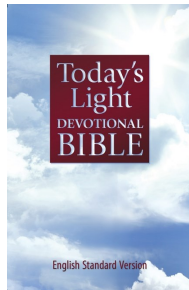




~The Third Sunday in Lent~

ADULT BIBLE CLASS

Read through the Bible in two years



Week 65 Date	Scripture
03/24/2025	Ezekiel 35:1-36:38
03/25/2025	Ezekiel 37:1-39:29
03/26/2025	Ezekiel 40:1-42:20
03/27/2025	Ezekiel 43:1-27
03/28/2025	Ezekiel 44:1-31
03/29/2025	Ezekiel 45:1-46:24

Sunday School Lessons

Date	Scripture	Bible Lesson
March 23	Matthew 14:22-33	A Water Wonder—Jesus Walks on Water
March 30	Matthew 16:13-23	A Confident Confession—Peter Confesses Christ



BAPTISM


Jacob Dean Archer
Sunday, March 23
10:30am



Adult Confirmation

Sunday, March 23
10:30am Service

Jacob Dean Archer
Dana Lynn Chown
Julie Rose Chown



ALTAR FLOWERS

Flowers for the altar this weekend are from Brian and Lynne Westphal in memory of Norma Westphal on what would have been her 95th birthday (March 25).

Prayer of the Church/The Third Sunday in Lent/March 23, 2025

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

Gracious Lord, You order and number our days according to Your wisdom. Give us repentant hearts, lest we perish with this world of violence and suffering, that we would hold fast to Christ for life and salvation.

Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious Lord, You take no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but desire that they would turn and live. Give pastors courage to warn of sin and death. Give all Christians strength to defend that message. Turn sinners to life by the proclamation of Christ, who delivers from all unrighteousness.

Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious Lord, guard Your people against immorality. Grant that our homes would be havens of godly instruction and chastity, and fill marriages with fidelity and love.

Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious Lord, You establish justice not through the desires of sinners but by Your Law, which is for all. Enlighten the authorities of this and every nation, that they might rule justly for true good. We especially remember the conflict embroiling in Eastern Europe and Ukraine. Preserve your people and thwart the work of Satan as You reign from on high.

Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious Lord, by Your Holy Spirit You teach and strengthen the members of Your church. We offer You thanks and praise for the Adult Confirmands who are being confirmed this weekend. Bless our adult confirmands:

Dana Chown, Julie Chown and Jacob Archer. Strengthen them in their faith unto life everlasting.

Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious Lord, remember Your people who cry to You for mercy in a world where towers fall and sinners work evil. Deliver those in need of healing and comfort, [*We especially remember **Becky Behrens, Arlene Boots, Dorothy Blume** (Carol Schuldt's sister), **Loren Deetz, Kathy Eick, Chuck Enokian, John Enokian** (brother of Chuck Enokian), **Mary Helen Gibson** (sister of Gwen McNatt Enokian), **Dennis Huedepohl** (friend of Bruce & Grace Maurer), **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), **Peter Klopp** (father of Louise Klopp), **Ruth Langehough, Ben Malcom** (father of Tiffany Roiseland), **Norma Miller** (Twyla Freeman's aunt), **Marvin Muhlenbruck, Merri Mullane, Julie Pratt-Mullenkamp** (Cousin of Ruth Varney), **Delores Nace** (sister of Doris Siemer), **Erin Nielsen** (cousin of Crissy Pence), **Lucas Schildknecht** (friend of the Hartwigs), **Lee Schwarting** (Art Schwarting's mother), **David Soldner** (friend of Carol Holman), **Carol Schuldt, Marlene Thompson, Connie Ullrich** (Jeff Kucera's aunt), **Natalie Ullrich** (Jeff Kucera's cousin), **Reece Ullerich, Elizabeth Warner** (Harold Warner's mother), **Karen Warner, Mark Wilson, Rod Wittich, Beth Wu, and Velma Zebuhr** (Bruce Maurer's aunt)] and strengthen them to look to You for help in their time of affliction.*

Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious Lord, be not far from us. We rejoice that You have written our names in the Lamb's Book of Life and given us the new birth of water and the Word. We are especially grateful for the baptism of **Jacob Dean Archer** this weekend. Strengthen him and all baptized in the faith.

Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious Lord, You have brought us into Your vineyard and appointed us to bear good fruit. Receive our thanks for Your patience, and grant that we would show Your love and grace in all that we say and do.

Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious Lord, be not far from us and hear our silent prayers as we cry out to You.

