

ORDER OF WORSHIP
September 15, 2024 – 9:00 a.m./10:30 a.m.
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
Theme: Language

As We Gather

Sticks and stones may break my bones, but words are powerful weapons that can inspire or destroy someone. Reflecting on Proverbs 18:21 “Death and life are in the power of the tongue, and those who love it will eat its fruits.” How very true. The Lord is always speaking, we just have to pay attention.

Prayer Before Worship

Dear Holy Spirit, My God. Teach me to speak wisely. Let me avoid useless thoughts and useless conversations. Help me to speak often for You. Grant that my words may never hurt people of goodwill. May my words always bring consolation to those in sorrow and guidance to those in need. Take my lips and make them Yours. In Jesus’ Name. Amen.

If you wish to join us at the Lord’s Table, please read this Communion information. If you share our beliefs regarding the Lord’s Supper, we welcome you to our altar.

- ✠ **I believe that Jesus Christ is my only Lord and Savior from all sin, Satan and death.**
- ✠ **I believe that Christ is really present in the Sacrament and that with the bread and wine I receive His true Body and Blood.**
- ✠ **I resolve to dedicate my life to my Lord and Savior in His Body, the Church, by regular worship and devoted Christian service and living.**

Mystery Prelude

Rick Helderop, organist

(Sponsored by Rick Russ in celebration of his mom’s 98th birthday on 9/11)

(Please rise for the Opening Hymn)

Opening Hymn

Stand up Stand up for Jesus - arr. Promise Keepers

Sung by Redeemer Praise along with Congregation

1. Stand up! - Stand up for Jesus, Ye soldiers of the Cross!
Lift high His royal banner, it must not suffer loss.
From vict’ry unto vict’ry His army shall He lead
Till ev’ry foe is vanquished and Christ is Lord indeed.
2. Stand up! - Stand up for Jesus! The trumpet call obey;
Forth to the mighty conflict in this His glorious day!
Ye that are men, now serve Him against unnumbered foes;
Let courage rise with danger and strength to strength oppose.
3. Stand up! - Stand up for Jesus! The strife will not be long;
This day the noise of battle, the next, the victor’s song.
To him that overcometh a crown of life shall be;
He with the King of Glory shall reign eternally.

Order of Service for Holy Communion

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

C: Amen.

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C: Who made heaven and earth.

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

C: And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.

P & C: O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto Thee all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended Thee and justly deserve Thy temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray Thee of Thy boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me a poor, sinful being.

P: Upon this your confession, I, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

(Please be seated)

Children’s Message

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 50:4-10

(Israel’s Sin and the Servant’s Obedience)

The Sovereign LORD has given me a well-instructed tongue, to know the word that sustains the weary. He wakens me morning by morning, wakens my ear to listen like one being instructed. The Sovereign LORD has opened my ears; I have not been rebellious, I have not turned away. I offered my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who pulled out my beard; I did not hide my face from mocking and spitting. Because the Sovereign LORD helps me, I will not be disgraced. Therefore have I set my face like flint, and I know I will not be put to shame. He who vindicates me is near. Who then will bring charges against me? Let us face each other! Who is my accuser? Let him confront me! It is the Sovereign LORD who helps me. Who will condemn me? They will all wear out like a garment; the moths will eat them up. Who among you fears the LORD and obeys the word of his servant? Let the one who walks in the dark, who has no light, trust in the name of the LORD and rely on their God.

Epistle Reading

James 3:1-5

(Taming the Tongue)

Not many of you should become teachers, my fellow believers, because you know that we who teach will be judged more strictly. We all stumble in many ways. Anyone who is never at fault in what they say is perfect, able to keep their whole body in check. When we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we can turn the whole animal. Or take ships as an example. Although they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are steered by a very small rudder wherever the pilot wants to go. Likewise, the tongue is a small part of the body, but it makes great boasts. Consider what a great forest is set on fire by a small spark.

Response: Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!

(Please rise for the Gospel Reading)

Gospel Announcement

Response: Glory be to Thee, O Lord!

