

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH CELEBRATING 117 YEARS OF MINISTRY



Redeemer Lutheran Church

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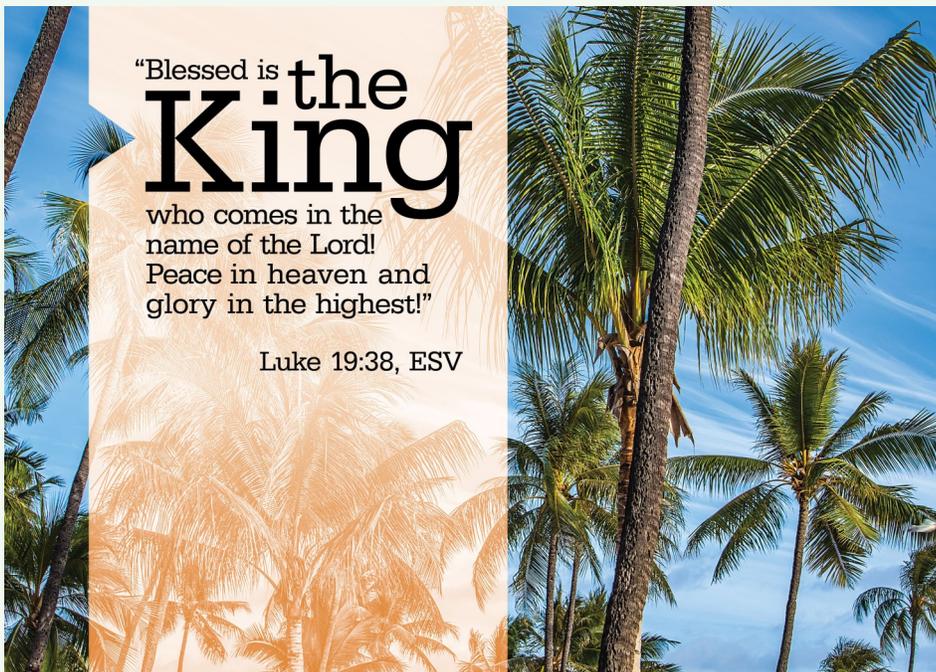
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Pastor's Page

“Remember you are dust, and to dust you shall return.”

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ, these words spoken to us on Ash Wednesday reminds us of our sinfulness before God and our human mortality. On this first day of Lent, we come before God recognizing our humanity, repenting of our sin, and remembering whose we are, and who we can be.

As you may know Ash Wednesday begins the season of Lent. It is a forty day journey and a time when we observe a period of fasting, repentance, moderation and spiritual discipline.

For this year's Lenten journey here at Redeemer, we will introduce and try something different. We will use a Lenten Devotional that helps us focus on "Stewardship Principles." This devotional which was prepared by the ELCA will use readings that are connected to ten stewardship Principles that comes from the Apostle Paul's writing to the church in Corinth.

Scripture readings will be provided for each of the forty days. We are encouraged to read them, pray, reflect and think about how the Bible verses and in particular the focal verses connect with the Stewardship Principle for the day.

At the end of the journey, it is the hope that we will all come to know, understand, and recognize who we are and whose we are and joyfully accept our role and responsibility as stewards.

My dear beloved travelers, as we walk together as stewards in God's church, one thing we can be assured of; knowing that the Good Lord is always near beside us, travelling with us not only on this Lenten journey but on all of LIFE'S journey.

“Safe travels.”

Pastor Mukesh

Prayer Concerns

Members: Members: Lois Hershberger, Winnie Ferguson, Patti Paul, Beth Connolly, Linda Bartleson, Lynn Leppo, Danny Vile, Marty Danielson, David Erdman, Elizabeth Reinas, Don Farnham, Jim Reinas, Denise Robinson, Judy Lamb, Jeff Paulsen, John Schwenk, Pat Gallagher, Valerie Mihalek, Dee Grover, Anne Marie Winter, Elizabeth Mihalek, Rev. Karl Hommen, Peg Manrodt.

