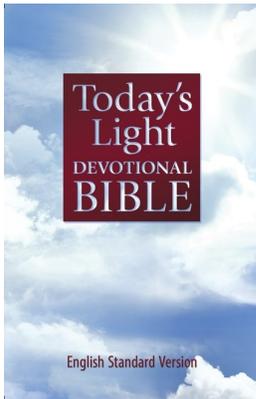




~Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost~

ADULT BIBLE CLASS

Read through the Bible in two years



Week 95 Date	
10/20/2025	1 Timothy 3:1-16
10/21/2025	1 Timothy 4:1-16
10/22/2025	1 Timothy 5:1-25
10/23/2025	1 Timothy 6:1-21
10/24/2025	2 Timothy 1:1-18
10/25/2025	2 Timothy 2:1-26

Sunday School Lessons

Date	Scripture	Bible Lesson
October 19	Acts 13:1-3; 14:8-18	On Your Feet—Paul, Barnabas, a Man Born Lamé
October 26	Acts 15:-16:5	The Gentile Cause—The Jerusalem Council



Please send the church office names of people who have died since All Saints Day in 2024 (November) and that you would like to have recognized on November 1/2, 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 Lorrie at 338-5626 or redeemer@ourredeemer.org by **Monday, October 27.**

You're Invited: Potluck Dinner & Meet Special Guests from Eswatini – Oct 21

Dear Friends,

You're warmly invited to a special evening of fellowship and inspiration as we welcome colleagues from Eswatini (Africa): Jessie (RN), Michael Osatuyi, and Rachel Parks (RN, MSN). These dedicated individuals have founded a non-governmental organization, **Palm Grove Initiative**, which is making a meaningful impact in their community. Learn more about their work at palmgroveinitiative.org.

Event Details:

📅 **Date:** Tuesday, October 21

🕒 **Time:** 6:30 – 8:00 PM

📍 **Location:** Our Redeemer Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall

🍽️ **Potluck Dinner:** Please bring a dish to share! This will be a wonderful opportunity to connect, share a meal, and hear about the inspiring work being done through Palm Grove Initiative. If you have any questions, feel free to contact: **Anita Nicholson** – anita-nicholson@uiowa.edu We hope to see you there!

Prayer of the Church/Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost/October 19, 2025

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord:

C: **Lord have Mercy**

P: For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:

C: **Lord have Mercy**

P: For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:

C: **Lord have Mercy**

P: For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:

C: **Lord have Mercy**

P: For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:

C: **Lord have Mercy**

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

C: **Lord have Mercy**

P: For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:

C: **Lord have Mercy**

P: For the sick and the dying, and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:

C: **Lord have Mercy**

P: For You promise blessing to those who follow in Your way, yet You also call them to carry their crosses. Grant Your peace to those who suffer among us [*especially **Becky Behrens, Dorothy Blume** (Carol Schuldt's sister), **Joanne Bowman** (Rob Bowman's mother), **April Tutton Clark** (sister of Grace Maurer), **Tom Cowley** (Aaron Mueller's brother-in-law), **Loren Deetz, Kathy Eick, John Enokian** (brother of Chuck Enokian), **Raymond Forman, Jason Freundt, Mary Helen Gibson** (sister of Gwen McNatt Enokian), **Dennis Huedepohl** (friend of Bruce Maurer), **Jeff Hundley** (grandson of Karen Abernathy), **Dora Jacobson** (granddaughter of George and Carol Schuldt), **Todd Jones** (Barb & Ron Jones' son), **Ruth Langelough, Dot Langholdt** (friend of Ruth Varney), **Lexi Little, Ben Malcom** (father of Tiffany Roiseland), **Gwen McNatt, Mike Miles, Norma Miller** (Twyla Freeman's aunt), **Jane Mills** (aunt of Rob Ghabel), **Marvin Muhlenbruck, Merri Mullane, Julie Pratt-Mullenkamp** (cousin of Ruth Varney), **Erin Nielsen** (cousin of Crissy Pence), **Ed Pederson, Faith Pederson, Lee Schwarting** (Art Schwarting's mother), **Russell Sexton, Carol Schuldt, Amy Schulte** (sister of Crissy Pence), **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, Garry Wilcox** (Melissa Mullane's dad), and **Martha Van Kirk**], let us pray to the Lord:*

