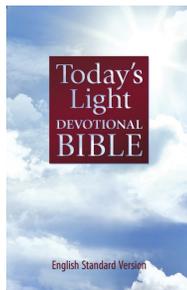




~Sunday of Pentecost~

## ADULT BIBLE CLASS

*Read through the Bible in two years*



Week 76 Date	
06/09/2025	Matthew 14:1-15:39
06/10/2025	Matthew 16:1-17:27
06/11/2025	Matthew 18:1-19:30
06/12/2025	Matthew 20:1-21:46
06/13/2025	Matthew 22:1-23:39
06/14/2025	Matthew 24:1-25:46

## Sunday School Lessons

Date	Scripture	Bible Lesson
June 8	John 11:1-44	A Resurrection Sign—Jesus Raises Lazarus
June 15	Luke 17:11-19	The Thankful One—Jesus Heals Ten Lepers
June 22	Luke 18:15-17	The Kingdom of Children—Jesus Blesses the Children
June 29	UKANDU Presentation	



George and Carol Schuldt will be hosting an open house reception in the Fellowship Hall on Saturday, June the 7th, at 2:00pm, for their 65th wedding anniversary. No gifts, please; only best wishes accepted! Along with a few hugs...cake and ice cream will be served.



### ALTAR FLOWERS

Flowers for the altar this weekend are from Tom and Barb Pronk in celebration and giving thanks to God for their 55th wedding anniversary.

## Prayer of the Church/Sunday of Pentecost/June 8, 2025

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

Gracious Lord, Your Spirit fills the world and gladdens Your Church with the remembrance of all Christ Jesus has spoken. Comfort us with divine peace, and do not let our hearts be troubled or afraid.

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

Gracious Lord, bless all translators of the Holy Scriptures, that every nation may hear the good news of the mighty works of God in their own language.

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

Gracious Lord, bring peace to the nations and prosper the cause of life. Bless our leaders, especially our president, governor, Congress, legislature, and all judges and magistrates. Give them a relentless pursuit of just laws for the common good of all, with a heart of mercy for the weak and vulnerable.

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

Light of this dark world, You have sent the Holy Spirit to Your Church as the comforter. [*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), **Ruth Langehough, Ben Malcom** (father of Tiffany Roiseland), **Norma Miller** (Twyla Freeman's aunt), **Jane Mills** (aunt of Rob Ghabel), **Marvin Muhlenbruck, Merri Mullane, Julie Pratt-Mullenkamp** (Cousin of Ruth Varney), **Delores Nace** (sister of Doris Siemer), **Erin Nielsen** (cousin of Crissy Pence), **Ed Pederson, Lee Schwarting** (Art Schwarting's mother), **Pat Sexton, David Soldner** (friend of Carol Holman), **Carol Schuldt, Stanley Seese** (friend of Harold Warner), **Marlene Thompson, Natalie Ullrich** (Jeff Kucera's cousin), **Reece Ullerich, Don Warner** (Harold Warner's brother), **Harold Warner, Mark Wilson, Rod Wittich, Beth Wu, Martha Van Kirk, and Velma Zebuhr** (Bruce Maurer's aunt)]*

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

Gracious Lord, we give you thanks for the love between husbands and wives and that you instituted holy marriage. Bless **Val and Cindy Penney** as they celebrate their 42<sup>nd</sup> wedding anniversary and **Barb and Tom Pronk** for their 55<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

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

Gracious Lord, You know the struggles of Your people and have promised rest from our labors and peace at the last. Give comfort to those who mourn. Raise up our hearts with the promise of the resurrection and the blest reunion when we shall stand before You without fear and enjoy Your perfect peace forevermore.

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

Gracious Lord, hear our silent prayers...

*[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, Amen!**



**Building Healthy Families:** Parents, grandparents and pew buddies – over the summer months, libraries often issue various reading challenges, encouraging folks of all ages to pick up good books. Why not engage in your own family “Bible verse” challenge? Select a Bible verse and set a goal to read it (or a section of it) at a regular time each day during the coming week. Write it out on a note card or a big poster board (bonus points for adding illustrations), find or compose a tune for singing it, or create hand motions or actions to involve your whole selves in hiding God’s Word in your hearts. (Repeat again with a new verse next week!)