[*silent prayers*]

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, Amen!**

BIRTHDAYS

March 23	Kayden Murken, Jonathan Schultz, Trisha Sexton
March 24	Sheri Foster
March 25	***
March 26	Maxwell Carlson, Julie Happel, Addyson McKillip, Catherine Nelson, Aaron Strumpel
March 27	Hayden Dyson, John Krogh, Maisie Magsamen, Ericha TeBockhorst
March 28	Ryan Nieland, Bentli Norland, Rick Walters
March 29	Kathy Bell, Toby Brase

STEWARDSHIP March 15/16, 2025

TIME	TREASURES		
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 3/15—5:30pm	34	Contributions	\$16,655.62
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 3/16—8:00am	59	Monthly needs for budget	\$71,996.33
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 3/16—10:30am	140	Lenten Wednesday Services (March 12)	20/94
Total Saturday/Sunday Worship	233	Sunday School/Adult Bible Class	60

This Week at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, March 16—23, 2025

<u>Sunday, 3/23</u>		<u>Wednesday continued...</u>	
Worship Service	8:00am	Lenten Worship	6:10pm
Sunday School/Adult Bible Class	9:20am	Choir Rehearsal	6:45pm
Worship Service	10:30am	Midweek Classes	6:45pm
The Chosen	6:00pm	Adult Midweek	7:00pm
		Confirmation Spring Retreat Parent Meeting	8:00pm
<u>Monday, 3/24</u>		<u>Thursday, 3/27</u>	
Staff Meeting	1:00pm	Comfort Tiers	9:00am
Chamber Singers	6:00pm	Book Club	7:00pm
Sunlight AA Group	6:00pm	Al-Anon	7:30pm
Children's Committee	6:00pm		
<u>Tuesday, 3/25</u>		<u>Friday, 3/28</u>	
SM-Small Group/Marlene	6:00pm	***	
LLL Meeting	6:30pm		
SM-Large Group/Marcia	6:45pm	<u>Saturday, 3/29—Spring Confirmation Retreat</u>	
Stephen Ministry Training	6:45pm	Girl Scout Troop 8598	11:00am
Al-Anon	7:00pm	Worship Service	5:30pm
<u>Wednesday, 3/26</u>		<u>Sunday, 3/30—Spring Confirmation Retreat</u>	
TOPS	8:00am	Worship Service	8:00am
Lenten Service	1:00pm	Sunday School/Adult Bible Class	9:20am
Emerson Point	2:00pm	Worship Service	10:30am
Lenten Meal	5:10pm	The Chosen	6:00pm



LENT IS HERE

Lenten season has begun. There is still a need of ushers for extra services during the season of Lent—Wednesday Lenten services, Maundy Thursday, and Good Friday. Ushers, please sign up at the Welcome Center for services for which you are able to assist.

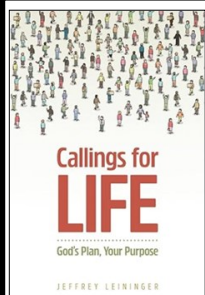
FLOWERS NEEDED FOR EASTER!

Beautify the sanctuary on Easter by shopping for any type of beautiful, open-blossom, potted (spring) plants (Easter Lilies, Asters, Mums, Aztec Lilies, Daffodils, Tulips, Begonia, etc.). Drop them off at church in the Board Room during Holy Week. We will need them at church by the end of Good Friday, April 18. Any dropped off before April 16 will also be used for the Prayer Walk. Please mark your name on the bottom of the potted plant or place a labeled ice cream stick in the plant so you can take them back home after late service on Easter Sunday. The more plants, the more beauty. Thanks in advance for helping beautify the sanctuary in celebration of our risen Lord. Please try to pick up the flowers as soon after the 10:30 am Easter worship as possible.



****ATTENTION! ATTENTION!****

We still have plenty of leftover sausage from Pancake Day still available. It is \$5 for a bag of 5 patties. They are located in the freezer in the kitchen. If you write a check please put "sausage" in the memo line.



BOOK CLUB STARTS MARCH 27 AT 7:00PM

God has chosen us, His people, to serve Him in the vocations that He has placed us. In this book study, Jeffrey Leininger will guide us through the theology of vocation, so we can see how God is calling us to carry out His plans in our vocations. This study will enrich members in all aspects of their lives, as they explore how to see themselves as God's chosen people, and what that means for their daily lives. Cost of the book is \$15. Come join us. Signup sheet located on the Welcome Counter.

