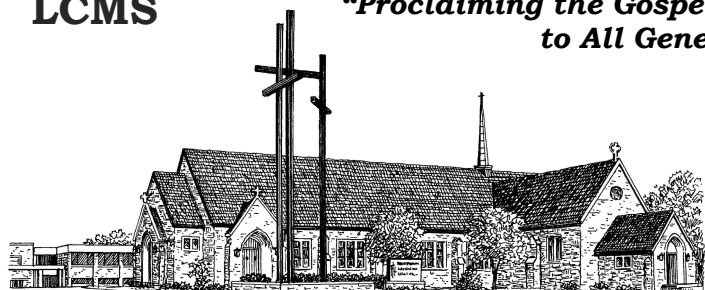


Redeemer Lutheran Church

LCMS

*"Proclaiming the Gospel
to All Generations"*



510 S. 33rd St - Lincoln, NE 68510 - 402-477-1710

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

**Saturday, May 10, and
Sunday, May 11, 2025**

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 at all services. Ask the usher passing out bulletins if you would like one.

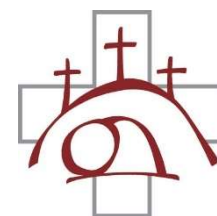
LISTENING DEVICES are available for those who need assistance in hearing the service. Please speak to the Elder on duty (main narthex) if you need one.

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: *Jesus, Good Shepherd, lead us by Your grace to the places You want us to go. Defend us from the attacks of those who seek to destroy us. And carry us on Your shoulders when we can no longer stand. In Your name we pray. Amen.*



ORDER OF WORSHIP *(LSB, pp. 151-166)*

THE PRELUDE

THE RINGING OF THE CHIMES

THE WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PREPARATION

THE HYMN: 710 – “The Lord’s My Shepherd, I’ll Not Want”
(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: When we were baptized, we died and were buried with Christ.

C: We were baptized so that we might have a new life, as Christ was raised to life by the glory of God the Father.

P: Therefore, let us confess our sins to God so that we may remain within the safety of our Shepherd's flock.

(Silence for reflection and self-examination)

P: Almighty and all-merciful God,

C: we are dead in trespasses and sin; we have no power to rise. We have offended Your majesty and defied Your divinity; we have brought death and darkness where You once said, "Let there be light." We deserve the doom that You have decreed. For Jesus' sake, we implore You: forgive our sins, lead us in the paths of righteousness for Your name's sake. Let us be raised with Christ.

P: "Thus it is written, that the Messiah had to suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins must be proclaimed in His name." That Word is now proclaimed to You. Your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit. Go in peace.

C: We have seen the Lord! Alleluia!

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

THE PSALM: Psalm 23 (*Spoken in unison*)

All: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever. (KJV)

THE KYRIE (*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: “Gloria in Excelsis” (*LSB, p. 154*)

P: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.

All: (*Sung*) Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father: We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God: You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer. For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

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 20:17-35

P: The First Reading for the Fourth Sunday of Easter is from the 20th chapter of Acts.

¹⁷Now from Miletus [Paul] sent to Ephesus and called the elders of the church to come to him. ¹⁸And when they came to him, he said to them:

“You yourselves know how I lived among you the whole time from the first day that I set foot in Asia, ¹⁹serving the Lord with all humility and with tears and with trials that happened to me through the plots of the Jews; ²⁰how I did not shrink from declaring to you anything that was profitable, and teaching you in public and from house to house, ²¹testifying both to Jews and to Greeks of repentance toward God and of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. ²²And now, behold, I am going to Jerusalem, constrained by the Spirit, not knowing what will happen to me there, ²³except that the Holy Spirit testifies to me in every city that

imprisonment and afflictions await me. ²⁴But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God. ²⁵And now, behold, I know that none of you among whom I have gone about proclaiming the kingdom will see my face again. ²⁶Therefore I testify to you this day that I am innocent of the blood of all of you, ²⁷for I did not shrink from declaring to you the whole counsel of God. ²⁸Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood. ²⁹I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; ³⁰and from among your own selves will arise men speaking twisted things, to draw away the disciples after them. ³¹Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish everyone with tears. ³²And now I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. ³³I coveted no one’s silver or gold or apparel. ³⁴You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities and to those who were with me. ³⁵In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, ‘It is more blessed to give than to receive.’” (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. *Matt. 28:7; Heb. 2:7; Ps. 8:6*

THE EPISTLE: Revelation 7:9-17

P: The Epistle is from the 7th chapter of Revelation.

