

ORDER OF WORSHIP
September 29, 2024 – 9:00 a.m./10:30 a.m.
Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Theme: The Victory is Ours

As We Gather

The words of Christ do not mean that a single angel is continually occupied with this or the other person; and such an idea is inconsistent with the whole doctrine of Scripture, which declares that the angels encamp around (Psalm 34:7) the godly, and that not one angel only, but many, have been commissioned to guard every one of the faithful. (commentary on Matthew 18:10 - Martin Luther)

Prayer Before Worship

Let Your holy angels always accompany me like Jacob, protect me with fiery chariots and horses like the prophet Elisha, and bring me bread and water, that is, counsel and comfort, like Elijah. Let them deliver and bring me out of all my distresses like Lot from the burning of Sodom, Peter from prison, and Paul from shipwreck. Let my house and home, children, and all I have, be watched over by Your holy angels like the house of Job, that the enemy may not gain entry. Let me live in Your fear and love Your Word and Gospel, into which things even the angels long to look. Put true repentance in my heart, that the angels in heaven may rejoice over me. Kindle in me fervent prayer and praise for Your name, that I may fulfill the office of an angel and with them sing, “Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth,” and that my soul may at last be carried by the angels to Abraham’s bosom. Then on the day of the resurrection, make me like your holy angels, and in their fellowship may I dwell forever. Amen.

Prelude - 9:00 Rick Helderop, organist

Call to Worship - 10:30 A Joyful Alleluia - Dobrinski
Redeemer Ringers
(Please rise for the Opening Hymn)

Opening Hymn 339 All Hail the Power of Jesus Name

1. All hail the power of Jesus’ name! Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all.
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all.
2. Crown Him, ye martyrs of our God, who from His altar call;
Extol the Stem of Jesse’s rod, and crown Him Lord of all.
Extol the Stem of Jesse’s rod, and crown Him Lord of all.
3. Ye seed of Israel’s chosen race, Ye ransomed from the Fall,
Hail Him who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of all.
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Order of Service

P: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Make haste, O God, to deliver me.

C: Make haste to help me, O Lord.

P: The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit.

C: A broken and contrite heart, O God, Thou wilt not despise. Glory be to the Father and to the + Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

(Please be seated)

Children’s Message

Old Testament Reading Daniel 10:10-14, 12:1-3
(The End Times)

A hand touched me and set me trembling on my hands and knees. He said, “Daniel, you who are highly esteemed, consider carefully the words I am about to speak to you, and stand up, for I have now been sent to you.” And when he said this to me, I stood up trembling. Then he continued, “Do not be afraid, Daniel. Since the first day that you set your mind to gain understanding and to humble yourself before your God, your words were heard, and I have come in response to them. But the prince of the Persian kingdom resisted me twenty-one days. Then Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me, because I was detained there with the king of Persia. Now I have come to explain to you what will happen to your people in the future, for the vision concerns a time yet to come.” “At that time, Michael, the great prince who protects your people, will arise. There will be a time of distress such as has not happened from the beginning of nations until then. But at that time your people—everyone whose name is found written in the book—will be delivered. Multitudes who sleep in the dust of the earth will awake: some to everlasting life, others to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise will shine like the brightness of the heavens, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever.

Epistle Reading Revelation 12:7-12
(War in Heaven)

Then war broke out in heaven. Michael and his angels fought against the dragon, and the dragon and his angels fought back. But he was not strong enough, and they lost their place in heaven. The great dragon was hurled down—that ancient serpent called the devil, or Satan, who leads the whole world astray. He was hurled to the earth, and his angels with him. Then I heard a loud voice in heaven say: “Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God, and the authority of his Messiah. For the accuser of our brothers and sisters, who accuses them before our God day and night, has been hurled down. They triumphed over him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony; they did not love their lives so much as to shrink from death. Therefore rejoice, you heavens and you who dwell in them! But woe to the earth and the sea, because the devil has gone down to you! He is filled with fury, because he knows that his time is short.”