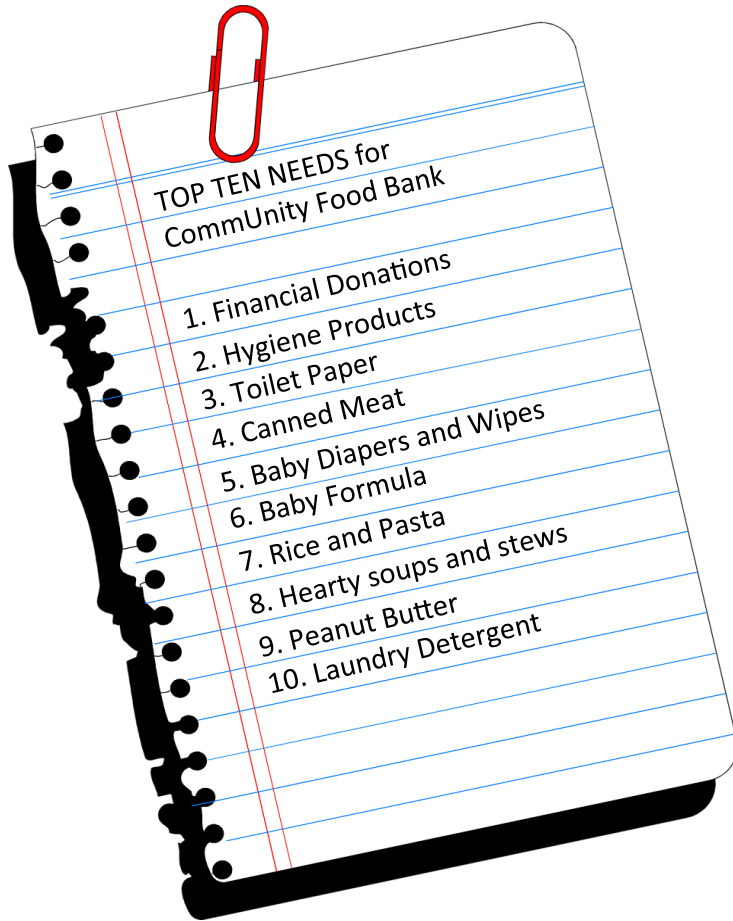
Meeting Dates: March 27, 2025, April 24, 2025, May 22, 2025, June 26, 2025

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 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.



Our Redeemer Lutheran Church VBS

Sunday, August 3, 2025 to Thursday, August 7, 2025
5:00 PM—8:15 PM

2301 East Court Street
Iowa City, IA

Sign up today for **Epic Australian Adventure VBS** this summer! Throughout this program, we will go on an epic adventure through Australia and along the way be guided by our Savior, Jesus who is the way, the truth, and the life! Let's go on an unforgettable journey!

NIGHTLY SCHEDULE

5:00 pm meal
5:30-5:45 pm opening
5:30-8:00 pm activities
8:00-8:15 pm closing

STUDENT AGES:

4 year old (who are potty trained)
through 8th grade students (for 2025-26)

Sign up to attend or volunteer:

<https://vbsmate.com/OurRedeemerVBS2025>



TASTING BEE DEADLINES FAST APPROACHING

**April 6 - Last day to sign up for
table decorating and recipes
Last day for earned tickets to be
purchased**

**Saturday, April 26
11:00 am**

Table decorators and recipes still needed!!

LWML sponsors this event to raise funds for missions — this year to Our Redeemer Mission Fund, Eswatini, Our Redeemer Cross Fund, and seminarian Ethan Boester. *To make this a success, we need congregational support to sign up to provide a recipe or decorate and host a table.*

Support missions along with the LWML by doing any of the following:

- **Provide a recipe** by to be included in the cookbook we compile and print to be handed out to those attending the Tasting Bee. When you sign up and submit your recipe, you are agreeing to make the recipe enough for 185 bites. A teaspoon is a TASTE. Anything else is a helping.
- **Decorating a table** according to the theme. A round table seats 8. A rectangle table seats 10. This year's theme is "Chosen to be...".
- **Sign up on the waiting list** for tickets remaining after signups are finished.



When you sign up to submit and make a recipe and/or decorate a table it entitles you to purchase 3 tickets for each thing you sign up to do, at \$10 each which you give or sell to your invited friends. You can purchase all tickets you are entitled to or only the amount you need. A waiting list is available to purchase available extra tickets after April 6.

Signup will end April 6. You will be able to purchase your allotted tickets the day you sign up and they must be purchased before April 6 or they will go to people on the waiting lists. Recipes need to be sent to Sandy Wagner at packratsandy@yahoo.com by April 14. Speak to the people at the signup table soon or contact any of the people below with questions . Thanks in advance.

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Donna Saehler	dojosaehler9591@gmail.com
Laurel Sellers	klksellers@gmail.com
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St. Paul's Lutheran Chapel, your campus ministry at
The University of Iowa, presents:
**Variety! An Evening of Talented Performers
and Delectable Desserts.**



The event will take place at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, 2301 E. Court St., Iowa City, on Saturday, April 12, 2025, at 7:00 PM (doors open at 6:30 PM). All proceeds go to our annual LCMSU teaching weekend (Theologian in Residence) and for future servant event trips.