⁹After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, ¹⁰and crying out with a loud voice, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!” ¹¹And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²saying, “Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?” ¹⁴I said to him, “Sir, you know.” And he said to me, “These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

¹⁵“Therefore they are before the throne of God,
and serve him day and night in his temple;
and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his
presence.

¹⁶They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore;
the sun shall not strike them,
nor any scorching heat.

¹⁷For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of living water,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.” (ESV)

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand)

THE VERSE *(Sung; LSB, p. 156)*

All: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia. *John 6:68*

THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 10:22-30

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 10th chapter.

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

²²At that time the Feast of Dedication took place at Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the colonnade of Solomon. ²⁴So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, “How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly.” ²⁵Jesus answered them, “I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father’s name bear witness about me, ²⁶but you do not believe because you are not part of my flock. ²⁷My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father’s hand. ³⁰I and the Father are one.” (ESV)

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: *(Sung)* 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)

11:00AM-THE CHOIR ANTHEM: “Just As I Am”

(Kinyon) – The Redeemer Bells

THE CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

THE HYMN OF THE DAY: 709 – “The King of Love My Shepherd Is”

SAT - THE SERMON

Title: "A Beautiful Song of Peace and Joy"

Text: Psalm 23

SUN - THE SERMON

Title: "God's Mission"

Text: Acts 20:17-35

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: Christ, our Shepherd, we do not want. In Your fold You offer peaceful protection, and joyful togetherness.

C: As You have enriched us with every good thing—green pastures, still waters, restored souls—bless us, too, in our giving.

P: So shall all the world be blessed.

C: We praise You now and evermore. 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:

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

(Please be seated)

THE CLOSING HYMN: 862 – "Oh, Blest the House"

(Please stand)

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 BENEDICTION *(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

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SERVING US TODAY

Sat – Liturgist & Preacher: Pastor James E. Fandrey

Sun - Liturgist: Pastor James E. Fandrey

Sun - Preacher: Pastor Gary Dunker

Children's Message: DCE Rod Lane

Organist: Joe Herl

Choir Director: Tami Kolar

Choir: The Redeemer Bells

Acolytes: 6:00PM – Elizabeth Sidders

8:30AM – Josha Guilford

11:00AM – Hudson Krzycki

Chancel Guild: Julie Bachman

Elder on Duty: 6:00PM – Rick Hargreaves

8:30AM – Philip Wohlgemuth

11:00AM – Brent Bolte

Greeters: **Main** **West**

6:00PM Rick Hargreaves

8:30AM John & Joyce Wolff Tanner Clark

11:00AM Jim Otte Karen Nuttleman

Head Usher: 6:00PM – Rick Hargreaves

8:30AM – Gary Heidtbrink

11:00AM – Doug Garrison

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NEWS & NOTES



THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

The Good Shepherd Cares for His Sheep

Jesus Christ, the Son of God, came from the Father and became flesh among us in order to rescue us, His sheep. He laid down His life for us and took it up again in order to give us eternal life. By the preaching of His Gospel, He calls His sheep to Himself and keeps them with Him forever. As they hear His voice and follow Him, *“they will never perish”* (John 10:28), for *“no one is able to snatch them out of the Father’s hand”* (John 10:29). In the same way, faithful pastors (literally, “shepherds”) *“care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood”* (Acts 20:28), *“testifying both to Jews and to Greeks of repentance toward God and of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ”* (Acts 20:21). Therefore, with all the company of heaven, the Good Shepherd gathers His flock in worship, as they cry: *“Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!”* (Rev. 7:10).

