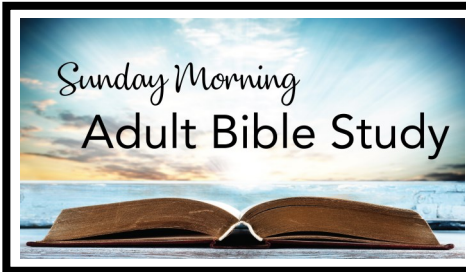







Second Sunday in Advent~

 <p>Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study</p>	<p>December 3-17 God in the Jukebox</p>	
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Sunday School Lessons

Date	Scripture	Bible Lesson
December 10	Acts 9:1-31	An Enemy Converts—Saul
December 17	Acts 16:16-40	A Soldier Believes—A Philippian Jailer
December 24	No Sunday School—Christmas Eve	

	<p>LUNCH IS SERVED!</p> <p>Everyone is invited to lunch in the Fellowship Hall at 12:00 pm on Sunday, December 10th following the Children’s Christmas Service. We will be serving grilled cheese, homemade chicken noodle soup, and desserts.</p>
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	<p>ALTAR FLOWERS</p> <p>Flowers for the altar this weekend are from Pastor and Kara Hartwig for their 30th (December 11) wedding anniversary.</p>
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	<p>Sunday Coffee & Treats</p> <p>This Sunday’s coffee and treats are being provided by the Human Care Committee. Come join us for a little refreshment and fellowship before Sunday School and Adult Bible Class. Free will offering goes toward continued missions.</p>
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	<p>ADVENT SERVICES DECEMBER 13</p> <p>We have entered the Advent Season. Our midweek Advent Service will be on December 13 with services at 1:00pm and 6:10pm (With a sing-a long at 6:00pm). There will be an Advent Midweek meal served at 5:10pm in the Fellowship Hall.</p>
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Prayer of the Church/Second Sunday in Advent/December 10, 2023

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

God of all comfort, Your Word alone endures forever. The nations of the world come and go before You, even kings and rulers are like grass before Your breath. Preserve us from placing our trust in princes and mortal men. Give us rulers who will rule after Your good pleasure, keeping order and protecting life, that we may live peaceably in godly quietness and honesty. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of all comfort, You sent John the Baptist to herald the coming Messiah and proclaim a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. In these latter days, You send pastors to proclaim the same repentance for the forgiveness of sins, and through them lead Your people to trust in Your salvation. Look with kindness upon all pastors, that they may be diligent and faithful heralds of Your beloved Son. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of all comfort, bless the children in this morning's program. We ask, O Lord, that would you strengthen their faith as they proclaimed the saving message of the Babe of Bethlehem. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of all comfort, give ear to our prayers [*especially **Dorothy Blume** (Carol Schuldt's sister), **David Caplin** (Lillian Moyer's son-in-law), **Loren Deetz**, **Clint Fult** (nephew of Robert Siems), **Titus Hanneman** (nephew of Kate Ramsey), **Beth Hargens**, **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), **Marcia Osborn**, **Dolores McNatt** (Gwen Enokian's mother), **Norma Miller** (Twyla Freeman's aunt), **Julie Pratt-Mullenkamp** (Cousin of Ruth Varney), **Aaron Raschke** (brother of Ruth Varney), **John Robinson**, **Reece Ullerich**, **Karen Warner**, **Mark Wilson**, and **Beth Wu** (Schuldt's relative)]. Give healing, courage and perseverance to all who cry to You, that they may find comfort in Your enduring Word and the certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life with Christ. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.***

God of all comfort, You instituted marriage between one man and one woman, and we give you thanks for the 30th Anniversary of **Pastor and Kara Hartwig**. Bless all husbands and wife, strengthening their love between each other and their trust in You their God. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of all comfort, as we in the Church on earth wait for the coming of Your Son, we remember all the saints who have gone before us and now rest in Your presence. Keep us safe in Your arms until You gather Your people together in the new heavens and new earth in which righteousness dwells. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father, for You have written THE STORY OF EVERYTHING – from Genesis to the Last Day that we may know Your Son, who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. **Amen.**