Tickets are:
Adults - \$10
Students and Children - \$7
2 and under – Free

Tickets are available at St Paul's Chapel. You may reserve your tickets and pick them up the night of the show by sending an email to stpaulschapel.iowacity@gmail.com subject line VARIETY! In the email please indicate the number of tickets you need. Tickets will also be available at the door. Please note: Advance ticket sales and reservations are most appreciated and will help assure ample desserts and seating.



PRAYER WALK

April 16, 2025, Fellowship Hall, 11:00 am – 7:00 pm

The Prayer Walk has become a Silent Wednesday tradition at Our Redeemer. Come spend as little or as much time as you like, visiting one or all of the areas in the Fellowship Hall offering prayer suggestions and time to pray and meditate. If you have never experienced this, you will want to make it one of your Holy Week stops. People come back from year to year to absorb the peaceful, calming ambience.



Building Healthy Families: Researchers have discovered that people have between 12,000 and 60,000 thoughts each day – and 80% of them are negative. *What's your percentage?* If it's too high, don't be dismayed; you can do something about it! It's possible to intentionally change your automatic thoughts and as a result, your mood, mental wellness, and relationships will all improve greatly. God's word encourages us: "...take captive every thought and make it obedient to Christ." (2 Corinthians 10:15) Lutheran Family Service counselors are here to help you find mental and emotional strength and wellness, replacing lies with truth, from a perspective that is consistent with your faith. **Lutheran Family Service** www.LutheranFamilyService.org



LUTHERAN WITNESS

subscriptions will need to be in by **Monday, April 21**. 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 **\$20.65** made out to Our Redeemer Lutheran Church. In the memo line please put Lutheran Witness Subscription. If you are wanting to have a subscription to Lutheran Witness for the first time, call or see Lorrie in the office during regular hours Monday through Friday, 8:30am to 5:00pm. If you are looking for an example to see what one is like there is an edition of the Lutheran Witness in the Library.



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.



Lutheran Women
in Mission

LWML Cedar Rapids Zone Spring Event

Please join us for the LWML Cedar Rapids Zone Spring Event on Saturday, April 12 at Trinity Lutheran Church, 1363 1st Ave SW, Cedar Rapids. Registration opens at 8:30 AM; brunch and our program start at 9:00 AM. Our theme comes from Psalm 22:30-32: *Future generations will be told about the Lord. They will proclaim his righteousness, declaring to a people yet unborn: He has done it!* Richard Hoelz will share his knowledge about "Lutheran Hour Ministries – Something for Everyone." Ingathering gifts will go to Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca. The Camp needs paper towels, toilet paper, napkins, kleenex, stamps, and cleaning supplies. Cash donations are also helpful. Hope you all can come! Please sign up by Monday, April 7. Sign up sheets are located on the LWML table across from the kitchen.



Questions?
PLEASE CONTACT:

Rev. Dr. Brent Hartwig
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The ITINERARY

Day 1 – Wednesday, September 3: Depart U.S.A.

Embark upon your journey with an overnight flight to Athens. Prepare yourself for a life-changing experience and get some rest on the flight. Tomorrow you will be walking where the Apostle Paul walked.

Day 2 – Thursday, September 4: Arrival Athens Airport, Athens

We arrive at Athens Airport and transfer to our hotel. Travel in time, exploring a city with a history dating over 5,000 years. Dinner and overnight are in Athens.

Day 3 – Friday, September 5: Athens (Lavrion Port), Start Our 3-Night Mediterranean Cruise, Mykonos

Today, we sail from Athens (Lavrion Port) to the charming island of Mykonos, known for its windmills. Upon arrival, we disembark to explore the waterfront lined with shops and cafes. We wander through the charming, white-washed buildings before returning to the ship for dinner and evening activities. Today is free for personal exploration on the island.

(Mykonos excursion not included)

Day 4 – Saturday, September 6: Kusadasi, Patmos

This morning, we arrive in Kusadasi, Turkey. An included excursion takes us to Ephesus, where Paul spent three years during his ministry. Ephesus boasts impressive remains such as the Agora, the Theater, the Stadium, the Library of Celsus, and the ruins of the Temple of Diana, one of the "Seven Wonders of the Ancient World." Later, we sail to Patmos where we visit the Monastery of St. John and the Grotto of the Apocalypse, where St. John wrote the Revelations.