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR NEXT WEEKEND, May 17 & 18:

• Acts 11:1–18 • Revelation 21:1–7 • John 16:12–22

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

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS today are given to the glory of God by Galen & Ann Reinke in honor of all mothers on Mother’s Day and in celebration of Ann’s birthday on May 10th.



THE BULLETIN today is given to the glory of God by Orville Behrens in thankfulness to God for healing and his many blessings.

Open Dates and Number of Bouquets available to sponsor the chancel flowers for June 1-1, 8-2; July 13-1, 20-2, 27-1; August 3-2, 10-2, 17-2, 24-2, 31-2. 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 25; June 22; July 20, 27; August 3, 10, 17, 31. The cost of bulletin sponsorship is \$25. To reserve a date, please contact the church office.

OUR RESPONSE TO THE REDEEMER LAST WEEKEND

Worship Attendance: 260 (48-212)

Communion Attendance: 222 (47-175)

Sunday School/Bible Class Attendance: 64 (22-42)

Online Service Stream: 76

<u>Unified Budget Receipts</u>	<u>Budget Needs</u>	<u>Ahead (Behind)</u>
4/27/25 \$8,996.00	\$18,869.58	(\$9,873.58)
5/4/25 \$13,896.76	\$18,869.58	(\$4,972.82)
YTD \$323,742.35	\$339,652.38	(\$15,910.03)



TO GIVE AN OFFERING ONLINE, go to redeemerlincoln.org and click on the "Giving" icon at the top of the page. You may also access it easily via the QR code provided.

HOSPITALIZED:

Pastor Norman Friedmeyer (St. Elizabeth)



Eunice/Circle 3: Please note Eunice Circle 3 will not be meeting on May 13th.



Ordination Anniversary Celebration Rev. Fandrey & Rev. Hoke

Both Rev. Fandrey and Rev. Hoke were ordained in June 1980! Join us to recognize their 45 years of service at a reception between Sunday services on **June 8th** in the Fellowship Hall. Special thanks to our Women of Redeemer for hosting breakfast goodies!



Pastor Samuel Bobby's Installation

Pastor Samuel Bobby's installation as Senior Pastor will be on **Sunday, July 6, at 3:00PM** with a reception to follow in the Fellowship Hall.



Jacob Garrison Receives Call

Jacob Garrison received a call during Concordia Theological Seminary Fort Wayne's call service on April 29th. The calling congregations are Centennial Lutheran Church in Superior, NE and St. John Lutheran Church in Chester, NE. Keep a look out for ordination and installation details which will happen sometime this summer.



Summer Music: Summer is a wonderful time to share your God-given musical talents with the congregation. Please consider reserving a Saturday or Sunday to sing or play. Solos and small groups of all ages are welcome! Sign up in the main narthex or contact the church office (402-477-1710, susanb@redeemerlincoln.org) to reserve a service.



Welcome Home Shower for Pastor Sam & Erica Bobby

Sunday, May 25, 1:30-3:30PM

Everyone is invited! The event will be held in the Church Fellowship Hall. The Bobbys will be moving from Riga, Latvia. They do not even have a rubber spatula. We thought this would be a great way to get to know our new Senior Pastor and his wife, Erica. Below are the links to the sites where they are registered. Join us for a relaxed afternoon of refreshments, laughter, and fellowship. If you have questions, please get in touch with DCE Rod Lane.

They are registered at:

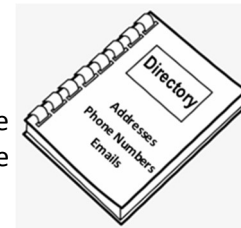
AMAZON: www.amzn.to/42GJURj

WALMART: www.bit.ly/4iwy2qj

NEW Membership Directories

The 2025 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.



