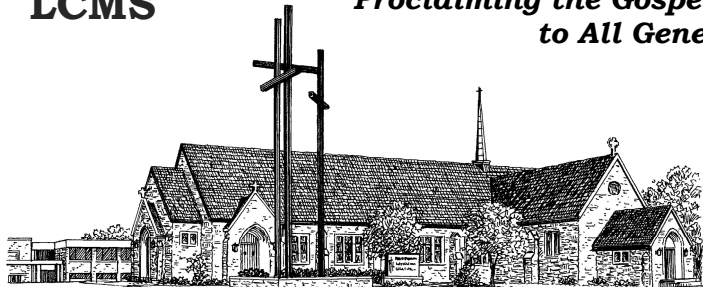


Redeemer Lutheran Church

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*“Proclaiming the Gospel
to All Generations”*



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**THE FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT
STEWARDSHIP #2 AND MAKE A PLAN WEEKEND**

**Saturday, November 26, and
Sunday, November 27, 2022**

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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FACE MASKS are optional.

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.

THE PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP: *O Advent Lord, come to us and share with us Your peace. Break down the walls that sin has set between us. Bring an end to all division and discord. Turn our attention away from weapons of destruction, and turn us toward the tools of justice, love, and service. In Your name we pray. Amen.*



ORDER OF WORSHIP

(LSB, pp. 203-212)

THE PRELUDE

THE RINGING OF THE CHIMES

THE WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PREPARATION

THE HYMN: 343 – “Prepare the Royal Highway”



1 Pre - pare the roy - al high - way; The King of kings is near!
2 God's peo-ple, see Him com - ing: Your own e - ter - nal king!
3 Then fling the gates wide o - pen To greet your prom-ised king!
4 His is no earth - ly king - dom; It comes from heav'n a - bove.



Let ev - 'ry hill and val - ley A lev - el road ap - pear!
Palm branch-es strew be - fore Him! Spread gar-ments! Shout and sing!
Your king, yet ev - 'ry na - tion Its trib - ute too should bring.
His rule is peace and free - dom And jus - tice, truth, and love.



Then greet the King of Glo - ry Fore - told in sa - cred sto - ry:
God's prom - ise will not fail you! No more shall doubt as - sail you!
All lands, bow down be - fore Him! All na - tions, now a - dore Him!
So let your praise be sound - ing For kind - ness so a - bound - ing:



Ho - san - na to the Lord, For He ful - fills God's Word!

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(Please stand for 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: The time of Christ's coming is at hand; the day is drawing near.

C: Let us lay aside the works of darkness; let us put on the armor of light.

P: Lest that day surprise us unprepared, let us confess our sins to God our Father, imploring Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us His promised forgiveness.

(Silence for reflection and self-examination)

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. We have grown complacent and content, desiring darkness rather than the light. We are helpless to free ourselves. We beg Your mercy for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, who will come again to judge the living and the dead.

P: He who is coming has come! His birth among us brings us light; His death for our transgressions brings us life. For His sake Your sins are forgiven!

C: Come, let us walk in the light of the Lord. Even so, come, Lord Jesus. Amen.

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

THE INTROIT (*Spoken*)

P: Behold, your king is coming to you;

C: righteous and having salvation.

P: Save us, we pray, O LORD!

C: O LORD, we pray, give us success!

P: Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the LORD!

C: We bless you from the house of the LORD.

P: The LORD is God, and he has made his light to shine upon us.

C: Bind the festal sacrifice with cords, up to the horns of the altar!

P: You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;

C: you are my God; I will extol you.

All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P: Behold, your king is coming to you;

C: righteous and having salvation. (ESV)

THE KYRIE (*Sung; LSB, p. 204*)

(Organist introduces tune)

All: Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

(The “Gloria in Excelsis” is omitted during Advent.)

THE SALUTATION (*Spoken*)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

All: Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come, that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

(Please be seated)

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Isaiah 2:1-5

P: The Old Testament Reading for The First Sunday in Advent is from the 2nd chapter of Isaiah.

¹The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

²It shall come to pass in the latter days

that the mountain of the house of the LORD shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be lifted up above the hills;

and all the nations shall flow to it,

³and many peoples shall come, and say:

“Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob,

that he may teach us his ways

and that we may walk in his paths.”

