

# REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH CELEBRATING 119 YEARS OF MINISTRY



## Redeemer Lutheran Church

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## Redeemer Herald Newsletter For March 2024



**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.

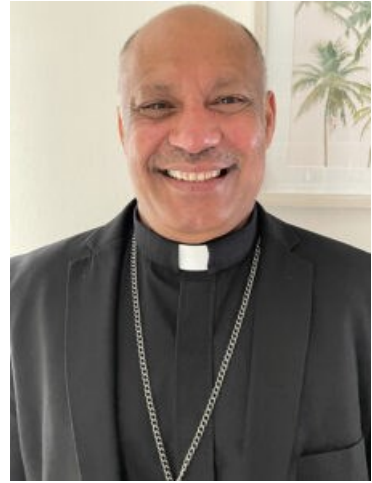


## Pastor's Page

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

As we continue to reflect on the Worship practices that form us, this month we will look at the *Sermon*:

**Sermon:** According to Professor Craig L. Nesson, “The preacher serves as God’s messenger for proclaiming God’s Word, making connections between what this Word has meant to people of faith in previous generations and what this Word means for us today.



Preaching is an awesome task. The preacher shares a message with the hearers that functions both as Law and Gospel. The sermon as Law forces the hearers of the Word to examine their lives and recognize their need for God and God’s gifts. The sermon as Gospel announces the Good News in Jesus Christ to deliver to hearers the very gifts Christ desires us to receive: mercy, love, forgiveness, grace, peace, hope, and eternal life. The sermon as Living Word of God sets hearers free *from* every form of bondage that prevents us from being the persons God created us to be. At the same time the sermon as Living Word of God sets hearers free *for* lives of service to the neighbors God gives us in each of the arenas of our daily lives—in our families, workplace, school, local community and world.



## Pastor's Page continued

Because we are saved by grace through faith in Christ alone, our eternal salvation already has been secured and we need not be preoccupied with our eternal destiny. Thereby,

we are free fully to engage the needs in the world around us as we live out our Christian baptismal calling for the sake of others."

## Reading *the* Word of GOD

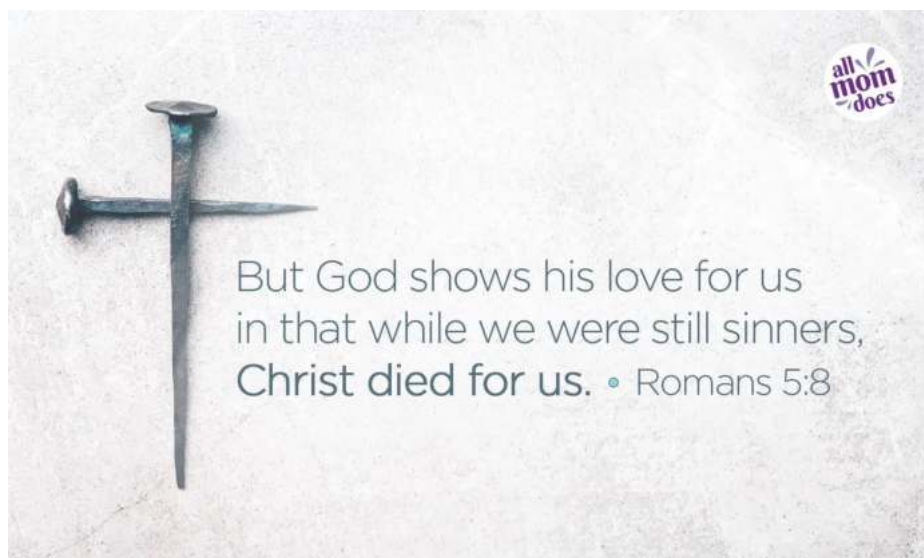
"But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us." (Romans 5:8)

As the Easter message assure us through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we are set free, free to love and serve.

May we not only hear this good news but share it through our words and deeds.

Have a happy and Blessed Easter.

Pastor Mukesh.



