



~*Seventh Sunday of Easter*~

**Sunday School Lessons/ May 17 No Sunday School. Everyone go to Fellowship Hall.**

Date	Bible Lesson	Scripture
May 17	Graduation Breakfast all ages in the Fellowship Hall—No traditional Sunday School classes.	
May 24	Memorial Day Weekend—No Classes	
May 31	Summer Sunday School starts	

**Adult Bible Class, 9:20 am in the Fellowship Hall—May 17 No Adult Bible Class**

Date(s)	Topic
May 17	High School Graduation Breakfast—All ages to Fellowship Hall/No Bible Class or Sunday School
May 24	Memorial Day—No Adult Bible Class or Sunday School



## Alleluia

The first noisy offering of the Enter His Courts Ministry Expansion Campaign is off to a tremendous start netting \$408.72 for the Cross and Entrance project!!

Thanks to all who have contributed. Both the banks and commitment forms are still available for any who missed out on these opportunities—ask a staff member or pick up in the narthex.

Keep filling those banks—the next noisy offering will be on Rally Day, September 13.

### SHORTENED OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK

Monday, May 18	8:30 am—5:00 pm
Tuesday, May 19	8:30 am—Noon
Friday, May 22	8:30 am—At least noon

### Ladies, you are invited to the LWML Ladies Night Out!

When: Monday, May 18  
 Time: 6:00pm

Where: Copper Boar American Pub  
 575 Cameron Way, Unit C  
 North Liberty, Iowa

Carpool: For those interested in carpooling meet at church at 5:10pm on May 18 and leave at 5:10pm



**Graduation Breakfast, May 17, 9:20 am in the Fellowship Hall, Everyone is invited**

**Prayer of the Church/Seventh Sunday of Easter/May 17, 2026**

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 the "Enter His Courts" Ministry Expansion Campaign that God would teach us stewardship and this campaign allow the cross and entrance project to move forward, let us pray to the Lord:

C: **Lord, have Mercy**

P: For the group traveling to Eswatini for safe travel and effective ministry to the people through assisting the clinic and parish nurses, let us pray to the Lord:

C: **Lord, have Mercy**

P: For

**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*), **Hank Diggelmann, John Enokian** (*brother of Chuck Enokian*), **Dean Hargens, Mary Helen Gibson** (*sister of Gwen McNatt Enokian*), **Jeff Hundley** (*grandson of Karen Abernathy*), **Dora Jacobson** (*granddaughter of George and Carol Schuldt*), **Todd Jones** (*Barb & Ron Jones' son*), **Ruth Langehough, Dot Langholdt** (*friend of Ruth Varney*), **Ben Malcom** (*father of Tiffany Roiseland*), **Craig Michel** (*Denise Schwarting's step-dad*), **Norma Miller** (*Twyla Freeman's aunt*), **Jane Mills** (*aunt of Rob Ghabel*), **Marvin Muhlenbruck, Merri Mullane, Julie Pratt-Mullenkamp** (*Cousin of Ruth Varney*), **Elora Nelson** (*great niece of John and Tracy Nelson*), **Erin Nielsen** (*cousin of Crissy Pence*), **Faith Pederson, Ed Pederson, Beverly Prem, Carol Schuldt, George Schuldt, Lee Schwarting** (*Art Schwarting's mother*), **Stanley Seese** (*friend of Harold Warner*), **Carol Simpson** (*mother of Kara Hartwig*), **Arlan Thompson, Marlene Thompson, Natalie Ullrich** (*Jeff Kucera's cousin*), **Reece Ullerich, Don Warner** (*Harold Warner's brother*), **Harold Warner, and Garry Wilcox** (*Melissa Mullane's dad*),

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

May 17 Grace Maurer, Betty Redeker  
 May 18 Caroline Schrader  
 May 19 Kenneth Shaner, Gerald Thompson, Daniel Titus  
 May 20 Bill Benson, Devyn Schramm, Jerry Sexton  
 May 21 Jackson Ellyson, Michelle Greve, Kaylee Kasal, Amy Lane  
 May 22 Robert Holmes, Michael Martens, Leora Smith, Zachary Swart  
 May 23 \*\*\*

