

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH CELEBRATING 112 YEARS OF MINISTRY



Redeemer Lutheran Church
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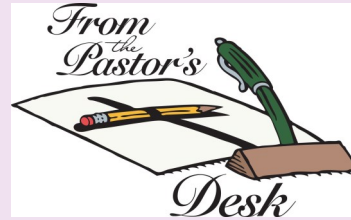
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Pastor's Page



Greetings to you my dear brothers and sisters in the name of the risen Christ, Jesus our Lord and Savior , amen.

Alleluia, Alleluia, He is risen.

Finally, we have EASTER! A time to rejoice in the resurrection of our Lord. As the Words for Worship from Augsburg Fortress explains, "It is the first Sunday after the first full moon after the spring equinox. It is the last remnant of the lunar calendar in the Christian year. Newness is in the air. As the first rays of the rising sun race across the land, fear and darkness fade, uncertainty lifts up its face, sorrow becomes radiant. A day unlike any other day has dawned. The whole earth is illumined by the risen Son. It is Easter. "

Pastor Bill Matlack writes, "The dawning on Easter day is an ending and a beginning. It is an ending of separation from God, for the veil of the temple is torn, and it is declared: "The home of God is among mortals" (Rev. 21:3).

It is the beginning of completion, of shalom, wholeness, the light for which we longed in Advent. It is the beginning of the Spirit's power breathed into all without discrimination.

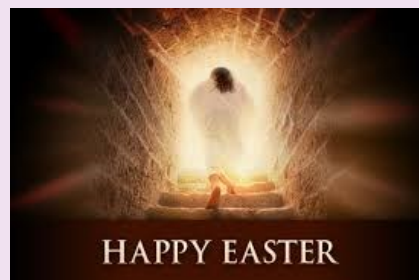
A new day dawned on that springtime morn, a day of God's completing, a day of revealing, a day of making things new, and that day has not yet set. Yes, Spring is here but more importantly the celebration of the resurrection of Jesus, the Christ, our Lord and savior."

Alleluia, Alleluia, He is risen, He is risen indeed. Let's rejoice and celebrate.

See you in Church.

Happy Easter.

Pastor Mukesh



Holy Week Schedule

PALM SUNDAY

4/9/17

The Passion Story - According to Matthew

Worship Service — 9:30am

Blessing and Distribution of Palms

MAUNDY THURSDAY

4/13/17

Stripping of the Altar

7:00pm

GOOD FRIDAY

4/14/17

Cross Walk begins at noon Friends Meeting House

Ecumenical Service — 1:30pm (Langhorne Presbyterian)

Tenebrae at Redeemer - 7:00pm

EASTER SUNDAY

4/16/17

Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ

Holy Communion — Setting 3

Worship Services: 7:00am – 9:00am - 11:00am



Prayer Concerns

Members: Sharon Degen, Marty Ditcher, Dee Grover, Ruth Samuels, Christina Jackson, Donald Robinson, Aaron Winter, Carol Samuels-Stout, Millie Murray, Dolores Danielson, Jordan Ditcher, Tom Hemphill, Michelle Morris and family and Cathy Hemphill and family as they grieve the passing of Marian Hemphill.

Relatives and Friends of our Members: Dennis Green, Mary Gruppioni, Kelli Kane, Dottie Nelms, Lazarus Kondyra, Florence Bakich, Linda Tiberi, Larry Krusen, Joel Furman, Amanda Peszek, Danielle Camilli, Leah Ciervo, Tom Bowe, Georganne Dillon, Helen Mathews, Arlene Krajewski, Eddie, friend of David Erdman, Mike Pulsinelli, Phil Terhune.

Relatives and Friends of our Members Serving in the Military: Ron Skoczylas, Chad Durban, Bryan Oser, Joseph Piel, Derrick Stone, Mason Burgess.

Remember in Your Prayers Pastor and staff of Redeemer, and our Nations Leaders:

Pres. Donald Trump, Our U.S. Senators, The Supreme Court, and the House of Representatives.