## Prayer Concerns

**Members:** Lois Hershberger; Winnie Ferguson; Patti Paul; Lynn Leppo; Marty Danielson; David Erdman; Elizabeth Reinas; Don Farnham; Jim Reinas; Judy Lamb; Dee Grover; Rich Moulder; Mike Dunn; Katherine Patelunas; Heather Palladino; Ilene Kersten; Stephanie Rager; Michelle Morris; Jane Leppo; Edith Williams; Dolores Danielson David Short; Bob Winkler; Millie Murray; Denise Goccia; Denise Robinson, Mary Lou Robinson

**Relatives and Friends of our Members:** George Rehm, Jim Mosman, Paula Sykes, Raymond Short Jr., Terri Rehm, Cheri Shenefelt, Ann Marie Danieluk, Bill Castelberg Sr., Maggie Taley, Jeannine Lipez, Barbara Heffelfinger, Cindy Ritchie, Richard Orwig, Wesley Webb

**Relatives and Friends of our Members Serving in the Military:** Chad Durban; Joseph Piel; Kelly Cahill; Matthew Brandon Winter; Reid Furman; Julia Furman; Anne Furman; Matt Glaze; John Dichoso; Nicholas Ropars; Danny Parker; Billy Clark



**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 2024

**On March 10, 2024 please pray for:**

Lois Rinehimer; Denise Robinson and family; Donald and MaryLou Robinson; Rebecca Roland; Elaine Rossi and family

**On March 24, 2024 please pray for:**

Michael and Vicky Ruth and Family; Chris and Trish Ryan, and sons Alan and Ian; Carol Samuels-Stout and family; Michael and Kelly Sanchez and family

## Prayer List Guidelines

Please continue to pray for all those who are in need of healing. If you or a family member is hospitalized or is in need pastoral care, or if a death takes place in your family, please call Pastor Mukesh at 267-391-8514.

### **PRAYER LIST GUIDELINES**

After discussion, the Worship & Committee supports reinstituting the 4-week rule. When someone asks Jennifer to place a person on the list, she will inform them that name will remain for 4 weeks unless she hears differently from them.

1. We will list all members on the prayer list with no limits.
2. We will list Relatives and Friends of our Members for only 4 weeks.

**You need to email the office or call the office to have them remain on longer, and you will have to call or email again in 4 weeks to have it extended again.**

We list all Relatives and Friends of our Members Serving in the Military with no limits.

## General Information

Check out our website at

<http://redeemerlutheranpenndel.org/>

Follow us on Facebook at Redeemer Penndel.

The Facebook logo, consisting of the word "facebook" in white lowercase letters on a blue rectangular background.

Articles for this publication must reach Redeemer Lutheran office not later than the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month to insure their insertion in next month's issue.

# Sponsorships

## 2024 Weekly Worship Sponsorship

Below is a list of items we generally sponsor and the names and telephone numbers of the person to call. If you are paying by check for the items you are sponsoring, please make the check payable to Redeemer and either place it in the plate during offering or put it in the mail box of those whose names are indicated below. Be sure to indicate the amount, your name and the date of the sponsorship as well as the type of sponsorship.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** \$30 per Sunday  
**ORGAN FLOWERS** \$10 per Sunday  
Deb Farnham 267-566-0043 or dgfteach@yahoo.com



**ALTAR CANDLES:** \$5.00 per Sunday  
**COMMUNION HOSTS:** \$5.00 per Sunday  
Kim Overbagh 215-499-7556 or IronsidesGirl@yahoo.com

**SANCTUARY LAMP** \$6.00 per Sunday (NOTE: price increase for 2024)  
**ROOF FUND** A contribution amount of your choosing  
**TECHNOLOGY FUND** A contribution amount of your choosing  
Gail Blinstrub at 215-891-1388 or gailaa@verizon.net



