

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH CELEBRATING 112 YEARS OF MINISTRY



Redeemer Lutheran Church

The Rev. Heeralal Mukesh Cheedie, Pastor

246 Hulmeville Avenue (corner of Hulmeville and Woodland Avenues)

Penndel, PA 19047

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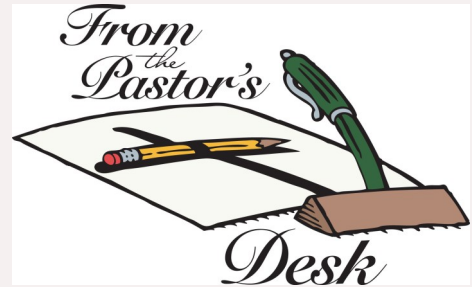
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Redeemer Herald

Pastor's Page



Grace and peace to you from God the Father and from our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, Amen.

Alleluia! Christ is Risen. Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

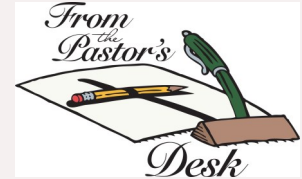
Three times we shouted these words on Easter morning to remind us that through his death and resurrection, Jesus has triumphed over sin and death and that we now have new and eternal life with him. Indeed we have forgiveness of our sins and the promise of eternal life.

So what's next? As Resurrection people, how do we respond to this good news?

One good way is to look at the early disciples and see how they responded.

In the book of Acts it says that, "they devoted themselves to the Apostles' teachings and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and prayer. Everyone was filled with awe, and many wonders and miraculous signs were done by the apostles. All believers were together and had everything in common. Selling their possessions and goods, they gave to anyone who had a need. Everyday they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved."

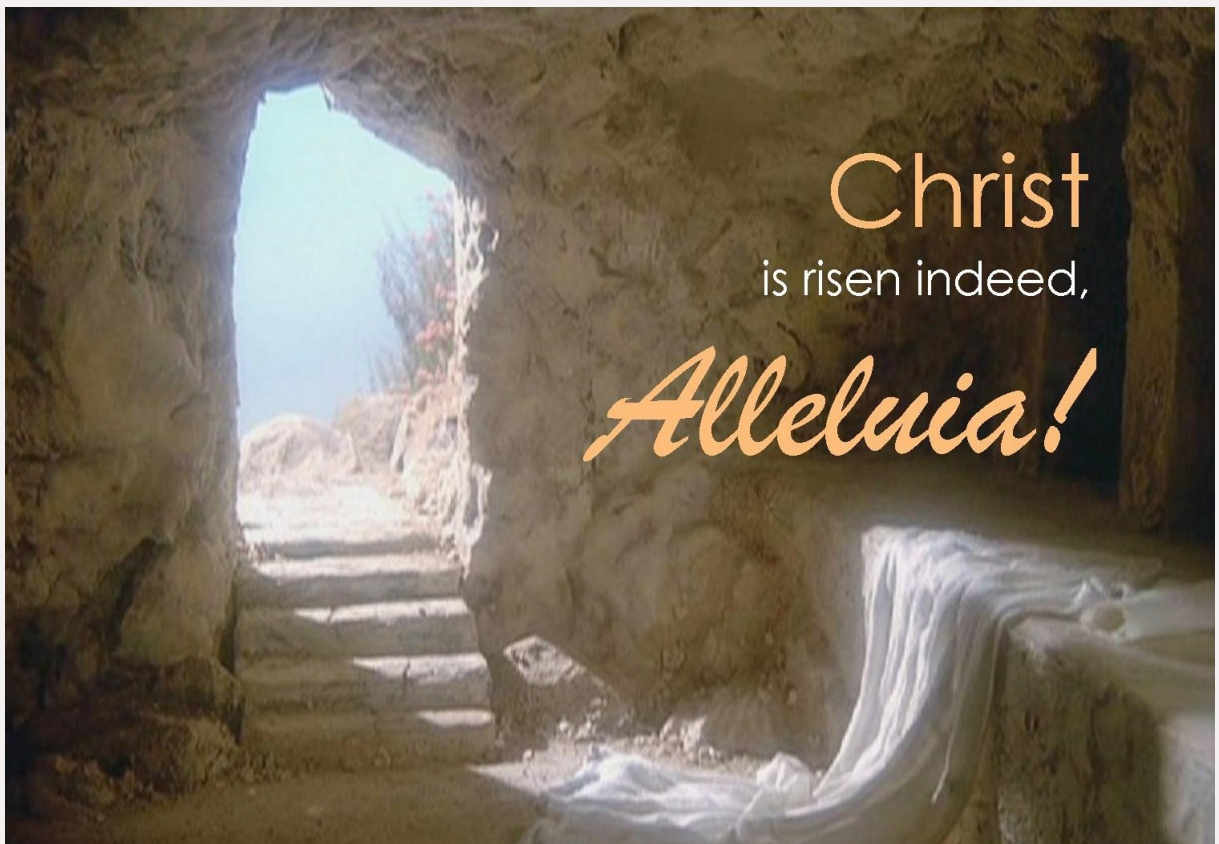
Like the early disciples, I am quite sure that not only will we grow in our own faith when we pray, study the Word and worship God, loving and caring for our neighbors but God will indeed bless us, adding more to our church family.