Response: Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!

Anthem - 9:00 A Joyful Alleluia - Dobrinski
Redeemer Ringers

Anthem - 10:30 If You Search with All Your Heart-Courtney
Chancel Choir

(Please rise for the Gospel Reading)

Gospel Announcement

Response: Glory be to Thee, O Lord!

Gospel Reading

Mark 13:14-27

(The End Times)

“When you see ‘the abomination that causes desolation’ standing where it does not belong—let the reader understand—then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains. Let no one on the housetop go down or enter the house to take anything out. Let no one in the field go back to get their cloak. How dreadful it will be in those days for pregnant women and nursing mothers! Pray that this will not take place in winter, because those will be days of distress unequalled from the beginning, when God created the world, until now—and never to be equaled again. “If the Lord had not cut short those days, no one would survive. But for the sake of the elect, whom he has chosen, he has shortened them. At that time if anyone says to you, ‘Look, here is the Messiah!’ or, ‘Look, there he is!’ do not believe it. For false messiahs and false prophets will appear and perform signs and wonders to deceive, if possible, even the elect. So be on your guard; I have told you everything ahead of time. “But in those days, following that distress, “ ‘the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from the sky, and the heavenly bodies will be shaken.’ “At that time people will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. And he will send his angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of the heavens.

Response: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Confession of Faith

The Apostles’ Creed
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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; 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)

Sermon Hymn

Lord God, to Thee We Give All Praise

1. Lord God, to Thee we give all praise,
With grateful hearts our voices raise,
That angel hosts Thou didst create
Around Thy glorious throne to wait.
2. They shine with light and heav’nly grace
And constantly behold Thy face;
They heed Thy voice, they know it well,
In godly wisdom they excel.
3. They never rest nor sleep as we;
Their whole delight is but to be
With Thee, Lord Jesus, and to keep
Thy little flock, Thy lambs and sheep.
4. For this, now and in days to be,
Our praise shall rise, O Lord, to Thee,
Whom all the angel hosts adore
With grateful songs forevermore.

Sermon

Text: Daniel 10:10-14, 12:1-3
"The End Times"
Rev. Randall J. Schlak

(Please rise for the Offertory)

Offertory

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
And renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence,
And take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation;
And uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

(Please be seated)

Gathering of Offerings

At this time, please take a moment to record your attendance here with us today. There are two simple ways to do this:

1. Scan the QR code on the front page of the announcements and fill out the online attendance form.
2. Use the worship card found in your pew. You may drop it in the offering plate or simply leave it in your pew after you fill it out.

This is also an opportune time for personal prayer and meditation. For help, see the prayers beginning on page 102 of the pew hymnal and the Psalms beginning on page 123.

Voluntary

If You But Trust in God to Guide You - arr. Behnke
Redeemer Ringers

(Please rise for the Doxology)

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below; Hallelujah, hallelujah,
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost!
Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah,
Hallelujah, hallelujah.

Tune: Hymn 15

Prayer of the Church

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Benediction and Response: Amen, Amen, Amen.

Closing Hymn

Blessed Assurance
(favorite hymn of Sherry Higgins, Donna Hollis,
Judy Mammel, Erin Rodenhouse, Betsy Ukrop)

1. Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine;
Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.

Chorus:

*This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long;
This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.*

2. Perfect submission, perfect delight! Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
Angels descending, bring from above, echoes of mercy, whispers of love.
(Chorus)
3. Perfect communion - all is at rest, I in my Savior am happy and blest;
Watching and waiting, looking above, filled with His goodness, lost in His love.
(Chorus)

Silent Prayer

Postlude

Rick Helderop, organist



Sanctuary altar flowers were placed by David and Jennifer Pflieger for all of God's blessings as we celebrate our 25th wedding anniversary. "Let all that you do be done in love" 1 Corinthians 16:14. Sanctuary lectern flowers were placed by Leslie Whitfield with gratitude to God for the blessing of my beloved grandchildren and in celebration for Joshua, Rachel and Hunter's birthdays. I love you kids! You make my heart smile!