For out of Zion shall go the law,

and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

⁴He shall judge between the nations,

and shall decide disputes for many peoples;

and they shall beat their swords into plowshares,

and their spears into pruning hooks;

nation shall not lift up sword against nation,

neither shall they learn war anymore.

⁵O house of Jacob,

come, let us walk

in the light of the LORD. (ESV)

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL (*Spoken*)

P: Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion.

C: Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem.

P: Behold, your king is coming to you;

C: righteous and having salvation.

P: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

C: From the house of the Lord we bless you. (ESV)

THE EPISTLE: Romans 13:11-14

P: The Epistle is from the 13th chapter of Romans.

¹¹Besides this you know the time, that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed. ¹²The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. ¹³Let us walk properly as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and sensuality, not in quarreling and jealousy. ¹⁴But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires. (ESV)

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand)

THE VERSE (*Sung; LSB, p. 205*)

All: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 24:36-44

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 24th chapter.

C: (*Spoken*) Glory to You, O Lord.

³⁶[Jesus said:] “But concerning that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father only. ³⁷As were the days of Noah, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. ³⁸For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in

marriage, until the day when Noah entered the ark,³⁹and they were unaware until the flood came and swept them all away, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. ⁴⁰Then two men will be in the field; one will be taken and one left. ⁴¹Two women will be grinding at the mill; one will be taken and one left.

⁴²Therefore, stay awake, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. ⁴³But know this, that if the master of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁴Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect. (ESV)

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: *(Spoken)* Praise to You, O Christ.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

All: I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

(Please be seated)

8:30AM - THE CHOIR ANTHEM: “Savior of the Nations, Come”

(Lauren Delaney) – Handbell Duet, Marinda and Tami Kolar

11:00AM - THE CHOIR ANTHEM: “Be Thou My Vision”

(Edwards) – Redeemer Bells

THE CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

THE HYMN OF THE DAY: 332 – “Savior of the Nations, Come”



1 Sav - ior of the na - tions, come, Vir - gin's Son, make
 2 Not by hu - man flesh and blood, By the Spir - it
 3 Here a maid was found with child, Yet re - mained a
 4 Then stepped forth the Lord of all From His pure and



here Your home! Mar - vel now, O heav'n and earth,
 of our God, Was the Word of God made flesh—
 vir - gin mild. In her womb this truth was shown:
 king - ly hall; God of God, yet ful - ly man,



That the Lord chose such a birth.
 Wom - an's off - spring, pure and fresh.
 God was there up - on His throne.
 His he - ro - ic course be - gan.

5 God the Father was His source,
 Back to God He ran His course.
 Into hell His road went down,
 Back then to His throne and crown.

6 For You are the Father's Son
 Who in flesh the vict'ry won.
 By Your mighty pow'r make whole
 All our ills of flesh and soul.

7 From the manger newborn light
 Shines in glory through the night.
 Darkness there no more resides;
 In this light faith now abides.

△ 8 Glory to the Father sing,
 Glory to the Son, our king,
 Glory to the Spirit be
 Now and through eternity.

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(Please stand for last stanza and then be seated)

THE SERMON

Title: ““Be Generous in Every Way””

Text: 2 Corinthians 8:1-3, 9:11

8:1 We want you to know, brothers, about the grace of God that has been given among the churches of Macedonia,² for in a severe test of affliction, their abundance of joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part.³ For they gave according to their means, as I can testify, and beyond their means, of their own accord,

....

9:11 You will be enriched in every way to be generous in every way, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God.

THE OFFERING

(Please stand)

THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Your power, O gracious, heavenly Father, has been unleashed upon our world--

C: power that we see in creation's beauty ... power that we experience in Jesus' saving love.

P: For Your powerful grace, for Your powerful salvation,

C: we thank You, our Father.

P: Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

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.

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(Spoken)*

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

All: 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

(Please be seated)

THE COMPLETION & DEDICATION OF 2023 FAITH PROMISES

THE CLOSING HYMN: 331 – “The Advent of Our King”



1 The ad - vent of our King Our prayers must now em - ploy,
2 The ev - er - last - ing Son In - car - nate deigns to be,
3 O Zi - on's daugh - ter, rise To meet your low - ly King,
4 As judge, on clouds of light, He soon will come a - gain



And we must hymns of wel - come sing In strains of ho - ly joy.
Him - self a ser - vant's form puts on To set His ser - vants free.
Nor let your faith - less heart de - spise The peace He comes to bring.
And His true mem - bers all u - nite With Him in heav'n to reign.