Relatives and Friends of our Members: Luke Tynan, Jim McMullen, Joe Mellon, Colleen Quinn, Crystal Nystrom, Arlene Krajewski, Liam Schieber, Tom Gallagher, Gary Thomas, Nellie Johnson, Kelly Baron and her daughter, Talyia, Steph Fuhrer, Leslie Ewen, Cheryl Hummell, John Burg, Jennifer Pacittom, Marie Delfin, Carol Ann Vogel, Carol Thompson, Henry Krajewski, Diane Van Hise, Connor Scott, Jean Sabalusky Brian Woodford Sr., Amanda Kelly, Mason Sredl, John Shay, Paige Neal Jackson and her mother Latoya, Keith Russell, Bill Engle, Christine Kosto, Linda Austin, Pastor Ron, Gloria Austin, Nikki Cancilla, Nathan Sredl, William Gardner, Donna Johnson, Sr., Donna Johnson, Britney Diabelko, the Dundee family, Irene Thomson, George Rehm, Ed McBlain, Bill Armitage, Ray Short, Julia Aquilone, Lisa Knoll, Kyra Kinsey, Marcia Kulp, Julie Capriotti, Ruth Gabel, Denise Primavera, Al Degen, Irene Beaumont, Pam Milask, Mary Kender, Gavin McIntyre, Mike Cook, William Castelberg Jr., Margo Koehler, Donna Ellis, Kerry Pinkerton, Bill Valois, Kim Conti, Gary Mcgee, Lisa Knoll, Antonia Bordenga, Sharon O'Connell.

Relatives and Friends of our Members Serving in the Military: Chad Durban, Joseph Piel, Mason Burgess, Kelly Cahill, Matthew Brandon Winter, Reid Furman, Julia Furman, Anne Furman, Matt Glaze, John Dichoso, Nicholas Ropars.

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

Pres. Joe Biden, Vice Pres. Kamala Harris, Our U.S. Senators, The Supreme Court, and the House of Representatives.

Prayer Initiative for March

On March 14th we will pray for:

Bonnie, Chris and John Dow; Michael and Joan Dunn

On March 28th we will pray for:

Margaret Einkenkel; Margaret Elinich; Lynn Engle

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Memorials

MEMORIAL DONATIONS – JANUARY 2022

*To the Glory of God and in
Loving Memory of:*

Jean Lippincott

Effie Shaffer

A Memorial was presented by:

*Don & Rita Solt
Jeff Lippincott*

*Don & Rita Solt
Donald & Mary Lou Robinson
Jeffrey & Maureen Hopkins*

WELCA

Our next Welca meeting will be Tuesday, March 15 at 7:00 pm in the parish hall. Jeannie Vitale and her daughter, Dana, have the program. Marilyn Hrywnak will offer devotions. Marilyn also has refreshments.

The Easter bake sale is coming up on Palm Sunday, April 10 in the parish hall after the worship service. We are requesting that you pull out your Easter goodie recipes or visit Pinterest for ideas and create Easter-basket treats for our fundraiser. Please drop your donations either at the church office during office hours that week or before service that morning. Unlike the Christmas cookie walk, goodies should be packaged. Proceeds to benefit the current fund.

Looking Ahead: When you're looking for an activity over the rest of winter, clean out your closets and donate to the Redeemer community day flea market, Saturday, June 4, 2022. Donations can be dropped in the church anytime.



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Stewardship Ministry by Denise Robinson

As we enter our Lenten Stewardship Journey beginning on Ash Wednesday, the messages focus on “Christ-centered stewardship.” The Lenten Devotional you should be receiving via email uses readings connected to the 10 Stewardship Principles that come from the Apostle Paul’s writing to the church in Corinth. A reflection is provided, with some being read on each of the midweek services. As you read the reflections, consider how the Bible verses (in particular the focal verse) connect with the Stewardship Principle for the day. As you reflect on the messages each week think of these questions-

What do you hear? How does it make you feel? Toward what are you being drawn? What do you sense you should do? You will have the opportunity to read the daily devotionals in between the Midweek services to experience the full impact of our Lenten Stewardship Journey.

If you read Pastor’s article, he will dive into this a bit deeper.

This past month, in my search to understand and live a life of stewardship, I read a book titled “Generosity, Stewardship, and Abundance,” written by Lovett H. Weems Jr. And Ann A. Mitchel.