BIRTHDAYS


Sun. 12/10	Max Krogh, Dan Schwartz, Adam Weppler
Mon. 12/11	Helen Bohnsack, Karyl Bohnsack, Jennifer Dahm, Teresa Schmidt, Denny Schrader, Jacob Simmons
Tues. 12/12	Jillian Bolton, Joel Born, Diana Bowman, Justin Dermody, Elizabeth Frink
Wed. 12/13	Eloise Guhl, Trenton Miller, Karen Warner, Becky West
Thurs. 12/14	Nicole Naraine
Fri. 12/15	Luca Boyum, Nicholas Josten
Sat. 12/16	Amy Martens

STEWARDSHIP December 2/3, 2023

TIME		TREASURES	
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 12/2—5:30pm	75	Contributions	\$23,173.17
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 12/3—8:00am	107	Monthly needs for budget	\$67,240.58
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 12/3—10:30am	178		
Recorded Services 12/2	80		
Total Saturday/Sunday Worship	440	Adult Bible Class/Sunday School	77/*

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

<u>Sunday, 12/10—Children's Christmas Service</u>		<u>Wednesday continued...</u>	
Worship-In Person/Live Stream	8:00am	Choir Rehearsal	6:45pm
Sunday School/Adult Bible Class	9:20am	Midweek Classes	6:45pm
Worship-In Person/Live Stream	10:30am	Adult Midweek	7:00pm
Christmas Lunch	12:00pm		
Live Nativity	4:00pm	<u>Thursday, 12/14</u>	
		Comfort Tiers	9:00am
<u>Monday, 12/11</u>		Lantern Park	10:00am
Staff Christmas Lunch	1:00pm	Briarwood	4:00pm
Old Capitol Quilters	6:00pm	Board of Directors & Elders Christmas	7:00pm
Sunlight AA Group	6:00pm	Al-Anon	7:30pm
LWML Christmas Party	6:00pm		
Outreach Committee	6:30pm	<u>Friday, 12/15</u>	
		Davisson/Watkinson Family Gathering	3:00pm
<u>Tuesday, 12/12</u>			
Al-Anon	7:00pm	<u>Saturday, 12/16</u>	
		Worship-In Person/Live Stream	5:30pm
<u>Wednesday, 12/13</u>			
TOPS	8:00am	<u>Sunday, 12/17</u>	
Advent Worship	1:00pm	Worship-In Person/Live Stream	8:00am
Advent Meal	5:10pm	Sunday School/Adult Bible Class	9:20am
Sing-a-long	6:00pm	Worship-In Person/Live Stream	10:30am
Advent Worship	6:10pm	Christmas and Cookies	12:00pm



Holiday Ushers

Needed

Extra Advent, and Christmas worship services require many ushers. Please sign up on the welcome counter or contact consultant@ourredeemer.org to sign up for those services where you can be of assistance. Everyone is needed to help cover services.



CHRISTMAS CARDS ARE NEEDED AGAIN!!!

Because we had such a great response last year, the Outreach Committee is again going to collect Christmas (not holiday) cards to share the Good News of Jesus' birth for residents of local senior and assisted living residences. You can help by preparing Christmas cards. All you need to do is sign your first name and include "from Our Redeemer Lutheran Church" and place the card in the envelope. You can also add a short encouraging message if you desire. Please don't seal the envelope as we will be adding a Church stamp to the inside of the card. There will be a collection box on the Welcome Counter in the Narthex for your finished cards. This is a perfect way to use up those remaining Christmas cards you might have at home or you can purchase a few from the LWML Card racks downstairs by the Fellowship Hall. We prefer Christmas cards and not holiday cards. Based on the most recent resident counts from the facilities, we will need approximately 550 cards!