Prayer Initiative for April



On April 9th we will pray for: Marge Einenkel, Bunny Elinich, Georgette Escardille, Georgiga Woodford, Brian Woodford, Debora & Donald Farnham, Tom Farnham, Sandy & David Feldbauer, David Feldbauer, Jr., Winnie Ferguson, Linda Mecutchen, Tyler Mecutchen, Myles Mecutchen, Patty & Tom Finn.

On April 23rd we will pray for: Patricia & Tom Gallagher, Denise Goccia, Jessica Piel, Marsha Goodwin, Lois Gradel, Dee Anna Grover, Trey Grover, Marian & Thomas Hemphill, Cathy & Michael Hemphill and Ciera Cooke, Toni Carra, Michaela, Michelle & Garnett Morris and children Nicholas, Lauren and Lindsay.



April Events

- ◆ 4/2/17 Worship/Sunday School 9:30am
- * 4/5/17 Soup Supper 5:30pm, Midweek Worship 7pm
- * 4/8/17 Clean Up Day at Redeemer 8:30am
- * 4/8/17 2nd Saturday of the month Flea Market begins
- * 4/9/17 Worship/Sunday School 9:30am PALM SUNDAY, Easter egg hunt
- * 4/13/17 Maundy Thursday Worship & 1st Holy Communion 7pm
- * 4/14/17 Crosswalk at noon begins at Quaker church, followed by 1:30pm Good Friday Ecumenical Worship at Langhorne Presbyterian Church
- * 4/14/17 Good Friday Tenebrae Service at Redeemer at 7pm.
- * 4/16/17 Easter Sunday Worship 7am, 9am, 11am
- ◆ 4/23/17 Worship/Sunday School 9:30am
- * 4/30/17 Worship/Sunday School 9:30am



Finance Update

Financial Condition for the period ending February 28, 2017

Current fund Income:	\$20,574
Donations/Reimbursements:	\$ 3697
Expenses:	<u>\$10,914</u>
Net Income (Loss)	\$10,914
Balance in Building Maintenance:	\$6,129
Balance in Raise the Roof:	\$18,552



Past Events

We had a busy month in March

Shared Meal:

We served 67 people on Tuesday March 7th at our Shared Meal Ministry. Jason Green of Jay's Steak and Hoagie Joint provided a ham dinner and members made pineapple stuffing, mashed potatoes, string beans and desserts.

Soup Suppers:

Everyone enjoyed soups and breads and desserts at our Wednesday soup suppers held on 3/1, 3/8, 3/15, 3/22/17 and 3/29/17.

Midweeks:

Our midweek services presented "[Standing at the Cross](#)" a series of Services based on themes from Martin Luther. Focus in March was Standing in the Word, Standing in Prayer, Standing Unafraid, Standing in Suffering, Standing through Persecution. Join us on Wednesday 4/5/17 for the final midweek entitled [Standing in Truth](#). In our world we are surrounded by many philosophies and religions, all claiming to have the truth. In our Lenten worship this week we will gather to worship Jesus our Savior, whose kingdom is a kingdom of truth and who is himself the Way and the Truth and Life. In this service we will see how the Roman governor Pilate questioned Jesus about his kingdom. Jesus answered that his kingdom is not of this world and that he came to bear witness to the truth. Pilate asked, "What is truth?" He did not know that the Truth stood before him in the flesh.



Parish Register News and Notes!

Dear Pastor Mukesh and Redeemer members,

Thank You!

Thank you for your concern during my illness. Your calls and visit were greatly appreciated. I feel very blessed.

Sincerely,

Dolores Danielson



**A Loss
in our Church
Family**

Long time member Marian Hemphill went home to be with our Lord on March 22, 2017.

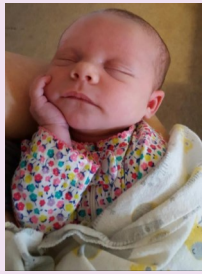
Services were held on March 27, 2017 at Dunn Givinish Funeral Home in Langhorne.

Please keep the Hemphills and the Morris families in your prayers.

