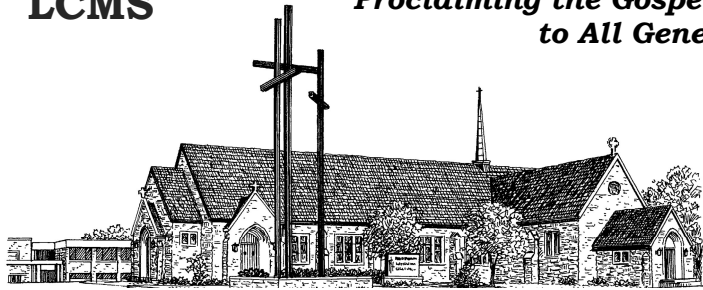


Redeemer Lutheran Church

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*“Proclaiming the Gospel
to All Generations”*



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THE 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

***Saturday, April 20, and
Sunday, April 21, 2024***

WELCOME! We ask that all worshipers sign an attendance card. Members may hand their cards to an usher. Guests, please hand your card to the Pastor as he greets you by the door. If you are interested in membership at Redeemer, please speak to one of the Pastors.

PARENTS OF INFANTS AND TODDLERS: Here at Redeemer, we strive to help parents as they accompany their children’s walk with Christ. We encourage families of all ages to worship with us. We understand that there are times when children’s attention spans falter. To assist parents, we have activity bags located in each narthex. We have a nursery with an audio-video feed located in the southeast corner of the lower level of the church. A diaper changing station is in the nursery as well as in the main narthex bathroom and the women’s bathroom on the lower level. If you have any questions, please ask an usher to assist you. At 9:45AM on Sunday, we also provide Sunday School in the Family Education Center for children from preschool through high school.

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LARGE PRINT BULLETINS WITH HYMNS are available in the main narthex.

LISTENING DEVICES are available for those who need assistance in hearing the service. Please speak to the Elder on duty (main narthex) if you need one.

PLEASE RESPECT the prayerful atmosphere of this holy place. We ask you to turn off all cell phones and electronic devices. Thank you!

DID YOU FORGET your offering envelope? Extra envelopes are located in the pew pockets and in the tract rack of each narthex.

PRAYER REQUESTS: If you have a prayer request, please contact the church office (402-477-1710 or valerie.coleman@redeemerlincoln.org) or write it on your attendance card.

HOLY COMMUNION will be celebrated at all services this weekend. All communicants should sign the Communion registration side of an attendance card. A common participation in the Altar of Christ assumes a common unity of faith and doctrine. We therefore ask that all guests who are not in fellowship with the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod contact one of the pastors prior to the Divine Service before presenting themselves at the Altar for the Holy Communion. If you are not communing this day but wish to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest as you kneel at the communion rail. Thank you!

PREPARE FOR THE LORD’S SUPPER! As St. Paul admonishes us, we should always prepare ourselves before receiving the Lord’s Supper (I Cor. 11:28-29). A helpful thing we can do in our preparation is...

- meditate upon the **purpose of the Lord’s Supper.**
(see LSB, pages 326-327)

THE PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP: *Good and guiding Shepherd, lead us to quiet places where we can have moments of prayer and meditation with You. Take us to places of beauty where we can get a glimpse of Your glory. And welcome us into places where our souls can be nourished and fed. In Your name we pray. Amen.*

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

(LSB, pp. 151-166)

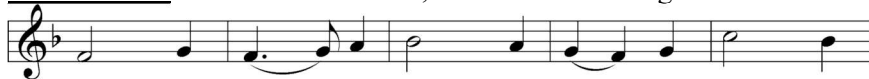
THE PRELUDE

THE RINGING OF THE CHIMES

THE WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PREPARATION

THE HYMN: 700 – “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”