One of the first sentences that jumped out at me in the very beginning of the book is, *“Ministry takes money. There’s no shame in acknowledging that or in working diligently to protect, sustain, and grow the financial resources that support ministry.” For us as Christians, “the way we use the resources God entrusts to us is a primary way we demonstrate our faith and grow in discipleship. Correspondingly, the proper use of congregational resources is a primary way churches align themselves with God’s purpose and propel their missions forward.”*

As a member of our church family, a member of Redeemer council, and team lead for Stewardship this is one statement I needed to hear. Talking about money is always difficult for me and my service on the Stewardship team has been a platform to talk about our vision statement for stewardship which is – *Discipleship through stewardship is how one uses the **gifts** God has blessed us with to fulfill God’s mission through Stewardship.* We talk a lot about using our time and talents, and overall, members are anxious to support ministry in these ways. But when it comes to supporting ministry through our financial offerings and talking about it, I for one seem to shut down or feel embarrassed, or don’t feel I am capable to discuss potential financial offerings with others. While we don’t need to have discussions with one another about our personal financial commitment to Redeemer, it is important to understand that our Christian faith says “giving is joyful response to God’s generosity, grace and love. It is something that we under-take with glad and grateful hearts.” Everyone can and should give what they are able and God desires that all people- young or old, rich or poor, experience the joy of giving. If we each are stewards in our faith, we see that everything belongs to God. *We are stewards, not owners, of the things God has blessed us with.*

We are all at different stages of our Stewardship journey, may your faith guide you to use your gifts generously as disciples through stewardship.

As we take this Lenten Stewardship Journey together, pray for the enlightenment that I have experienced and know we are in the GOD business. Remember the generosity of God especially his love for us all. God gives us gifts of love, faith, grace, forgiveness, and the greatest gift of all, the gift of God’s son Jesus Christ.

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In Christ Alone by Mike Burlingame

Do you listen to Christian radio and know the song, "In Christ Alone"? If not, tune in and be prepared to be blessed at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=16KYvflc2bE>. The lyrics take you through Jesus' life from: "fullness of God in helpless babe" to "on the cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied." Then comes the hallelujah moment, "up from the grave He rose again. As He stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me."

Keith Getty's composed the song on the back of an electric bill in a simple flat in Northern Ireland. He didn't think it was very good, but sent a recording to Stuart Townend, an English songwriter. Townend liked it and, after some work it was released in 2001. It's now one of the most widely sung songs in Protestant churches, according to the Christian Copyright Licensing International. With its melodious tune and theological lyrics, it's inspiring a new wave of hymn writing. The song also led to controversy. The Presbyterian Church (USA) dropped it from their hymnal because Getty and Townend refused to change the phrase, "the wrath of God was satisfied" to the "love of God was magnified." But really, can we understand Jesus and the cross in a world without a penalty for sin?

Apparently, singing is on the decline in US churches. I've been to a number of churches where congregational singing is no longer part of worship. The congregation listens to songs by the praise band, of which hardly anyone knows the tune, and cannot make out the lyrics over the guitars and drums. While this is a unique American happening, songs like "In Christ Alone" are drawing congregations back to praise and worship with some depth of content.

Credits: Much of this article was gleaned from <https://ministrywatch.com/twenty-years-later-in-christ-alone-still-inspires-millions-to-sing/> on the Ministry Watch website (a great website for news on Christian ministries).

In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song;
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My Comforter, my All in All,
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone! – who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe.
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save:
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied –
For every sin on Him was laid;
Here in the death of Christ I live.

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There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain:
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
For I am His and He is mine –
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the power of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand:
Till He returns or calls me home,
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

March Stewardship Word of the Month

STRENGTH



So do not fear,
for I am with you;
do not be dismayed,
for I am your God.
I will strengthen you
and help you;
I will uphold you
with my righteous
right hand.
Isaiah 41:10

DailyVerses.net

Consider the word strength from another perspective. The following article was written by a member of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America.

[Strength Through Faith - Family & Parenting Articles - Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America \(goarch.org\)](https://www.goarch.org/-/strength-through-faith)
Link: <https://www.goarch.org/-/strength-through-faith>

[Childhood Cancer Survivor Finds Strength Through Faith on Path to Becoming a Personal Trainer - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rhCMtePCLkw)

Link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rhCMtePCLkw>

I can do
all this
through **HIM**
who gives me
strength.
Philippians 4:13



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Food Pantry Ministry



Our Mission Statement...