This year we would like to personally hand out the cards to the residents as well which will take some additional volunteers. If you are interested in helping with distributing cards, please sign up on the sheet by the collection box.

Please have your signed cards to the church by **Sunday, December 10th**. If you have questions, please contact Donna Saehler at 319-321-3207, Marlene Thompson at 319-338-2938, or Marilyn Kempnich at 319-351-5297.

Thank you to all who purchased gifts!!



*Dear Lord,
Bless the children.
Amen.*

Thank you for being the hands and feet of Christ to hurting families in our community who have a loved one in prison. **Please return all gifts to church by this Sunday, December 10.**

Thank you!! The Outreach Committee



CELEBRATE JESUS BIRTHDAY WITH POINSETTIAS!

Help beautify our sanctuary for Christmas. Purchase poinsettias of your choice—all sizes and colors are welcome. Bring them to church by Friday, December 22 (it is best not to bring them too early as care may not be consistent) so that they can be placed in the sanctuary Saturday morning. Poinsettias can be placed on the serving counter in the board room if you bring them early, in the Gathering Place anytime after the Wednesday Advent service.

Poinsettias will be arranged Saturday, December 23 at 9:00 am. Volunteers to help much appreciated!



POPCORN PROVIDED

Come join us December 21, at 6:00pm, in the Fellowship Hall for the continuation of the Christ in Film series. The upcoming "feature" will be "Die Hard" Rated (R)





LWML Christmas Party



Ladies, join us on Monday, December 11 at 6 pm for our December Christmas Party. It will be a fun evening of fellowship, food, fun and games. Bring an appetizer to share and a \$1-\$2 wrapped gift for a fun round of the left/right game. We meet in the Fellowship Hall. We will have a short meeting to vote on the missions that we will be funding with the proceeds of the cookie walk. We are also serving the advent meal on Wednesday, December 13. There is a signup sheet on the LWML Board outside of the Fellowship Hall. Please take the time to look at the sheet to see where you can help us out. Mark us on your calendar and we look forward to seeing you.



HEY EVERYONE!!!! Christmas & Cookies Sunday, December 17, 2023 12:00 pm

Members of Our Redeemer and friends gather together for food, fun, and fellowship. We will enjoy pizza and a short devotion. The main activity will be decorating Christmas cookies to give away as well as take some home. A short Christmas movie will be shown during lunch. God's Word will be shared as we celebrate together the birth of Christ, our Savior. Please invite your friends to join us!

Please sign up at the Welcome Counter so that we know how many cookies to get!



Building Healthy Families: *"Our hearts grow tender with childhood memories and love of kindred, and we are better throughout the year for having in spirit, become a child again at Christmastime."*

- Laura Ingalls Wilder Christmas brings memories of early years, often along with a smile. Who would enjoy your company and a chance to reminisce about their memories of Christmases past?

A family member, the widow next door, or the elderly gentleman at the local nursing home who has no visitors? You may be surprised at how excited they are to share their Christmas memories, and even to listen to yours. Share God's great love through a visit with someone who may be feeling lonely this week!

Lutheran Family Service www.LutheranFamilyService.org

2024 FLOWER CALENDAR



The 2024 flower calendar is on the bulletin board between the upper level restrooms and the nursery. Sign up to provide altar flowers in celebration of an event, in memory of a loved one, or just because.



To the Congregants of Our Redeemer Lutheran Church:

We are so very grateful for your generous gift to Shelter House in October. Warm socks, new underwear, and fresh t-shirts are necessities for everyone, but they are crucial for a person experiencing homelessness. Collecting more than 800 pairs of socks and nearly 50 pairs of underwear is just remarkable! Your gift allows us to ensure adults, children, and families in crisis have new, high-quality items to keep them warm and comfortable in these colder months. Thank you, thank you, thank you for your generosity to and support for Shelter House's clients and guests.