### STEWARDSHIP May 9/10, 2026

TIME	TREASURES		
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 05/09—5:30pm	31	Contributions	\$18,396.08
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 05/10—8:00am	114	Monthly needs for budget	\$75,311.84
Worship-In Person/Live Stream 05/10—10:30am	190		
Total Saturday/Sunday Worship	335	Sunday School/Adult Bible Class	N/A The Bible is Right

### This Week at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church May 17—24, 2026

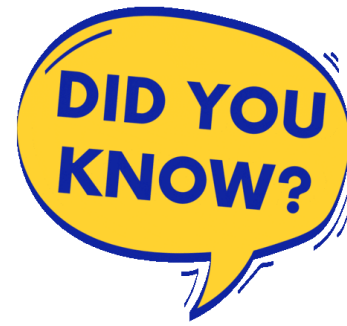
<b><u>Sunday, 05/17</u></b>		<b><i>Wednesday continued...</i></b>	
Worship Service	8:00am	Lunch Bunch	12:00pm
Senior Grad Breakfast	9:20am	Windmill Manor	2:00pm
Worship Service	10:30am		
Cross and Entrance Committee	12:00pm	<b><u>Thursday, 05/21</u></b>	
		Comfort Tiers	9:00am
<b><u>Monday, 05/18</u></b>		Preschool Graduation & End of Year Party	11:00am
Staff Lunch Party	1:00pm	Atrium Village	3:30pm
Chamber Singers	6:00pm	Cross & Entrance Committee	7:00pm
Sunlight AA Group	6:00pm	Al-Anon	7:30pm
LWML Ladies Night Out	6:00pm		
		<b><u>Friday, 05/22</u></b>	
<b><u>Tuesday, 05/19</u></b>		Preschool Graduation & End of Year Party	11:00am
Solon Nursing	9:30am		
SM-Small Group/Marlene	6:00pm	<b><u>Saturday, 05/23</u></b>	
Board of Elders	6:30pm	Men's Bible Class	8:00am
Al-Anon	7:00pm	Worship Service	5:30pm
<b><u>Wednesday, 05/20</u></b>		<b><u>Sunday, 05/24</u></b>	
TOPS	8:00am	Worship Service	8:00am
Bible Study	11:00am	Worship Service	10:30am



**Building Healthy Families:** Psst...have you ever noticed how nearly impossible it is to tune out a whispered conversation nearby? Kids certainly can't. Parents, you can actually use that to your advantage—by letting them “accidentally” overhear the things you most want them to learn.

When they catch you speaking warmly about your spouse, it quietly builds their sense of security at home. When they overhear you saying good things about their teacher, it shapes how they show respect and cooperation at school. And when they hear you expressing genuine appreciation for your pastor, it naturally nurtures their respect for him as well. Those little, overheard moments? They often speak louder than a message communicated directly! [www.LutheranFamilyService.org](http://www.LutheranFamilyService.org) **Lutheran Family Service**

## Interested in Advertising?



Do you have a business that you would like other members of our congregation to know about? Well, our church can meet your need by placing your advertisement in our church pictorial directory for a reasonable fee. The directory is free to all members, but there are necessary costs which support being able to continually print updated copies.

So, you could help by placing your ad in the directory. Just call Pam Wilson (319-530-1920) or email [markpamwilson@msn.com](mailto:markpamwilson@msn.com) for more information.