And so my dear brothers and sisters, as we continue to share the good news of God's love through our words and actions, living in the hope of the Resurrection, we can indeed sing and shout;

Alleluia! Christ is Risen. For He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Pastor Mukesh



May Events

May 2, 2017 Shared Meal Ministry 6pm

May 13, 2017 "Stamp" Out Hunger Postal Food Drive

May 13, 2017 Flea Market at Redeemer

May 14, 2017 Mother's Day, Youth in Worship

May 27, 2017 Penndel/Hulmeville Memorial Day Parade

(Redeemer will participate) 9AM

April Highlights

Shared Meal:

We served 51 people on Tuesday April 4th at our Shared Meal Ministry.

Food Pantry: We are now serving over 125 people at our little community food pantry!

Holy Week and Easter: The church celebrated Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday (with 2 students receiving their First Holy Communion, followed by Good Friday and Easter Sunday.

Congratulations to Trevor Brownlee and Tyler Thomas who received their First Holy Communion on Maundy Thursday.



Prayer Concerns

Members: Sharon Degen, Marty Ditcher, Dee Grover, Ruth Samuels, Christina Jackson, Millie Murray, Jordan Ditcher.

Relatives and Friends of our Members: Dennis Green, Mary Gruppioni, Linda Tiberi, Amanda Peszek, Tom Bowe, Arlene Krajewski, Eddie, friend of David Erdman, Mile Pulsinelli, Phil Terhune, Michael King.

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 May

On May 14th we will pray for:

Philip Herrington, Lois Hershberger, Marilyn Hrywnak, Christina Jackson, Lynda Jones and children Kevin, Charles, Brian O'Connell, Cindy & Bob O'Connell, Daniel, William and Abby Clark, Richard & Jennifer O'Connell and children Kyra and Patrick, Ilene Kersten, Charles & Barbara Kissinger, Donna Kistner.

On May 28th we will pray for:

Linda Lee, Lynn & Jane Leppo, Andrew Leppo, Michael Leppo, Jean Lippincott, Carol Lipson, Edith Williams, Kristie Mabin, Janet Maher, Peg Mandrodt, Marsie & Jim McMullen, Travis McMullen, James McMullen, Lauren Mariano, Kayla Puch, Kerstin Pugh, Patricia & Darrell Martin and children Haley and Kelsi, Andy Martinsen, Erik & Danielle Martinsen and children JulieA nna and Mason.



WELCA

May 2017 – WELCA – Covered-Dish Dinner and Game Night

Our May WELCA meeting is Tuesday, the 16th at **6:00 p.m.** **Please note the earlier time.** All women of Redeemer are invited to our Covered-Dish Dinner and Game Night. Come join us for an evening of good food and fun. Devotions will be given by Mary Lou Robinson. Our meal chairperson and game hostess is Ilene Kersten.

Yes, I plan to attend the Covered Dish Dinner on Tuesday, May 16 at **6:00 p.m.**

Name: _____

Check which dish you will bring: Salad _____ Vegetable _____
Dessert _____

Meat Dish _____

Please return forms to either Ilene Kersten or Rita Solt.

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Summer Craft Tuesdays

June 20, July 18, and August 15 at 7:00 PM in the parish hall will be WELCA's summer craft series to create craft items to be sold at their bazaar on Saturday, November 4, 2017.