C: **Lord have Mercy**

P: Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:

C: **Lord have Mercy, Christ have Mercy, Lord have Mercy. Amen.**

BIRTHDAYS

October 19 Sheila Payton
 October 20 Fern Parish
 October 21 Brian Manary, Nicholas Reuter, Denise Robe, Henry Watkinson
 October 22 David Lake, Dan LaRoche, Casey Wagner, Mark Wilson
 October 23 Amanda Jones
 October 24 Connie Betcher, Danny Fuhrmeister
 October 25 Ethan Cooney

STEWARDSHIP October 11/12, 2025

TIME	TREASURES		
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 10/11—5:30pm	25	Contributions	\$17,906.47
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 10/12—8:00am	69	Monthly needs for budget	\$71,996.33
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 10/12—10:30am	141		
Total Saturday/Sunday Worship	235	Sunday School/Adult Bible Class	9/46

This Week at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, October 19—26, 2025

<u>Sunday, 10/19</u>		<u>Wednesday continued....</u>	
Worship Service	8:00am	Emerson Point	2:00pm
Sunday School/Adult Bible Class	9:20am	Choir Rehearsal	6:45pm
Worship Service	10:30am	Midweek Classes	6:45pm
Special Voters Meeting	11:45pm	Adult Bible Study	7:00pm
New Member Brunch	12:00pm		
		<u>Thursday, 10/23</u>	
<u>Monday, 10/20</u>		Comfort Tiers	9:00am
Staff Meeting/Banner planning	1:00pm	Al-Anon	7:30pm
Chamber Singers	6:00pm		
Sunlight AA Group	6:00pm	<u>Friday, 10/24</u>	
Children's Committee	6:00pm	***	
LWML	7:00pm		
		<u>Saturday, 10/25</u>	
<u>Tuesday, 10/21</u>		Men's Bible Study	8:00am
Solon Nursing Home	9:30am	Worship Service	5:30pm
Women's Bible Study	10:00am		
SM-Small Group/Marcia	6:30pm	<u>Sunday, 10/26</u>	
Eswatini Potluck Dinner and Meeting	6:30pm	Worship Service	8:00am
Al-Anon	7:00pm	Sunday School/Adult Bible Class	9:20am
		Worship Service	10:30am
<u>Wednesday, 10/22</u>		District 13 Meeting	2:30pm
TOPS	8:00am	Trunk or Treat	4:00pm

Let the SON shine through Sunglasses on Sunglass Sundays, Nov. 2 & 9

The first two Sundays will be designated as Sunglasses Sundays. We are asking you to bring new pairs of Sunglasses and put them in the Sunglass Dropbox located in the corner located by the office. We are collecting these sunglasses for those in Panama who are in need to save their eyes from the harmful rays of the sun. If you want, wear your own pair of sunglasses during the church services those two Sundays to remind yourself and others of our mission in the Panama area. Our group going to Panama leaves on Friday, November 14, so let's send them off with a suitcase full of sunglasses and let our SON shine through our love and prayers and donations of sunglasses.



Greetings from Concordia Seminary St. Louis!

Thank you for your continued support as I enter the second year of my studies. It was a blessing to worship with you this summer! The fall semester is going along well, although living in the city makes me miss the fall colors of my hometown in New England. I am excited to see what part of the country God will send me to for vicarage!



My favorite classes from this year so far have been Pauline Epistles and Teaching the Faith. In Pauline Epistles, we have been studying Paul's letters to the Galatians and Romans. In Teaching the Faith, we are preparing to lead Bible studies and confirmation classes. I have already gotten some practice at my field work church, leading a Bible class on Luke 16. I am also learning German this semester, while trying to remember Greek and Hebrew at the same time!