McHales Cares is a community give back program. Our goal is to find well deserving charities in our backyard that could use a little help. We will donate \$1,000 each month, so the winning charity can continue to give back to the same community that McHales Inc. has been a part of since 1950. Help us, Help you!

How to Vote for Redeemer Lutheran Church Food Pantry!

Go to McHalesCares.com and click on **Redeemer Lutheran Church Food Pantry**, enter your email address and then CONFIRM your vote in your email. It's that simple! Voting opens **Tuesday, March 1st, 2022** and ends on **Thursday, March 31st, 2022**. You can vote once per day! Duplicate votes within the same 24-hour period will be deleted and can skew results.

What Happens if we Win...

McHales Inc. will give **Redeemer Lutheran Church Food Pantry** \$1,000!!! YES! \$1,000 dollars!



The Redeemer Lutheran Church Food pantry relies solely on the donations of food and money to help those in need. We offer free meals to those in need with no questions asked on the 1st Tuesday of every month. Our pantry is open Monday through Friday from 12 noon to 1pm. For more info: info@redeemerlutheranpenndel.org

Please help Redeemer's food pantry win \$1,000.00! We are up against 2 other charities. Beginning March 1st and ending March 31st, we need you to vote every day, but only once in a 24 hour period. Please ask your friends and family to vote as well! Share the flyer on your Facebook page! Please help us win so that we can continue to feed those in need! If you have any questions, please give Karen Kondrk a call at 215-828-7466. Thank you for helping us with this very important ministry!

Parish Register

Congratulations to Bob and Katie Brad!

Congratulations to Bob and Katie Brad on their recent marriage. We welcome Katie and her daughter Violet to the family!

Bob is the son of our member Denise Brad!



To my Redeemer Family:

My family and I are so thankful for all the love, support, cards and prayers you gave us through this difficult time.

We are so grateful for the love and hard work you all put in to making Fred's remembrance reception a success.

Your faith in God is shining through. May God bless you all!

Love,
Linda and the Winter family

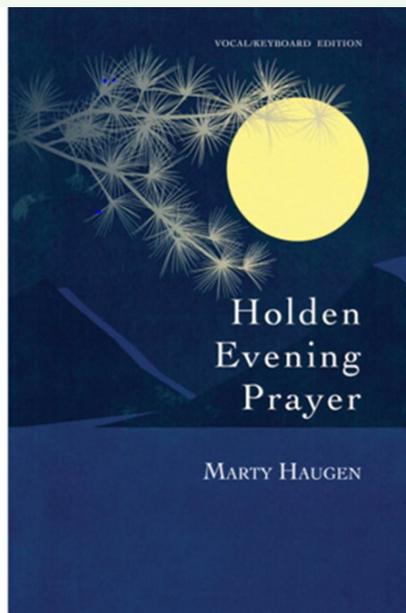


**Redeemer Lutheran Ministries
Worship & Music**

Midweek Worship begins 3/9/2022

**Lenten Midweek Worship Services,
Wednesdays 7pm**

Lent is the season for soul-searching and self-reflection. This year stewardship will be the focus of our Lenten journey. Join us each week as we participate in worship using the Holden Evening Prayer and share principles and reflections that will aid in providing a foundation for our lives as faithful and generous stewards.



Holden Evening Prayer (or "Vespers '86" as it is still known at Holden Village) was written during the winter of 1985-86 when I was living with my family at Holden. As each part of the vesper service was written it was prayed with the community as part of evening worship. The final version represents a very real collaboration with the winter community at Holden. I believe that one of the reasons it continues to be used is because it reflects the very real prayer of a particular community.

Marty Haugen

Sharing God's Bounty

March 2022

What Have I Done for Him?

Lent is a season in the church year during which we particularly focus on the sacrifice Jesus made for us to pay the debt we owed for our sin. We know there is no way we can pay the debt ourselves. Only the sinless Son of God could do that. We have access to heaven only by grace through faith in Christ Jesus.