Altar Guild

Barb Grattan, Karen Rose, Sara Amos
Jennifer Dobring, Robin Swift, Carole Citron, Polly Millichamp

Greeters

10:30 - David Mammel and Filippa Genovese

Ushers

9:00 - Ken Baetz, captain; Paul Chesna, Cliff Clark, Ray Dobring,
Bruce Helmke, Bill Leahy, Tom Boyce
10:30 - High School Youth Group

Audio/Video Operators

9:00 - Jim Endress
10:30 - John Mills and David Hardoin

Acolytes

9:00 - Henry Sutherland
10:30 - Blake Dobbs



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Birmingham, Michigan 48009

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your community church

1800 West Maple Road Birmingham, Michigan 48009

Visit us at www.redeemberbirmingham.org for more detailed information

MISSION:

Bringing the love of Christ to a searching world.

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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday, 9:00a.m. - 4:00p.m.
(248) 644-4010 /office@redeemberbirmingham.org



Out of respect, please do not bring food or drinks into the Sanctuary or Chapel. (i.e. coffee, water bottles, etc.) Also, please turn cell phones off or to silent. Thank you for your cooperation. ~Redeemer Board of Elders and Pastors

COMMUNION NEWS: If you would like communion to be brought to you, please let an usher know before the service begins and they will be sure that you are accommodated.



The West Narthex door will be locked on Sundays to enhance building security.

To enter the church on Sundays mornings please use:

the main Narthex doors, the West Town Square doors, or the doors by the Chapel.



Church Extension Fund

CEF is a long-trusted ministry partner of churches and schools in the Michigan District since 1901 where individuals and congregations can invest their money.

Why Should I Invest at Church Extension Fund?

When an individual or congregation invests at CEF, they help to build churches and schools across Michigan. The invested money is used to make construction or renovation loans to churches, like the CEF loan Redeemer has, that made Sacred Space 2 possible. The interest paid back on those loans helps pay the interest on your investments. Your investment at CEF will build a church, school, or other ministry. When you invest at a bank, you will build another bank building. Your investment at CEF runs into eternity! It's a win-win for everyone! For more information call **Curtis Burstein at 248-320-5100**, (our Redeemer representative). Interest Rate sheets available around the building.

YOUTH FALL RETREAT!

All MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL students in grades 6-12 are invited to join us at Camp Skyline for the WHOLE WEEKEND with friends!

Forms are due by **TODAY** and the cost is \$80... You can sign up AND pay via the church website! All retreat participants will receive a FREE YOUTH T-SHIRT! Contact Laura Vowell with questions or for more information. (laura@redeemberbirmingham.org) Scan the QR code to sign up.



RYG - REDEEMER YOUTH GROUP

SEPT 29 HIGH SCHOOL ushering at 10:30 worship
SEPT 29 CIDER MILL 3-5



Make sure you follow RYG on instagram for event updates and photos @redeemer_y00th

- October 4th-6th:** Youth Retreat
No Youth Group Sunday, October 6th
- October 13th:** Pumpkin Carving,
7:00-9:00pm - Meet in the Youth Room
- October 14th:** FOG, 5:00-8:00pm
Meet in the Kitchen
- October 19th:** Camp Restore Volunteer Day, 8:30am - 4:00pm
- October 20th:** Bible Study,
7:00-9:00pm - Meet in the Youth Room
- October 27th:** Murder Mystery,
7:00-9:00pm - Meet in the Youth Room

BECOME A MEMBER!

If you are interested in becoming a member of Redeemer... now you can! Join us for our New Member Classes! Starting **TODAY**, classes will run for 6 weeks on Sundays from 9am - 10am. We will end with New Member Orientation on Sunday 11/10 and the New Member Brunch on Sunday 11/17. Come join us! Contact Laura Vowell (laura@redeemberbirmingham.org) with questions or for more information.