**UPDATES ARE PUBLISHED MONTHLY
IN THE CROSS TALK NEWSLETTER.**



Belize Mission Trip Presentation

You are invited to join us for Bible class on Sunday, May 18, in the Fellowship Hall at 9:45AM to hear the inside story of how God used the time and talents from our team. Plenty of visuals will be available.

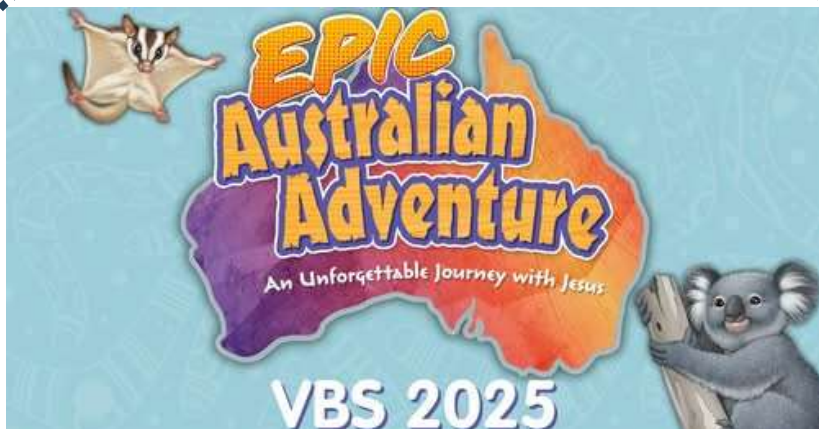
The Belize 2025 team from Redeemer includes: Chris & Brent Bolte, Alexandra & Isaac Branding, Holly Guilford, Andy Guilford, and DCE Rod Lane.

Finally, all of you, be like-minded, be sympathetic, love one another, be compassionate and humble. 1 Peter 3:8 (NIV)

SAVE BEST CHOICE LABELS FOR WOR FUNDRAISING!

EVERYONE can donate to WOR-LWML mission projects! Simply cut out the BEST CHOICE UPC label from Best Choice products. It does not need to be trimmed! We will do that. Best Choice products are available at *Super Saver, Russ' Market, and Leons*. Place your labels in the marked bin in the coat closet. This is a great WAY TO DONATE! **It costs you nothing and we will receive \$30 for every 1000 UPC labels.**





Vacation Bible School

June 9–12

Monday-Thursday, 9AM-Noon

Open to children ages 3 (and potty trained) thru Grade 4.

Register online at redeemerlincoln.org thru June 2nd.

Paper registration is available Sundays in the FEC on May 4, 11, 18.

Invite a Friend this Year!

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### ➔ VBS Volunteers Needed

Help make “Epic Australian Adventure” VBS a success! Volunteers are the heart and soul of Vacation Bible School, allowing the sharing of Christ’s love with all children.

Rod is looking for Adults (and youth who have completed 5th grade and above) to assist with this summer’s Vacation Bible School. Help is needed in all areas: decorating, station leaders, music, set-up, and more.

If you have an interest in helping, Rod has a spot for you! Do not miss out on this great opportunity to serve. Contact DCE Rod Lane (402-499-0807 or [dcerod@redeemerlincoln.org](mailto:dcerod@redeemerlincoln.org)).



## Ascension Day Worship

**Thursday, May 29, 7:00PM**

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*Worship the crucified, risen  
and ascended Redeemer!*



## Burger Madness!

Join us for Burger Madness before Ascension Day Worship on Thursday, May 29th. This time of food and fellowship will take place from 5:30-6:30PM. Cost is \$8 p/person. Dining options include hamburger, cheeseburger, or hotdog basket served with waffle fries, and option of a root beer/orange float. Event will take place in the Fellowship Hall. You may also opt to get your food to go.

### SEEKING VOLUNTEERS TO HELP

Please contact DCE Rod Lane.