**Lutheran Family Service** [www.LutheranFamilyService.org](http://www.LutheranFamilyService.org)

## BIRTHDAYS

June 8 Steven Betcher, Lennox Boyum, Hanna Hein, Alana Mullet, Russ Schomers, Jack Young  
 June 9 Brad Kempnich  
 June 10 Mathilde Baldwin, Amy Guhl, Reanne Honemann, Joetta Redlin, Cory Servantez  
 June 11 Anna Klein  
 June 12 Marven Doehrmann, Beckham Dyson, Pastor Hartwig, Nancy Jones, Kaylee Murken, Sydney Patterson  
 June 13 Ryan Haack, Rebecca Hanson, Kenneth Robe  
 June 14 Avery Bolton, Mary Kay Brooks, Brian Lund

### STEWARDSHIP May 30/June 1, 2025

TIME	TREASURES		
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 5/30—5:30pm	56	Contributions	\$21,452.51
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 6/1—8:00am	89	Monthly needs for budget	\$71,996.33
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 6/1—10:30am	130		
Total Saturday/Sunday Worship	275	Sunday School/Adult Bible Class	20/51

### This Week at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, June 8—15, 2025

<u>Sunday, 6/8</u>		<u>Thursday, 6/12</u>	
Worship Service	8:00am	Comfort Tiers	9:00am
Adult Bible Class/Sunday School	9:20am	Lantern Park	10:00am
Worship Service	10:30am	Briarwood	4:00pm
The Chosen	6:00pm	Al-Anon	7:30pm
<u>Monday, 6/9</u>		<u>Friday, 6/13</u>	
Staff Meeting	1:00pm	***	
Old Capitol Quilters	6:00pm		
Sunlight AA Group	6:00pm	<u>Saturday, 6/14</u>	
Outreach Committee	6:30pm	Men's Bible Study	8:00am
		Worship Service	5:30pm
<u>Tuesday, 6/10</u>			
Al-Anon	7:00pm	<u>Sunday, 6/15—UKANDU Commissioning</u>	
		Worship Service	8:00am
<u>Wednesday, 6/11</u>		Adult Bible Class/Sunday School	9:20am
TOPS	8:00am	Worship Service	10:30am
Properties Committee	5:30pm	<b>Thank you for worshipping with us!</b>	
Youth Night	7:00pm	<b>Please come again!</b>	

## CAN YOU HELP?

Our Redeemer will have a float in Coralville's 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade again this year, so we need bottled water. Can you help provide cases of bottled water?

Please bring the cases of bottled water to the narthex

Thank you!, Outreach Committee



# Our Redeemer Youth 28 Annual Colorado Peach Fundraiser



9-11 pounds per flat  
15-20 peaches per flat  
\$25.00 a flat

*We're so excited to host our Peach Sale this year! We continue to pray for a good harvest as we look forward to the arrival of fresh, handpicked, juicy Colorado peaches. As always, orders will be filled on a first come first serve basis – as quantities allow. Please get your order form in early.*

1. Your cleared check is your confirmation receipt.
2. You will be officially notified by postcard of the exact pick-up date and time once we get word that our peaches are ready. Pick up will be at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, **possibly** in August or September (depending on ripening of fruit).
3. On **pick up day**, you **must have** your **reminder postcard** in hand. If you are having someone else pick up your peaches, please give them your postcard.
4. Complete form, cut along dotted line and *keep top portion* for your records. *Return bottom portion* with cash or a check payable to "LYF". Orders must be **prepaid**. Orders should be dropped off at or mailed to:

**Our Redeemer Lutheran Church**

Attn: Peaches  
2301 East Court Street  
Iowa City, IA 52245

5. Questions or comments: Phone #319-338-5626 OR email: [peaches@ourredeemer.org](mailto:peaches@ourredeemer.org)

Cut on dotted line ..... Cut on dotted line

## 2025 Order Form

**Return with payment to Church – No phone orders accepted**

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church  
Attn: Peaches  
2301 East Court Street  
Iowa City, IA 52245

<b>FOR OFFICE USE ONLY</b>	
Date	_____
Check #/Cash	_____
Amount \$	_____
Deposit #	_____

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Flats: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$25.00/Flat=\$\_\_\_\_\_ **(2 flats = 1 box)**

IF APPLICABLE, name of youth who told you about peaches: \_\_\_\_\_

*We greatly appreciate your support of youth ministry programs at Our Redeemer!  
All proceeds will go to the youth and their mission projects.*

**THANK YOU FOR ORDERING!**

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YOU ARE INVITED  
TO THE ORDINATION OF

