





Weekly Newsletter—October 19/20, 2024

~The Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost~			
ADULT BIBLE CLASS	Week 43 Date	Scripture	
Read through the Bible in two years	10/21/2024	Job 15:1-17:16	
Today's Light DEVOTIONAL BIBLE	10/22/2024	Job 18:1-19:29	
	10/23/2024	Job 20:1-21:34	
	10/24/2024	Job 22:1-24:25	
	10/25/2024	Job 25:1-28:28	
English Standard Version	10/26/2024	Job 29:1-31:40	

Sunday School Lessons

Date	Scripture	Bible Lesson
October 20	Isaiah 6:52-54	Promising Prophet—God Calls Isaiah
October 27	2 Kings 17	Enduring Exile—Israel Goes into Exile



Please send the church office names of people who have died since All Saints Day in 2023 (November) and that you would like to have recognized on November 4/5, 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 **Monday, October 28.**



Building Healthy Families: Do hurtful or disrespectful words sometimes come out of your mouth during the week as you interact with your spouse or family? If so, know that continuing this habit unchecked is damaging to your relationships in ways that you might not even know. Try memorizing this verse and call it to mind when you are tempted to bite at someone you love this week: "May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing to you, O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer." (Psalm 19:14). You – and your relationships – will be better for it! Lutheran Family Service www.LutheranFamilyService.org

Prayer of the Church/The Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost/October 20, 2024

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

Almighty God, with us salvation is impossible, but with You all things are possible. Give boldness to Your Church to proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, by whose death and resurrection the way to Your kingdom has been opened. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, lead our households to find eternal rest in Your Son and His Word. Give fathers and mothers diligence in teaching their children, and preserve us all from hardness of heart. Give us urgency to hear the good message of salvation today. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, guide our nation and its leaders in true wisdom to promote honest labor, temporal protection and fitting enjoyment under the sun. Guide Your Christians to serve Christ in their citizenship and callings. Do not let our hearts be occupied with the vanity of riches that perish, but with the true joy of Christ. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, Your Word tells us to go and make disciples. Your Word tells us to to Jerusalem, Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth. Be with the mission team traveling to and from *Panama* to conduct *eyeglass clinics*. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

Almighty God, when the righteous cry, You hear and deliver them out of all their troubles. Draw near to save the brokenhearted, the crushed in spirit, the sick and those in need [especially Arlene Boots, Dorothy Blume (Carol Schuldt's sister), Loren Deetz, Linda Diggelmann, Kathy Eick, Chuck Enokian, John Enokian (brother of Chuck Enokian), Gabe Hundley (grandson of Karen Abernathy), Dora Jacobson (granddaughter of George and Carol Schuldt), Sonja Jacobson (daughter of George and Carol Schuldt), Todd Jones (Barb & Ron Jones' son), Norma Miller (Twyla Freeman's aunt), Merri Mullane, Julie Pratt -Mullenkamp (Cousin of Ruth Varney), Delores Nace (sister of Doris Siemer), Erin Nielsen (cousin of Crissy Pence), Marcia Osborn, Lucas Schildknecht (friend of the Hartwigs), Lee Schwarting (Art Schwarting's mother), Roger Simpson (Kara Hartwig's father), Carol Schuldt, Marlene Thompson, Connie Ullrich (Jeff Kucera's aunt), Natalie Ullrich (Jeff Kucera's cousin), Reece Ullerich, Karen Warner, Mark Wilson, and Beth Wu]... Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Almighty God, since we have a great High Priest, Jesus Christ, hold us fast in our confession through all temptation and preserve us from sin, O Lord. Give Your blessing to all who draw near to Your throne of grace, especially those who receive the blessed Sacrament this day, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

[We pause for a moment of silent prayer.]

All these things and whatever else you know that we need, grant us, Father, for you have made us your chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation belonging to you, through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. **Amen, Amen!**

TREASURES

STEWARDSHIP October 12/13, 2024

BIRTHDAYS

Brian Manary, Nicholas Reuter, Denise Robe, Henry Watkinson

David Lake, Dan LaRoche, Cassy Wagner, Mark Wilson

Connie Betcher, Danny Fuhrmeister

Worship-In Person/Live Stream 10/12-5:30pm	35	Contributions	\$16,784.99
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 10/13-8:00am	80	Monthly needs for budget	\$66,114.00
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 10/13-10:30am	105		
Total Saturday/Sunday Worship	220	Adult Bible Class/Sunday School	49/40

This Week at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, October 20-27, 2024