While we cannot repay Jesus for what he has done for us, his love does require a response. Paul, speaking of our ministry of reconciliation, wrote, "*For Christ's love compels us . . .*" (2 Corinthians 5:14). We remain on earth to carry out the tasks which Christ left for us to do: to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, care for the sick, and visit the prisoner, (Matthew 25:31-46). James admonished us that "*. . . faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead*" (James 2:17). We provide the funds that support our pastors, teachers, and missionaries. Again, we can quote Paul writing in 1 Corinthians 9:11-12. "*If we have sown spiritual seed among you, is it too much if we reap a material harvest from you? If others have this right of support from you, shouldn't we have it all the more?*" Certainly each of us is addressed by the Great Commission: "*Go and make disciples of all nations . . .*" (Matthew 28:19). The following words from Frances Ridley Havergal are a poignant reminder that Christ's love and sacrifice for us require a response:

*Thy life was given for me, Thy Blood, O Lord, was shed
That I might ransomed by, and quickened from the dead.
Thy life was given for me, What have I given for Thee?*

*And Thou hast brought to me Down from Thy home above
Salvation full and free, Thy pardon and Thy love.
Great gifts Thou broughtest me, What have I brought to Thee?*

We are saved by grace through faith for works. Let us pray for the desire to be good stewards of the gifts of salvation, health and wealth, and time and opportunity which God has given us that we might have a part in the furthering of God's kingdom.

We need not give up the pleasures and luxuries of this life. God does not call us to be ascetics, but he does call us to a right sense of proportion in administering our substance.

*The question is: "If I have this for myself, then what should I do for God?"
This is the question into which the whole matter of stewardship resolves itself.*



Washed clean

Make customized jolly soaps to banish dirt and grime.



What you need:

- 1 package unflavored gelatin
- ¼ cup very warm water
- 1 tsp salt
- ¼ cup gel body wash
- Food coloring
- Rubbing alcohol in spray bottle
- Silicone baking molds

What you do:

1. In a bowl, stir gelatin and warm water until dissolved.
2. Add salt, body wash and a few drops of food coloring. Stir.
3. Spray molds with rubbing alcohol (to prevent bubbles). Place molds on a tray.
4. Pour mixture into the molds. Refrigerate until set, about two hours.
5. Pop soap out of molds and store in an airtight container.

Bible Quiz

All four Gospels tell of a woman anointing Jesus. Details vary; clearly, she isn't the same person in all accounts. In John, who is she?

- A. Jesus' mother, Mary
- B. Mary Magdalene
- C. Mary of Bethany (sister of Martha and Lazarus)
- D. None of the above



(John 12:1-8)

Answer: C (See Matthew 26:6-13; Mark 14:3-9; Luke 7:36-39; Answer C)

Puzzle!

Complete the Scripture verses (NIV, unless marked) using letters found in the words

SAINT PATRICK'S DAY

See! The winter is _____; the rains are over and gone. Flowers appear on the earth; the season of singing has come. (Song of Solomon 2:11-12)

"Therefore, if your whole body is full of light, and no part of it _____, it will be just as full of light as when a lamp shines its light on you." (Luke 11:36)

When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the _____, which you have set in place, what is mankind that you are mindful of them ... ? (Psalm 8:3-4)

We all, like sheep, have gone _____, each of us has turned to our own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. (Isaiah 53:6)

So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the _____ and members of the household of God. (Ephesians 2:19, ESV)

Answers: past, dark, stars, stars, stars

March Birthday's and Anniversaries

March Birthdays

1st Linda Bartleson
Sean Schuette
2nd Heather Palladino
Toni Carra
3rd Mason Martinsen
4th Georgia Briann Woodford
6th Patricia Gallagher
9th Matthew Sauls
Asher Martin
11th Colbie Anderson
12th DeeAnna Rossi
Phyllis Winkler
17th Patrick O'Connell
Dee Anna Grover
Mildred Murray
19th Jason Short
Ron Thomas
Denise Brad
23rd Lindsay Morris
24th Cathy Dashoff
28th Rosanna Cheedie
29th Jessica Mason
30th Lori Meola
31st Stacy Bartleson
Linda Winter

March Wedding Anniversaries

3/11/1995 Christopher & Heather
Palladino
3/30/1996 Ann Marie & Frederick
Winter
3/30/2019 Thomas & Jessica
Herb



“Did we miss your birthday or anniversary? Sometimes our records are incomplete. Please let us know.”

**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.*



Our Mission:

As a community of faith we worship the Triune God.
We are called to love and serve all God's people and
creation through word and deed.