With an abundance of gratitude, Christine Hayes



Tis the Season for Giving!

The children of our community need our help! Many of the local children are missing a basic comfort that we often take for granted, warmth. So many students walk to school and/or are unable to participate in daily outdoor recess at school with parents that cannot provide mittens, boots, or gear to keep them warm. Many of these children are the same families serviced by the area shelters and very much in need. The Human Care Committee is currently collecting the following items beginning December 1st until January 2nd and would really appreciate your help with a donation.

They are seeking new:

- **Snow Pants**
- **Hats**
- **Boots**
- **Mittens**
- **Scarves**

Any donations can be left at the Mitten Tree which will be located near the Welcome Counter. On January 3rd the Human Care Committee will gather the items for delivery to the Iowa City School District Administration Office for distribution to children in need when classes resume.

Please feel free to direct any questions to Tracy Nelson, Human Care Committee Chair, at tracy-nelson@uiowa.edu. Thank you in advance for your kindness!



The Advent Devotional titled “What Child Is This?”, is a free devotional booklet put out by the Lutheran Hour Ministries. They are located on the Welcome Counter for anyone to have. There is large print also available.



LWML CARD SHOP

Advent is here and Christmas is on the way. LWML has stocked the card shop with Christmas cards. Please stop by and check out the assortment of Christian focused Yuletide messages to share with others. There are some sold individually and some in boxes of 12. Prices are the same, \$.50 a card and \$5.50 a box. The shop is located in the hallway by the fellowship hall. As always thank you for supporting this LWML mission. Merry Christmas!



CHRISTMAS GIFT IDEAS

Maybe you are looking for unique gift ideas for the hard-to-buy-for person in your life.

Maybe these are some ideas:

- 1) PASTOR SALARY – Donate towards the salary of Pastor Patricio Mora in Panama. His salary is \$660 a month. You can give a whole month, half a month, or any portion of the month. The Panama FORO is working to cover six months of his salary.
- 2) SANCTUARY PIANO – Our Redeemer replaced the sanctuary piano at the recommendation of the piano tuner. This unbudgeted purchase cost the congregation approximately \$9,000. Make a donation to the piano fund.
- 3) THREE-LEGGED CROSS – You have heard many times the cross will need to be replaced in the near future. A committee is working on this project, but we already are accepting donations towards the cross replacement.

If you want to make a donation to any of these ideas, simply write a check to Our Redeemer and put on the memo line which item you want to support. Any questions, please see Pastor Hartwig.

2023 Advent/Christmas/New Year Schedule

December 10	8:00am & 10:30am	Children's Christmas Service
	12:00pm	Christmas Lunch
	4:00-6:00pm	Live Nativity
December 11	6:00pm	Christmas Meeting LWML
December 13	1:00pm	Advent Service
	5:10pm	Advent Meal
	6:00pm/6:10pm	Sing-a-long/Advent Service
December 16	5:30pm	Communion Service
December 17	8:00am & 10:30am	Communion Services
	12:00pm	Christmas & Cookies
December 20	1:00pm	Advent Service
	5:10pm	Advent Meal
	6:00pm/6:10pm	Sing-a-long/Advent Service
December 23	5:30pm	Worship Service
December 24**	9:30am & 4:30pm	Christmas Eve Family Worship
	6:30pm & 11:30pm	Christmas Eve Communion Worship
December 25	9:30am	Christmas Day Communion Worship
December 30	5:30pm	Worship Service
December 31**	9:30am	Worship Service
	6:30pm	New Year's Eve Communion Worship

**No Midweek Classes December 27 or January 3*

***No Sunday School or Adult Bible Class December 24 & 31*

Advent Meal for December 13
is being provided by the LWML.

STAND FIRM FOR CHRISTIAN FAMILIES.