Day 5 – Sunday, September 7: Heraklion (Crete), Santorini

In the morning, we disembark at Heraklion, Crete. An included excursion takes us to the Knossos excavations, revealing a civilization dating back to 4000 B.C. Here, Paul left Titus to appoint church leaders in the towns (Titus 1:5 & Tim. 3:1). In the afternoon, we cruise to Santorini, known for its breathtaking villages clinging to volcanic cliffs. Personal exploration is recommended.

(Santorini excursion not included)

Day 6 – Monday, September 8: Athens (Lavrion Port), Ancient Corinth, Athens

Concluding our cruise, we disembark in Lavrion Port and journey to Ancient Corinth, where Paul engaged in his missionary work for eighteen months, making significant contributions to early Christian communities (Acts 18:1-18). Our exploration includes visits to the Archaeological Museum, the Forum, the Temples, and the renowned Bema, where Paul stood trial before Gallio. Continuing to Cenchreae, where Paul departed for Asia.

We return to Athens for a comprehensive sightseeing tour encompassing the Acropolis, Mars Hill, the Agora, and other historical landmarks. Enjoy an afternoon of personal exploration before our dinner. Dinner and overnight stay are in Athens.

Day 7 – Tuesday, September 9: Athens, Meteora, Thessaloniki

Departure for a journey to the mystical region of Meteora, renowned for its Byzantine monasteries perched atop towering rock formations. Dating back to the 14th century, these monasteries offer a glimpse into a history of spiritual refuge and survival against the backdrop of stunning natural landscapes. Following our exploration, we continue our trip to Thessaloniki, where Paul was received by Jason and preached until he was rushed out the city (Acts 17:1-9). We explore the city's landmarks: the White Tower, the Walls of the Byzantine Acropolis, the Roman Arch of Galerius, and the Rotonda. We visit two of the city's oldest Christian churches, the Basilicas of St. Demetrius and St. Sophia. We transfer to our hotel for dinner and overnight.

Day 8 – Wednesday, September 10: Thessaloniki, Philippi, Kavala, Thessaloniki

In the morning, we depart for Philippi, visiting the Baptistry of Lydia near the river where Paul baptized her (Acts 16:11-15). Lydia was Paul's first European convert, followed by the jailer. We also explore the ruins of the Forum of Philippi, the Christian Basilicas, the "Prison of Paul," and the Theater. We continue to Kavala (Neapolis), Paul's first stop in Europe, where we see the Byzantine Castle and the Roman Aqueduct. Following the Via Egnatia, we visit the area of Amphipolis, where we see the famous funerary Lion of Amphipolis, just as Paul and his companions did. We return to Thessaloniki. Dinner and overnight.

Day 9 – Thursday, September 11: Thessaloniki, Berea, Athens

We depart from Thessaloniki to Athens. On our way we will stop in we depart for the capital of Ionia, which name is Veria. It is built at the foot of Mount Vermio. We will have free time to visit the Step of Apostle Paul and the Synagogue. It is located next to the Barbouta area, which over time came to be known as the Jewish District. The stone-built Synagogue is the most ancient synagogue in the Northern Greece. Arrival in Athens. Dinner will be provided at the hotel in Athens.

Day 10 – Friday, September 12: Athens, Athens Airport Departure

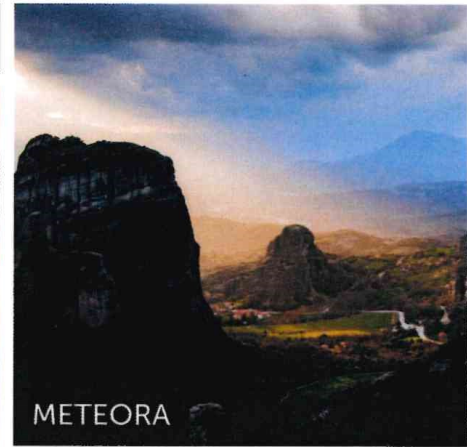
In the morning, we transfer to Athens Airport for our return flight to the U.S.A.