As always, please continue to pray for me, my fellow students, and our professors, that our studies would be fruitful and formative. Thank you for your generous support and your prayers!

In Christ,
Nathaniel Pekari



Meal Train for Vicar Vought and Family

Help support The Vought Family as they welcome home their baby boy! Blessing this family with a meal helps take one thing off of their plate during this transition. You can sign up to bring them a meal using the link to this meal train so they can plan accordingly, or call Kristin at 319-325-7844 for assistance signing up. Some favorites include Mexican food, sandwich stuff, breakfast food, and plain noodles for the girls :) Thank you! <https://mealtrain.com/r0q8v7>

Time to start thinking about COOKIES! We have one of the best Cookie Walks in the area!

The **32th Annual LWML Guild Cookie Walk** will be **Saturday, December 6th, from 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 [Friday, December 5th^t and/or Saturday, December 6th](#).

Sign-up will start **November 1st & 2nd** in the narthex. **Are you thinking COOKIES yet?**



BOOK CLUB Thursday Nights, 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm

October 16, 2025

Was postponed and will be rescheduled

November 20, 2025

Session 2: How Do We Live Within Creation?

As Christians, we know who we are in relation to the wider creation: God created us to care for the earth as creatures among fellow creatures. As Christians we now carry out that task in anticipation of the new creation ushered in by the resurrection of Christ. This conviction and hope enable us to be proactive instead of reactive in our care of creation, regardless of the ecological crisis that might be on the horizon.

For more information on getting the book to participate, please call or email the Church Office.



**SPECIAL
VOTERS
MEETING
Sunday
October 19
11:45am**

There will a voters meeting immediately following the 10:30am service.

Informed Choices Banquet

I (Cynthia) have been in touch with Cameron Snow who will be the speaker at the November LWML meeting. She has invited whoever is interested to come to the Informed Choices Banquet on Tuesday evening, November 11. If interested, please contact Cynthia Fruendt at 319-855-8891 (text) or dcfruentd@icloud.com.

SOCKTOBER

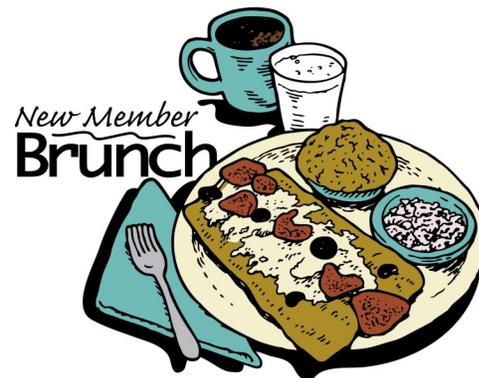
Warm toes = warm hearts



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 Iowa 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.

Calling All New Members – Save the Date

Who: New Members
What: Brunch and Fellowship Time
When: Sunday, October 19, 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



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.



LWML Meeting on October 20, 2025 at 7 PM
Topic: Crowded Closet
What is Crowded Closet?--Come and hear Bill and Beth Benson tell about this mission oriented resale shop.
Devotion given by Carol Zimmermann
Hostesses : Marilyn Albright and Beth Hargens



PRIME TIME DINNER

Sunday November 2nd after the 10:30am service

The Annual Prime Time Dinner is for everyone in the congregation aged 60 and older. The dinner is hosted by the Human Care Committee with a holiday meal including turkey, potatoes, dressing, and pies sure to please your 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 19th, 2025.

Tracy's email address: tracy-nelson@uiowa.edu

SIGNUP OPPORTUNITES NOW AVAILABLE

The Coffee and Treats signup and the Flowers for the Altar signup sheets are now out. The Coffee and Treats signup sheet is located on the Gathering Place counter and you can see what dates are available to provide coffee and treats in between 8:00am service and Sunday School/Adult Bible Class. If you would like the opportunity to signup for flowers on the altar the signup sheet is located on the bulletin board by the bathrooms.