Lutheran
Family Service

For Nothing is Impossible with God

Lutheran Family Service's adoption programs place a profound and unapologetic emphasis on the critical importance of placing children in Christian homes, where they can be baptized and come to know Jesus Christ. This commitment is rooted in the knowledge that eternal salvation is a fundamental aspect of a child's well-being, and spiritual growth is nurtured first and foremost in the family. Every child deserves the opportunity to know Jesus and experience His love.

IN THE PAST TWO DECADES, LUTHERAN FAMILY SERVICE HAS INCREASED ITS ADOPTION PLACEMENTS BY 57%

MANY HEARTS UNPLANNED PREGNANCY SUPPORT, SINCE ITS INCEPTION IN SPRING 2022, HAS INCREASED THE NUMBER OF WOMEN WE HELP BY OVER 300%

IN 2023 WE ARE ON PACE TO SERVE 150 WOMEN EXPERIENCING UNPLANNED PREGNANCY

IN 2023 WE HAVE SERVED 8 CHILDREN THROUGH ADOPTION PLACEMENT

100% OF CHILDREN ADOPTED THROUGH LFS ARE PLACED IN A CHRISTIAN FAMILY WITH A MOM & DAD

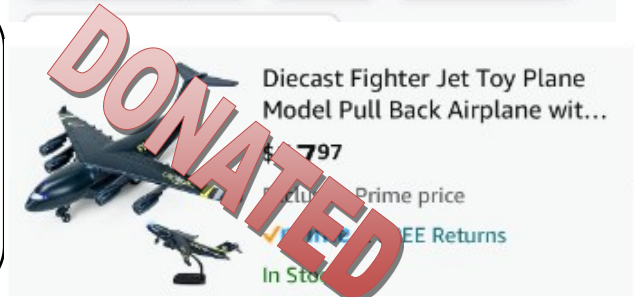
STAND FIRM with LFS so we can walk with our church workers, pregnant mothers, couples, and families through their joyful and challenging times. Make your most generous gift by December 31.



**SCAN ME
TO DONATE!**
tiny.cc/GiveLFS

Preschool Christmas Wish List

Can you help us with a few items for the preschool? You can purchase them or donate money towards them. All contributions will help. Thank you!



Money towards

- ~~specific paints we are running out of~~
- ~~Princess stickers~~
- ~~Hawkeye stickers~~
- ~~Black stickers~~
- Any stickers
- Gems for crafts



Design & Build Water Blocks

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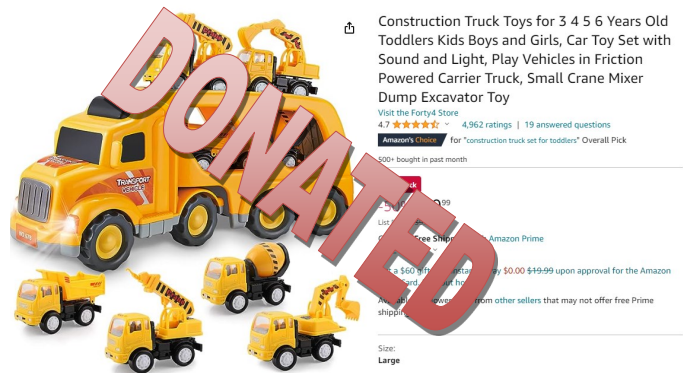
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Preschool Newsletter

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

December 4—8, 2023

Director/Teacher: Kaja Mueller M-F Assistants: Christie Cherian M/W/F, Sara Cross T/TH
Preschool Phone: 319-338-3949 Fax: 319-338-9171 www.ourredeemerpreschool.org preschool@ourredeemer.org



This Week

CIRCLE TIMES

- Daily candy cane question
- Math equation
- 5 Little Christmas Trees chant
- Bells are Ringing chant with jungle bells to play
- Number 10 ten
- Bible: The Ten Commandments
- Silent Night song
- Winter books
- Candy cane craft
- Christmas symbols free style painting
- Boomwhackers music time—keeping a beat, self control, timing
- Special Story Time with Suzie & Bill
- Fire Drill



CHRISTMAS IN LEARNING CENTERS

- Candy cane science—set a hypothesis, test it out
- Memory game
- Stickers
- Cards
- Wrapping
- Gift making
- Coloring sheets



Home Question

Our Bible lesson this week talked about how rules can be helpful. What are some rules you have at your home?