Gospel Reading

Mark 9:17-25

(Jesus Heals a Boy with an Unclean Spirit)

A man in the crowd answered, “Teacher, I brought you my son, who is possessed by a spirit that has robbed him of speech. Whenever it seizes him, it throws him to the ground. He foams at the mouth, gnashes his teeth and becomes rigid. I asked your disciples to drive out the spirit, but they could not.” “You unbelieving generation,” Jesus replied, “how long shall I stay with you? How long shall I put up with you? Bring the boy to me.” So they brought him. When the spirit saw Jesus, it immediately threw the boy into a convulsion. He fell to the ground and rolled around, foaming at the mouth. Jesus asked the boy’s father, “How long has he been like this?” “From childhood,” he answered. “It has often thrown him into fire or water to kill him. But if you can do anything, take pity on us and help us.” “ ‘If you can?’ ” said Jesus. “Everything is possible for one who believes.” Immediately the boy’s father exclaimed, “I do believe; help me overcome my unbelief!” When Jesus saw that a crowd was running to the scene, he rebuked the impure spirit. “You deaf and mute spirit,” he said, “I command you, come out of him and never enter him again.”

Response: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Confession of Faith

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spake by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

(Please be seated)

Sermon Hymn 341

Crown Him with Many Crowns

1. Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne;
Hark how the heav’nly anthem drowns all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for thee
And hail Him as thy matchless King thro’ all eternity.

2. Crown Him the Lord of Love. Behold His hands and side,
Rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified.
No angel in the sky can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends his wond’ring eye at mysteries so bright.

3. Crown Him the Lord of Heaven, enthroned in worlds above,
Crown Him the King to whom is given the wondrous name of Love.
Crown Him with many crowns as thrones before Him fall;
Crown Him, ye kings, with many crowns,

Sermon

“The Power of Words”
Rev. James Greenwalt, II

Text: Mark 9:14-29

(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.

(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

Communion Liturgy

The Lord's Prayer

P: 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;

C: For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Words of Institution (spoken by the Pastor)

The Pax Domini

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

C: Amen.

The Agnus Dei

O Christ Thou Lamb of God,
that takest away the sin of the world,
have mercy upon us.

O Christ Thou Lamb of God,
that takest away the sin of the world,
have mercy upon us.

O Christ Thou Lamb of God,
that takest away the sin of the world,
grant us Thy peace. Amen.

(Please be seated)

The Distribution of Holy Communion

For prayers before and after receiving the Sacrament, see pages 118-119 in the red hymnal.

Communion wine is dark in color, grape juice is light. It is in the individual cup trays in the glass cups allowing for each member to grab their own wine cup. If you would like to receive a gluten-free wafer or desire the common cup, at the appropriate time, please raise your pointer finger.

Communion Anthem

How Deep the Father's Love For Us
Townend, arr. Galbraith

Redeemer Praise

(Please rise for the Benediction)

Benediction and Response: Amen! Amen! Amen!

Closing Hymn

Onward Christian Soldiers

(favorite hymn of Ronald Beyer, Tom Boyce, Stephanie Dettlinger, Lynn Duerr, Tom Gray, Alison Harrison, Janet Harthen, Donna Hollis, Mary Jane Johnson, Christina Mee, Samantha Mee, Jacqueline Mee, MaryAnn Perryman, Barbara Peterson, Pat Raetzler, Nancy Tar)

1. Onward, Christian soldiers, marching as to war,
With the cross of Jesus going on before.
Christ, the royal Master, leads against the foe;
Forward into battle see His banners go!
Onward, Christian soldiers, marching as to war,
With the cross of Jesus going on before.
2. Like a mighty army moves the Church of God;
Brothers, we are treading where the saints have trod.
We are not divided, all one body we,
One in hope and doctrine, one in charity.
Onward, Christian soldiers, marching as to war,
With the cross of Jesus going on before.
3. Crowns and thrones may perish, kingdoms rise and wane
But the Church of Jesus constant will remain.
Gates of hell can never 'gainst that Church prevail;
We have Christ's own promise, and that cannot fail.
Onward, Christian soldiers, marching as to war,
With the cross of Jesus going on before.

Silent Prayer

Postlude

Rick Helderop, organist



Sanctuary altar flowers were placed by Bill and Darlene Bliss in honor of their 32nd wedding anniversary

Altar Guild

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

Elders Assisting with Communion

David Mammel, Rick Russ, Eric Stein

Ushers

9:00 - Mike Grattan, Rick McDonald, Andrew Tafel, Eric Rolf,
Ron Lalone, Bryan Grattan, David Eberly

10:30 - Karl Bushuiakovish, Eric Stein, Greg Bloom, Scott Kamm,
Ben Kamm, Brian May, John Mills

Audio and Video Operators

9:00 - Jim Wingo

10:30 - Mike Lapinski, Brian Fish



THE POWER OF WORDS

September 15, 2024
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Lutheran Church of the Redeemer
1800 W. Maple
Birmingham, Michigan 48009

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your community church



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

MISSION:

Bringing the love of Christ to a searching world.