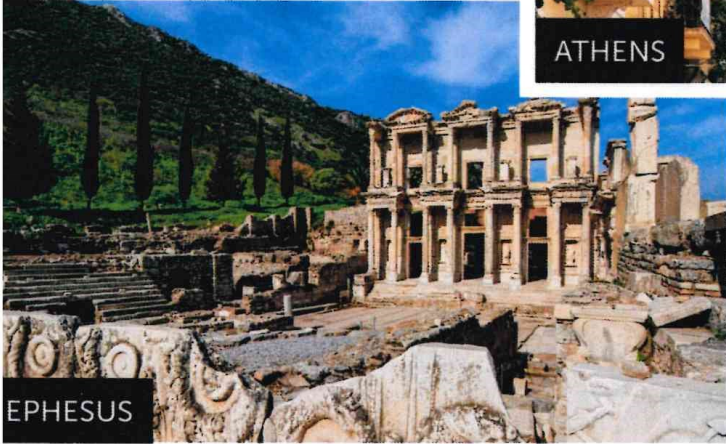
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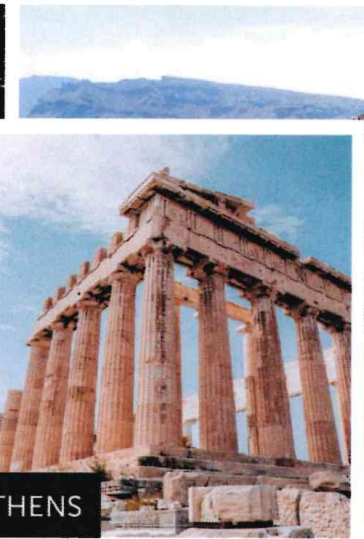
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While we do our best to ensure that all items listed in your itinerary are included, there are times when conditions beyond our control may affect your program or itinerary, including but not limited to air carrier changes, delays, weather, political climate, time constraints, or changes made by your tour leader and tour guide.

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INCLUDED IN PRICE:

-  Round-Trip Airfare per brochure
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-  Select Excursions Ephesus, Patmos, & Crete
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-  Port fees of \$149
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-  Entrance Fees to sites visited
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-  Deluxe Motor Coaches
-  Guided Sightseeing

Taxes and fuel charges totaling \$578 USD comprised of \$247.60 for fuel charges (subject to airline increase up to 30-days before departure) and \$330.40 for taxes (including U.S. federal inspection fees, airport taxes international air transportation tax, agricultural tax, other government-imposed fees such as 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).

NOT INCLUDED IN PRICE:

Passports, visas, vaccinations (if required), laundry, lunches not on the tour menu (food outside of the contracted menu will be billed prior to leaving the hotel or restaurant), excursions not listed, telephone/international data, mini-bar, alcohol, other beverages, airport transfers on non-qualifying flights, portage at airports, excess baggage fees, additional airline fees after registration, travel insurance, and all other items not explicitly mentioned.

PAYMENTS & FEES:

A non-refundable deposit of \$500 per person is due upon registration, with a second deposit of \$500 per person required within 21 days thereafter. Credit cards are only accepted for the initial \$500 deposit; subsequent payments must be in check, ACH transfer, bill payment, or wire transfer; all payments are required in US Funds.

Final payment is due no later than 120 days prior to departure.

Registrations after 120 days require full payment and may incur a \$300 late fee if received 119-90 days before departure. Failure to make final payment by 90 days prior to departure results in automatic cancellation, forfeiture of the \$500 deposit, and potential additional fees.

Imagine Tours and Travel, LLC (hereafter referred to as *Imagine*) reserves the right to impose a surcharge if the dollar declines by more than 2% against the destination currency based on booking date (11/18/24).

GROUP SIZE & SUPPLEMENTS:

Tour pricing assumes a minimum group size of 20 passengers.

Smaller groups may incur supplements:

- \$150 per person (19-16 travelers)
- \$195 per person (15-12 travelers)

Tours with fewer than 12 travelers may be canceled due to insufficient participation.

ACCOMMODATIONS:

Price is based on double occupancy (two people sharing a room). Single rooms may be smaller than double rooms and, when available, incur an additional supplemental charge of \$1,495 for the basic itinerary. Roommates are assigned if available; otherwise, single-room occupancy may apply. Roommates may be assigned as late as 120 days prior to departure when applicable.

ITINERARY & CHANGES:

Imagine reserves the right to adjust itineraries due to airline schedule changes. Changes requiring extra nights incur \$195 per person per night (\$295 for single rooms). You will be notified in writing of said changes when possible. Meals for additional overnights are not included. Changes and/or deviations from the program and/or departure city listed by the passenger must be provided in writing no later than 120 days prior to departure.

All deviations are subject to a \$250 administrative fee plus applicable airline fees. All tours are made final at 90 days prior to departure. No changes (including additions) may be made after this time.

LAND ONLY:

Land Only price is \$4,892 per person, excluding international flights.

Land Only passengers may be responsible for transfers and/or additional overnights incurred by booking their own flights. Passengers changing from the regular tour (with group airfare) to Land Only after 120 days prior to departure will be charged a fee of \$195 per person.