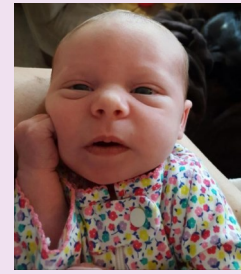
Synod Council Opportunity for Women

The Synod is looking for a woman who would be interested in running for a 3 year seat on Synod Council as the Lower Bucks Lay Female Representative. Please let Pastor Mukesh know if you would be interested in this opportunity.





WELCOME
COLBIE LYNN ANDERSON
BORN 3/11/17
6 LBS 11 OZ.
20 1/4 INCHES LONG



MOM & DAD: STACY AND BILL ANDERSON
GRANDPARENTS: DIANE AND BILL ANDERSON

Thrivent Action Teams



Mark your calendar for Celebrate Action Teams because I'd love to have you join me. This event is hosted by Thrivent Financial representative John C Roesinger, FIC.

Please invite anyone who would be interested in learning more of what Thrivent Members can do for their church and community!!! You don't need to be a member to attend this event!!!!

A Luncheon Will Be Provided

Event Details

Sunday, May 7, 2017

12:00 p.m.

Redeemer Lutheran Church

246 Hulmville Avenue

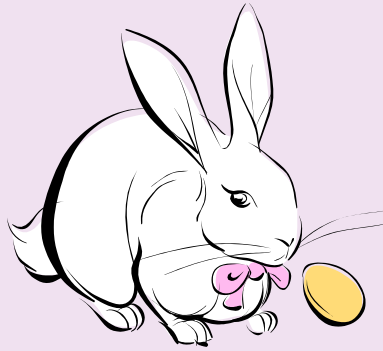
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Please RSVP by April 28, 2017. Call John Roesinger at 215-809-2086 or email john.roesinger@thrivent.com or register at Thrivent.com/findaworkshop.

I hope to see you there!

Easter Bake Sale

Palm Sunday, April 9, 2017



Choose from a variety of Delicious Easter Baked Goods
Available in the Parish Hall following
Worship service on April 9.

Proceeds benefit Redeemer's current fund.

WELCA

Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 at 7:00 PM in the parish hall at Redeemer

Devotions: Joanne Waldkoenig

Refreshments: Edna Schwenk, Mary Lou Robinson



Christian Education

Spring is here! Well, according to the calendar it is, but you may still be seeing the remnants of God's glorious snow fall!

Still Easter is just a few weeks away and our youth are in the middle of experiencing the account of Jesus' journey to the cross. For April, we discover Holy week and what Jesus sacrificed for us. Palm Sunday our kids will participate in the palm procession and opening liturgy then be excused to class where they will complete the journey to the Cross and enjoy a fun time with an egg hunt around 10:45 as a reminder of new life in Jesus' Resurrection. ***All children are welcome to enjoy the egg hunt!***

Easter Sunday, April 16, there are no classes but your family is encouraged to attend one of the Easter worship services that day at 7 am, 9 am or 11 am. Come join in the celebration of His Resurrection.

First Holy Communion will have class, April 2nd and 9th and, upon completion of the Fed and Forgiven program, join with their parents and family for the Maundy Thursday, service at 7pm as they are presented to the congregation and receive communion for the first time. This is a special time for these two young men so please support them and pray for them.

Confirmation Class schedule for April will be as follows- April 2nd class; April 9th - students will be serving; April 16th Easter no class, 23rd class; April 30th service.

The World Hunger Appeal is still going on through Easter so if you haven't picked up your Piggy bank or barn box you still have time to do so and save up some loose change. Bring them back anytime till the end of April to help feed those in our community and around the world. Thank you for your continued support of this ministry and God's Global Barnyard. Redeemer is a wonderful example of people caring for one another.



Christian Education/Sunday School

Dates to remember for April

2ND - Journey to the Cross for elementary and pre-school, ***last day for PALM PRAYERS!***

4th – Shared meal 6 pm; great service opportunity

5th — Mid-week Lenten service at 7 pm. Soup supper, 5:30 – 6:30 pm;

Seniors bible study 10 am. Daily Discipleship

Program based on weekly Gospel.