*Ethan Matthew Boester*

JUNE 22, 2025

4:00 PM WITH DINNER FOLLOWING

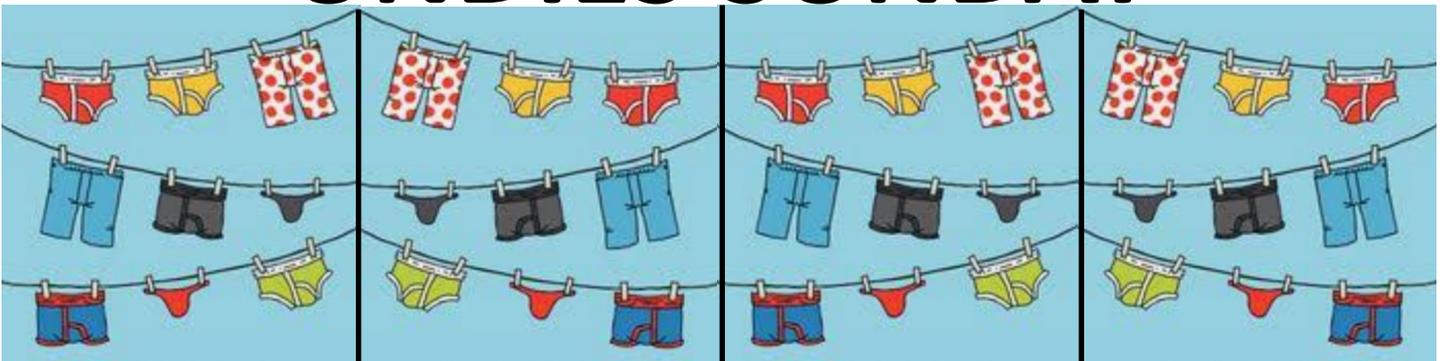
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HOYLETON, IL 62803

RSVP BY CALLING OR TEXTING (618)322-3344

Looking for exciting ways to engage your children in faith? Check out the Gospel Adventures Show! This kid's audio program uses songs, storytelling, and activities to help kids encounter clear and compelling Gospel themes. Learn more and listen now at [gospeladventures.org](http://gospeladventures.org) or wherever you listen to podcasts.



# UNDIES SUNDAY



Starting Sunday, June 1st to June 29th, Our Redeemer Himan Care Committee will be sponsoring our fourth annual "Undies Sunday" to benefit the Iowa City Shelter House. Since this drive started in 2022, our church and community have donated a total of 2,097 pairs of underwear. We would appreciate your support in making this year the most successful!

Did you know that underwear is one of the most requested items for the homeless that does not get donated very often? Having a clean pair of underwear each day is critical for a person's physical and emotional well-being. Our committee is asking the congregation to donate NEW underwear for men, women, and children. Selections in all sizes and colors are appreciated.



Laundry baskets will be placed in the Narthex for donations. Next time you are out shopping for you and your family, please consider purchasing a package of underwear and making a difference to the homeless in Johnson County. Thank you!

CHAMBER SINGERS OF IOWA CITY

# HAYDN THE CREATION

Directed by Dr. David Puderbaugh



**Sunday, June 8, 2025**

3:00 PM Voxman Music Building Concert Hall



Tickets: \$20 General Admission  
Student tickets are free  
[www.icchambersingers.org](http://www.icchambersingers.org)

Haydn's *The Creation* is a breathtaking musical portrayal of the world's beginning as told in Genesis. This timeless masterpiece brings to life the six days of creation with full orchestra and chorus, featuring soprano **Jessica Pray Patel** as Gabriel/Eve, tenor **Colin Wilson** as Uriel, and baritone **David Meyer** as Raphael/Adam. From primordial chaos to the Garden of Eden, witness the wonder of creation unfold through Haydn's inspired music.



## 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>



*"Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it." Proverbs 22:6*

Dear Preschool parents,

As the school year comes to a close, we want to take a moment to say thanks. Thank you for sharing your pride and joy with us, your child! We have done our best to keep your child safe and happy this school year. We have enjoyed all the hugs, smiles, and kind words your child has shared with us.

Thank you for supporting all our efforts. Thank you for getting up early and driving through the rain and snow to make sure your child made it to school, for taking the time to read and sign all the notes and forms that have come home, and for reading with your child and helping them learn. Thank you for sharing your very unique child with us this year. They have all been a real blessing to the preschool, to their friends, and to us teachers. Thank you and God's blessings on a great summer!

Sincerely,  
Mrs. Kaja, Mrs. Sara, and Mrs. Christie  
Our Redeemer Preschool where children  
play, learn, and grow in Jesus!



We do have room for more preschoolers in our classes for our preschool classes for the fall. Classes start after Labor Day and end before Memorial Day. Preschool is from 9:00 am—Noon for the 2025—2026 school year. Ask about extended care (7:30 am—12:45 pm.) Scholarships are available and applications are being accepted now. Enroll to ensure a place for your child!