1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of
2 Breathe, O breathe Thy lov - ing Spir - it In - to
3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; Let us
4 Fin - ish then Thy new cre - a - tion, Pure and



heav'n, to earth come down! Fix in us Thy
ev - 'ry trou - bled breast; Let us all in
all Thy life re - ceive; Sud - den - ly re -
spot - less let us be; Let us see Thy



hum - ble dwell - ing, All Thy faith - ful mer - cies crown.
Thee in - her - it; Let us find Thy prom - ised rest.
turn, and nev - er, Nev - er - more Thy tem - ples leave.
great sal - va - tion Per - fect - ly re - stored in Thee,



Je - sus, Thou art all com - pas - sion, Pure, un -
Take a - way the love of sin - ning; Al - pha
Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing, Serve Thee
Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry, Till in



bound - ed love Thou art; Vis - it us with
and O - me - ga be; End of faith, as
as Thy hosts a - bove, Pray and praise Thee
heav'n we take our place, Till we cast our



Thy sal - va - tion, En - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.
its be - gin - ning, Set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
with - out ceas - ing, Glo - ry in Thy per - fect love.
crowns be - fore Thee, Lost in won - der, love, and praise!

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(Please stand for the last stanza)

THE INVOCATION, CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

P (Pastor): In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C (Congregation): Amen.

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(Silence for reflection and self-examination)

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

THE KYRIE (Chanted; LSB, pp. 152-153)

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.
C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
C: Amen.

THE HYMN OF PRAISE: “This is the Feast” (*LSB, p. 155*)

All: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing and glory are His.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

THE SALUTATION (*Spoken*)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

All: Almighty God, merciful Father, since You have wakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep, grant us Your Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know Him who calls

us each by name and follow where He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

(Please be seated)

THE FIRST READING: Acts 4:1-12

P: The First Reading for the Fourth Sunday of Easter is from the 4th chapter of Acts.

¹As they were speaking to the people, the priests and the captain of the temple and the Sadducees came upon them, ²greatly annoyed because they were teaching the people and proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection from the dead. ³And they arrested them and put them in custody until the next day, for it was already evening. ⁴But many of those who had heard the word believed, and the number of the men came to about five thousand.

⁵On the next day their rulers and elders and scribes gathered together in Jerusalem, ⁶with Annas the high priest and Caiaphas and John and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. ⁷And when they had set them in the midst, they inquired, “By what power or by what name did you do this?” ⁸Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, “Rulers of the people and elders, ⁹if we are being examined today concerning a good deed done to a crippled man, by what means this man has been healed, ¹⁰let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead—by him this man is standing before you well. ¹¹This Jesus is the stone that was rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. ¹²And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.” (ESV)

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL (*Spoken*)

P: Christ has risen from the dead.

C: [God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor.

P: He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;

C: he has put all things under his feet. (ESV)

fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
soul He lead - eth And, where the ver - dant
love He sought me And on His shoul - der
Lord, be - side me, Thy rod and staff my

I am His And He is mine for - ev - er.
pas - tures grow, With food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
gent - ly laid And home re - joic - ing brought me.
com - fort still, Thy cross be - fore to guide me.

5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight;
Thine unction grace bestoweth;
And, oh, what transport of delight
From Thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so through all the length of days
Thy goodness faileth never;
Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise
Within Thy house forever!

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THE SERMON

Title: "Our Good Shepherd"

Text: John 10:11-18

(Please stand)

THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P: Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

(At the conclusion of each petition, the Pastor will say, "Lord, in your mercy." The congregation should then respond, "Hear Our Prayer.")

P: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

(Please be seated)

THE OFFERING

(Please stand)

THE OFFERTORY *(Sung: LSB, pp. 159-160)*

All: What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me? I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people, in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Our cup overflows, Heavenly Father – a cup poured by Your own hand.

C: Use these gifts, we pray. Let them spill out as signs of our praise.