# ***Holy Week Schedule***

*In Person and Facebook Live*

***Palm Sunday: March 24, 2024***

*Worship 9:20 am*

***Maundy Thursday: March 28, 2024***

*Worship 7:00 pm*

***Good Friday: March 29, 2024***

*Worship 7:00 pm*

***Easter Vigil: March 30, 2024***

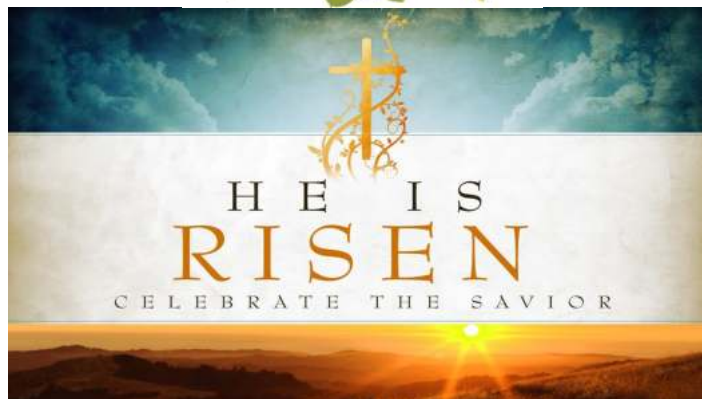
*Worship at 7:00 pm*

***Easter Sunday: March 31, 2024***

*Worship at 9:00 am*

*Worship at 11:00 am*

*Worship With Us  
This Easter*





<i>Sunday</i>	<i>3/3</i>	<i>9:20 AM</i>	<i>Sunday Worship</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>3/4</i>	<i>7:00 PM</i>	<i>Bible Study</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>3/5</i>	<i>6:00 PM</i>	<i>Shared Meal</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>3/6</i>	<i>5:30 PM</i>	<i>Soup Supper</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>3/6</i>	<i>7:00 PM</i>	<i>Lenten Midweek Worship</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>3/6</i>	<i>7:30 PM</i>	<i>Evangelism - After Midweek Worship</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>3/7</i>	<i>6:45 PM</i>	<i>Bell Practice</i>
<i>Sunday</i>	<i>3/10</i>	<i>9:20 AM</i>	<i>Sunday Worship - Youth Sunday</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>3/11</i>	<i>7:00 PM</i>	<i>Bible Study</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>3/12</i>	<i>7:00 PM</i>	<i>Council Meeting</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>3/13</i>	<i>5:30 PM</i>	<i>Soup Supper</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>3/13</i>	<i>7:00 PM</i>	<i>Lenten Midweek Worship</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>3/14</i>	<i>6:45 PM</i>	<i>Bell Practice</i>
<i>Sunday</i>	<i>3/17</i>	<i>9:20 AM</i>	<i>Sunday Worship</i>
<i>Sunday</i>	<i>3/17</i>	<i>2:00 PM</i>	<i>Book Club</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>3/18</i>	<i>7:00 PM</i>	<i>Bible Study</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>3/18</i>		<i>Newsletter Articles Due</i>

Check our website calendar and/or Facebook page for a current list of the events.

Please feel free to call or email the Church Office with any questions.



<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>3/19</i>	<i>12:00 Noon</i>	<i>WELCA Meeting</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>3/19</i>	<i>7:00 PM</i>	<i>Stewardship - Zoom Meeting</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>3/20</i>	<i>5:30 PM</i>	<i>Soup Supper</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>3/20</i>	<i>7:00 PM</i>	<i>Lenten Midweek Worship</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>3/21</i>	<i>6:45 PM</i>	<i>Bell Practice</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>3/22</i>	<i>6:00 PM</i>	<i>Spring-O Bingo Fun Committee</i>
<i>Sunday</i>	<i>3/24</i>	<i>9:20 AM</i>	<i>Worship - Palm Sunday</i>
<i>Sunday</i>	<i>3/24</i>	<i>10:30 AM</i>	<i>WELCA Easter Bake Sale</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>3/25</i>	<i>7:00 PM</i>	<i>Bible Study</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>3/28</i>	<i>7:00 PM</i>	<i>Worship - Maundy Thursday</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>3/29</i>	<i>7:00 PM</i>	<i>Worship - Good Friday</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>3/30</i>	<i>7:00 PM</i>	<i>Worship - Easter Vigil</i>
<i>Sunday</i>	<i>3/31</i>	<i>9:00 AM</i>	<i>Worship - Easter Sunday</i>
<i>Sunday</i>	<i>3/31</i>	<i>11:00 AM</i>	<i>Worship - Easter Sunday</i>



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# Council Highlights

## March 2024

### COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS FROM COUNCIL MEETING ON 2-13-24

WORSHIP TEAM – Lent is starting, so we will be busy for the next 40 days. We will be singing some different hymns. It was a good Transfiguration Sunday. It was great to see Chris' son carry the Alleluia banner and Bob Winkler's grandson help out too.

FAITH FORMATION – Still trying to keep up attendance and participation. Keep the faith and keep working on this.

STEWARDSHIP TEAM – Still looking for a leader for the Stewardship Team.

SHARED MEAL MINISTRY – Code Blue on our last Shared Meal. We had 33 people and there were 11-12 volunteers.

SOCIAL MINISTRY – There was a Social Ministry meeting on 2-5-24. 5 people attended and 3 people could not come. Discussed prayer and reaching out to community. Handwarmers and footwarmers were donated to ReachOut.