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LUTHERAN NIGHT AT THE PHILLIES

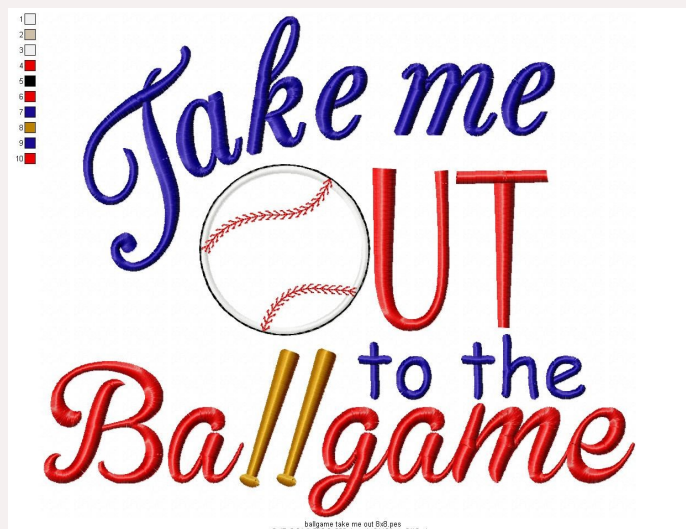
JUNE 16 @ 7:05 PM - 11:00 PM




Lutheran Night at the Phillies will be **June 16, 2017**. Tickets make a great gift for that sports fan in your life, and proceeds will benefit SEPA youth programs. **Get tickets by calling Jen Leone at 215.218.5267.**

This year tickets are available anywhere in the park, not just outfield.

Buy tickets online at phillies.com/lutheran



Upcoming Events



THE VIETNAM TRAVELING MEMORIAL WALL ®

A replica of the Vietnam Memorial Wall will be coming to the Penndel Memorial Field. The public can visit the wall from July 14 -17th from 9AM-9PM.

In addition, special guest speakers will read aloud the names of all 58,307 names on the wall.

We are very fortunate to have this commemorative experience pass through our town.

The Wall is a 3/5 scale of the Vietnam Memorial in Washington DC, it stands six feet tall at the center and covers almost 300 feet from end to end.

PENNDDEL COMMUNITY DAY

SATURDAY , JUNE 3, 2017

9 AM –2 PM

Woodland Ave

From Bellevue to Fairview

**Many local, county and
state organizations**

**as well as First Responders,
medical organizations ,**

And businesses participating.

Demonstrations, rides, games,

SOMETHING FOR ALL AGES.

Food will be on sale at

Redeemer Lutheran Church



**DON'T MISS THE
FUN**



Parish Register News and Notes!



Bucks County Housing Group
1069 Jacksonville Road
Ivyland, PA 18974

April 14, 2017



Redeemer Lutheran Church Penndel
298 Hulmeville Road
Penndel, PA 19047

Dear Friends of Redeemer Lutheran Church,

On behalf of Bucks County Housing Group Board of Directors, Staff, and the families we serve at our Supportive Housing Shelters, thank you for your generous donation of 4 \$45 Walmart gift cards and Easter treats received on 3/29/17 for the Penndel shelter families.

So many families in our Bucks County community are struggling to make ends meet and your generosity means so much to these families in need. Our mission is to strengthen families that are struggling and help them on the road to self-sufficiency through housing, food and other related social services.

Your support in our mission and choosing BCHG for your donation is greatly appreciated. BCHG has been serving homeless and impoverished residents since 1979. Thank you for your support in helping us to accomplish our work with our impoverished neighbors.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Dorrian
Client Resource Coordinator
Bucks County Housing Group
215-750-4344 ext.101

Graduate Information Needed



Calling all students who will be graduating from High School, College, & Trade Schools this year.

Please contact the office to let us know; and also send a picture and a short note about where you attend, your interests and plans following graduation.

Call Holly at 215-757-2724 or email her at:
[redeemerlutheranchurchpenndel@verizon.net](mailto:redemerlutheranchurchpenndel@verizon.net) by May 15, 2017 so the information can be printed in the June newsletter.



LETTERCARRIER FOOD DRIVE

SATURDAY MAY 13, 2017

Letter carriers will be collecting food for local pantries on Saturday 5/14/17. Everyone is asked to donate a bag or two full of canned and non-perishable food items.