P: Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

THE PREFACE *(Chanted; LSB, p. 160)*

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

THE SANCTUS (*Sung; LSB, p. 161*)

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow’r and might: Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sins and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew and strengthen us with your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His Kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

THE LORD’S PRAYER (*Spoken*)

P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.” In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

THE PAX DOMINI

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

THE AGNUS DEI (*Sung; LSB, p. 163*)

All: Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace. (*Please be seated*)

THE DISTRIBUTION AND THE DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

A Prayer before receiving the Sacrament

Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

A Prayer after receiving the Sacrament

Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the Holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal, through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

THE HYMN: 625 – “Lord Jesus Christ, Life-Giving Bread”



1 Lord Je - sus Christ, life - giv - ing bread, May I in grace
2 To pas - tures green, Lord, safe - ly guide, To rest - ful wa -
3 O bread of heav'n, my soul's de - light, For full and free
4 I do not mer - it fa - vor, Lord, My weight of sin



pos - sess You. Let me with ho - ly food be fed,
ters lead me; Your ta - ble well for me pro - vide,
re - mis - sion I come with prayer be - fore Your sight
would break me; In all my guilt - y heart's dis - cord,



In hun - ger I ad - dress You. Pre - pare me well
 Your wound - ed hand now feed me. Though wea - ry, sin -
 In sor - row and con - tri - tion. Your righ - teous - ness,
 O Lord, do not for - sake me. In my dis - tress



for You, O Lord, And, hum - bly by my prayer im - plored,
 ful, sick, and weak, Ref - uge in You a - lone I seek,
 Lord, cov - er me That I re - ceive You wor - thi - ly,
 this com - forts me That You re - ceive me gra - cious - ly,



Give me Your grace and mer - cy.
 To share Your cup of heal - ing.
 As - sured of Your full par - don.
 O Christ, my Lord of mer - cy!

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THE HYMN: 475 – “Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing”



1 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice and sing! Now is the tri - umph
 2 The Lord of life is ris'n this day; Bring flow'rs of song to
 3 Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry That love, that life which
 4 Your name we bless, O ris - en Lord, And sing to - day with



of our King! To all the world glad news we bring:
 strew His way; Let all the world re - joice and say:
 can - not die, And sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:
 one ac - cord The life laid down, the life re - stored:



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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THE HYMN: 740 - “I Am Jesus’ Little Lamb”



1 I am Je - sus' lit - tle lamb, Ev - er glad at
 2 Day by day, at home, a - way, Je - sus is my
 3 Who so hap - py as I am, E - ven now the



heart I am; For my Shep - herd gent - ly guides me,
 staff and stay. When I hun - ger, Je - sus feeds me,
 Shep - herd's lamb? And when my short life is end - ed,



Knows my need and well pro - vides me, Loves me ev - 'ry
 In - to pleas - ant pas - tures leads me; When I thirst, He
 By His an - gel host at - tend - ed, He shall fold me



day the same, E - ven calls me by my name.
 bids me go Where the qui - et wa - ters flow.
 to His breast, There with - in His arms to rest.

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(Please stand)

THE GENERAL DISMISSAL

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.

C: Amen.

THE POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE (*Sung: LSB, p. 164*)

All: Thank the Lord and sing His praise; Tell ev'ryone what He has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name. He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

THE POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P: Let us pray.

P: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who

lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C: Amen.

THE BENEDICTION (*Chanted; LSB, p. 166*)

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give ✠ you peace.

C: Amen.

THE SILENT PRAYER

THE THREE CHIMES

(Please be seated)

THE POSTLUDE

SERVING US TODAY

Liturgist & Celebrant: Pastor Joel A. C. Dietrich

Preacher: Pastor Mark H. Ebert

Organist: Joe Herl

Acolytes: 6:00PM – Elizabeth Sidders

8:30AM – Lily Wohlgemuth & Sophie Wohlgemuth

11:00AM – Emma Gottberg & Sean Guess

Chancel Guild: Heidi Bokelmann & Jennifer Brown

Julie Bachman

Sharon Crosier & Lori Lane

Elder on Duty: 6:00PM – Bill Arneson

8:30AM – Brendon Schmidt

11:00AM – Philip Wohlgemuth

Greeters:

Main

West

6:00PM Tim & Diann Davis

8:30AM Valerie Coleman

11:00AM Cindy Stevens

Joseph & Hannah Connot

Susann Hilderbrand

Head Usher: 6:00PM – Tim Davis

8:30AM – Dave Crist

11:00AM – Gary Carbaugh

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NEWS & NOTES

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THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Jesus, the Good Shepherd, Lays Down His Life for the Sheep

The Lord Jesus is “*the good shepherd*” who “*lays down his life for the sheep*” (John 10:11). His life is not taken from Him, but He lays it down willingly, of His own accord, because He knows and loves the sheep. As the One sent by the Father, He has the “*authority to lay it down*” and the “*authority to take it up again*” (John 10:18). So has He done, and now He continues to love and serve as the Good Shepherd of the sheep by the voice of His Gospel. He thus calls all people into the fold of His Church, so that there may be “*one flock, one shepherd*” (John 10:16). That is why the apostles “*were teaching the people and proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection from the dead*” (Acts 4:2). Since “*there is salvation in no one else,*” His voice rings out to this day through the preaching of His name, “*for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved*” (Acts 4:12). His voice comforts our hearts against all condemnation and gives us courage to “*love one another*” and “*to lay down our lives for the brothers,*” as He laid down His life for us (1 John 3:16, 23).

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR NEXT WEEKEND, April 28 & 29:

• Acts 8:26-40

• 1 John 4:1

• John 15:1-8

Prepare to worship by reading and meditating on these sections of Scripture.

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS today are given to the glory of God by Bob and Deb Geisler in celebration of their 47th wedding anniversary on April 15th.



THE BULLETIN today is given to the glory of God by Pat Murray and family in thankfulness for their many blessings and in honor of Dan Murray who turned 90 on April 20th.

OPEN DATES AND NUMBER OF BOUQUETS available to sponsor the chancel flowers for May 5-1, 12-1; June 2-2, 9-2; July 7-1, 14-2, 21-1, 28-2. The cost of each bouquet is \$30. To reserve a date, please contact the church office. **Please return the black liner pot to the church office within a week.**

OPEN DATES TO SPONSOR THE BULLETIN: May 12, 19; June 2, 9, 30. The cost of bulletin sponsorship is \$25. To reserve a date, please contact the church office.



HOSPITALIZED: Matt Wiegert (Bryan East)

OUR RESPONSE TO THE REDEEMER LAST WEEKEND

Worship Attendance: 297 (47-135-115)

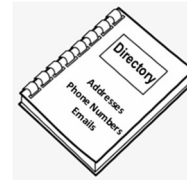
Sunday School & Bible Classes Attendance: 85 (29-56)

Online Service Stream: 75

	<u>Unified Budget Receipts</u>	<u>Budget Needs</u>	<u>Ahead (Behind)</u>
4/14/24	\$15,244.04	\$18,202.35	(\$2,958.31)
YTD	\$303,746.16	\$273,035.19	\$30,710.97

Mites for Missions

Today WOR is collecting Mites for Missions (coins and bills) for the work of the Lutheran Women’s Missionary League. (This takes place the 3rd Sunday of each month.) Please bring your loose change to the box in either narthex. **For the month of March, WOR collected \$61.81. Thank you!**



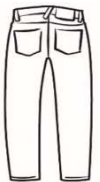
THE NEW 2024 DIRECTORIES ARE NOW AVAILABLE! They are located in each narthex. Remember these directories are for the use of our members only. One per household, please.

TO GIVE AN OFFERING ONLINE, use this QR code to easily get to the Redeemer donation webpage. You can also go to redeemerlincoln.org and click on the “Giving” icon at the top of the page.



ANNUAL REPORTS FOR 2023 are now available in the track rack in each narthex. You may also pick one up from the church office.