<u>Sunday, 10/20</u>		Wednesday continued		
Worship Service	8:00am	Youth Worship Rehearsal	6:45pm	
Sunday School & Adult Bible Class	9:20am	Choir Rehearsal	6:45pm	
Worship Service	10:30am	Midweek Classes	6:45pm	
Kid's Lunch & Matinee	11:45am	Adult Midweek	7:00pm	
The Chosen	6:00pm			
		<u>Thursday, 10/24</u>		
<u>Monday, 10/21</u>		Comfort Tiers	9:00am	
Staff Meeting	1:00pm	Al-Anon	7:30pm	
Chamber Singers	6:00pm			
Sunlight AA Group	6:00pm	Friday, 10/25		
Children's Committee	6:00pm			
LWML	7:00pm	<u>Saturday, 10/26</u>		
		Men's Bible Study	8:00am	
<u>Tuesday, 10/22</u>		Worship Service	5:30pm	
SM-Small Group/Marlene	6:00pm			
LLL Meeting	6:30pm	<u>Sunday, 10/27</u>		
SM-Large Group/Marcia	6:45pm	om Worship Service		
Grief Share	7:00pm	om Sunday School & Adult Bible Class		
Al-Anon	7:00pm	Worship Service	10:30am	
		New Member Brunch	11:45am	
Wednesday, 10/23		Youth Worship Rehearsal	11:45am	
TOPS	8:00am	District 13	2:30pm	
Emerson Point	2:00pm	Trunk or Treat	4:00pm	
		The Chosen	6:00pm	



October 20

October 21

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October 24

October 25

October 26

TIME

Fern Parish

Amanda Jones

Ethan Cooney

Kurt Shaner

Part-Time Administrative Assistant Needed

St. Paul's Lutheran Chapel, Iowa City is hiring a part-time Administrative Assistant to help with tasks such as maintaining attendance records, managing social media, producing weekly bulletins, and handling mailings. This flexible position requires 5–10 hours per week. If you're organized, tech-savvy, and looking for a way to support our chapel, please contact Jon Kohlmeier at jonkohlmeier@gmail.com for more information.

REFORMATION SERVICE 2024

ST. SILAS LUTHERAN CHURCH OCTOBER 27th, 4:00pm

70 Circle Drive, Suite C North Liberty, Iowa Join us to celebrate the Reformation at our Mission Church planted in North Liberty, IA by the Iowa District East LCMS.

Pastor Kris Kincaid has been our Vacancy Pastor these last 10 months and will be the Liturgist. He retired in 2023 from Our Redeemer, Dubuque, IA.

Pastor Jesse Cearlock, currently serves at Our Redeemer in Dubuque, IA, will be the Preacher.

All guests are welcome! The member of St. Silas look forward to seeing you!

Listen to The Lutheran Hour!

Find your local station at: Ihm.org/lutheranhour

NATIONAL OUTLETS:

SiriusXM Sundays, 10:00 am ET Family Talk Channel 131 iheartRadio/Spotify/Apple/Alexa Podcast on demand



"THE CHOSEN" VIEWING AND DISCUSSION Sunday Evenings From 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

All are invited to watch the Bible come to life through a viewing of episodes from the series "The Chosen". This well-made series focuses on the life of Christ and His ministry on earth while helping us put ourselves in the shoes of the disciples and Christ's followers.

Each session will involve a viewing of an episode of "The Chosen", as well as a discussion of the Biblical and extra-Biblical themes throughout the episodes. Attendees are invited to think critically about the issues portrayed in the episodes and discuss whether or not they are appropriate depictions of the truths we have in the Scriptures.

If you are interested in seeing "The Chosen" but have hesitations, or have not found the opportunity, this is a great chance to watch it among friends and grow in the fellowship of other Christians.

*Class will not be held on holiday Sundays such as Easter Sunday. Refer to the church calendar every month for that month's schedule.

Time to start thinking C S KIES!

We have one of the best Cookie Walks in the area!



The <u>31th Annual LWML Guild Cookie Walk</u> will be <u>Saturday, December 7th</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 6th and/or Saturday, December 7th</u>. Sign-up will start November 2nd & 3rd in the narthex.

Are you thinking COOKIES yet?

This Monday, LWML Meeting, Oct. 21, 7 p.m.



All ladies of Our Redeemer are invited to join the LWML at their meeting on this Monday, October 21 at 7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Our speaker for the evening is Christine Hayes from the Shelter House of Iowa City. She will tell us all about the Shelter House, who they serve, and all the ways they serve. Since this is Socktober it will be very informative of how our small part of collecting socks is helping people in our community. Since LWML is all about missions, we have decided to have a small community mission project each month that you can participate in if you choose. This month for our local mission we chosen to collect laundry pods for the Russell and Ann Gerdin American Cancer Society Hope Lodge. Our devotion leader for the evening is Donna Saehler. Our hostesses for the evening are Marlyce Hollis and Beth Hargens. Join us for a great evening of fun and great Christian fellowship.