Redeemer's Food Pantry is a recipient of this drive. This is a great opportunity to easily support the community.

Christian Education, Sunday School

Spring is such a beautiful time of year and our schedules fill up quickly with outdoor activities and exciting adventures.

Redeemer Sunday school's adventure with Jesus continued on the road to Emmaus the last 2 weeks of April where the kids heard the account of Jesus and the two disciples. During May we journey with Jesus to his Ascension and finish up with lessons on Pentecost.

Maundy Thursday, Tyler Thomas and Trevor Brownlee received their First Holy Communion alongside their families. These young men prepared for this special occasion through the Fed and Forgiven program led by Trish and Chris Ryan. What a wonderful step in their life long journey with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Just a reminder to our Redeemer family, Communion instruction takes place as of now for those in 5th grade and up for those who haven't had instruction, held during Lent with the students receiving communion on Maundy Thursday.

Redeemer Confirmation class continues on course and if there are youth entering 7th grade or above this fall and they have not had confirmation instruction please contact Denise Robinson or the church office or Pastor Mukesh so we may plan for next year's instruction.



April 30th, most likely the publication date of this newsletter, Redeemer officially welcomed Pastor Mukesh Cheedie with a very joyous installation celebration. Congregation members from tots to grandparents will participate in welcoming Pastor Mukesh into our church family. It will be a joyous day indeed!

Adult bible studies are held Mondays at 7 pm and the 2nd and 4th Wednesday at 10 am for those interested in faith formation. Please check with the office for the remaining class schedule.

DATES TO REMEMBER

MAY ----- Mothers day Youth Sunday – 14th

2nd – shared meal ministry 6 pm

4th – NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

7TH --- ASCENSION AND PENTECOST---- ACTS 2

14TH - MOTHERS DAY; YOUTH IN WORSHIP, Gods Global barnyard Collection

21ST ---- Ascension lesson

25th – Ascension Day

28TH – MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND - LESSON AND SERVICE

JUNE----- June 4th, PENTECOST; Sunday school PICNIC/ REVIEW- LAST DAY



MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR JULY 24-28, 2017 REDEEEMER 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, 6-8:15 pm; dinner 5:30-5:50pm

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH VBS

HULMEVILLE AND WOODLAND AVENUES

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

RedeemerLutheranChurchPenndel@verizon.net

Please print clearly

Name _____ Age _____ Last grade attended _____

Address _____

Phone # _____ E-mail _____

Parent
name _____

Emergency Contact and
phone# _____

Allergies/
limitations _____

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

Registration - \$10 per child

Reformation 500



REFORMATION 500 MEETING
Sunday, May 21, 2017 – 10:30 A.M.

October 2016 began Reformation 500 commemoration at Redeemer! We have accomplished several wonderful Martin Luther and Reformation activities so far. The goal is to finish the year up to Sunday, October 29, 2017 – the anniversary date - with inspiring, informative events.

Please come out on May 21 to plan Redeemer's observance of this important and influential part of our history. Let's appreciate who we are! Let's use this opportunity to re-energize our faith and our church!

Morning Prayer by Martin Luther

Thank you, gracious God, for the gift of this new day.

Awaken me to your abiding presence;

Open my eyes to your creation;

Open my ears to your promises;

Open my heart to the needs of others.

Fill me with your Spirit and guide me this day

In works of kindness, justice, and mercy.

I ask this in the name of Jesus, the light and life of the world. Amen.

Finance Update



Financial Condition for the Period ending March 31, 2017

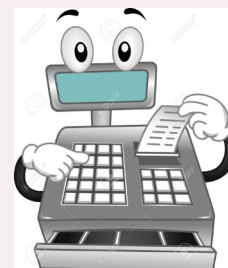
Current Fund Income	30,923
Donations/Reimbursements	5,006
Expenses	28,956
Net Income (Loss)	6,973
Balance in Building Maintenance Fund	6,129
Balance in Raise the Roof Fund	19,327

Grocery Store Register Tapes

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



Legacy Story– Patricia Finn



Patti was welcomed into the world by her parents Robert and Ellen Lutz on October 21, 1949 at Mount Saini Hospital in Philadelphia. Patti was the oldest of three siblings, one sister Donna and a brother Robert (Bobby). Unfortunately Robert passed away of brain cancer at the age of 47.