- 5 Before the dawning day
Let sin's dark deeds be gone,
The sinful self be put away,
The new self now put on.

(Please stand)

- △ 6 All glory to the Son,
Who comes to set us free,
With Father, Spirit, ever one
Through all eternity.

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THE COLLECT

P: Let us pray.

P: Almighty God, grant to Your Church Your Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes down from above, that Your Word may not be bound but have

free course and be preached to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, that in steadfast faith we may serve You and, in the confession of Your name, abide unto the end; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

THE BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION (*Spoken; LSB, p. 212*)

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

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: (Spoken) Amen.

THE SILENT PRAYER

THE THREE CHIMES

(Please be seated)

THE POSTLUDE

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SERVING US TODAY

Liturgist: Pastor Mark H. Ebert

Preacher: Pastor Joel A. C. Dietrich

Children's Message: DCE Rod Lane

Organist: Joe Herl

Choir Director: Tami Kolar

Choir: Redeemer Bells

Acolytes: 6:00PM – Hattie Bennett

8:30AM – Bear Clanton & Quinn Trutna

11:00AM – Emily Bahensky & Noah Krzycki

Chancel Guild: Cindy Stevens

Elder on Duty: 6:00PM – Nate Sidlo

8:30AM – Terry Magdanz

11:00AM – Darrel Hopkins

Greeters:

Main

West

6:00PM Tim & Diann Davis

8:30AM Dick & Ginni Haase

11:00AM Valerie Coleman

Bill & Betty Schellpeper

Karen Nuttleman

Head Usher: 6:00PM – Bill Arneson
8:30AM – Joel Weyand
11:00AM – Jim Otte

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NEWS & NOTES



THE FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

The Lord Comes in Meekness and Humility to Save Us Now

The Lord Jesus enters Jerusalem “*humble, and mounted on a donkey,*” riding on “*a beast of burden*” (Matt. 21:5), as He Himself bears the sins of the world in His body. Now He comes by the ministry of the Gospel to save us from sin, death, the devil and hell. Therefore, we sing, “*Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!*” (Matt. 21:9). For we are called “*to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob,*” His Holy Church, “*that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths*” (Is. 2:3). By His Word, we “*walk in the light of the LORD*” (Is. 2:5). That is to live in love, which “*does no wrong to a neighbor*” (Rom. 13:10). We “*cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light,*” for “*salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed*” (Rom. 13:11, 12). Hence, the entire Christian life is a time to wake and watch, “*for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming*” (Matt. 24:42).

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR NEXT WEEKEND, Dec. 3 & 4:

• Isaiah 11:1-10 • Romans 15:4-13 • Matthew 3:1-12

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

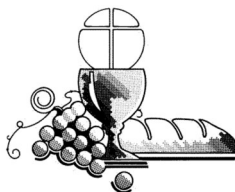
THE BULLETIN today is given to the glory of God by Melissa, Austin, Jackson and Carson Oerman on the occasion of Chris's birthday on Monday, November 28th.



OPEN DATES AND NUMBER OF BOUQUETS available to sponsor the chancel flowers for December 4-2, 18-2; January 1-1, 8-2, 15-2, 22-2, 29-2. The cost of each bouquet is \$30. To reserve a date, please contact the church office. **Please remember to return the black liner pot to the office.**

OPEN DATES TO SPONSOR THE BULLETIN: Dec. 11, 18; Jan. 8, 22, 29. The cost of bulletin sponsorship is \$25. To reserve a date, please contact the church office.

THE CHANCEL GUILD is looking for additional members to help enhance the beauty of God's house and set-up for Communion. Time commitment is minimal. Please give prayerful consideration to this. Call/text Paulette Milem (402-617-3758) with any questions or your desire to join the group.