REDEEMERS 100TH ANNIVERSARY PICTORIAL DIRECTORY IS HAPPENING

How do I sign up?



ONLINE:

- Step 1:** Scan this QR Code
- Step 2:** Enter Redeemer Church Code: *mi1957*
- Step 3:** Redeemer Church Password: *photos*

BY EMAIL:

- Email Lynn Kubik Mee Duerr at lynnkubikmee@yahoo.com

BY PHONE:

- Call Lynn at #248-891-2734

Current Photo Sessions Available

- Friday, November 8: 2pm-8pm
- Saturday, November 9: 10am-4pm
- Thursday, November 14: 2pm- 8:30pm
- Friday, November 15: 2pm-8pm
- Saturday, November 16: 10am-4pm
- Friday, November 29: 2pm-8pm
- Saturday, November 30: 10am-4pm

WELCOME TO REDEEMER!

No matter your past or present... Your current family or marital status... Your past or current religious affiliation... Your personal history, age, background, or ethnicity... You are invited, accepted, and most welcomed here. May all who walk through our door know that God loves them. We are pleased to have you worship with us. We pray you will return and share God's Word with us again. For information on membership, contact Laura Vowell at (248) 644-4010 x121.

WORSHIP/COMMUNION SCHEDULE

SUNDAY

8:00am - Chapel
Communion - 2nd, 4th, 5th Sunday

9:00/*10:30am - Sanctuary
Communion 1st & 3rd Sunday

*10:30am livestreamed service
Go to www.redeemberbirmingham.com and click on VIMEO/LIVESTREAM.

MONDAY

7:00pm - Chapel
Communion - Monday that falls after 2nd, 4th, & 5th Sunday

REDEEMER NURSERY

Infants and children are always welcome in church, but if you choose, our nursery is available during 9:00 & 10:30am Sunday worship services for children 3 and under. You are welcome to bring your child to the nursery at any time during the service.

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Scan the QR code & fill out the online attendance form.



WOMEN'S MINISTRY



CHICKS WITH STICKS

CWS will meet on **Thursday, October 3 and 17** at 1:00pm in the library. Beth Hamada, Chairman of Chicks with Sticks invites you.....It's almost fall and it's time to start knitting and crocheting again. We are making hats and scarves for the homeless and needy people of Detroit. Our next gathering will be on Thursday, October 3, at 1:00 pm in the church library. It's totally fine to bring your own project to work on and I hope to see you there!



WOMEN'S BOOK GROUP

Book Group meets **Tuesday, October 24 at 7:30 in the Town Square** to discuss the novel *Killing Crazy Horse* by Bill O'Reilly and Martin Dugard. Share your view points on the venture through the fraught history of our country's founding on already occupied lands, from General Andrew Jackson's brutal battles with the Creek Nation to President James Monroe's epic "sea to shining sea" policy, to President Martin Van Buren's cruel enforcement of a "treaty" that forced the Cherokee Nation out of their homelands along what would be called the Trail of Tears. Historically accurate, emotional and strategic, this work of non-fiction won't soon be forgotten. See you there!

MEN'S MINISTRY

"A World Turned Upside Down – How Does Society Cope With The Creatures Who Have Rejected Their Creator And Become Their Own God?"

Men's Ministry is hosting another Fellowship Breakfast on **Saturday, October 5th, 8-10am** in the Great Room. Our presenter, Pastor Farah, will speak about the dramatic changes he has seen throughout his lifetime in regard to the spiritual, ethical and moral standards of our post-modern, deeply secular society. Christianity has gone from being the foundation of our culture to being viewed by many as the enemy of our culture. He'll offer suggestions as to what we, as a Christian community, can do to negate the spiritually devastating effects of secularism and preserve our faith in Christ. It promises to be a thought-provoking and meaningful time together. All are welcome! Please sign up on the Town Square bulletin board by October 1st. Questions? Contact Gary Priskorn.