9TH **Palm Sunday** worship participation and class time, egg hunt, GODS GLOBAL BARNYARD COLLECTION, ***WELCA EASTER CANDY /GOODIES SALE***

10th - ***NO MONDAY NIGHT ADULT BIBLE STUDY***

12TH – ***NO SENIORS BIBLE STUDY***

13th -Maundy Thursday worship, 7:00 pm

14th – Good Friday service, 7:00 pm

16TH— **EASTER worship services** 7 am, 9 am, 11 am

23rd - Road to Emmaus; **April 30th** - lesson continued, service project, prepare for Mother's Day



Pastor Mukesh leads the children in song during the Children's sermon. Children participate in filling Easter bags for Redeemer shut-ins.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR JULY 24-28,2017

REDEEMER VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



6pm -8:15 pm DINNER SERVED 5:30 – 5:50 PM FOR ATTENDEES

REGISTRATION \$10 PER CHILD

PRE-REGISTER AT www.myvbs.org/redeemerpenndel or mail in form to Redeemer
with check payable to Redeemer Lutheran Church



July 24-28, 2017 6-8:15 pm; dinner 5:30-5:50pm

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH VBS

HULMEVILLE AND WOODLAND AVENUES

PENNDEL, PA. 19047 phone- 215-757-2724

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Please print clearly

Name _____ Age _____ Last grade attended _____

Address _____

Phone # _____

Email _____

Parent
name _____

Emergency Contact and
phone# _____

Allergies/
limita-
tions _____

Attending dinner ---YES or NO (please circle)

Registration - \$10 per child

EASTER PLANTS ORDER FORM

**ORDER
DEADLINE
April 9, 2017**



**Payment is due at
the time of order.
Checks should be
payable to
Redeemer
Lutheran Church**

	Ordered	Due
LILY 6" \$8.25		
HYDRANGEA 6" pot \$9.00		
TULIP 4" \$3.00		
TULIP 6" \$6.00		
HYACINTH 4" \$3.00		
HYACINTH 6" \$6.00		
MUMS 6" \$6.50		
TOTAL QUANTITY AND AMOUNT		

Legacy Story– Linda Bartleson



Linda grew up in Newtown, PA, she is the daughter of Clarence & Lois Weasner and has one sister, Sandy. As a child, she attended Sunday school and sang in the children's choir at Newtown Presbyterian Church. As we got older we chose to join Gods Love Lutheran Church in Newtown and were confirmed.

In high school Linda was part of the color guard for Council Rock's Marching Band as well as volunteered for the Newtown Ambulance Squad and earned her EMT. She also worked part-time as a nurse's aide at Pennswood Village and Pickering Manor Nursing Home.

After graduating from Council Rock, Linda continued her education at Mercer Medical Center School of Nursing earning an Associate's degree in Science and a diploma of Nursing. She was employed at Mercer medical Center in Trenton NJ. She was a Nurse in their Critical Care unit from 1984 until 1992. She then became a Nurse Manager of a step down unit. Linda Pursued a Master's Degree in Science at LaSalle University in Philadelphia and became a Certified Nurse Practitioner; she joined Mercer Bucks Cardiology in 1994 and is affiliated with St Mary Medical Center in Langhorne as well as various hospitals in NJ.

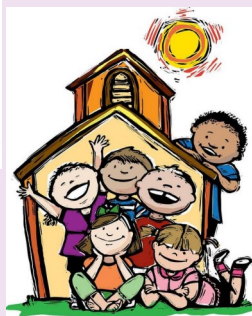
Linda was introduced to her husband, Bryan Bartleson, by a mutual friend. They dated several years and were married November 28, 1987 at Langhorne Presbyterian Church. They have two daughters, Stacy (25) and Julie (23). This year they will be celebrating their 30-year anniversary.

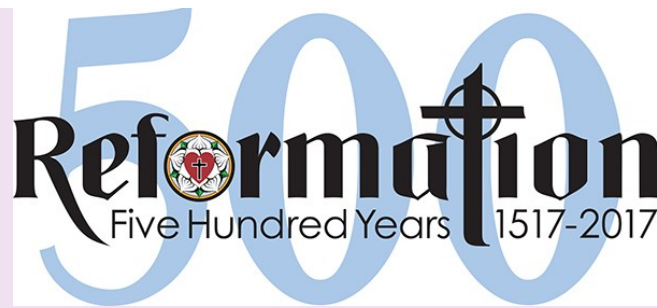
Lois and Sandy joined Redeemer in 1990 and shortly afterwards Linda started attending with them. She joined Redeemer and her daughters went to Sunday School and were confirmed at Redeemer.