Her family attended St. Matthews Lutheran Church in Philadelphia where Patti was baptized. When Patti was three they moved to Bensalem and Patti attended St. Luke's Lutheran Church and School in Croydon for grades 1 through 8. She was also confirmed there.

At Bensalem High School Patti was very active in Student Council, cheerleading, and after school she was a member of Tri-Hi-Y, a young women's Christian organization. Patti graduated from Bensalem in 1967. She then attended Bucks County Community College, and also Holy Family University.

Patti went to work for Holy Family as an admission recruiter for 4 years. After that she worked for Amtrak in numerous departments for 38 years, ending as an investigative analyst in the office of the Inspector General.

In 1972 Patti married Patrick Green. They had 2 children, Dennis and Deborah. Patti joined Hope Lutheran Church so her children would

attend a Lutheran school.

In 2002 Patti married again to Thomas Finn. He has a daughter Kelly who the family welcomed in and they are all very close.

Patti enjoys playing with their dog Lilly, gardening, cleaning, watching Michigan football and trains.

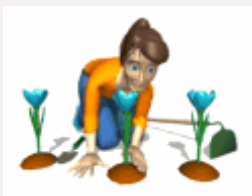
In 2010 Patti retired and wanted to reconnect with a new church close to home. She started coming to Redeemer. She found the church members warm and inviting. Redeemer has helped Patti through some difficult times with her husband Tom and her son Dennis. Patti has felt God's love and grace through the members of Redeemer. She says "Redeemer is her sanctuary."

Proverbs 22:6

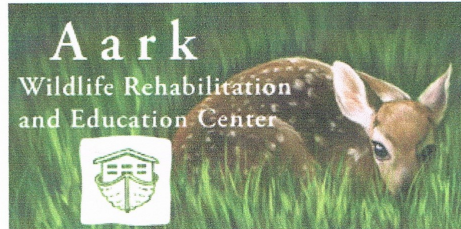
Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it.

Her message to the children of Redeemer is:

Be thankful that your parents brought you to church, even though our children may stray, the Holy Spirit will lead them back.



Food Pantry Drive



ENTER TO WIN A GIFT BASKET

HELP THE LANGHORNE BRANCH CELEBRATE COMMUNITY BANKING MONTH!

From April 17th to the 29th, enter to win a gift basket worth over \$100 filled with Gift Certificates to local businesses by making a donation from the wish list of

AARK Wildlife Rehabilitation and Education Center

or

The Redeemer Lutheran Church Food Bank

Langhorne Borough Branch
201 South Bellevue Ave.
Langhorne, PA 19047
215-757-1577

AARK Wish List

- Dog and cat food (ground or dry)
- Paper towels
- Tissues
- Tide laundry detergent (with bleach, powder preferred)
- Dawn dish detergent
- Simple Green
- Tall kitchen trash bags
- Large trash bags
- White or pink copy paper
- Bird seed

Food Bank Wish List

- Canned goods
- Pasta sauce
- Pasta
- Peanut butter
- Canned tuna

Official Rules

- One entry per donation
- Winner will be announced 5/1/17
- Entry must be made in person at the **Langhorne Branch**

May 2017 Server Schedule

May 2017	9:30am Worship	Notes
5/7/2017	Setting 3 Communion	
Acolyte/Crucifer	Patti Finn	
Lay Assistant	Gail Blinstrub	
Altar Guild	Kim & Gary Overbagh	
Counters	Kim Overbagh, Marge Einkenkel	
5/14/2017	Service of the Word	Mother's Day, Youth Lead Worship
Acolyte/Crucifer	Georgia Woodford	
Lay Assistant	Andy Martinsen	
Readers	TBD	
Altar Guild	Kim & Gary Overbagh	
Counters	Kim Overbagh, Marge Einkenkel	
5/21/2017	Setting 10 Communion	
Acolyte/Crucifer	Cindy Oser	
Lay Assistant	Lori Meola	
Altar Guild	Rita Solt, Linda Winter	
Counters	Gail Blinstrub, Pat Gallagher	
5/28/2017	Service of the Word	
Acolyte/Crucifer	Scott Ditcher	
Lay Assistant	Cindy Oser	
Altar Guild	Rita Solt, Linda Winter	
Counters	Gail Blinstrub, Pat Gallagher	

Sharing God's Bounty

May

God's Draft Choices

Two of the most highly watched sporting events on television are not when teams or athletes are competing against each other; rather they involve the drafting of players for the National Football League (NFL) and National Basketball Association (NBA) teams. For many hours, fans of professional sports will watch intently to see whom their favorite teams will draft.