AIRLINE TICKETS & SEATING:

Flight routing is at the sole discretion of the airline, not *Imagine*. *Imagine* does not guarantee passengers will be on the most direct flight or flying together to the final destination (especially prior to 120 days of departure). Flights are economy class on IATA/ARC carriers with non-refundable, non-amendable tickets for groups of 10 or more. Due to group rates, *Imagine* does not

participate or allow passengers to use points, miles, or other airline-related offerings on group contracted airfare. Seating requests are at the discretion of the applicable airline and cannot be guaranteed. All requests, including seating, dietary restrictions, and/or all other accommodations must be made in writing prior to 120 days of departure. Airline changes, if allowable, made by the passenger after 120 days prior to departure will incur additional fees. Individual ticketing fees/deposits may apply in certain situations. These fees can be up to \$2,000 per person and will be applied to your final balance.

FLIGHT TIMES:

All flight times are subject to change without notice. *Imagine* is not liable for expenses resulting from flight delays or changes. If making your own flight arrangements to a departure city or any other portion of your trip, we recommend obtaining 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.

PASSPORTS & VISAS:

Passengers must ensure their passports are valid for at least six months beyond the return date of their trip and submit a valid passport copy to our office no later than 120 days prior to departure. Visa requirements vary by country, and it is each passenger's responsibility to obtain necessary visas prior to travel. *Imagine* is not liable for obtaining any required travel visas.

TRIP RESCHEDULING:

Imagine and/or the group leader/organization reserves the right to reschedule the trip to future dates and/or a different destination to governmental action, pandemics, wars, or other circumstances beyond their control. Travelers unable to travel on the new dates or to the updated destination may transfer to another tour within one year of the original travel dates, subject to fees of up to \$300 per person, plus any applicable fees imposed by ground operators, airlines, or other vendors.

CANCELLATION FEES:

Passengers cancelling from the day of registration up to 121 days prior to departure will be charged a \$500 administrative fee plus any airline penalties, if applicable. If passenger cancellation forces a roommate into a single room, the canceled passenger may be charged their single room fee. (see Accommodations)

The following charges also apply: (plus airline fees, when applicable)

- \$1,500 (120 - 91 days)
- \$2,750 (90 - 75 days)
- 85% of total tour cost (74 - 60 days)
- 100% of total tour cost (59 days to day of departure)

All cancellations must be submitted in writing. No refunds will be provided for unused services on or after the day of departure. We advise purchasing travel insurance. In the event *Imagine* cancels the tour due to insufficient participation, a \$200 administrative fee per passenger will be deducted from any applicable refund, plus any airline penalties.

Changes to the tour cannot be made within 90 days of departure, as the tour is considered closed at that time.

STATEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITY:

Imagine and its associated companies agree to provide the itinerary as described in this brochure. This agreement constitutes the entire understanding between the passenger, their travel agent, the tour host, and the tour operator. All prices, itineraries, and schedules are subject to government regulations, international agreements, and airline tariff adjustments. *Imagine* reserves the right to refuse or revoke travel to anyone who, in the sole judgment of *Imagine*, is unable to participate in group travel. Except for willful negligence by its direct employees, the tour operator assumes no liability for injuries, inconveniences, illness, irregularities, or incidental damages caused by circumstances beyond its control, including but not limited to strikes, revolts, wars, natural disasters, pandemics, force majeure, airport or hotel closures, carrier defaults, negligence of third-party service providers, travel agents, or tour leaders/organizations. These conditions become a binding contract upon receipt and acceptance of your enrollment and payment to *Imagine*. Any disputes regarding this brochure or your tour will be governed by Florida law.

RELEASE OF LIABILITY:

By participating in this tour, you affirm your fitness to travel and acknowledge all associated risks to your safety and health. Travel inherently involves risks, especially in certain countries like Israel, where risks include terrorism, criminal acts, and health hazards. You voluntarily assume these risks and release *Imagine*, its officers, agents, and employees from all liability for:

- Any physical, mental, emotional, or other injuries sustained during the tour;
- Loss of or damage to property, illness, injury, delay, or death, regardless of cause, including negligence;
- Claims arising from strikes, armed conflicts, terrorism, acts of God, mechanical failures, diseases, local laws, governmental actions, criminal acts, weather conditions, volcanic eruptions, earthquakes, visa refusals, or other events beyond their control.

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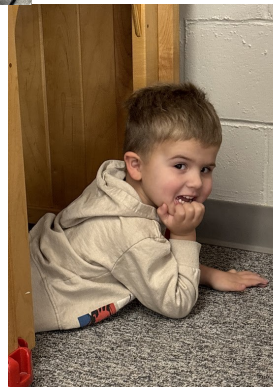
Preschool Video

Preschool Newsletter

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

March 17—21, 2025/SPRING BREAK EDITION

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 preschool@ourredeemer.org





Children's Ministry

Birth—5th Grade

**Sunday School,
March 23, 2025**
9:20 am—10:15 am



**Lesson: A Water Wonder—
Jesus Walks on Water**
Matthew 14:22-33



**Our Redeemer Lutheran
Church VBS**
Sunday, August 3, 2025 to
Thursday, August 7, 2025
5:00 PM—8:15 PM

2301 East Court Street, Iowa City, IA

Sign up today for **Epic Australian Adventure VBS** this summer! Throughout this program, we will go on an epic adventure through Australia and along the way be guided by our Savior, Jesus who is the way, the truth, and the life! Let's go on an unforgettable journey!