Linda enjoys reading, exercising, cooking, and spending time with her family and friends.

What message do you have for the Children of Redeemer?

The Message I share with my friends at Redeemer is that in my opinion it is so important to instill a solid belief system and foundation based on Gods Love to our children. I grew up with God in my life, going to church every Sunday, and being a part of a spiritual community. Some of my most favorite memories as a child were attending Sunday school and the gatherings we had at church. I couldn't wait till Bible school each summer because it was so much fun. I would go to not only my church Bible school but my friend's church Bible school sessions. I think it is that foundation that has made me the person I am today. The world we live in is a tough place full of negativity and drama. It is up to each and every one of us as to instill this foundation in our children so that they can grow to be faithful Christians in our community.





REFORMATION NEWS

“Mini” Reformation / Martin Luther Library

Redeemer now has a small collection of books and two movies concerning Martin Luther in the Parish Hall. These materials may be checked out, using the cards included. And, returned after a reasonable time so that the church continues to be able to lend to other members.

"The art of music is the best food for one who is troubled, for through it the heart is contented, inspired, and refreshed." ... Martin Luther

Next Reformation Committee meeting is Sunday May 21, 2017 following worship.

Redeemer Lutheran Church is still collecting tapes from Redner Supermarkets and Brown's Shop Rite Stores. We do receive a percentage of money from these tapes which goes to the Current Fund. Please try to keep them current. There is a basket on the shelf in the Narthex for the tapes.

Thank you for your help.

Katherine Patelunas



Happy Easter

Sharing God's Bounty

April

Whom Are You Looking At?

The disciples were thrilled. They had their Lord back in their presence once again. Since his Resurrection, he had appeared to them and others several times. They were still a little confused, though, when he talked about “*waiting for the gift his Father promised*” (Acts 1:5), and, then, “*He was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight*” (Acts 1:9).

You can imagine their bewilderment. He had died and been buried and then had risen from the dead! He had walked among them and taught them again, and now . . . He is taken up into the clouds. No wonder they stood there – probably with mouths agape – looking into the sky where they had last seen him.

It took “two men dressed in white” (Acts 1:10) to bring them back to their senses. “‘Men of Galilee,’ ” they said, ‘why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into Heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into Heaven’ ” (Acts 1:11).

Back they went to Jerusalem. Their eyes were no longer on the clouds, but they were still looking at Jesus. They waited. They prayed. They chose another disciple. And they waited some more – all the while looking at Jesus.

Whom are you looking at? Yes, Jesus has ascended. We can only imagine his joyful, triumphant return as all the hosts of Heaven welcomed back the risen, victorious Savior. Because he is that Savior, because he is the Author and perfecter of our faith, “*let us fix our eyes on Jesus*” (Hebrews 12:2). Through his Word and Sacraments, he will lead us in his ways; he will teach us obedience and self-sacrifice; he will teach us love for our neighbors. With joyful and generous hearts, we celebrate the new life that Easter brings us by sharing the message of the Cross and the Empty Tomb with all who will listen. Keep looking at Jesus until in Heaven you see him face to face!

Stewardship is not about large giving, but gifts in small ways. A child's gift, although small, gives glory to the Lord in many ways. Stewardship does not have to be in monetary ways. A gift of time to an elderly shut-in serves the Lord, too, A gift of a loaf of bread to a homeless family could mean the difference between going to bed hungry or going to bed satisfied.

Here's Where Your Pennies Go

Luke
10:37

"Which of these three was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him,.....