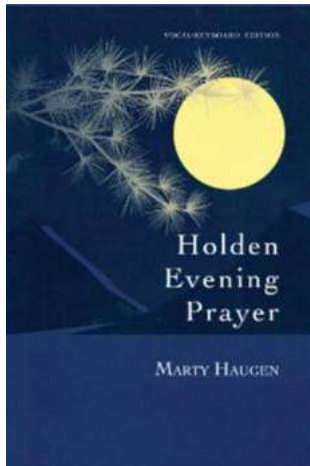
EVANGELISM TEAM – The annual cook-off took place on 2-10-24 and was a fun event! The Valentine's Day Dance is 2-16-24. The next Evangelism Meeting will be in-person after the service on March 6, 2024, Wednesday evening at 7:30 PM

Thank you to our Church Secretary, Jennifer!!!!



## Lenten Midweek Worship Services Wednesdays 7pm

Lent is a time of deepening of community. Join us each week as we join together for worship using the Holden Evening Prayer and focus on five covenants God makes in the Hebrew scriptures.



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

## Lent Soup Suppers Aim to Nourish Body and Soul Wednesdays 5:30 pm

Beginning on Ash Wednesday 2/14/24 at 5:30pm and continuing through 3/20/24, Redeemers soup supper is held during Lent in the church hall.

You are invited to share a simple meal of soup and bread. Break out your slow cooker and your best soup-er recipes to share.



# Baptisms

IN THE CHURCH FAMILY



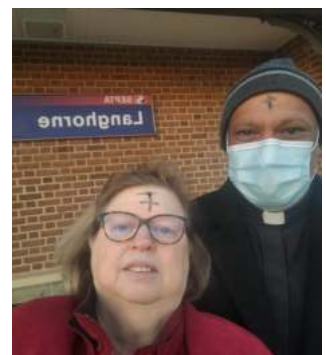
For in one Spirit we were  
all baptized into one body.  
1 Corinthians 12:13

Dustin Stone, Jessica Korona and Hudson  
Stone were baptized on February 4, 2024

Proud sponsors: Lynda Tiberi, Paul Robinson, Nicole Korona,  
Derrick Stone, Isabelle Hower, and Jacob Groninger

## Ash Wednesday

On February 14<sup>th</sup> Ash  
Wednesday, Pastor Mukesh  
and Liz Sarvat went to the  
Langhorne Train Station to  
distribute ashes.



# Redeemer's Annual Cook-off

Thank you to everyone who celebrated with us at our annual Cook-off on Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup>. This year our theme was Mardi Gras in preparation for Lent. Karen did a great job entertaining us with Mardi Gras trivia.

We had 50 potluck dishes to enjoy and our first-place winners were:

Appetizer/Side Item—Buffalo Chicken Dip  
Sandy Weasner  
Heart shaped crudité board and

Vegan—Mushroom Marsela  
Trevor Davis  
Bath & Body Works candle & lotion



Main Dish - Lemon Chicken with Capers  
Gail Pulsinelli  
Easter wreath

Kid's Creation—Sloppy Joe Casserole  
Aella Strohl  
Cookie decorating kit and accessories



Dessert – Cherry Cheesecake  
Liz Sarvat  
Silicone cupcake and baking accessories

Tradition dictates that finding the baby in your cake symbolizes luck and prosperity. As such, the finder becomes the “king” or “queen” of the evening. Bob Blinstrub was the lucky one who found the baby in the king cake.





The Valentine's Dance on February 16th was a fantastic evening filled with dressing-up, dancing, tasty nibbles, and hanging out with friends.



# WELCA Monthly Meeting

Welca met for our monthly meeting on Tuesday, February 20, for the annual "Tea." with (18) eighteen members present. We especially appreciate Trish, Amy and Liz, who took off from work to attend. Thank you to Deb Farnham for offering devotions and to everyone who shared their heirlooms for our getting-to-know each other better activity.

A BIG thank you to everyone who created the food. Edna, Kathy, and Elaine made "tea" sandwiches. Marilyn made wonderful scones with lemon curd and strawberry jam. Marilyn also made beautiful favors for everyone to take home. Liz brought us deviled eggs which were delicious. Linda Winter made fancy, filled *cookies in the shape of a tea pot*.

Thank you to everyone who helped set-up before and to everyone who stayed after to help clean-up and put away.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, March 19 at 12:00 pm, noon in the parish hall. Katherine and Elaine will be offering devotions. Lois Gradel will donate refreshments. All are welcome!!!

Over the Easter season, Welca will be visiting Redeemer homebound members.

Please mark your calendar for all the upcoming Welca events - Easter Bake Sale and Community Day.