SENIOR MINISTRY

Sponsored by Faithful Friends

OCTOBER 13TH ENRICHMENT EVENT

You are invited! Congregation members and friends are invited to our Enrichment Event Sunday, **October 13th** following the 10:30 service in the Great Room. Dawn Neally from Seniors Helping Seniors will be speaking. Her mission is to help seniors remain independent and safe in their home environment by matching them with compassionate, committed, and dependable Care Providers. Seniors Helping Seniors is an in-home care service providing seniors with the ability to choose an independent lifestyle from anywhere they call home, for as long as possible. They also look for Seniors who want to be caregivers! Come to this one-hour Enrichment Event, we will also video tape it for those who are not available.

Faithful Friends

WEDNESDAY LUNCH & WORSHIP - OCTOBER 16TH

All are invited to join us as we resume "Wednesday Lunch & Worship" on **October 16th**, our 3rd Wednesday of the month gathering at 12 noon in the Great Room where we're served a delicious Oktoberfest meal, again graciously prepared by Michele Margosian. After the meal we move to the chapel at 1:00 p.m. for a brief worship service with Holy Communion. Please call the church office (248-644-4010) by September 16th if you're joining us for lunch. Also, if you are in need of transportation, let the office know and we'll do our best to assist. Questions? Contact Gary Priskorn at the number above.

MOTOR CITY SAX QUARTET - THE PRIME TIMERS

Friday, October 25th beginning at 6:00pm in the Great Room. Begins with a delicious meal and some great music of various styles provided by Motor City Sax Quartet. Please sign-up on the bulletin board located in the Town Square by **October 21st**. Questions? Contact **Gary Priskorn**. Full article in October's Lamp!

PARTICIPATE IN WORSHIP!

Scan the QR code to visit Redeemer's website and click on "WAYS TO SERVE" to explore volunteering opportunities at church! You can also find sign-up details on the Town Square bulletin board.



What is a Mystery Prelude? Scan the QR code to find out!

- Be A Reader!
- Be A Greeter!
- Host A Coffee Hour!
- Be An Acolyte Or Cross Bearer
- Sponsor Altar Flowers!
- Family Ushering



HARVEST HOUSE HOP - THE PROGRESSIVE DINNER

Friday, October 11th from 6:00-10:00pm

Sweater weather, crisp air, leaves swirling and we are in the mood for a fun evening. We hope you will join us for an evening of friendship, fellowship, food and fun on **Friday, October 11, beginning at 6:00**. We are hard at work looking for hosts and hostesses to open their homes and welcome us in. Host opportunities include an appetizer/cocktail/mocktail party, dinner for 8-10 at a host home and a night cap at the dessert party. Guests bring appetizers, salad, rolls to the venue and everyone has a great time. If you would like to host, please call Kitty at 248 644-4010.

Sign-up deadline - October 1. Questions? Call Kitty Sweitzer!

MISSIONS

THE GIVING TREE

Thanks for helping with the Giving Tree, taking a tag, and making life a little less difficult for the homeless, refugees and those who struggle every day to survive. Toothbrushes, soap, band-aids, towel and washcloth are certainly things we take for granted but are out of reach for many. Orphan Grain Train, a mission of the Lutheran Church, Missouri Synod will receive our donations at their satellite drop center in Flint. Please make sure your donations are in by October 13th so we can get these precious things into the hands of those who need them. Love and thanks!

FEED THE HOMELESS!

Redeemer partners with Family of God (FOG), a Lutheran Church in southwest Detroit, that provides meals to those in need 6 days a week! YOU can help provide these meals in MANY different ways:



- make bagged lunches
- prepare frozen meals
- deliver/serve a meal
- donate funds to be used to purchase supplies for the meals

Sign up to help at www.redeemberirmingham.org under the Ways to Serve box or on the Town Square bulletin board.