JEAN POCKETS COLLECTION: Are you getting ready to toss out any old, worn-out jeans? The Women of Redeemer (LWML) are looking for the back pockets of jeans (with the fabric that the pocket is sewn to) from adult sizes. This is for a servant event at the LWML National Convention. A collection box labeled LWML Jean Pockets is available in the coat room for your much



Celebration Sunday – June 23, 2024

To God I Say, "You Are My Lord"

Redeemer will celebrate Pastor Ebert's faithful service on **Sunday, June 23**, with a meal at the UNL East Campus Student Union following a 10:00AM Divine Service on the occasion of his upcoming retirement.

- Attendance is free but an RSVP is requested to ensure adequate tables and food.
- RSVP via a sign-up sheet in each narthex.
- *****Donations towards event expenses can be designated as "Celebration Sunday."*****
- Photos of Pastor Ebert (baptisms, weddings, silly photos, etc.) in addition to personalized video greetings and messages may be uploaded via the church's website (look for the link on the homepage under "Celebration Sunday") or simply email to Chris Cassel at chris@novajareth.com. They will be compiled and only shared with Pastor Mark and Kayla Ebert.
- Contact Be Magdanz for more information.

The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance. [Psalm 16:6]



LWML - WOR Spring General Meeting
All Women are Invited!

Thursday, May 16, 6:30PM,
Church Fellowship Hall

Topic: Mercy Quilts

Speaker: Linda Beth Hoke

All women are invited, and all are invited to **bring a few of your own personal quilts for display!** (Be sure to put a note on it with any history and your name.) **Come and enjoy an evening of fun!**

Mother's Day Diaper Drive



Redeemer's Board for Human Care would like to celebrate Mother's Day for the entire month of May again by collecting diapers and wipes for the Pregnancy Center. The center is always in need of diapers/wipes and has requested newborn and 4-5 size diapers, but any size diaper will be greatly appreciated. A tote in the coat room will be clearly marked for donations. If you have any questions, please call Julie Bachman at 402-488-4959. Thank you!



Lincoln Lutheran Choir Spring Concert

The Lincoln Lutheran (adult) Choir, led by Artistic Director Jon Marquez and accompanist Kayla Wombacher, will be performing in a concert entitled 'Creation: The Architecture of our Faith' on **Sunday, April 21, at 3:00PM.**

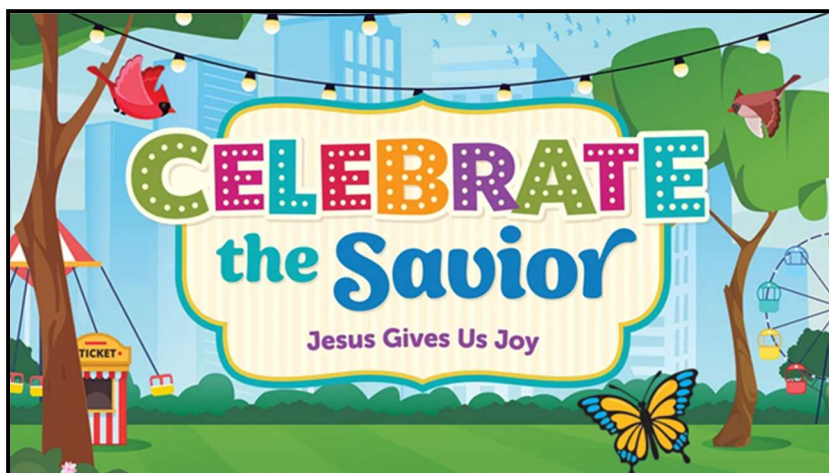
The concert will be held at Grace Lutheran Church, 23rd & Washington, in Lincoln. The Choir is comprised of over 30 singers of all ages who enjoy learning and performing sacred choral music. There is no admission for the concert, but a free-will offering will be taken. More information on the Lincoln Lutheran Choir can be found at lincolnlutheranchoir.org.