## Spring-O Bingo Friday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> 6:00 pm

BINGO! Come test out your luck as Redeemer's Fun Committee invites you to join us for a night of bingo games! We will have even bigger prize games and a few small ones, too! Bring some extra cash for our spring-themed (and more) basket raffle! We look forward to spending a fun night together! This event is family friendly!

## Easter Bake Sale



Welca will be holding an Easter Bake sale

Palm Sunday, March 24, 2024

We're requesting Redeemer's great crafters and bakers to create "Easter Basket" items to be offered at this event. All proceeds benefit the current fund.



## **Bible Study**

Bible Study meets every week on Mondays at 7:00 pm in the church building.

Come and join us for insightful and spirited conversation, and maybe you will discover something new!

## **Social Ministry**

Social Ministry in Action at Redeemer is committed to fulfilling God's command to "...Love Your Neighbors as Your Selves...there is no commandment greater" (Mark 12:31 NIV), and "...Whatever you did not do for the least of these, you did not do it for me" (Matthew 25:45 NIV).



Social Ministry holds their meetings quarterly at 6:00 pm prior to Bible Study. Next meeting date to be determined. Anyone interested is welcome to attend.

## **Financial Ministry**



We continue to collect 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. You can drop off your tapes Monday through Friday 9-1 or mail them to the church using the address of 239 Fairview Avenue, Penndel, PA 19047, or you can drop them in the basket in the narthex.

Thank you for your help.

## **Book Club**

The Second Life of Mirielle West  
By Amanda Skenandore

The book club will meet Sunday, March 17th, at 2pm in the Parish Hall.

The book is available on Amazon and several used bookstore sites, and from the Bucks County library.

All are welcome to participate!



At its heart, Redeemer Lutheran Food Pantry is a part of our church. This foundation is what motivates us to do the work that we do.

What can you do to help? This part is pretty easy. The food bank accepts dry and canned food donations. What does that mean? Basically, any food that is “shelf-stable” or nonperishable – you can keep it in your pantry and it won’t go bad. And remember, only donate food that hasn’t reached its “sell-by” date yet.



You can also help us buy key food items rarely donated such as: Eggs, Butter, Meats, etc. Also, the costs are rising greatly on all food items we buy. Monetary and Gift Card Donations are always appreciated. Checks can be made payable to: Redeemer Lutheran Church Food Pantry.

Food banks always need a variety of canned meats and fish, nuts and nut butters, and canned/dried fruits. Fresh milk/dairy is one of the most-requested items at food banks, but it is hard to stock and distribute. However, powdered milk or shelf-stable cartons are suitable alternatives that food banks welcome.

Look for small bags and boxes of food (such as pasta and rice) rather than oversized ones because we cannot divide them into smaller portions. Also look for items that keep additional ingredients to a minimum like water, oil and/or eggs. Easy to open containers that do not require tools like can openers are preferred.

Some common ingredients (that we probably take for granted) can really help out at a food bank. Consider cooking oil (canola or olive oil), cooking spray, spices, flour, and sugar.



Don't forget to shop “loss leaders” to help us keep the pantry stocked. Loss leaders are those super low-priced items that stores use to get people in the door, with the hopes that you'll end up spending more on other higher-priced items.

# Evangelism News

## Evangelism Quote of the month



### 2/10 Annual Cook Off

We held our annual Cook Off and everyone had a great time. Thank you to everyone who participated.

### 2/14 Dissemination of Ashes at the train station

Pastor and a group of volunteers gave out ashes at the Langhorne train station. Several people came because they saw it on Facebook. I would like to thank everyone who participated. It is a great Evangelism event.

### 2/16 Valentine's Dance

The Fun Committee threw a Valentine's Dance and everyone who came was glad they did. There was a DJ, two Chocolate fountains, and hot appetizers along with a veggie, meat, and cracker tray

### 3/22 SPRING-O

Bingo is back!!! Jasmyn and the Fun Committee will be hosting SPRING-O BINGO come out and join us, There will be raffles and door prizes as well.

### 3/27 Stuff Easter Eggs after service

We will stuff Easter Eggs with the Penndel Borough for the hunt that takes place that Saturday. Please out and join us our last Holden Prayer Service. Last year we did about 2,000 eggs.

### 3/30 Penndel Borough Easter Egg Hunt

The Borough Easter Egg Hunt is a great time to interact with the community and share Redeemer's message

# Evangelism News continued



## 4/26 Italian Dinner and Cabaret

While you enjoy an Italian dinner, live music performances will be provided by members of the choir and their musical friends. This is something you won't want to miss.