# Summer Preschool Newsletter

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

June 9—13, 2025

Director/Teacher: Kaja Mueller M-F  
Preschool Phone: 319-338-3949 Fax: 319-338-9171

Assistants: Christie Cherian M/W/F, Sara Cross T/TH  
www.ourredeemerpreschool.org preschool@ourredeemer.org



A QUESTION TO ASK YOUR KIDS!  
At what age is a person an adult?  
Why do you think so?

## First day of summer



June 20



### CRAFTS - Enable children to...

- \*create an expression of self
- \*work with a wide variety of materials
- \*experiment with color, texture, and shape
- \*use visual expression as a means of communication
- \*develop problem-solving skills
- \*improve fine-muscle control

### Things Not To Worry About When Your Child Starts School

Brings home sheet after sheet of easel paper completely covered with greenish-brown paint.

Don't worry; he's not depressed. It's just one of the earliest stages of painting. To kids, it's a major accomplishment to cover the entire sheet of paper. They also like to paint one color over another, resulting in that murky shade of brown. It may not look like much, but it takes a tremendous amount of concentration to do.





# Children's Ministry

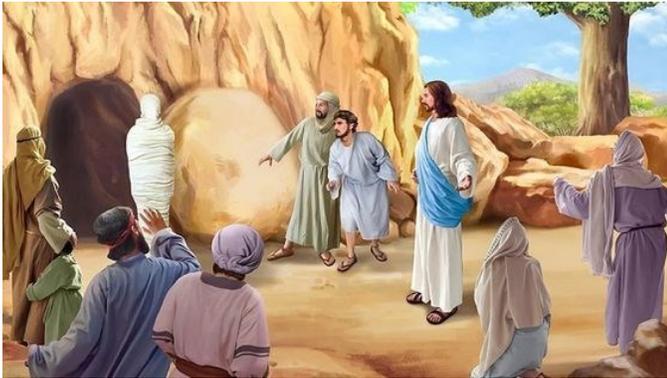
Birth—5<sup>th</sup> Grade



## Sunday School

**Sunday, June 8<sup>th</sup>**

9:20 am — 10:05 am



**Lesson: A Resurrection Sign—  
Jesus Raises Lazarus  
John 11:1-44**



**Our Redeemer Lutheran  
Church VBS**

**Sunday, August 3, 2025 to**

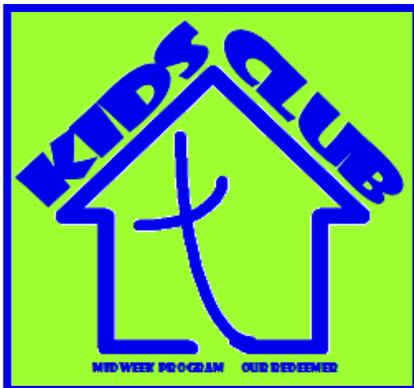
**Thursday, August 7, 2025**

**5:00 PM—8:15 PM**

**2301 East Court Street, Iowa City, IA**

**Kids Club will resume  
in September.**

**Watch Beacon and  
Reflections for future  
information**



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# Youth

6<sup>th</sup> —12<sup>th</sup> Grade

Youth Coordinator Kara Hartwig [youthcoordinator@ourredeemer.org](mailto:youthcoordinator@ourredeemer.org) (319) 855-2728



## YOUTH Sunday School

**Sunday, June 8<sup>th</sup>**

9:20 am —10:05 am



**Lesson: A Resurrection Sign—  
Jesus Raises Lazarus  
John 11:1-44**

## PEACH UPDATE

Watch your mail. The 2025 Peach forms should be arriving to you soon. They have been mailed.



Are you volunteering for VBS?  
If so, don't forget to register for it.

Sign up to volunteer:

<https://vbsmate.com/OurRedeemerVBS2025>

## Upcoming Events



**Sunday, June 15<sup>th</sup>  
10:30am—UKANDU  
Commissioning**

**Wednesday, June 18<sup>th</sup>  
6:00pm—Youth Night**



**June 21<sup>st</sup>—28<sup>th</sup>  
UKANDU in Chicago**



**Sunday, June 29<sup>th</sup>  
UKANDU Presentation 9:20 am  
During Sunday School Time**



**Friday, July 4<sup>th</sup>  
Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July  
Office Closed/4th of July Parade**

NYG Commissioning  
July 13 ~ 10:30 service  
NYG July 15-24

**ENDURE**

JULY 19-23, 2025; NEW ORLEANS, LA



**Sunday, July 27<sup>th</sup>  
Vicar Farewell Luncheon  
12:00 pm, Fellowship Hall**

## OUR REDEEMER OFFICE DIRECTORY

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Chad Waring	319-331-8303
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Art Schwarting	319-325-6152

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## DEADLINES

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

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

## RADIO

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