Most of us won't be drafted by professional football or basketball teams, but, as Christians, we receive a greater calling. We, in essence, are God's draft choices. *"You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit"* (John 15:16). God has made us a part of his team. We are not chosen by God because we are successful in our careers, great athletes, or wealthy. God chooses ordinary people to do extra-ordinary things. *"But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. He chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things ... and the things that are not ... to nullify the things that are"* (1 Corinthians 1:27-28).

Through faith, we understand that we are among the foolish and weak through whom God carries on his life-saving work. *"But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us"* (2 Corinthians 4:7). God entrusts us ... clay jars ... with this treasure ... the Gospel. Even though we are frail and unworthy of our tasks, God has chosen us to carry his message of love to the world. As humble people of faith, we are empowered by the indwelling of the Holy Spirit. He transforms and molds us. *"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!"* (2 Corinthians

5:17). It is God who does the drafting and the changing. Through faith, we will stay on God's team, and we will bear the fruit that he calls us to bear.

The professional athletes who are drafted are expected to perform. They are paid large sums of money to do very athletic things. As God's chosen people, we may not receive large compensation, but our benefits are out of this world! Therefore, we are eager to use our lives and resources in God's service for his glory. Paul wrote, *"For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do"* (Ephesians 2:10). What a privilege it is to be part of and serving on God's winning team!

If Jesus walked up to you and said: "Come follow me ... I have a lot of work to do and I really need your help," would you tell him to get lost because you are just too busy in your pursuit of personal possessions and worldly comfort? Every day is a time to reflect on all that God has given you and a time to share and care about others. Have you given any consideration to helping Jesus carry out his works in your own church?





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Kid's Pages



Make this craft to display a bit of springtime year-round!


What you need:

- An old shirt
- Tempura paint (brown, dark pink, light pink and white)
- Paintbrush
- Light blue or white construction paper
- A paper plate
- Q-tips
- Paper towels



What you do:


1. Roll up one sleeve and paint your arm and the palm of your hand brown.
2. Lengthwise on the paper, carefully place your painted arm and hand, with fingers spread apart. (This is the tree trunk and branches.)
3. Place the other paint colors on the plate.
4. Using Q-tips, place dots of paint (blossoms!) all over the branches.
5. When dry, display your tree — or give it as a Mother's Day gift.

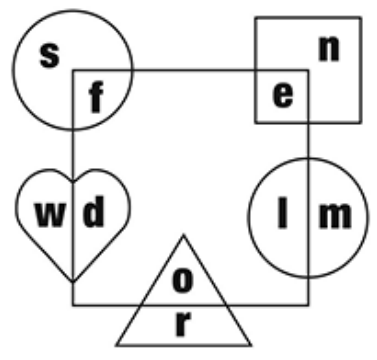


GOD CARES FOR YOU!

Jesus tells his followers not to worry about their daily needs.
What example does he give of God's care for his creation?

Directions:
To complete Luke 12:27 (NIV), match the shapes under each blank with the letter shapes shown to the right.





"Consider how the wild _____
grow. They do not labor or spin.

Yet I tell you, not even _____
in all his splendor was _____
like one of these." Luke 12:27, NIV

May Birthday's and Anniversaries

May Birthdays

1st Vicki Ruth
3rd Darrel Martin
4th Marilyn Bilofsky
Lauren Morris
Tyler Slaughter
5th Lew Oser
6th Lenore Miller
13th Lynn Martinsen
14th Linda Lee
15th Rick O'Connell
17th Kenneth Ward
20th Ian Ryan
22nd Christopher Ryan
Julie Anna Martinsen
25th Karen Brown
27th Jim Susko
Karen Kondrk
28th Jane Leppo
29th Amanda Seyferhelt
Ann Marie Winter
31st Sharon Degen

May Wedding Anniversaries

5/09/87 Anne Marie Parfitt-Clee
& husband John
5/17/80 Bill and Diane Anderson
5/21/88 Patricia & Tom Gallagher
5/21/1973 David and Rose Erdman
5/28/2005 Michelle & Dean
Brownlee



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.