ORLC LWML NEWS

NO. 2025

LWML FOR LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF

SPECIAL EDITION

EXTRA! EXTRA! READ ALL ABOUT IT!

ORLC LWML seeks specific items to complete school kits for Lutheran World Relief!

Here is a list of the needed items:

Black or
Blue
Ball Point
Pens



Erasers



Pencil Sharpeners

LOOKING A FOURTH OF JULY PARADE FLOAT COORDINATOR

The Outreach Committee is looking for someone or a team to take the lead for Our Redeemer's 4th of July float for the Coralville parade. Do you have ideas for decorating a float to share the Good News of Jesus? Do you have the skills to organize a project? Do you have the ability to bring people together to work on a project? Then this opportunity might be just the thing for you. If you would like more information about this opportunity, please contact a member of the Outreach Committee—Arlan Thompson, Skip Kempnich, Marilyn Kempnich, Donna Saehler, Melody Strom, Carol Holman, or Judy Schwartz. Is this where God wants you to serve Him? Thank you for praying about this.

LOOKING FOR TRUNK VOLUNTEERS!!

Sunday, October 26, 4:00pm

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



It's a Party and You're Invited!

Invite friends, neighbors, co-workers, and family to join you for Trivia Challenge. Bring an appetizer to share and join the party. Young and old are welcome to participate.

When: **Saturday, November 1st after the 5:30** worship service
Where: Fellowship Hall, Our Redeemer Lutheran Church
Who: You, Friends, Neighbors, Co-workers, Family

Call or email the church office to sign-up or sign up on the chart in the narthex.



PICTORIAL DIRECTORY ANNOUNCEMENT: Pictorial Directory Photo Time!

When: November 8 & 9 and November 22 & 23 after each service
Where: In the chapel
Who: Anyone who does not have a photo in the directory or is in need of an updated photo.



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 coming to the office during regular office hours 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 a Connections Committee member to take your photo at a time that works for you.

Contact: Aubry Lyon (712-263-0636) or Pam Wilson (319-530-1920) with questions or to schedule a different time.

Thank you!
Connections Committee



Preschool Newsletter

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

October 13—17, 2025

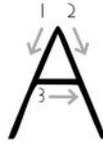
Director/Teacher: Kaja Mueller M-F
Preschool Phone: 319-338-3949 Fax: 319-338-9171

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



This Week

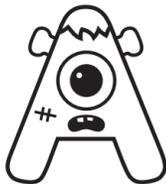
Bible: God keeps His promises to Abraham and Sarah
Color orange song
Dinosaur activities
Dinosaur books
Dinosaur name craft
Dinosaur painting—optional
Felt dinosaurs
Free-style crafting
Large plastic dinos
Letter A—recognize, write, and make the sound
Librarian visit
Light table
Math equation
Number 2 – recognize, count, and write



Big line
Big line
Little line



Aa



TEACHER TIME

Letter Aa worksheet
Assessments: colors, cutting skills, special recognition, alphabet

Aa (To Down by the Station)

A is for Alice, who met an alligator, swishing down the alleyway on Apple Avenue. "Shoo!" said Alice, "I'm allergic to all gators: Ah-choo! Ah-choo!" Off she flew.



Dates Coming Up

October 21—No Preschool
October 30&31—Costume Days
November 4—No Preschool
November 19—Conferences, No Preschool
November 24 & 25—Fall program at 11:50 am

At Home Question

If big dinosaurs were still here on earth, what would you do if one was running towards you?

Next Week's Snack

You get to bring snacks and be our line leader.
M/W/F = 14 students; T/TH = 12 students

Monday: Emma
Tuesday: NO SCHOOL
Wednesday: Jane
Thursday: Hudson
Friday: Brooklyn



You only need to bring 2 healthy food groups 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. All those staying for lunch remember the 5 food groups.

God made the dinosaurs big and tall.

(Reach hands up high and stretch.)

God made the dinosaurs short and small.