OUR RESPONSE TO THE REDEEMER LAST WEEKEND

Worship Attendance: 307 (59-150-98)

Communion Attendance: 258 (79-122-87)

Online Service Stream: 112*

Sunday School & Bible Classes Attendance: 92 (36-56)

<u>Unified Budget Receipts</u>	<u>Budget Needs</u>	<u>Ahead (Behind)</u>
11/20/22 \$14,210.84	\$17,532.71	(\$3,321.87)
YTD \$762,186.28	\$824,037.44	(\$61,851.16)

Thanksgiving Basket Total: \$3,546.50

105th Anniversary Fund: \$58,940.55

*Number of views online as of 11/23/22

AS MENTIONED IN THE PRAYERS LAST WEEKEND, we extend our Christian sympathy to the family and friends of **Elizabeth Morgan**. Elizabeth was called to eternal rest on Thursday, November 17th. The funeral service is Tuesday, November 29th, at 1:00PM at Butherus, Maser & Love.

REHABILITATION: Arly Lange (Home)

HOSPICE: Elaine Junge (Tabitha)



PASTOR EBERT'S SUNDAY MORNING CLASS is studying the topic "**The Word in Song—Hymn of the Day Studies.**" Class meets from 9:45-10:45AM in the Fellowship Hall.

PASTOR DIETRICH'S SUNDAY MORNING CLASS is studying the topic "**Christian Life Today: Prayer.**" Class meets from 9:45-10:45AM in FEC Room 200.

Stewards Living with Purpose

This is the final week in our stewardship emphasis **Stewards Living with Purpose**. The theme for this week is "Be Generous in Every Way" (2 Corinthians 9:11). One of the important ways that we as God's people show our thanksgiving to God for Who He is and what He has done for us through Jesus is in our giving. Giving expresses our love and gratitude. When we give, we mirror the nature of God. "*For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son...*" (John 3:16). Giving to others and to extend God's Church is evidence of God's grace in our lives. Giving is a fruit of grace. We give because He first gave to us, and, following God's example, by His grace we make giving to God through our churches a priority. Without God's grace, we are not able to give up our resources generously. Believers are empowered by the working of the Holy Spirit to give willingly to all people, especially fellow believers who need support (Galatians 6:10). May God help us all to "Be Generous in Every Way."

When we give we reflect the heart of God.

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life" (John 3:16).



End of Year Offerings

As we approach the end of the year, we encourage everyone to check and see if they are current with their Faith Promise for the current year. We also welcome and need gifts above and beyond the faith promises. Gifts can be sent to the church office.



Offering Envelopes for 2023

Offering envelopes for 2023 are now available and are located in the Fellowship Hall along the east wall. Please pick up your envelopes. If you take envelopes for someone else, please deliver them in a timely manner.

In order to keep our financial records straight, please do not use the new envelopes until next year.

105th Anniversary Project: New Outdoor Sign

The voters' assembly approved a new outdoor electronic sign for the anniversary project. As Redeemer celebrates our 105th Anniversary, please consider a donation to the 105th Anniversary Fund.

This new sign will be a two-sided display screen that will be situated in such a way that traffic going north and south on 33rd Street will be able to view the information on it. The Anniversary and Facility Study Committees invite you to view the display of the sign in the main narthex.

To make a donation, please note "105th Anniversary" on your giving envelope to donate to this special fund.

Besides displaying our basic information on the screen (church name, worship/Bible study times, web address), we will be able to add information for special events such as VBS, Christmas worship times, Trunk or Treat, etc. We are excited about this opportunity to update our sign for our members and have the ability to more readily share information with the public!



So far, we have \$58,940.55 for the 105th Anniversary Fund.



Advent Devotional Booklets

Copies of the Lutheran Hour Ministry Advent Devotional booklets are available in each narthex and the FEC entranceway. The devotions start on Sunday, Nov. 27th.

Circle 4 – Christmas Get Together

Circle 4 will have their Christmas get together on MONDAY, December 12, at 11:30AM at Stauffer's Cafe and Pie Shoppe at 5600 S. 48th Street. We will meet in their back room. You may order breakfast or lunch. Hope this works for all. (We couldn't get a Tuesday or The Eatery.) -Dianne Rathe

Advent Meals Return!

All meals will be served in the Fellowship Hall
from 5:00-6:00PM.

Advent Service to follow at 6:30PM.

Sponsored by Men's Night Fellowship (MNF).

Wednesday, Nov. 30th

Spaghetti, Texas Toast, Salad
Homemade cookies by Doris Wiens!
Ice Cream.
Hotdog & chips option also available.