Next Week's Snacks

You get to bring snacks and be our line leader. M/W/F = 18 students; T/TH = 12 Students:

- Monday: Eliana
- Tuesday: Matthew
- Wednesday: Ellie
- Thursday: Leif
- Friday: Parker



On the preschool bulletin board there is a record of the snacks we have served. You only need to bring 2 healthy food groups for snack of the 5 presented in our CACFP Credible Food List packet. **Half a gallon of a drink is all we really use in class.** Thanks for the snacks.

All those **staying for lunch** remember to pack all 5 food groups. **If a preschooler would like to join us for lunch**, please let Mrs. Kaja know. All you need is \$5 and your lunch!

December Snack Prayer

Thank, Thank, Thank You God
(Sung to Row, Row, Row Your Boat)

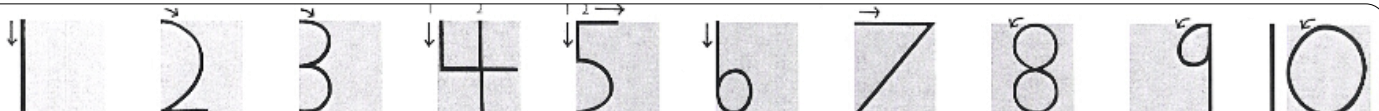
Thank, Thank, Thank You God,
Thank You now we pray,
You have given all we need,
To live through everyday.



Look at the Candy Cane
What do you see?
Stripes that are red
Like the blood shed for me
White is for my Savior
Who's sinless and pure!



"J" is for Jesus My Lord, that's for sure!
Turn it around
And a staff you will see
Jesus my shepherd
Was born for Me!





Children's Ministry

Birth—5th Grade

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS SERVICE 2023

Preschool (Three and Four Year Olds)

"What Did the Cow Say?" "Away in a Manger" "Christmas Bells"

Carter Borntrager, Barrett Cooney, Elizabeth Lothamer, Timothy Lyon,
Cade Sexton, Zoey Sexton, Silas Weis

THE JOY OF CHRISTMAS

By Terryl Padilla & John Roberts

Directed by Allsion Haack/Piano Accompaniment by Gae Ellyn Gentsch
(Kindergarten-8th Grade)



PROGRAM

Joy to the World

Jesus is Here

O Little Town
(The Glory of Christmas)

It's Christmas Medley
(Away in a Manger/Go

Tell It on the Mountain)

Soloists:

Kean Mueller

Raegan Pence

Anna Klein

Eloise Guhl

Kenley Murken

Evelyn Mueller

Joy to the World
(Unspeakable Joy)

Prelude Music

Kean Mueller

Raegan Pence

Evelyn Mueller

Lucy Mueller

Titus Mueller

Greyson Naraine

CAST

Shepherds:

Toby Haack (K)

Titus Mueller (1st)

Beckham Dyson (2nd)

Zander Ohlman (2nd)

Cavanaugh Rex (3rd)

Eli Haack (3rd)

Jayse Morrison (4th)

Arabella Roiseland (4th)

Jolene Nelson (4th)

Kean Mueller (5th)

Jackson Lyon (8th)

Tate Nelson (8th)

Beau Nelson (K)

Sheep (non-speaking):

Liam Sexton (K)

Caleb Marks (K)

Wisemen:

Rhett Marks (1st)

Archer Knock (3rd)

James Roiseland (4th)

Kayden Murken (5th)

Jace Dyson (5th)

Jacob Lothamer (6th)

Wisemen (continued):

Darius Ghabel (6th)

Cyrus Ghabel (7th)