(Children squat down close to ground.)

God made the dinosaurs that fly through the air.

(Pretend to fly.)

God made the dinosaurs everywhere.

(Hands out.)

God made the dinosaurs so they can ROAR

(ROAR loudly!)

God made the dinosaurs so they could snore

(put head on folded hands and snore.)

God made the dinosaurs so they could

STOMP *(Stomp of course.)*

STOMP, STOMP, STOMP, STOMP, STOMP,

STOMP ROAR *(Stomping and roaring.)*



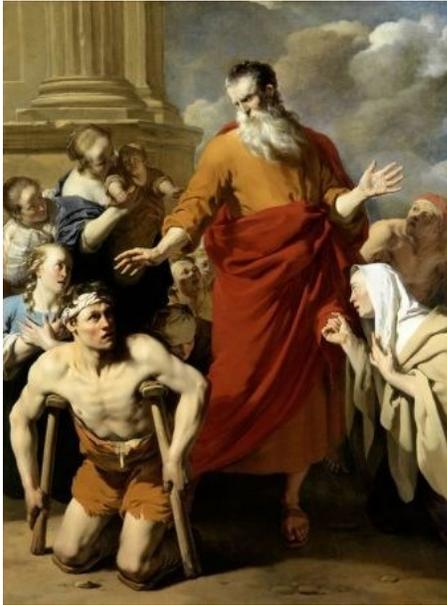


Children's Ministry

Birth—5th Grade



Sunday School
Sunday, October 19th
9:20 am — 10:05 am



**Lesson: On Your Feet—
Paul, Barnabus, a Man Born Lame**
Acts 13:1-3; 14:8-18



Toddlin' to Jesus
Room 215 (Toddlin' Room)
Join us at 9:20 am on Sunday mornings.

Parents and their children ages birth to age 2 are invited to participate. You will meet with other parents and children for a toddler-friendly Bible lesson, music and prayer.

It's a casual and relaxed environment balanced with activities and playtime.



Kids Club
4 years old—5th Grade
Wednesdays at 6:45pm



Wednesday, October 22
Lesson: God the Father
Teachers: Jonie & Kaja



**LOOKING FOR
TRUNK VOLUNTEERS!!**
Sunday, October 26, 4:00pm

Youth

6th —12th Grade

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

Confirmation Classes

Wednesday, October 22nd at 6:45 pm

6th Grade—Lecture
Exodus: Moses Saves



7th Grade—Small Group
The Ten Commandments
Seventh and Eighth
Commandments



8th Grade—Small Group
Forgiveness



UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, October 26th

TRUNK OR TREAT
South Parking Lot
4:00 pm—5:00 pm



Are you going to volunteer to do a trunk?
This makes for an excellent outreach
opportunity for Youth and Youth Families.

Saturday, November 1st

TRIVIA CHALLENGE
Fellowship Hall
6:45 pm—9:00 pm
Let's get a team together!

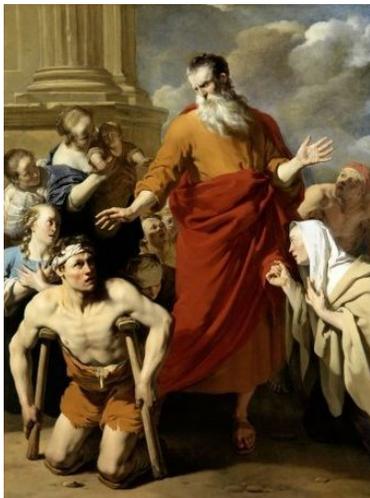


Saturday, November 15th

YOUTH PIE SALE
Fellowship Hall
Youth Pie Prep
8:00 am—11:00 am
Youth Pie Sale
11:00 am—12:30 pm



Sunday School
Sunday, October 19th
9:20 am —10:05 am



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Rehearsals for Youth
Worship Weekend
November 15th—16th



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.

Watch future Reflections for rehearsal dates and times from Kara.

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.