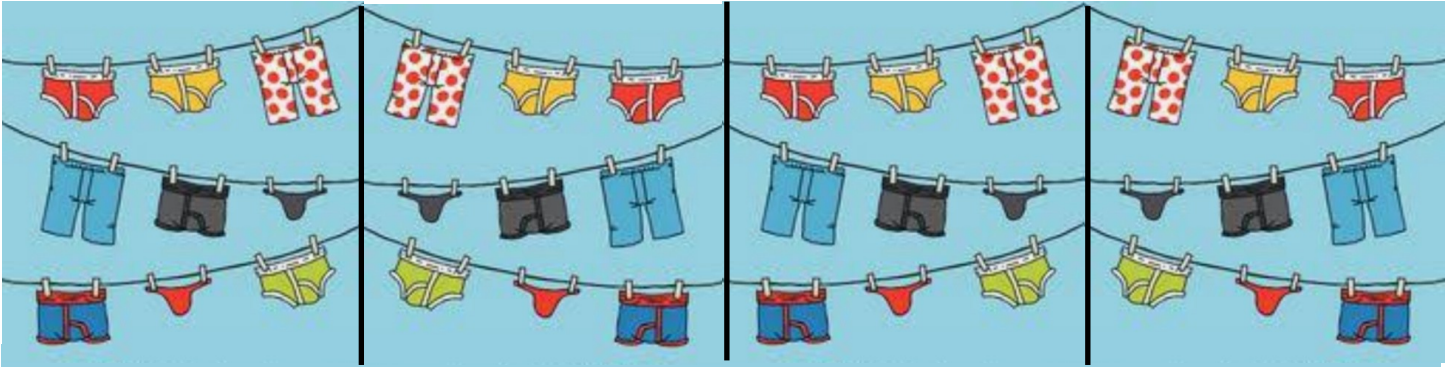
## Get to Know Someone

Have you seen someone at church who looks familiar, but you just couldn't remember their name? Or, is there a new face you see but are afraid to approach because they may be a member? Or, you read the registration book that said there's a visitor in your pew, but you're a bit too shy to introduce yourself? Many of us have felt that way and been in those situations. Here are a few suggestions for trying to get to know that someone. You could say,

- "I'm sorry, I've forgotten your name, I'm (your name)."
- "I know we have met, but your name has slipped my mind."
- "I'm (your name). I think we've met before, but I'm not sure."
- "Are you a member who I should know, or are you visiting today?"
- After looking in the registration book: "I see you're a visitor (and mention their name). I'm (your name). Glad to have you with us today. Do you live near here?"
- "I apologize. I don't remember meeting you before."
- "Are you a visitor here, or should I know you?"
- "I believe we've never met before. I'm (your name)."

Connections Committee

# UNDIES SUNDAY



Starting Saturday, May 30th, through Sunday, June 28th, the Our Redeemer Human Care Committee will sponsor our fifth annual “Undies Sunday” to benefit the Iowa City Shelter House. Since this drive began in 2022, our church and community have donated a total of 3,347 pairs of underwear. We appreciate your support in making this another successful year.

Did you know that underwear is one of the most requested but least donated items for those experiencing homelessness? 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 in all sizes and colors.

Laundry baskets will be placed in the Narthex for donation. Next time you are shopping for your family, please consider purchasing a package to help make a difference for our neighbors in Johnson County.

Hebrews 13:16 “And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.”



To the saints of Our Redeemer,

Blessings in the Name of Christ, our Crucified and Risen Savior.

With gratitude and joy, I write to formally accept my placement as your next vicar. My family has long been praying for our future vicarage congregation, not knowing where God would be sending us. When your congregation in Iowa City was announced as our placement on Call Day, it came as a total surprise to us. The surprise quickly turned to excitement and thanksgiving. We are thrilled to be part of your vibrant ministry and pleased to call your community our new home. My father went to the University of Iowa, and growing up in Nebraska, I used to be the only Hawkeye fan among Cornhuskers. Now I get to be surrounded by them!

After spending a short time with the Hartwigs and Schwartings, my family and I already feel embraced by your church. It is great to hear that you are a loving and supportive congregation, with a long history of vicars. Tyler Simmons, one of your previous vicars, mentioned that I received the best possible placement! I am thankful for your readiness to take me in during this critical year of my growth. I am willing and eager to be formed by you all. Jesus said, "The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many." As your new vicar, in response to His life-giving sacrifice, I commend myself and my service to you—ever aspiring to be a faithful servant of Christ and His Word.

In my last letter—when I didn't know where we were being sent—I briefly introduced myself and my wife, Grace. I mentioned then that we were expecting a child. In March, we were blessed to receive a beautiful baby girl, Maria. Grace and Maria are healthy and cannot wait to meet you. Until then, Pastor Hartwig has given me a copy of Our Redeemer's pictorial directory. I will be studying names and faces, praying for you and anticipating the day when we can meet face to face.

In the Lord's and your service,

Vicar-elect Jacob Morse

P.S. Attached is a photo of Grace and me from a mission trip we took to Bulgaria last year. Also included is a picture of Maria after Call Day, sporting her favorite team's colors!





