Teachers needed for Fall!

If you are planning to return to teaching in the fall, please let Kaja Mueller know ASAP. We are in need of teachers at many levels.

Please contact Kaja at:
kaja@ourredeemer.org



KIDS CLUB

4 year olds – 5th grade

Kids Club meets
Wednesday nights
from 6:45 pm—8:00 pm

Activities include Bible lesson, music, crafts, games and snacks.

First night of Kids Club is **Wednesday, September 27th**.

Special events also happen throughout the year, such as service projects, visit to a local nursing home, and Jesus' Birthday party.



Sign up online at:

<https://forms.gle/yniupevrMgKWKn3D7>

Questions? Contact Kara at
youthcoordinator@ourredeemer.org



Youth

6th —12th Grade

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

FALL SCHEDULE BEGINS SOON

Sunday, September 17th **Rally Day**—start of Fall Sunday School,
Milestone Gifts & Potluck Lunch



Wednesday, September 20th **Hot Dog Parade Party** 5:30pm



Sunday, September 24th **Confirmation Orientation** 11:45am
6th, 7th, and 8th Grade Students & Parents



Wednesday, September 27th **Confirmation and High School**
Midweek Begins 6:45pm



Friday, September 29th **6th Grade Retreat** 6:00pm



Rally Day Sunday September 17th

9:20 am Special Opening in the Sanctuary

10:30 am Milestone Gifts presented during Worship

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church's **Children's and Youth Ministries** are pleased to gift our **students** with books to nurture their spiritual growth.

3 year olds— [My First Bible Story Book](#)

1st Graders— [ESV Children's Bible](#)

3rd Graders— [Timeless Bible Truths](#)

6th Graders— [ESV Lutheran Study Bible](#),
[Luther's Small Catechism](#), and a
Confirmation carrying bag

11th Graders— [Concordia's Complete Bible Handbook](#)

12:00 pm Rally Day Lunch (*bring a dish to share, church will provide drinks and tableware*)



CONFIRMATION & MIDWEEK REGISTRATION 6th—12th Grade Youth

Sign up now for Confirmation & High School Midweek!

We're excited to resume Confirmation classes and High School Midweek on Wednesday nights from 6:45pm—8pm during the school year.

Register using this link:

<https://forms.gle/yniuevrMgKWKn3D7>

Confirmation Classes & High School Midweek start Wednesday, September 27th

Questions? Contact Kara at
youthcoordinator@ourredeemer.org

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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.