....GO AND DO
LIKEWISE

Thank you for generously supporting the ELCA World Hunger Appeal. With our gifts and with prayers, service, and advocacy, we answer Christ's call to "Go and do likewise." This "going and doing" makes a life-saving difference for neighbors near and far. ELCA World Hunger is a connected, comprehensive, and compassionate program that helps individuals and communities break the cycle of hunger and poverty. Your gifts make a difference in our fight to end hunger. Each gift to the ELCA World Hunger Appeal is a promise to our neighbors around the world and around the corner that they are not forgotten, that their hunger and thirst will not go unnoticed. God Bless and keep you as you, **"Go and do likewise."**

Making a life

JORDAN
ELCA.org/disaster



In the last year, a record number of people have fled unimaginable conflict and war in Syria. Many Syrians have found refuge in one of the largest refugee camps in the world, the Za'atari refugee camp in Jordan. Among them is Louie, 19, and his family. While the majority of his family wants to go back to Syria, Louie has other ideas. "I think it'd be very difficult to go back to Syria," Louie says. "I just want to go somewhere that is safe, where I can make a life for myself."

Louie and a business partner have a barbershop in the Za'atari camp. Having already had some experience working in a salon, he eagerly accepted when given the opportunity to participate in the barber classes offered through a life-skills training program. This program is made possible

in part through gifts to Lutheran Disaster Response in partnership with The Lutheran World Federation.

Your gifts to Lutheran Disaster Response are providing life skills to people like Louie but are also providing protection, shelter, education, basic relief, water and sanitation to thousands of refugees living in the Za'atari camp.

For Louie, your gifts have helped him provide for his family and have given him a chance to make a life for himself when he's somewhere safe, wherever that may be.

Because of you, Lutheran Disaster Response continues to bring God's hope and healing to Louie and others like him.

LITTLE LAMBS

Make these cute treats as a reminder that Jesus our Savior is also the Lamb of God.




What you need:



- Vanilla cupcakes
- Vanilla frosting
- Butter knife
- Mini marshmallows
- Jellybeans
- Red licorice

What you do:

1. Bake and frost the cupcakes.
2. Place marshmallows around the edge of each cupcake.
3. Cut green or blue jellybeans in half and place two on each cupcake as eyes. Cut pink jellybeans in half and place one below each pair of eyes as a nose.
4. Cut thin strips of licorice, and place one on each cupcake as a mouth.
5. Enjoy!



Lamb of God

 John the Baptist knew Jesus was the Messiah — and offered a special greeting when he saw Jesus. 

Directions: Cut apart the squares and arrange them in a rectangle in numerical order, starting with #1 in the top left and going across to #7. Continue building four more rows of seven squares each, to reveal John 1:29, NIV.

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March Birthday's and Anniversaries

April Birthdays

2nd Debbie Farnham
4th Marge Einenkel
Kelly Sanchez
Brian Schmidt
6th Daniel Clark
7th Kevin Jones
Trey Grover
Jeff Lippincott
Cindy O'Connell
11th Patti Balasco
12th John Slaughter
Mason Martinsen
13th Scott Ditcher
John Schwenk
14th Patrick Eckel
Jacob Eckel
15th Patricia Ryan
16th Andy Martinsen
Derek Thomas
18th Stacy Hardy Anderson
20th Blake Logan Thomas
21st Alyssa Lee Stout
Marilyn Hrywnak
22nd Lydia Cochran
25th Johann Callan
Michaela Anne Hemphill
Edith Williams
26th Donna Sue Parfitt-Herbert
27th David Feldbauer

April Wedding Anniversaries

4/6/74 Jeannie and William Vitale
4/20/58 Edna and John Schwenk
4/24/93 Patricia and Richard Paul
4/26/13 Erik and Danielle Martinsen
4/29/78 Lori and Sam Meola
4/30/03 Michael and Kelly Sanchez



**Visitors and Neighbors:
Welcome to Redeemer Lutheran Church!**

***Our door is open to you!
We would be happy to have you join us as
a Partner in prayer, in song, and in the
hearing of God's word.***



MISSION STATEMENT

Redeemer Lutheran Church is a caring community of baptized believers, confessing Jesus Christ as our Lord and savior. As a forgiven community, we gather in faith around God's table to hear God's word and participate in the life giving sacraments, which God has instituted through His Son Jesus Christ. Responding in faith we are called to joyfully proclaim the Gospel of our Lord in word and deed in the wider community.