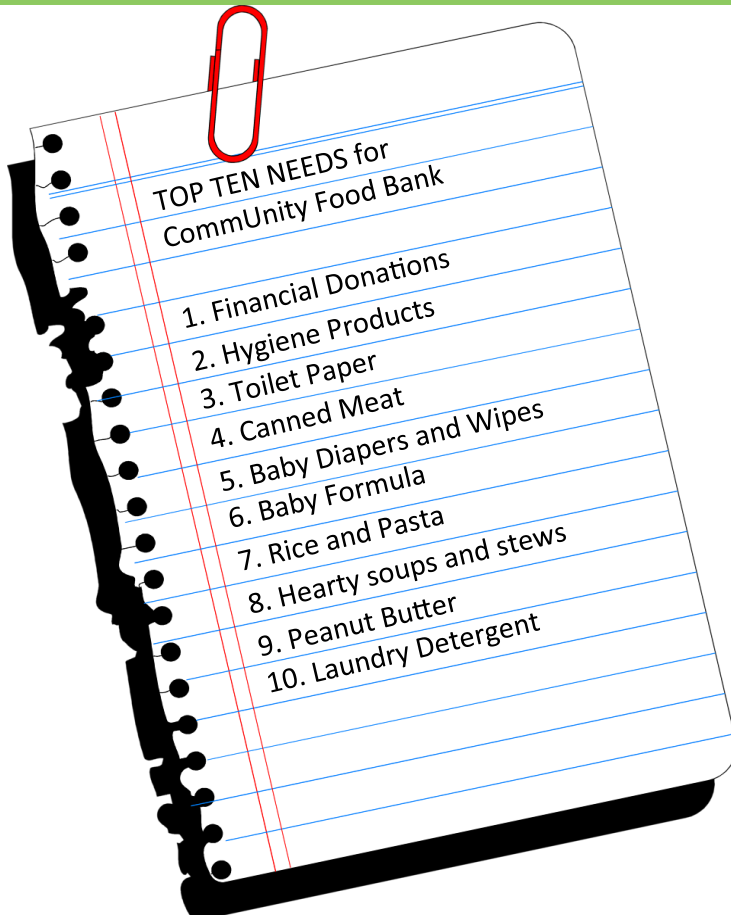
## WANTED: BOTTLES OF WATER FOR JULY 4 PARADE



Our Redeemer Outreach Committee is seeking bottles of water that can be distributed along the Coralville Fourth of July parade route. The bottles will be labelled with a message pointing to Jesus (and to Our Redeemer Church!). What a wonderful opportunity be the hands and feet of Christ by interacting with those around us to meet a community need.

Please place donated bottles of water in the Fellowship Hall (underneath the sign immediately to your right as you enter).

Thank you!  
Outreach Committee



**Donation bin located in  
Narthex by the  
Office Door**

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

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.



Did you know local radio isn't the only way to catch **The Lutheran Hour**? Listening is more convenient than ever—on **YOUR** schedule!

**More ways you can listen include:**

- SiriusXM Family Talk (Sundays, 10 a.m. ET)
- Online at [lutheranhour.org](http://lutheranhour.org)
- **Connected by LHM** app
- Spotify, iHeartRadio, TuneIn, and Apple Podcasts
- Ask Alexa or Google to "Play The Lutheran Hour"
- Podcast subscription
- Receive transcripts by email
- Listen by phone or speakerphone  
(Dial 855-JOHN-316. Select option 3.)

Visit [lutheranhour.org](http://lutheranhour.org) for 25 years of archives, including Reflections and Q&A segments. You'll also find historic broadcasts by Dr. Walter A. Maier and other past Speakers. ♦

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More Convenient than Ever!**

**YOUR NEXT STEPS WITH LHM**

**SHARE** Help a friend in their *Journey Through Anxiety*. [lhm.org/learn](http://lhm.org/learn)

**CONNECT** Read the *Discover Your Gifts Workbook*. See [reply form](#).

**SUPPORT** August is National Make-A-Will Month! [lhm.org/giftplan](http://lhm.org/giftplan)

# Our Redeemer Lutheran Church VBS



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**5:00 PM—8:15 PM**

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4 year old (who are potty trained)  
through 8th grade students (for 2026-27)

**Volunteer or sign up to attend at the link below:**

**<https://vbsmate.com/events/OurRedeemerVBS2026/31540>**



Our Redeemer Lutheran Church Mission Committee  
Christ said, "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations."