SOCKTOBER Warm toes = warm hearts



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 them. 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 lowa City Homeless Shelter to collect socks. We are asking the congregation to donate NEW crew socks. Socks with reinforced toes are the best, but any new socks are appreciated, adult or children. Please place your donations in the SOCKTOBER box/basket in the narthex. If you prefer to give a monetary gift rather than socks, we'd be happy to shop for you! If this is your wish just make your check out to Our Redeemer Lutheran Church with Socktober in the memo line and place it in the offering plate. We are, also, still taking donations for brand new packs of underwear for men, women, and children. We request that you please contribute new items only. Thank you for your help.



St. Paul in 1 Thessalonians 5:11 encourages Christians to "build each other up" during times of grieving. Our Redeemer is excited to deepen our congregation's fulfillment of that command by beginning a 13-week Grief Share program, beginning on October 22, 2024.

The GriefShare program has helped thousands of people keep their eyes fixed on Christ as they navigate life after losing loved ones. It focuses on providing tools and insights to find relief and manage emotions, connect with people who understand, encourage those grieving with personal stories, and utilize Biblical wisdom to deepen the healing journey.

If you are interested in attending these classes, or joining the ministry as a volunteer, please contact the church office to sign up!

LOOKING FOR TRUNK VOLUNTEERS!! Sunday, October 27, 4:00pm



We are looking for Trunk or Treat volunteers to volunteer to set up 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.

Calling All New Members – Save the Date

- Who: New Members
- What: Brunch and Fellowship Time
- When: Sunday, October 27, following the 10:30 worship service
- Where: Church Fellowship Hall (lower level by the kitchen)
- Why: To meet new friends, enjoy a delicious meal, and learn about Our Redeemer's ministry opportunities.
- Host: Connections Committee

New Member Brunch

Who is a new member? If you have joined Our Redeemer in the last year 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.



PRIME TIME DINNER Sunday November 3rd 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 by Sunday, October 20th, 2024. Tracy's email address: tracy-nelson@uiowa.edu



WORLD VISION WILL PRESENT AN **OPPORTUNITY TO BE "CHOSEN"** November 9 and 10

Keep watch in Reflections and Beacon to see how you can be "Chosen" by a child. This special event affords a chance for you to impact others with an outreach opportunity.

We will need three volunteers for each service—work one or all three services for about half an hour after each service, training at 4 pm Saturday, if possible. Contact Laurel Sellers at consultant@ourredeemer.org or 319-331-3242 to volunteer or get further information.

Pictorial Directory Photo Time!

When: November 9 & 10 and November 23 & 24 after each service Where: In the Chapel





This is 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 Kristin Weis (319-325-7844) or Pam Wilson (319-530-1920) with guestions or to schedule at a different time.

Thank you! Connections Committee



A Chance to Share The Fun ~ Trivia Challenge

Our Redeemer offers a perfect environment for a friendly game of Trivia Challenge. A no-pressure competition with family and friends, where winning is secondary to fellowship. Feel free to invite neighbors, co-workers, friends or family. Bring an appetizer if you can and join us in the Fellowship Hall.

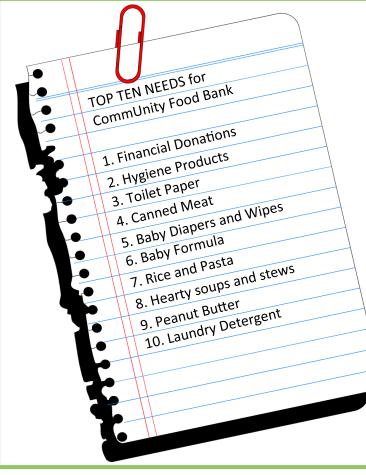
Event will be **November 10th** right after 10:30 worship.

Sign up on the chart on the Welcome Counter located in the Narthex. Last minute walk ins are acceptable.

WHY SHOULD I CONSIDER WEARING MY NAME TAG?

Because wearing your name tag helps -

- others to call you by name
- you to be known by others
- the Vicar & Rachel Simmons continue 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





Donation bin located in Narthex by the Welcome Counter

Please consider picking up extra items as you are shopping to donate to the CommUnity Crisis Center.