## Thrivent cards

We need to be more active in recruiting new members everything we do should be using them. You can be an associate member for \$19.95 per year as long as you are 16 or older and still qualify for a \$250.00 action card. This is renewable, I checked.

Evangelism meets via zoom at 6pm on the first Wednesday of the month if you are interested in joining please see Chris Ryan, Patti Finn, or just call or email the church so Jenn can send you the link.

**Our Next meeting will be live on Wednesday March 6, 2024 after the midweek Lenten service so at approximately 7:30.**

Respectfully Submitted  
Chris Ryan 2/22/2024

## Technology Committee

We are always looking for stage hands for during the service (we will train you), or help for live-streaming the service. Please talk to Jasmyn if you are interested in assisting the tech team.



## Shared Meal



On Tuesday, February, 6 for Redeemer's shared meal ziti was served along with mixed vegetables, salad, and roll and butter. Even though Code Blue was called, we had thirty-three (33) guests and ten (10) volunteers. Next shared meal will be Tuesday, March 5, 2024. Jason Green will provide a meat dish for us. Thank You to Jay's Steak and Hoagie Joint.

Upcoming shared meals will be

Tuesday, March 5, 2024

Tuesday, April 2, 2024

# Stewardship Ministry

A word on Christian Stewardship  
by Denise Robinson

February is the month we relate to love, and what better way to hear and learn about the love of and for God than to share some bible verses on giving, honoring the Lord.



The following verses are meant for you to ponder and prayerfully consider how you show your love of God.

## **Deuteronomy 16:17**

*Each of you must bring a gift in proportion to the way the Lord your God has blessed you.*

Deuteronomy 16:17 is a verse on giving that instructs the Israelites to bring a gift to the Lord in proportion to the blessings they have received. This scripture on giving highlights the importance of recognizing and acknowledging the blessings that come from God and responding with gratitude through giving. This verse reminds us of the importance of giving in proportion to the blessings we have received, as this is a way to express gratitude and honor God. When each of us gives a financial offering, time and talents offering to the best of our ability, Redeemer continues to honor God by doing His work. You all heard the saying it takes a village to raise a child? Well it takes a village to pull together in support of all God wants us to do as a church community.

## **Matthew 25:35-40**

*For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me... Truly, I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.*

This is a verse on giving that emphasizes the importance of helping those in need, as doing so is an act of service to Jesus Himself. Bible verses about giving teach that by providing for the hungry, thirsty, strangers, those in need of clothing, the sick, and the imprisoned, we are serving Jesus.

## **Mark 12:41-44**

*Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many rich people threw in large amounts. But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a few cents. Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, "Truly I tell you; this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything—all she had to live on."*

In this scripture about giving it highlights the sacrificial nature of the widow's offering. This verse on giving teaches that it is not the amount of the gift that matters but the heart and sacrifice behind it. Jesus praises the poor widow for giving all she had, despite her poverty.

# Stewardship Ministry continued

## **Luke 3:11**

*John answered, "Anyone who has two shirts should share with the one who has none, and anyone who has food should do the same."*

This is a verse on giving that teaches the importance of sharing our resources with those in need. In this scripture on giving, John the Baptist encourages believers to share their possessions and food with those who have none. We can use this giving scripture to inspire us to practice generosity and compassion, actively seeking opportunities to help those less fortunate and sharing their blessings with others.

## **Luke 6:38**

*Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.*

In this scripture on giving, it teaches the principle of reciprocity in generosity. This verse on giving promises that when we give, we will receive blessings in return. The more we give, the more blessings we will receive. We can use this giving scripture to practice generosity, emphasizing the rewards and blessings that come from a giving heart.

## **2 Corinthians 8:12**

*For if the willingness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has, not according to what one does not have.*

This verse on giving teaches the importance of a willing heart when it comes to generosity. The scripture emphasizes that the acceptability of a gift is based on the giver's willingness and ability, rather than the size of the gift itself. We are encouraged to give according to our means and to cultivate a heart of generosity that delights in giving to support the work of the Lord.

These are just samples of the many verses in the bible that teaches us to be faithful disciples through Stewardship. As you read your bible you can search for many more and understand how Gods word leads us in stewardship. May your generosity continue to grow to help Redeemer do God's work.



# Sharing God's Bounty

March 2024

## The Name that Is Above Every Name

Obedience has become an almost ignored concept. Some parents believe that requiring obedience from their children stifles their creative and emotional development. Many couples remove the word “obey” from the vows that brides give to their grooms. To expect employees to obey their employers is certainly not acceptable.