## PENNY CHALLENGE & MISSION MINUTES

Vote for the mission(s) of your choice with your pennies (up to 100 pennies per week).  
For the next several weeks we're going to hold a Mission Minute during the church services.

Each week the Mission Minute will highlight one of the missions noted below.  
At the end of six weeks, the mission funding will be allocated according to the penny votes.



**Parish Nurses of Eswatini**  
**Mission Minute for April 12**



**Lutheran Hour Ministries**  
**Mission Minute for April 19**



**UKANDU**  
**Mission Minute for April 26**



**Tabor Lutheran Church Outreach**  
**Chicago, Illinois**  
**Mission Minute for May 3**



**Panama**  
**Eyeglass Clinic**  
**Mission Minute for May 10**



**Iowa District East**  
**Student Aid**  
**Mission Minute for May 17**

### Mission Committee Members

Denise Holida / Anita Nicholson / Val Penney / Bob Powers/Lynn Smith (Chair)



*Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca exists to promote and provide Christ-centered education, recreation, and inspiration for individuals and groups of all ages.*

Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca needs your help! This spring, the compressor for the walk-in freezer in Alpha Lodge stopped working, and so did the hot water heater in Omega Lodge. Despite temporarily being without a large amount of freezer space and then without hot water, we have thankfully been able to get both fixed and return to full operation. However, we now have \$12,000 in additional expenses to cover. Can we count on your support to help us cover this cost? To donate, you may send a check to 3271 Sandy Beach Rd. NE Solon, IA, 52333 or go to [campiodiseca.org/believe/](http://campiodiseca.org/believe/) and note that your donation is intended to go toward these expenses.

# 2026-2027 Enrollment Form



Child First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Middle \_\_\_\_\_ Last \_\_\_\_\_

What year in school: Prek 3 OR Prek 4 Sex: Male OR Female Size T-shirt: \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_ Age as of September 15, \_\_\_\_\_ years

**DAILY SCHEDULE:**

7:30am Extended Care Drop off  
 9:00am Preschool Starts  
 9:30am Learning Centers  
 10:30am Snack/Bathroom  
 11:00am Outside Recreation  
 11:45am Story/Music  
 12:00pm Preschool Ends/Pick Up/Lunch  
 12:45pm Lunch Ends/Pick Up

**OTHER INFORMATION:**

- \* Our Preschool starts after Labor Day and ends before Memorial Day.
- \* Children may enroll throughout the school year as spaces allow.
- \* Scholarship information is available upon request.
- \* Morning extended care students may be dropped off any time after 7:30am.
- \* Lunch extended care students will be picked up at 12:45 pm.
- \* Morning snack will be provided by an assigned preschool student.
- \* Students staying for lunch will provide their own bag lunch and ice pack to keep food cold.
- \* No breakfast will be offered.
- \* During winter weather you will be notified if: *(We follow the Iowa City School District)*
  - We are delayed, no preschool, no extended care.
  - We are cancelled, no preschool, no extended care.

**CHECK DESIRED PROGRAM:**

_____ (M/W/F)	Preschool Program	9:00am-12:00pm	\$256/month
_____ (M/W/F)	Preschool Program with extended care LUNCH time	9:00am-12:45pm	\$336/month
_____ (M/W/F)	Preschool Program with MORNING extended care	7:30am-12:00pm	\$374/month
_____ (M/W/F)	Preschool Program with MORNING e.c. & LUNCH	7:30am-12:45pm	\$456/month
_____ (T/TH)	Preschool Program	9:00am-12:00pm	\$188/month
_____ (T/TH)	Preschool Program with extended care LUNCH time	9:00am-12:45pm	\$240/month
_____ (T/TH)	Preschool Program with MORNING extended care	7:30am-12:00pm	\$269/month
_____ (T/TH)	Preschool Program with MORNING e.c. & LUNCH	7:30am-12:45pm	\$322/month
_____ (5 Day)	Preschool Program	9:00am-12:00pm	\$423/month
_____ (5 Day)	Preschool Program with extended care LUNCH time	9:00am-12:45pm	\$557/month
_____ (5 Day)	Preschool Program with MORNING extended care	7:30am-12:00pm	\$623/month
_____ (5 Day)	Preschool Program with MORNING e.c. & LUNCH	7:30am-12:45pm	\$756/month