### LUTHERAN FOOD PANTRY

Remember that each Sunday is Lutheran Food Pantry Sunday. Your donations of non-perishable food, toiletries, and monetary gifts are greatly appreciated. Current food needs are: Everything! We can use whatever we receive. Please place food donations in the large wooden container located on the east side of the main narthex or in the black wooden box in the FEC entranceway. Please place any cash donations in your envelope and clearly mark “Food Pantry” and place in the offering box or send to the church office. Thank you for your generosity in assisting those in need in the community!





## Casserole Ministry

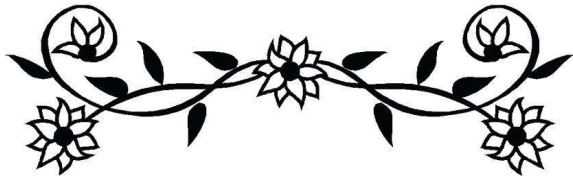
*Is this meal for me?*

Everyone could use a hand sometimes. If you can relate to any of these situations, please don't hesitate to take a meal for yourself or your household.

- I've had surgery or a family member has had surgery
- A family member is in the hospital or just returned home
- A loved one recently passed away
- I have a new baby
- I have had an especially busy and stressful day
- I'm short on funds & just trying to make ends meet

Don't want to take a meal for yourself? Then grab a meal for a family member or friend (Redeemer members or not) that could use a hand, and drop it off with them. There is no better way to spread the love of Jesus than by taking care of each other.

The casserole ministry freezer can be found at the bottom of the stairs in the FEC building. Have questions about the ministry or would like to learn how you can help? Please contact Mariah Niemeyer at 402-890-3112 or [mariah.connor.niemeyer@gmail.com](mailto:mariah.connor.niemeyer@gmail.com).



## Young Adults Group New Topic Started in May!

*(Ages 18 thru 20-something)*



Making decisions in life is a given. That doesn't make it any easier. We face big and small decisions like choosing colleges, careers, and homes every day. These can be challenging, and we often fear making the wrong choice.

In **"Tough Call,"** Matt Popovits offers guidance on how to let God influence your decision-making and find joy amidst struggles. Drawing from the Bible, he provides practical advice for life-changing choices, reminding us to place our hope in Christ rather than in any decision we make. Life is filled with decisions, but our God is greater than them all.

Join the group in the Family Education Center, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room, each Sunday at 9:45AM as they navigate through this study. If you have questions, please contact Erin Maier or DCE Rod Lane



## Lutheran School Tuition Assistance Applications

**2025-2026 School Year  
Grades Pre-K – 12**

Tuition assistance forms have been mailed out. If you have not received your forms, please contact the church office. If you are new to Lutheran schools, contact Valerie Coleman in the church office (402-477-

1710, or [valerie.colemen@redeemerlincoln.org](mailto:valerie.colemen@redeemerlincoln.org). **Please complete all forms and return them to the church office by FRIDAY, JUNE 20.**

## Mother's Day Diaper Drive

Redeemer's Board for Human Care would again like to celebrate Mother's Day for the **entire month of May** 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!



## 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!



## WOR-LWML Collecting Items for Hygiene/Health Kits

During June, July, and August, the Women of Redeemer are collecting items for Hygiene/Health Kits for the Culler Middle School boys and girls. Suggested donation items are deodorant, soap, feminine products, toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, body wash – any items that boys and girls could use for personal hygiene. Place your items in the marked bin in the coat room. WOR thanks you for your contribution!

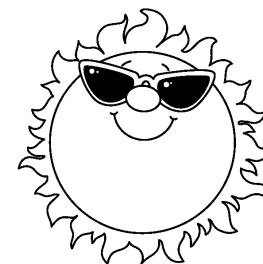
## National LWML Convention

Just two months until the National LWML Convention themed "Growing in God's Grace" in Omaha, NE. Make your plans for **June 26-29** for a time of renewal and refreshment, catching up with old friends, meeting new friends, and everything in between! For all information related to the convention and to register, go to the LWML website: [www.lwml.org/convention](http://www.lwml.org/convention).

## My Devotions for Preteens

The Summer issue of My Devotions is now available! You can find it on the table in the FEC entranceway.