Caregiver Support Group at Redeemer

to start a Caregiver Support Group. The group offers a blend of presentations, resources, and support ministries tailored specifically for caregivers of sick, aging, and disabled adults. Led by experienced social worker Kristeen Faimon, MSW, and supported by DCE Rod Lane, this group is a safe space for you to share your journey and find solace in the company of others who understand. To kickstart this invaluable resource, we need to hear about your interest and/or commitment to this group. Please get in touch with DCE Rod Lane at 402-499-0807 or via email at dcerod@redeemerlincoln.org. Rest assured; **all information shared will be kept in the strictest confidence.**

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



JUNE 3-7, 2024

Online registration is now open!



VBS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK!



Help make “Celebrate the Savior” VBS a success! Volunteers are the heart and soul of Vacation Bible School, allowing the sharing of Christ’s love with all children. Adults and youth (sixth grade and older) can sign up to volunteer for various roles, whether leading kids or behind the scenes. Full and part-time week volunteer opportunities are available. VBS for volunteers is Mon–Fri, June 3–7, 8:30AM–12:15PM. Contact DCE Rod Lane (dcerod@redeemerlincoln.org, 402-499-0807) if you have an interest or for more info.



SCHOLARSHIPS

REDEEMER SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS: Any college or university student from the congregation who is preparing for full time work in the church should contact Pastor Ebert for a scholarship application for the 2023-24 school year. The Scholarship and Recruitment Committee will review the applications and make the appropriate awards. **Deadline to submit an application is June 1st.** Information is also available about scholarships from the English District.

NEBRASKA SOUTH DISTRICT LWML \$1,000 SCHOLARSHIPS: The Nebraska South District LWML offers \$1000 scholarships for the 2024-2025 school year to full-time church worker students (pastors, teachers, musicians, directors of Christian education, and deaconesses). Forms may be obtained online (www.lwmlnesouth.org/scholarships). **Applications must be postmarked or sent via email on or before May 1, 2024.** If you have questions, please contact Liz Patton at 402-540-3040.



SOAP COLLECTION: The Women of Redeemer (WOR) are collecting bar soap for missions in the months of **March, April, and May.** Please leave donations in the plastic tub marked “Soap” in the main narthex coat room. Thank you!

Sunday School Topic - April 21st

ASK YOUR CHILD WHAT THEY LEARNED TODAY!

Unwilling Prophet: *Jonah*: Jonah 1-3

“Unwilling Prophet” is the title of this week’s lesson. Jonah, a reluctant prophet, tries to flee God’s calling to declare His message to Nineveh. Attempting to escape by boat, Jonah finds himself cast into the sea, swallowed by a great fish, praying for deliverance, and spit up on the beach three days later. The people of Nineveh receive and respond to the message Jonah delivers, repenting of their sins before God. Angered at God’s mercy, Jonah heads out of the city to sulk. There, God reminds Jonah who is in control.

April 21-28

Sun 21	8:30 & 11:00A-Divine Services with Holy Communion LWML Mites for Missions 9:45AM-Sunday School/Bible Classes (FEC & Fellowship Hall) 10:00AM-Young Adult Bible Class (FEC Conference Room) Belize Mission Trip (April 20-27)
Mon 22	
Tue 23	9:30-10:30AM - Weekday Communion (Main Narthex) 10:30AM-Esther/Circle 4 (FEC Conference Room) 7:00PM-Redeemer Bells (Balcony)
Wed 24	9:30AM-Women's Bible Study (FEC Conference Room) 9:30AM-Mercy Quilts (Fellowship Hall) 7:00PM-Redeemer Choir (Sanctuary Choir Loft)
Thur 25	Pastor Ebert's Day Off
Fri 26	Pastor Dietrich's Day Off
Sat 27	DCE Rod Lane's Day Off 9:00AM-Confirmation Pictures & Rehearsal followed by Acolyte Training (Sanctuary) 11:30AM-1:00PM-BLOC (Fellowship Hall) 6:00PM-Divine Service
Sun 28	8:30 & 11:00AM-Divine Services 9:45AM-Sunday School (FEC) 10:00AM-Young Adult Bible Class (FEC Conference Room) 11:00AM-Rite of Confirmation