To God, however, obedience is not only acceptable, it is required. Disobedience to God is what is known as sin. And sin separates. Sin separates us from God and from each other. Sin prevents us from living the abundant life that Christ came to give us (John 10:10). On the other hand, obedience is proof of love: *“If you love me, you will obey what I command,”* Jesus says (John 14:15).

Unfortunately, as sinful beings, we are unable to obey our Lord's commands fully. Even the great apostle Paul struggled with this reality. He confessed, *“I have the desire to do what is good, but I cannot carry it out”* (Romans 7:18). As he relates his dilemma – the dilemma all Christians face – he asks, *“Who will rescue me from this body of death?”* (For as surely as day follows night, death follows disobedience) He answers exultantly, *“Thanks be to God – through Jesus Christ our Lord!”* (Romans 7:24-25)

Jesus has lived the perfect life in our place. Jesus willingly emptied himself, made himself nothing, *“and became obedient to death – even death on a cross! Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name”* (Philippians 2:7-9).

Jesus did what we cannot do. Jesus triumphed over sin, death, and the devil. Jesus, dead and buried, would not stay there! Jesus has risen! He is exalted to the highest place! He has given us his Spirit, the Counselor, who lives with us and in us (John 14:16-17), to sanctify us for obedience to our Father and service to others. This Spirit equips and enables us to be faithful stewards of the Gospel and all his gifts. Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!

*Christian Stewardship is the practice of systematic and proportionate giving of time, abilities, and material possessions based on the conviction that these are a trust from God, to be used in God's service for the benefit of all mankind in grateful acknowledgement of Christ's redeeming love.*

# CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



## SUNDAY MORNING CLASSES

Sunday @ 9:20 AM  
All ages welcome to join us!

Any questions?  
Reach out to Miss Jess  
xmissjessx92x@gmail.com

## UPCOMING CALENDAR EVENTS

- SUN. MARCH 3RD
  - SCS
- SUN. MARCH 10TH
  - SCS
- SUN. MARCH 17TH
  - SCS
- SUN. MARCH 24TH
  - PALM SUNDAY
  - SCS / EGG HUNT
- SUN. MARCH 31
  - EASTER SUNDAY
  - NO CLASS
- SUN. APRIL 7TH
  - SCS
- SUN. APRIL 14TH
  - YOUTH SUNDAY



## LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS & HELPERS

Our KidMin Program needs some extra help with Sunday Morning  
Sunday School Classes!

Reach out to Jess if your interested or have any questions  
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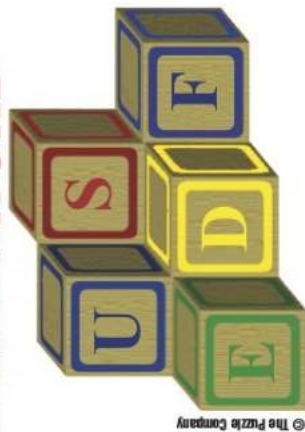


## Junior Sudoku

Fill in the puzzle so each 3x2 square and each line contains the numbers 1-6

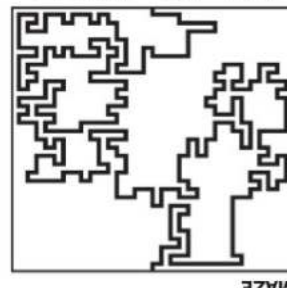
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1	5		6		
		2	5		6
5		6	1		
	4			2	1
	2		4		

## BUILD A WORD



How many words of three or more letters can you make from these blocks? You may use each letter only once. Plurals are OK but no words starting with a capital letter are allowed. There is at least one word that uses all five letters.

Good 7 Very Good 8 Excellent 10+



MAZE

MAGIC SQUARE

12	11	16
17	13	9
10	15	14

101

**Across:** 1. Garden, 5. False, 7. Camel, 8. Drying.  
**Down:** 2. Dream, 3. Nettle, 4. Afraid, 6. Lucky.

**SLAKES & LADDERS**  
REFILL, DEFIES, ELFISH, AFFIRM, OFFICE, DEFINE, FADED, CHESS.

## 7x7

A crossword for beginners

1			2		3	
4						
5		6				
				7		
8						

101

### ACROSS

- Where vegetables grow (6)
- True or \_\_\_ (5)
- An animal with a hump (5)
- A towel is useful for \_\_\_ your hair (6)

### DOWN

- Imagine things while asleep (5)
- A plant that will sting (6)
- Scared (6)
- Having good luck (5)