Wednesday, Dec. 7th

Sloppy Joes, other sides TBA, dessert
Hotdog & chips option also available.

Wednesday, Dec. 14th

Pizza, other sides TBA, dessert
Hotdog & chips option also available.



These meals not only provide a time of fellowship for the congregation but are also a fundraiser to remodel the meeting room and lounge in the lower level of the church.



Women's Bible Study New Topic

"The Life You Crave: It's All About Grace"

You're Invited!

The Wednesday morning women's Bible study is beginning a new topic called "The Life You Crave: It's All About Grace."

God's intention was never for us to have a dissatisfied, self-critical spirit. In His eyes, each of us is irreplaceable, carefully crafted, and designed for a unique and noble purpose.

God offers us grace. Pure, lavish, unending grace. Discover the life you crave.

The women's Bible study meets each Wednesday from 9:30–10:30AM in FEC room 200. If you have any questions, please get in touch with Pat Connor.

Christmas Caroling



Sunday, December 18

2:30–5:30PM

Meet outside the FEC

Voices of all ages are welcome!

We will meet in front of the FEC and work out travel arrangements. The plan is to go to individual homes of members and friends of the church and, if able, to local care facilities. Please direct any questions to DCE Rod Lane.

Join us and share your Christmas spirit with others!

Future Worship Opportunities

Wednesdays, Nov. 30; Dec. 7 & 14

6:30PM: **Midweek Advent Worship**

5:00-6:00PM: **Advent Meal**

Saturday & Sunday, Dec. 3 & 4

6:00PM Saturday: **Worship** (with Holy Communion)

8:30 & 11:00AM Sunday: **Worship** (with Holy Communion)

9:45AM Sunday: **Sunday School & Bible Classes**

Saturday & Sunday, Dec. 10 & 11

6:00PM Saturday: **Worship**

8:30AM Sunday: **Worship**

9:45AM Sunday: **Sunday School**

11:00AM Sunday: **Preschool – Grade 8 Children's Christmas Worship**

Saturday & Sunday, Dec. 17 & 18

6:00PM Saturday: **Worship** (with Holy Communion)

8:30 & 11:00AM Sunday: **Worship** (with Holy Communion)

9:45AM Sunday: **Sunday School & Bible Classes**

Saturday, Dec. 24 – Christmas Eve

2:30PM, 4:30PM, 6:30PM: **Services of Lessons and Carols**

Sunday, Dec. 25 – Christmas Day

9:00AM: **Worship** (with Holy Communion)

No Sunday School or Bible Class

Saturday, Dec. 31 – New Year's Eve

6:30PM: **Worship** (with Holy Communion)

Sunday, Jan. 1 – New Year's Day

9:00AM Sunday: **Worship** (with Holy Communion)

(Installation of the 2023 Church Council)

No Sunday School or Bible Class

Advent-ure Camp

Preschool – 4th Grade
Saturday, December 10
11:00AM–1:30PM, FEC

(Following the children's worship service practice)



*Please bring a donation for Hartley School:
hat, gloves, or a coat.*

Redeemer's Board for Youth invites children and their friends to an
"Advent-ure Camp" to celebrate the joy of the season.
This is similar to the Advent workshop we have held in past years.

SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

New this year! Our friends from Camp Luther are coming to lead us in games, singing, and a devotion.

Other activities include crafts, a service project, lunch (including dessert). Children will have a chance to craft holiday gifts for others and create decorations for their home.

This event is free and open to the public. Invite your neighbors to come and enjoy the anticipation of the coming Christmas season!

Please help us plan by going online to sign up (redeemerlincoln.org) or during the Sunday School hour at the table located in the lower level of the FEC. **Please sign up by Tuesday, December 6th.**

Youth in grades 5 – 12 are wanted and encouraged to help during this event. Contact DCE Rod Lane for info.



Children's Christmas Sacks

Redeemer's Board for Education is seeking snack donations for Christmas sacks. These sacks are handed out following the **Children's Christmas Worship service on Sunday, December 11.**



Donated items may be left in the main narthex coat room. There will be a container marked Children's Christmas Sacks. We plan to assemble 80 sacks. We value your support and thank you in advance for assisting us in obtaining these items!