NOTE: If you are signing up on our website, there is a separate sign up to sponsor a meal than there is to plan, shop, cook or serve the meal.

If you have questions or need more information, please contact Laura Vowell at laura@redeemberirmingham.org.

Volunteers needed or our fall workday Saturday, October 19 - 8:30 am



Redeemer is excited to announce a church wide opportunity for families, youth and adults to join us, serving together on a variety of construction and mission projects. Morning coffee, donuts and a delicious lunch provided!

Meet up at the Mt Calvary parking lot - 17100 Chalmers St, Detroit, MI 48205
To sign up please text or contact: Gia Scheidt 248 520-6407; gscheidt@redeemberirmingham.org or Jon Duff 248 214-9037

Save the date for the fall Izosh Event
Sunday, November 17th after the 10:30 worship in the Town Square!
NEW TIME BUT SAME IMPACT!
Stay tuned to church announcements and the November LAMP for more details on the event!

WOMEN INVESTING IN WOMEN®

REDEEMER #SWAG

Did you miss getting your chip clip and popcorn at the Homecoming Picnic? Chip Clips are a useful tool keeping your goodies from getting stale. There is a ton of other stuff in the Town Square waiting for you, including bottle openers, bracelets, stickers and other Redeemer SWAG.



CHRISTMAS? THINKING ABOUT CHRISTMAS ALREADY?

Yes, we are! We are your **Advent by Candlelight** team and we are getting ready for **Sign-up Sunday and your table reservation. We will welcome you on Sunday, October 20, at 7:30am.** Sign-in on the clipboard in the Town Square to indicate your place in line and when your name is called come into the library, pick your table, your room and leave with all the information you will need to welcome your guests to the table the evening of Tuesday, December 3 at 6:00pm. Join us for a Christ-filled, peaceful, mindful evening of scripture, music, personal glimpses and more. We are waiting to walk to Christmas with you. Directors 2024 Crissy Bienkowski and Erin Mortenson. Directors in Training are Kim Martin and Katra Klow!

TEASER AND TRIVIA FOR CONGREGATIONAL CARE AND ADULT EDUCATION

In 1969, Bill Meinert attended a 2 week orientation session in Madison, WI. This orientation session enabled him to bring the Bethel Series Bible Study to Redeemer. A group of teachers participated in a 2 year training opportunity. After that, a large number of our members took part in this intensive study. In an article in The Eccentric, Bill Meinert was named as the "Rev. Meinert"!



Learn more about Redeemer's Congregational Care and Adult Education

DID YOU KNOW?

The Church Extension fund cares for Redeemer's ministry in many ways, including its Investment Rebate Program. Since, as a congregation, we have financed capital improvements with CEF and the fact that members have significant investments with

CEF, Redeemer earned a rebate in July of \$20,996.97! CEF also gave Redeemer Staff a \$2,500 grant for a team-building event. Our Staff chose to participate in a cooking contest at Mirepoix in Royal Oak, where they split into two teams - "Saints" and "Sinners." Afterwards, we shared the experience with CEF through videos and photos, and entered a contest to receive an additional \$10,000 grant - AND WE WON! The money will go towards future team-building events for Redeemer staff and will be presented to the congregation on **Sunday, October 27th**. Thank you for faithfully investing with Church Extension Fund and your partnership in helping to Build the Kingdom here in Michigan!

Communication Workshop

Last February 3 and 10 a marriage workshop led by Pastor Farah was held here at Redeemer. While we covered several topics we did not have the time to cover any of them in depth. For that reason we are going to have a second workshop on **Saturday, November 9, from 9:00am to 12 noon** with a concentrated focus on the issue of communication. Dr. Sandy Pourcho and Pastor Farah will present. As Pastor Farah stated in February, communication is not one of those things we should do based on what comes naturally. Communication can build up or it can destroy. The good news is that good communication can be learned. We believe you will go away from this workshop with a better understanding of skills that will help you communicate better resulting in less stress and struggle not only in marriage but in all the relationships of your life. And note, this workshop is not just for people who are married. All are welcome and all can benefit. The cost will be \$40.00 per couple or \$25.00 for a single. Checks can be made out to Ron Farah.