### MAGIC SQUARE

Enter numbers so that every row, column and corner-to-corner diagonal adds up to

39

	11	
17		9

### SUDOKU

6	2	1	4	5	3
3	4	5	6	2	1
5	3	6	1	4	2
4	1	2	5	3	6
1	5	3	2	6	4
2	6	4	3	1	5

**BUILD A WORD**  
Due, dues, fed, fused, sue, sued, use, used.

THE PUZZLE COMPANY

## SNAKES & LADDERS

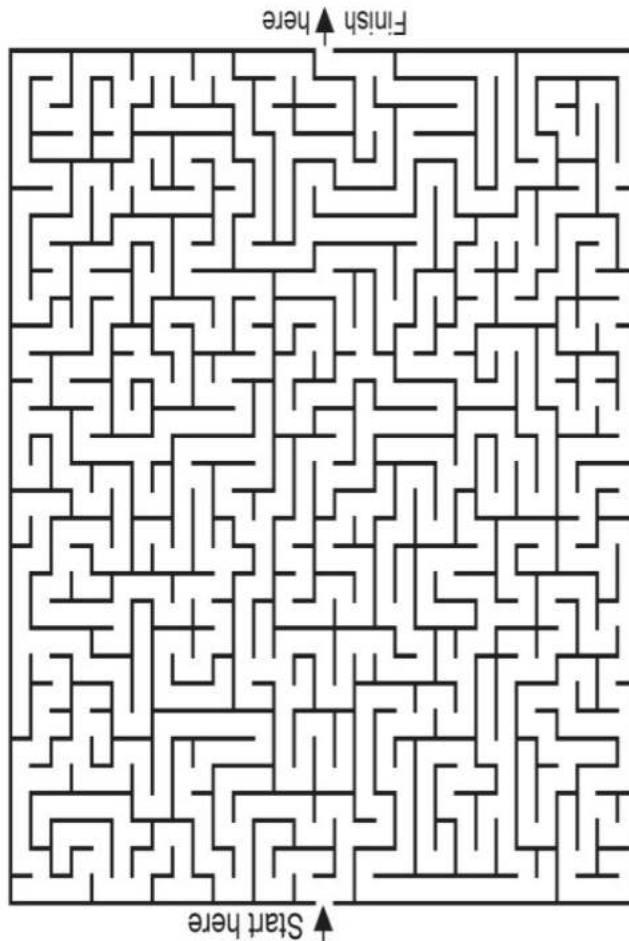
### Puzzle One

Can you solve the six-letter words? Connect the letter pairs in the ladder on the left with the correct pairs in the ladder on the right, with middle letters FI. We have solved one to start you off: ELFISH



### Puzzle Two

Use the coloured letters to make two five-letter words on the snake's back. We have given the first letter of the red word and the green word.



## March Celebrations



# March BIRTHDAYS

3/1 Linda Bartleson  
3/1 Sean Schuette  
3/2 Heather Palladino  
3/2 Toni Carra  
3/3 Mason Martinsen  
3/4 Georgia Briann Woodford  
3/9 Matthew Sauls  
3/9 Asher Martin  
3/11 Colbie Anderson  
3/12 DeeAnna Rossi  
3/12 Phyllis Winkler  
3/17 Patrick O'Connell

3/17 Dee Anna Grover  
3/17 Mildred Murray  
3/19 Jason Short  
3/19 Ron Thomas  
3/19 Denise Brad  
3/23 Lindsay Morris  
3/24 Cathy Dashoff  
3/28 Rosanna Cheedie  
3/29 Jessica Mason  
3/30 Lori Meola  
3/31 Stacy Bartleson  
3/31 Linda Winter

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.”

# Angel Food Cake with Pineapple

## Ingredients:

1 box of Betty Crocker Angel Food cake mix

1—20oz.can of crushed pineapple - with juice

Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

Spray 13x9 pan with PAM

Combine angel food cake mix and the can of crushed pineapple. Do not drain the pineapple.

Mix in a large bowl with hand mixer. This will puff up in the bowl.

Pour into 13x9 inch baking dish/pan. Bake at 350 degrees for 25-30 minutes or until golden brown.

I poured about 3/4 of this batter into the 13x9 pan as it puffs up initially and I did not want it to overflow. I put the rest of the batter in a smaller baking pan and baked that also. I am not sure if it will definitely overflow if you use it all, but in one of the reviews it stated that it did overflow into the oven so I did not want to take a chance.

Top with cool whip at serving or whipped cream.

Jeannie Vitale