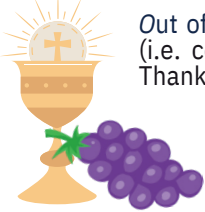


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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

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

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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.

Outdoor is Weather Permitting

Join us for OUTDOOR WORSHIP and BLESSING OF PETS

September 22nd (9:00 and 10:30am services) on the front lawn - bring your own lawn chair!

Bring your pet of any shape or size and have them Blessed!

In case of rain, please join us with your lawn chairs and pets in the Gym. Please do not enter the Sanctuary with your pets. You may enter through the Gym or Town Square. **NOTE: please make sure to clean up after your pet!**

NOTE: During the closing hymn, there will be an opportunity to have your beloved pets who have passed on to be placed in our pet columbarium. If you are interested in having your pets placed in their final resting place during the end of the service, please call the church office by the Friday before.



Fingerprint of approval



THANK YOU to Kim Davis, her crew and ALL those who helped organize, serve, work, and clean at last Sunday's Homecoming Picnic. We truly couldn't have done it without you. We hope you had a wonderful time!



Pastor Randy is on vacation and will be returning today.

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.

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.redeemberirmingham.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.



kids and youth

BE A SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER OUR KIDS NEED YOU!

Our regular Sunday School starts TODAY and we are in desperate need of teachers. In an ideal world I would have 4 teachers each week. I have a set up where you teach for 5 weeks and then have 10 weeks "off". You would teach either 10 or 15 weeks total depending on which rotation you are in. With that schedule I need 12 teachers. As of right now I have 4. You can grab a friend or family member to teach with you. If you have a middle or high schooler they can help or even teach a class if you think they're up to it. I do need people to commit so I'm not scrambling each Sunday. You can teach your own child's age group or we can keep you out of that room if it's better for all involved. Please prayerfully consider helping. As I learned this summer it is difficult to have ages 3-11 in one group.

IMPORTANT CONFIRMATION DATES

Year 1 Orientation: Wednesday 9/18 - 6pm
 Year 2 Orientation: Sunday 9/22 - at 1:30pm
 Year 3 Orientation: Sunday 9/22
 (directly following the 10:30am service)

Confirmation Classes Start: Wednesday 9/25 from 6pm - 8pm

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! We'll be having fun and learning more about God's Word during the weekend of October 4th - October 6th! Friends are more than welcome!



Forms are due by Sunday 9/29 and the cost is \$80... BUT... if you turn in forms by Sunday 9/22, the cost is only \$65! 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@redeemberirmingham.org)
 Scan the QR code to sign up.

RYG - REDEEMER YOUTH GROUP

Youth Group has an open-door policy: friends (churched and unchurched) are welcome, always! We have students in all grades from public, private and parochial schools.

Make sure you follow

RYG on Instagram for event updates and photos

@redeemer_y00th



SEPT 15 ROAD RALLY 7-9

SEPT 22 PUTT-PUTT and RAYS ICE CREAM 7-9

SEPT 29 CIDER MILL 3-5

HARVEST HOUSE HOP - THE PROGRESSIVE DINNER

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

Last year, we had a wonderful time meeting new people, greeting old friends, and enjoying a delicious meal! Please consider being one of our hosts - we are happy to guide you, it is easier than you think, and you can pick how you host!

- Pre-Party Reception Home (cocktails, mocktails, appetizers)
- Dinner Host Homes (6) (salad, dinner)
- Dessert Host Home (dessert and Hummers)

Guests bring an appetizer, salad, rolls, or dessert at the request of host. A fun, light-hearted evening awaits! Jump in to help or simply sign-up to attend.

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

Redeemer Brass will be playing at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs on **Saturday, Sept 28 from 1-4**. Come hear us play!

PARTICIPATE IN WORSHIP!

- Be A Reader!
- Be A Greeter!
- Host A Coffee Hour!
- Be An Acolyte Or Cross Bearer!
- Sponsor Altar Flowers!
- Sign up for a Mystery Prelude



*Three Ways To Sign Up and participate!

1. Sign-up on the Town Square bulletin board
2. On the front page of the Church website, click the "Ways To Serve" box
3. Call the Church office

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



WEDNESDAY LUNCH & WORSHIP - SEPTEMBER 18

All are invited to join us as we resume "Wednesday Lunch & Worship" on **September 18th**, our 3rd Wednesday of the month gathering at 12 noon in the Great Room where we're served a delicious 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.