*Financial scholarships are available for Preschool, not for extended care or lunch expenses. Scholarships are considered at each of these deadlines and are available while scholarship funds remain: March 1, May 1, August 1.*

Name of Parent(s) or Guardian(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Best Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Best Email \_\_\_\_\_

*Our Redeemer Preschool admits children of any race, color, nationality or ethnic origin to all rights, privileges, programs, and activities of the Preschool. We do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, nationality or ethnic origin in administration of the educational or admission policies. Our curriculum is Christian-based.*

Please mail your completed form along with the **\$50 non-refundable** registration fee made payable to:

**Our Redeemer Preschool**  
 2301 E. Court Street  
 Iowa City, IA 52245

**Upon receipt of the Enrollment Form and fee, your child's spot will be reserved.** An enrollment packet will be sent to you containing all additional paperwork to be completed. Thank you for enrolling your child with Our Redeemer Preschool.

*Updated: 1/2025*

# Preschool Newsletter

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

May 11—15, 2026

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



## Question for a Kid

What vehicle would you like to drive? Why?

## This Week

Bible Lesson—Paul is changed  
Color song—line leader  
Songs for the program  
Daily math question  
Tornado drill  
Nursery rhyming books

## Dates

May 21/22nd—Last Days of School  
Celebration and Graduation  
August 2-6th—Vacation Bible School from  
5:00-8:15 pm with optional dinner at  
the beginning.  
September 8th —Preschool class  
2026-2027 begins

## Last Days Celebration & Graduation

On the last days of preschool, May 21/22, we will have our End-of-Year Celebration in the church sanctuary at 11:45 am. Invite whomever you would like to come celebrate! The preschoolers will sing a few songs. Mrs. Kaja will introduce each student and present each one with a certificate. Each student will receive a special gift after the program is done. The preschool classroom will remain open for families to walk through or students to get their items. Directly following the ceremony we will have a lunch. See lunch needs sign-up sheet in the preschool hallway.

## Next Week's Snack

You get to bring snacks and be our line leader.  
M/W/F = 16 students; T/TH = 13 students

Monday: Coen  
Tuesday: Juniper  
Wednesday: Ellis  
Thursday: Given  
Friday: Evelyn



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.

# WE LOVE THESE KIDS!

## Enrollment for 2026-2027 is OPEN!



Preschool enrollment for next year is now open! Be sure to register soon to reserve your child's spot.

Our preschool runs from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, with morning/lunch extended care and scholarships available. Please contact us at [preschool@ourredeemer.org](mailto:preschool@ourredeemer.org) for more details.

Personal referrals from families like yours are our number one source for new students. We've been blessed with so many wonderful children over the years, and we ask that you continue to spread the word about Our Redeemer. Help us fill our classrooms with children ready to play, learn, and grow in Christ!



# Children's Ministry

Birth—5<sup>th</sup> Grade

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**May 17<sup>th</sup>**

**Everyone is invited to the  
Fellowship Hall at  
9:15am.**

**There are no traditional  
Sunday School Classes  
on that Sunday**



**Begins on Sunday, May 31  
at 9:20am**

# Youth

6<sup>th</sup> —12<sup>th</sup> Grade

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



## Graduation BREAKFAST



**Sunday, May 17**  
All are invited to the  
Fellowship Hall at 9:15am.  
There are no traditional Sunday  
School Classes on that Sunday

## Save the Dates

**May 17<sup>th</sup>**  
**Sunday**  
Senior Grad Breakfast—  
9:15am Fellowship Hall  
(No Sunday School Classes)



**May 25<sup>th</sup>**  
**Monday—Memorial Day/OFFICE CLOSED**

**June 1<sup>st</sup>**  
**Monday—\$300 due  
for UKANDU**



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## OUR REDEEMER OFFICE DIRECTORY

Office: 338-5626 Fax: 338-9171

Website: <http://www.ourredeemer.org>

Preschool: 338-3949

Prayer Chain: 351-5297 or [prayerchain@ourredeemer.org](mailto:prayerchain@ourredeemer.org)

Special Announcements Line: 338-3505

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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.