My Devotions is a daily devotional written for preteens. It helps make reading the Bible a habit in a fun and easy way. The topics focus on home and school life, so readers can apply the devotional lessons to their lives. It's perfect for use at home, at school, or on the go!



## Sunday School Topic - May 11<sup>th</sup>

**ASK YOUR CHILD WHAT THEY LEARNED TODAY!**

### The Unknown Revealed: *Paul Preaches in Athens, Acts 17:16-34*

This week's Bible lesson is "The Unknown Revealed." As Paul waits for the other disciples to join him in Athens, he spends time in discussion with philosophers and others in the marketplace. Many temples and altars fill the city of Athens, including an altar dedicated to the "unknown god." One day, Paul speaks at the Areopagus—also called Mars Hill. He uses the altar to the unknown god as an opportunity to teach the people concerning the true God.

***Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it. Proverbs 22:6***

## May 11 – 18

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| <b>Sun 11</b>  | <b>8:30 &amp; 11:00AM-Divine Services</b><br>9:45AM-Sunday School/Bible Classes (FEC & Fellowship Hall)<br>9:45AM-Young Adults Bible Study (FEC 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor* Conference Rm)                                                |
| <b>Mon 12</b>  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Tue 13</b>  | 11:00AM-Staff Meeting (FEC Conference Room)<br>Not Meeting - Eunice/Circle 3                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Wed 14</b>  | 9:30AM-Women's Bible Study (FEC Conference Room)                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Thur 15</b> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Fri 16</b>  | Noon-Cross Talk News Deadline<br>7:00PM-Couples' Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Sat 17</b>  | DCE Rod Lane's Day Off<br><b>6:00PM-Divine Service with Holy Communion</b><br>LWML Mites for Missions                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Sun 18</b>  | <b>8:30 &amp; 11:00AM-Divine Services with Holy Communion</b><br>LWML Mites for Missions<br>9:45AM-Sunday School/Bible Classes (FEC & Fellowship Hall)<br>9:45AM-Young Adults Bible Study (FEC 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor* Conference Rm) |

\* FEC = Family Education Center – Red Brick Building across from the Church

### 710 The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want



1 The Lord's my shep - herd, I'll not want; He makes me  
 2 My soul He doth re - store a - gain And me to  
 3 Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, Yet will I  
 4 My ta - ble Thou hast fur - nish - ed In pres - ence  
 5 Good-ness and mer - cy all my life Shall sure - ly

down to lie In pas - tures green; He  
 walk doth make With - in the paths of  
 fear no ill; For Thou art with me,  
 of my foes; My head Thou dost with  
 fol - low me; And in God's house for -

lead - eth me The qui - et wa - ters by.  
 righ - teous - ness, E'en for His own name's sake.  
 and Thy rod And staff me com - fort still.  
 oil a - noint, And my cup o - ver - flows.  
 ev - er more My dwell - ing place shall be.

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### 709 The King of Love My Shepherd Is



1 The King of love my shep - herd is, Whose good - ness  
 2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, My ran - somed  
 3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, But yet in  
 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill With Thee, dear

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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## 862 Oh, Blest the House



1 Oh, blest the house, what - e'er be - fall, Where Je - sus  
 2 Oh, blest that house where faith is found And all in  
 3 Oh, blest the par - ents who give heed Un - to their  
 4 Oh, blest that house; it pros - pers well. In peace and  
 5 Then here will I and mine to - day A sol - emn



Christ is all in all! A home that is not whol - ly  
 hope and love a - bound; They trust their God and serve Him  
 chil - dren's fore - most need And wea - ry not of care or  
 joy the par - ents dwell, And in their chil - dren's lives is  
 prom - ise make and say: Though all the world for - sake His



His— How sad and poor and dark it is!  
 still And do in all His ho - ly will!  
 cost. May none to them and heav'n be lost!  
 shown How rich - ly God can bless His own.  
 Word, I and my house will serve the Lord!

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