Preschool Newsletter

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

October 14-18, 2024

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.ourredeemerpreschoolic.org pro



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43 YEARS

Question For a Kid This Week Can you name all the people in your Students' birthdays family ? Math equation Letter ii—recognize, trace, draw, and sound Next Week Snack Classroom Rules—in order to have a good day You get to bring snacks and be our line leader. Bible: Joseph's family (Genesis M/W/F = 15 students; T/TH = 14 students Little line 37: 1-11) Little line Monday: Emersyn Tornado drill Tuesday: Gwen Line leader choice book Wednesday: Emma Fall puzzles Thursday: Reuben • 2 Bear books Friday: Josie Sensory table corks You only need to bring 2 healthy food groups Cork painting for snack of the 5 presented in our Credible Food List packet. Half a gallon of a drink is all we really use in class. Thanks for the snack. **TEACHER TIME** Letter li-recognize, trace, draw, and sound 1. Look Assessments—alphabet & numbers 2. Listen 3. Follow October Outline 20th – Dinosaur Week 22nd&25th – Librarian Mrs. Casey visits. Fire Drill 23rd&24th – Officer Bailey visits. Our safe place is the playground 24th&25th – Wear Hawkeye colors. Tornado Drill 29th&30th—Costume Days – Wear yours. To the hallway out our side door. 31st—No Preschool Sit down in line Hands on head, in our knees (To Clementine) In an ialoo on an island in a sea of icy water lived an inchworm named Ignatius and his itsy-bitsy daughter. She was smaller than an inkblot and her name was Isabel. She didn't need a cradle 'cause she slept in a seashell.



Children's Ministry

Birth—5th Grade

Sunday School PreK—5th grade October 20, 2024, 9:20 am—10:15 am



Lesson: Promising Prophet—God Calls Isaiah Isaiah 6:52-54

FREE Children's Lunch & Matinee Sunday, October 20, 2024 at 11:45 am Church Fellowship Hall



Bring your kids, grandkids, nieces, nephews, and friends for a free children's lunch and matinee!

Join us for

- Yummy meal of chicken nuggets, mac & cheese, veggies and fruit, plus dessert
- The Veggie Tales movie "Lord of the Beans' (51 minutes)
- Activity pages and coloring sheets

Please sign-up to attend by using this link by Friday, October 18th: <u>https://docs.google.com/forms/d/</u> e/1FAIpQLScUbR0QQVrjFaMbL5sVRn2lwabY8DDR 2fj-P0P8pzgxzXx0XQ/viewform



The Christmas Story The Children's Christmas Service will be held on December 15, at the 8:00am and 10:30 am services. The children will practice during the regular Sunday School time.

Please sign-up to have your child participate and to find additional information using the link below.

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Sunday, October 27th, 4:00 pm

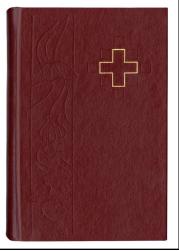


Church Parking Lot



Kids Club 4 years old—5th Grade Wednesday, 6:45pm October 23, 2024

The class topic will be "A Mighty Fortress is Our God"





6th —12th Grade

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

Confirmation Classes

Wednesday, October 23rd at 6:45 pm

6th Grade—Lecture Unit 1: Exodus: Moses Saves



7th Grade—Lecture <u>The Ten Commandments</u> 4th through 6th Commandments



8th Grade—Small Group Forgiveness



Sunday School, **October 20, 2024** 9:20 am—10:15 am



Lesson: Promising Prophet—God Calls Isaiah Isaiah 6:52-54

UPCOMING EVENTS Sunday, October 27th

TRUNK OR TREAT South Parking Lot 4:00 pm—5:00 pm If you can do a trunk



please sign-up at the Welcome Counter!

Sunday, October 23rd YOUTH WORSHIP REHEARSAL 6:45 pm—8:00 pm in the Sanctuary

Saturday, November 16th



PIE SALE FUNDRAISER Pie Prep 8:00 am/Pie Sale 11:00 am



Rehearsals for Youth Worship Weekend November 2nd-3rd

Once a year, the Confirmation and High School Youth help with all three worship services as part of Youth Worship Weekend.

Each group helps with a different aspect of the worship service.

Confirmation Youth: Greeters and ushers **High School Youth:** Youth Praise Team member (sing or play an instrument), Bible lesson readers, and/or skit actors.

REHEARSAL DATES for High School Youth:

- Weds, Oct. 23rd from 6:45 pm—8:00 pm
- Sun, Oct. 27th from 11:45 am—2:00 pm
- Weds, Oct. 30th from 6:45 pm—8:00 pm
- Sat, Nov. 2nd from 2:00 pm—7:00 pm (rehearsal & 5:30pm service)
- Sun, Nov. 3rd starting at 7:30 am (then stay for both Sunday worship services)

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2024 Board of Directors

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.