NIGHTLY SCHEDULE

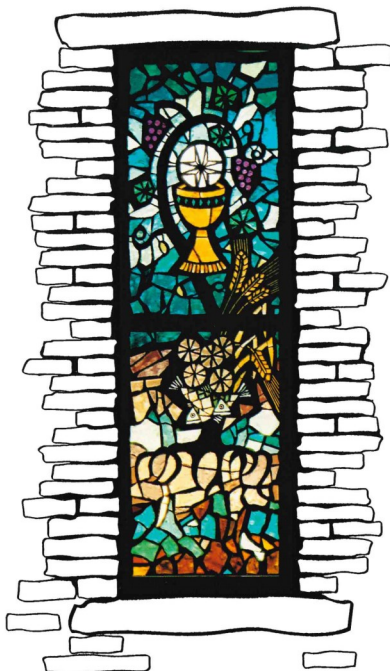
5:00 pm meal
5:30-5:45 pm opening
5:30-8:00 pm activities
8:00-8:15 pm closing

STUDENT AGES:

4 years old (who are
potty-trained)
through 8th grade
students (for 2025-26)

Sign up to attend or volunteer:

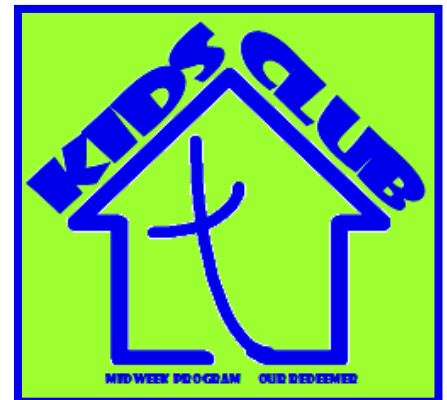
<https://vbsmate.com/OurRedeemerVBS2025>



March 26
Wednesday, 6:45pm

Lesson:
Communion Window

Lenten Meal 5:10pm
Lenten Service 6:10pm



Youth

6th –12th Grade

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

Confirmation (6th—8th Grade)

Wednesday, March 26th at 6:45 pm

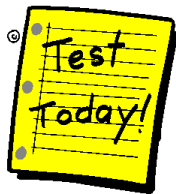
6th Grade—Small Group
Unit 3: Gospel of Mark



7th Grade—Small Group
The Blessings of Baptism
& The Power of Baptism



8th Grade—Lecture
The Last Judgement



Lenten Meal 5:10pm—Fellowship Hall
Lenten Service 6:10pm—Sanctuary

Sunday School,
March 23, 2025, 9:20am



Lesson: A Water Wonder—
Jesus Walks on Water
Matthew 14:22-33

Save the Dates



Wednesday, March 26th—
Lenten Meal 5:10pm
Lenten Service 6:10pm
Classes 6:45pm
Spring Retreat
Informational
Meeting 8:00pm



March 29th—31st
Spring Confirmation Retreat



April 12th
St. Paul's Variety Show
7:00pm Fellowship Hall



Confirmation
NEWS

Saturday, April 26th
Spiritual Growth Event 7:00pm
Confirmation Reception 8:00pm

Sunday, April 27th
Confirmation Sunday
10:30am Service

OUR REDEEMER OFFICE DIRECTORY

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DEADLINES

Reflections (printed weekly): Information must be submitted (written, typed, emailed or faxed) each Wednesday by 5:00 pm

Beacon Newsletter & Church Activities Calendar (printed monthly): Information must be submitted (written, typed, emailed or faxed) by noon on the 20th of each month.

RADIO

Lutheran Hour Ministries on Radio—WMT 600 AM Radio on Sunday mornings at 6:30 am, and KXEL 1540 AM Radio on Sunday mornings at 9:30 am. For more information on Lutheran Hour Ministries go to www.LHM.org.

VOLUNTEER BACKGROUND SCREENING

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church has a strong, caring ministry with children and youth. To promote the safest and most secure environment possible all employees and volunteers, both new and existing, undergo a background screening before working with younger members. Performing background checks provides safeguards and peace of mind to our staff, volunteers, parents, youth, and children.