Items needed are microwave popcorn, gummies-fruit snacks, candy canes, white lunch sacks, hot chocolate packets, and juice boxes. Monetary donations or gift cards are also welcome. Monetary gifts will be used to purchase "The Story Book of Jesus" for each child.

* * * * We need enough for 80 sacks. Items may be donated now through December. If you have questions, please contact DCE Rod Lane.

DISCOVER LINCOLN LUTHERAN NIGHT

NOV 29, 6-8 PM
1100 N. 56TH ST.

An interactive event for prospective students and their parents

Network with student ambassadors

Hear from current parents

Meet faculty



“Birthday Phone Call Shower”

Vivian Pohlman will be turning 80 on Saturday, December 3rd. Friends are encouraged to give her a call on her birthday and wish her well. Her phone number is 402-325-0611. (Please call approximately between 9:00AM-8:00PM.)

Youth Epic Nerf Event

Friday, December 30, 6:30-9:30PM
Grades 5-12

This is a great event to bring a friend to! Cost is \$5 per person to help cover costs for pizza and snacks.



Best Choice Labels

Best Choice Labels need to be brought to Church by the **1st week of December**. Please put them in the appropriate marked bin in the coat closet. They are coming in nicely. So far

2,300 labels have been collected. Keep them coming! WOR thanks you for helping with this fundraiser for missions.

Old Eye Glass Collection

MOST (Mission Opportunities Short Term) and the LCMS are collecting old eyeglasses. So far 149,621 glasses have been collected for 52 countries. Place your old eyeglasses in the marked bin in the coat room.



Stewardship Thought

The Steward’s Joyful Duty

The Christian steward has been entrusted by God with gifts to be used in responsible service for the building up of the Body of Christ. The Apostle Peter commanded, *“As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace.”* Why is it important for us to use our gifts? Peter answers, *“...in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ”* (1 Peter 4:10-11). The Apostle Paul gives us another reason: *“So that the Body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ”* (Ephesians 4:12-13 NIV).

Scripture exhorts us as stewards to use our gifts according to how we have been blessed. *“We have different gifts, according to the grace given us. If a man’s gift is prophesying, let him use it in proportion to his faith. If it is serving, let him serve; if it is teaching, let him teach; if it is encouraging, let him encourage; if it is contributing to the needs of others, let him give generously; if it is leadership, let him govern diligently; if it is showing mercy, let him do it cheerfully”* (Romans.12:6-8 NIV). By God’s grace, we are empowered to use our gifts to help teach, serve, encourage, and lead others.

Prayer: Father, Thank You for my gifts and help me use them to Your glory. Amen.

Nov. 27 – Dec. 4

Sun 27	<p>Make-a-Plan Weekend Stewardship Sunday #2 8:30 & 11:00AM-Divine Services 9:45AM-Sunday School/Bible Classes (FEC & Fellowship Hall)</p>
Mon 28	<p>11:30AM-Staff Meeting (Conference Room) 6:00PM-Men's Night Fellowship (FEC Room 200)</p>
Tue 29	<p>DCE Rod Lane's Day Off 9:30-10:30AM—Weekday Communion (Main Narthex) 6:15-6:45PM—Weekday Communion (Main Narthex) 7:00PM-Redeemer Bells (Church Balcony) 7:00PM-Board for Youth (FEC Room 107)</p>
Wed 30	<p>9:30AM-Women's Bible (FEC Room 200) 3:30-6:30PM-Confirmation (FEC) 5:00-6:00PM-Advent Meal (Fellowship Hall) 5:30PM– Youth Instrumental Rehearsal (FEC Chapel) 6:30PM-Advent Service 7:30PM-Redeemer Choir (Sanctuary Choir Loft)</p>
Thur 1	<p>Pastor Ebert's Day Off Dec. 1 & 2-DCE Rod Lane at English District Bd of Directors</p>
Fri 2	<p>Pastor Dietrich's Day Off</p>
Sat 3	<p>9:30-11:00AM-Christmas Service Rehearsal, Grades 1-8 (FEC) 6:00PM-Divine Service with Holy Communion</p>
Sun 4	<p>8:30 & 11:00AM-Divine Services with Holy Communion 9:45AM-Sunday School/Bible Classes (FEC & Fellowship Hall)</p>