COUNSELING
Sandy Pourcho, Ph.D.
248-586-6040

ATTENTION REDEEMER MEN - Did you know we have a Pastoral Counselor for you here at Redeemer - Rev. Ronald Farah - that you can talk to man to man? Don't hesitate to call Rev. Farah at 248-642-3137 to make an appointment.

PATHWAYS REDEEMER'S GRIEF AND LOSS RECOVERY GROUP

Meetings will resume **Wednesday, October 3th 1:00pm** in the Town Square. Come join us to learn skills and acquire loving comfort and support while adjusting to your life change and the new journey God has set before you. Bring a friend, all are welcome! Any questions, feel free to call Dr. Sandy Pourcho (248-568-6040), Redeemer's Resident Counselor.



MUSIC AT CHRISTMAS

THE WONDER OF CHRISTMAS

Please join the Chancel Choir as we prepare the Cantata **The Wonder of Christmas** to be presented with full orchestra on **Sunday, December 22nd at the 9:00am and 10:30am services.** This is a special opportunity for those of you who enjoy singing but perhaps cannot make a weekly commitment to singing on Sunday with the choir. **Starting the first Wednesday of October, we will spend the first half-hour of our Chancel Choir Rehearsal on the Cantata** - join us from 6:30-7:00pm, or stay longer if you'd like! This invitation is designed to allow more church members to participate in the Cantata, which is an amazing experience, as we are joined by outstanding professional instrumentalists from the Detroit area. Don't miss this opportunity!

JOIN THE CHRISTMAS CANTATA YOUTH CHOIR

We have a very exciting opportunity for children, ages 6 and up to participate in the "**Wonder of Christmas**" to be presented with the Chancel Choir and full orchestra on **Sunday, December 22nd at the 9:00am and 10:30am services** (dress rehearsal Saturday, Dec. 21). Rehearsals for Sunday School ages (older children also welcome) will begin **Oct. 13th from 10:00 - 10:45 in the Chapel.** Middle Schoolers (and older) will rehearse on select Wednesdays during scheduled confirmation classes. Please contact Nancy Lesinski (nancylesinski@gmail.com), Laura Vowell or Nicole Olds with any questions.

Kids and youth



THIRD GRADE BIBLES!

Third graders - it's finally your turn to receive your very own Bible! We will have a class for parent(s) and 3rd graders on **Sunday, October 27th at 9:00am in the Scheidt Room.** We then invite you to attend the 10:30am service to have your new Bibles blessed

and celebrate Reformation Sunday. The kids will get to use their Bibles during Sunday School, too! If you have not received an email about the event, please contact **Nicole Olds.**

SHINE THE LIGHT NIGHT!

Families with kids of all ages are invited to our Halloween event, **Shine the Light Night!** Join us on **Sunday, October 27th from 3:00pm-5:00pm** for a fun afternoon of trick or treating around the church, photo-ops in costume, yummy snacks, dancing, and a charity project. Come in your Halloween costume (adults too!) and be a part of this fun event! Bring a friend or two! Sign-up via the church website or on the Town Square bulletin board if you plan to attend! Contact **Laura Vowell** for more information.

SHINE THE LIGHT NIGHT - VOLUNTEERS!

We need help from congregation members of all ages to make this event a SUCCESS! Please sign-up via the church website or on the Town Square bulletin board if you would like to help out with decorating a doorway for trick or treaters, set-up/clean-up, or running games.