MISSIONS

THE GIVING TREE

Beginning Sunday, September 15th, the Giving Tree will be loaded with bright, red apple tags labeled with some of the most basic items needed (soap, bath towel, toothbrush, etc.) Purchase the item (s), put it in the bins surrounding the tree, and we will see that your gift gets to the Orphan Grain Train and people all over the world in need of support. Deadline for items is Sunday, October 13th.

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
- meal plan
- shop
- prepare a hot meal

- donate funds to be used to purchase supplies for the meals

Signup 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 signup 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.

OKTOBERFEST AT OUR SHEPHERD

Oktoberfest at Our Shepherd will take place on **September 21st from 3:00pm-10:00pm**. There will be authentic German food, beverages, and music! One complete meal is free for every person attending as a small sign of the wonderful love that Jesus has for you. **Our very own Brass will be playing from 3-6pm!** This event is sponsored by the Birmingham Circuit congregations of the Michigan District of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. A portion of proceeds from this event will benefit the Allwardt Seminary Fund, which helps financially support men training to be pastors at Concordia Seminary in St. Louis and Concordia Theological Seminary in Ft. Wayne.

Volunteers are needed to help make this event a success! You can find out how to volunteer and more information about this event at osloktoberfest.com or contact Gary Priskorn or Jon Duff (248.214.9037).

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



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!

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, 8-10 a.m. 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.

DONATION INFORMATION

If you would like to donate, you can scan this QR Code using your phone's camera, or you can use one of the offering envelopes found in the pew. If you choose to give online, we have cards in the pew for you to place in the offering basket indicating you have donated online.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!!

BECOME A MEMBER!

If you are interested in becoming a member of Redeemer... now you can! Join us for our New Member Classes! Starting on Sunday, September 29th, 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@redeemberirmingham.org) with questions or for more information.

MUSIC MINISTRY

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 OUR MINISTRY!

Come sing or ring, or play an instrument for our God. If you need a ride to rehearsal, we will make sure you have one. If you need childcare for your children, it can be provided. If you can't commit every week, we will work with your schedule.

And by the way, for Chancel Choir, if you can't read music, that's ok. It is not a requirement. There is no audition. Join us for great fellowship and a wonderful opportunity to minister to the congregation. Come make music with us!

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

CHICKS WITH STICKS

CWS will meet on Thursday, September 19th at 1:00 in the library. We are making all kinds of things for the homeless and those who live just making ends meet.....hats, mittens, and other cozy things....and yes, we will continue to knit for the next winter when people will need the warmth of a gift and a message of hope. Come anytime and sit in. If you don't knit you can help sort or bring a project to work on and enjoy the fellowship. We also crochet and love to share our enthusiasm! Meetings are typically the first and third Thursday of the month. Please check the schedule or call the church office.

TUESDAY NIGHT WOMEN'S BOOK GROUP

Tuesday, September 24 at 7:30 in the Town Square is when we discuss Kathleen Grissom's book The Kitchen House. When a white servant girl violates the order of plantation society, she unleashes a tragedy that exposes the worst and best in the people she has come to call her family.



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.



PRAYER & PRAISE LIST

For those with health concerns:

- Wayne Denniston, dad of Sharon Tylanda
- Michael Wiegand
- David Struck
- Shirley Struck
- Rick Raymann
- Mike Danowski, friend of Linda Laurain
- Michael, friend of Andrea Calvaneso
- Amy Wargelin
- Anne Spada, daughter of Kathryn Anthony
- Tyler Crain & Tammie Bordeaux, friends of Stacie Millichamp
- Carol & Tim Frost
- Mary Lou Mabee
- John Wargelin
- 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.

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 - Heros of the Bible
9:30am (Great Room) begins Sept 17

Women's Bible Study - Kitty Sweitzer
6:30pm (Great Room) *4th Tuesday starts at 6pm
The Chosen-Season 4 - begins Sept 17

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) begins Sept 11

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 STUDIES THIS FALL

Tuesday Morning Bible study starts up again Tuesday, **September 17, at 9:30** in the Great Room it is also available via zoom, just contact Pastor Jimmy for the zoom information. This year we will be studying **Heros of the Bible**. People like David, Sampson, Debra just to name a few. We will read their sections of Scripture then discuss them. What made them a hero, what were their flaws? Come and join us.

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.

We begin our newest study. **"The Chosen - Season Four"** on **Tuesday, September 17 at 6:30pm** in the Great Room. If you have watched with us in the past you know what an amazing discussion rises from the greatest story ever told. Come! Sit next to me! Discussion follows in lesson form and you can sign-up on the Town Square bulletin board to let me know you are coming and to reserve a student lesson guide. (Cost is \$10.00 per guide). Like to know more? Call or email Kitty Sweitzer for more information!

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