James Haack (8th)

Desmond Knock (8th)

Holy Family:

Mary: Evelyn Mueller (8th)

Joseph: Micah Hartwig (8th)

Jesus: Emory TeBockhorst

Angels:

Lucy Mueller (1st) Lorelei Rex (6th)

Ella Jane Rex (1st) Jadyn Waring (6th)

Kaylee Murken (1st) Anna Klein (7th)

Beatrice Guhl (3rd) Eloise Guhl (7th)

Jasmin Ghabel (2nd) Willa Ohlmann (8th)

Lydia Marks (4th) Brynnley Fetzer (8th)

Raegan Pence (5th) Kenley Murken (8th)

Choir (non-speaking):

Brynn O'Shea (K)

Avalynn O'Shea (2nd)

Nalia Naraine (5th)

Greyson Naraine (6th)

Madelyn Bell (7th)



KIDS CLUB

4 year olds—5th grade
Toddlin' Classroom

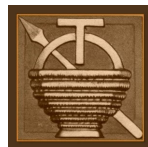
Wednesday, December 13th

5:10pm Advent Meal

6pm Sing-Along

6:10pm Advent Worship

6:45pm KIDS CLUB Lesson: Philip



Children's Sunday School

PreK3—5th grade

9:30 am—10:15am Lesson
(in classrooms)

LESSON:

An Enemy Converts—Saul
Scripture: Acts 9:1-31





Youth



6th —12th Grade

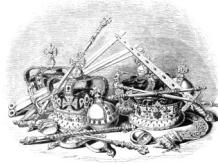
Youth Coordinator Kara Hartwig youthcoordinator@ourredeemer.org (319) 855-2728

Confirmation

(6th—8th Grade)

Wednesday, December 13th at 6:45 pm

6th Grade—Lecture
Unit 2: Kings



7th Grade—Lecture
Intro, First and Second Petition of the Lord's Prayer



8th Grade—Small Group
Unit 2: Apostle's Creed
Article 2: God the Son. We will read the account of our Savior's birth from the Gospel of Luke.



High School Midweek Schedule

High School Youth meet every Wednesday night from 6:45 pm—8 pm in the Youth Room.
Friends are always welcome!

Here's the upcoming schedule...

December 13th

Advent Meal @ 5:10 pm

Sing-a-long @ 6:00 pm

Advent Worship Service @ 6:10 pm

Midweek @ 6:45 pm "Understand the Bible Better:
Always Look for Jesus"

December 20th

Advent Meal @ 5:10 pm

Sing-a-long @ 6:00 pm

Advent Worship Service
@ 6:10 pm

Midweek @ 6:45 pm

High School Christmas Party



*Bring a \$5.00 gift for the gift exchange. If you want, wear Christmas attire, this includes pajamas!

Live Nativity

All High School Youth & their friends
Sunday, December 10th
3:00 pm until 6:30 pm

Please come and help share the Good News of Jesus' birth!

- High School students meet at church @ 3pm on Sunday, December 10th to setup and get into costume for the Live Nativity.
- There will be live animals at the Live Nativity scene again this year.
- Friends are welcome to participate with us!

Live Nativity will be on display from 4:00 pm—6:00 pm.
Free refreshments will be offered inside the church.

IMPORTANT

ATTIRE: Wear a warm coat, dress in layers and bring gloves/mittens, hat, earmuffs, hand warmers, feet warmers, snowpants, etc. to keep you warm under your costume.

Children's Christmas Worship Important Dates

SATURDAY REHEARSAL

(in the Sanctuary)

December 9th from 9:00am—11:00am

The Children's Christmas musical is during both the 8:00 am and 10:30 am services on December 10th. Children get to participate in both services.



Everyone is invited to lunch in the Fellowship Hall at 12:00 pm on Sunday, December 10th. We will be serving grilled cheese, homemade chicken noodle soup, and desserts.

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

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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.