***Counts toward service hours for Confirmands!**



PRAYER & PRAISE LIST

For those with health concerns:

- Wayne Denniston, dad of Sharon Tylenda
- Rick Warnicke
- Maddie, Mary Jane Johnson's great-niece
- Rich, friend of the Curcio's
- Michael Wiegand
- Rick Raymann
- Mike Danowski, friend of Linda Laurain
- Amy Wargelin
- Carol & Tim Frost
- Mary Lou Mabee
- Myrna Orava
- Beth Hamada
- Ron Ging

For those in Hospice Care:

- Etta Unruh
- Helga Compagnia

Special Petitions:

- For all those who are serving in the military, police & fire-fighters.
- President Biden and all world leaders, to be receptive to Godly counsel.
- For all those suffering from health concerns and for their caregivers devoting themselves to helping everyone who is sick.

Prayers of Thanksgiving:

- For those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries.
- For Caitlyn Buechner and John Lagalski who were united in marriage Sunday, September 22. May God grant them His Blessings.

Anyone in need of long-term prayers (more than 3 weeks) will be included in our daily prayer chain email distribution and rotated on our Sunday prayer list once a month.

BIBLE STUDIES

SUNDAYS

Adult Bible Study - Rev. Ronald Farah - Romans
All year after 9am service(Scheidt Room)

New Member Class - Laura Vowell
9-10am (Great Room) Sept 29-Nov. 3

Children's Sunday School - Nicole Olds
10:30am (lower-level classrooms)

R Y G (High School) - Gia & Eric
7pm (Youth Room)

TUESDAYS

Adult Bible Study - Pastor Jimmy - Heroes of the Bible
9:30am (Great Room)

Women's Bible Study - Kitty Sweitzer
6:30pm (Great Room) *4th Tuesday starts at 6pm
The Chosen-Season 4

WEDNESDAYS

Men's Bible Study - Gary Priskorn - Acts (*Zoom available)
6:45-7:30am - all year (Great Room)

Positive Parenting - Victoria Ilitch & Kristin Thompson
9:15-10:45am (Great Room)

Confirmation Classes - Laura Vowell
6-8pm (various rooms)

Core Group (RYG - High School) - Gia Scheidt
6-8pm (Youth Room)

For more information on a particular study, contact the names indicated or call the church office at 248-644-4010.

If you'd like to take a journey and read the Bible, see the Lamp for a Bible reading plan.



NEW STUDY THIS FALL

When Your Way Isn't Working by Kyle Idleman (5 session Bible study) 9:15-10:45am in the great room on **October 7, 21, November 4, 18 and December 9**. In John 15:5, Jesus tells us how he is the vine. This study focuses on: +seeking out greater rest, depth, and connection in our lives +finding freedom from the pressures of performance and production +stepping out of loneliness and isolation even when it feels scary +getting rid of the distractions that keep us disconnected from Christ. If you would like to attend, please contact Anna Lewis at 248.224.0383.

POSITIVE PARENTING!

Join us for conversation and community in Redeemer's weekly exploration of parenting. Join us from **9:15am - 10:45am on Wednesdays in the Great Room**. Every class session stands alone, so feel free to join us whenever you can. Positive Parenting is open to everyone, regardless of the ages of your children. There is always childcare available with no need to sign up in advance! Contact Kristin Thompson (kethompson1@gmail.com) or Victoria Ilitch (victoria.ilitch@gmail.com) with questions or for more information.

Upcoming October Events

October 2nd: Prepare a meal for Family of God,

October 9th: Bible Study led by Pastor Randy

October 16th, 23rd, 30th: We will tackle and discuss one of the biggest parenting behemoths - technology!

We will pull from The Anxious Generation by Jonathan Haidt, podcasts, and lean into moms that have begun this walk.

EVENT SCHEDULE

BIBLE STUDY:

First Thursday of Every Month

MONTHLY SOCIALS AND OUTINGS

CHURCH LUNCHES:

Once a Month after Church

**TEXT MICHAEL BANERIAN TO LEARN MORE AND GET INVOLVED!
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