

The Praying Hands by Albrecht Dürer

February 9, 2023
9:00 a.m./10:30 a.m.

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

ORDER OF WORSHIP
February 9, 2025 – 9:00 a.m./10:30 a.m.
The Fifth Sunday After Epiphany
Theme: Prayer

As We Gather

All I know is that when I pray, coincidences happen; and when I don't pray, they don't happen. – *Dan Hayes*

Prayer Before Worship

Lord, I bow my heart before You and give You honor and praise. Oh God, strengthen my prayer life. Help me to pray more. Nudge me to pray when I'm doing mindless tasks. Help me to truly know who I am in Christ, to understand that You always hear me, to know Your Word so I can pray it, to write down my own prayer needs and the needs of others, and to know that You really do know me. In the strong name of Jesus, Amen.

Prelude

Rick Helderop, organist

Opening Hymn

Have Thine Own Way Lord

1. Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!
Thou art the Potter, I am the clay.
Mold me and make me after Thy will,
While I am waiting yielded and still.
2. Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!
Wounded and weary, help me, I pray!
Power, all power, surely is Thine!
Touch me and heal me, Savior divine!
3. Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!
Hold o'er my being absolute sway!
Fill with Thy Spirit till all shall see.
Christ only, always, living in me!

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

1 Chronicles 4:7-13

(A Story of Faith and Hope)

The sons of Helah: Zereth, Zohar, Ethnan, and Koz, who was the father of Ahub and Hazzobebah and of the clans of Aharhel son of Harum. Jabez was more honorable than his brothers. His mother had named him Jabez, saying, "I gave birth to him in pain." Jabez cried out to the God of Israel, "Oh, that you would bless me and enlarge my territory! Let your hand be with me, and keep me from harm so that I will be free from pain." And God granted his request. Kelub, Shuhah's brother, was the father of Mehir, who was the father of Eshton. Eshton was the father of Beth Rapha, Paseah and Tehinnah the father of Ir Nahash. These were the men of Rekah. The sons of Kenaz: Othniel and Seraiah. The sons of Othniel: Hathath and Meonothai.

Epistle Reading Hebrews 4:14-16

(We Have a High Priest)

Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has ascended into heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he did not sin. Let us then approach God’s throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

Response: Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!

Anthem

9:00: Grace – Story

Alison Ristovski

10:30: Sweetest Name – Steve SeGraves

This arrangement, written in 1990 for his mother, Barbara SeGraves.

Chancel Choir

(Please rise for the Gospel Reading)

Gospel Announcement

Response: Glory be to Thee, O Lord!

Gospel Reading

Luke 18:10-14

(A Humble Prayer)

“Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood by himself and prayed: ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other people—robbers, evildoers, adulterers—or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week and give a tenth of all I get.’ “But the tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, ‘God, have mercy on me, a sinner.’ “I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God. For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.”

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

Sweet Hour of Prayer

1. Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer

That calls me from a world of care,
And bids me at my Fathers throne
Make all my wants and wishes known:
In seasons of distress and grief
My soul has often found relief,
And oft escaped the tempters snare
By thy return, sweet hour of prayer.

2. Sweet hour of prayer! sweet hour of prayer!

Thy wings shall my petition bear
To Him whose truth and faithfulness
Engage the waiting soul to bless.
And since He bids me seek His face,
Believe His Word and trust His grace,
I'll cast on Him my every care
And wait for thee, sweet hour of care.

Sermon

Text: 1 Chronicles 4:7-13

“The Unknown Who Becomes Well-Known”

Rev. Randall J. Schlak

*(Please rise for the Offertory)***Offertory**

God's Word Is Our Great Heritage

*Hymn 283 in our Red Hymnal**Sung in place of our normal offertory for our 100th Anniversary*

God's Word is our great heritage, And shall be ours forever;
To spread its light from age to age, Shall be our chief endeavor.
Through life it guides our way, In death it is our stay.
Lord, grant, while worlds endure, We keep its teachings pure
Throughout all generations.

*(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

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring – Bach
Redeemer Brass

(Please rise for the Doxology)

Doxology

Tune: Hymn 15

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.

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 457

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

*(favorite hymn of Linda Clark, Tom Gray, Donna Hollis, Mary Jane Johnson,
Judy Mammel, Valerie McCammon, Sean McCauley, Myrna Orava,
Erin Rhodenhouse, Caitlin Tobin, Judy Weir)*

1. What a Friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!
Oh, what peace we often forfeit, oh, what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry everything to God in prayer!
2. Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged, take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a Friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness - take it to the Lord in prayer.

3. Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our Refuge - take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer;
In His arms He'll take and shield thee, thou wilt find a solace there.

Silent Prayer

Postlude

Crown Him With Many Crowns – Elvey
Redeemer Brass

Sanctuary lectern flowers were placed by Ellie Gause for a birthday remembrance of God's special gift to our family, Karen.

Altar Guild

Karen Pridmore, Kathy Eley, Rose Kiehle, Megan Rettray,
Ellie Gause, Bev Yocum, Kim Martin, Tina Conte, Richelle Pedersen,
Liz Pedersen, Katre Klow, Tracey Fish

Greeters

9:00 - The Freidrich Family

Ushers

9:00 - Keith Lewis, captain; Dave Peterson, Rick Russ, Brian Vautaw,
Rudy Becker, Robert Artelt

10:30 - Family Ushers

Audio/Video Operators

9:00 - Jim Endress

10:30 - Jim Endress and David Kiehle

Acolytes

10:30 - James Burke and Michael Vella

Reader

9:00 & 10:30 - Michael Dundas

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your community church

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

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday, 9:00a.m. - 4:00p.m.

(248) 644-4010 /office@redeemberbirmingham.org

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SCAN FOR
WEBSITE

Mission: Bringing the love of Christ to a searching world.

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

HOST A COFFEE HOUR

in Memory of your favorite loved one!

Signup under the *Ways to Serve* option on the church website or on the Town Square Bulletin board

MISSIONS HIGHLIGHTED DURING FEBRUARY COFFEE HOURS

During February, we will be highlighting the missions Redeemer has supported over the past century. Please take time to look at our historical display in the Town Square and visit the information tables of our current missions during the special coffee hours. Below is the schedule for Special Coffee Hours:

Camp Restore + Family of God Coffee Hour on February 16

Izosh Coffee Hour on February 24th

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

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



COME LEARN ABOUT CARENET AT COFFEE HOUR TODAY

Care Net Pregnancy Centers are located in Berkley and Detroit. They serve the community by assisting women who are facing unplanned pregnancies by providing free pregnancy testing, ultrasounds to confirm pregnancy, options discussion, and various resources to support women through their journey. Care Net is a non-profit medical clinic, so all of their care is at no cost to the women. Redeemer supports Care Net financially, by making "Bags of Love" for the women, and by providing volunteers to work directly in the center.

Contact: 248.545.6411 - info@carenetberkleydetroit.org

HAPPENING TODAY

WORSHIP SERVICES - 8:00, 9:00, and 10:30am

8:00am - Redeemer Praise Rehearsal

Redeemer Praise meet for their regular rehearsals in the Music Room.

NOTE: Pastor Farah's Bible Study is cancelled until further notice!

10am Youth Choir Rehearsal

10:30am - Sunday School

11:30am - Redeemer Brass Rehearsal

11:45am - Baptism

Youth are at the Retreat today! No RYG!

A CLOSER LOOK AT WORSHIP

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.

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

Scan the QR code to visit Redeemer's website.

*Click on "WAYS TO SERVE" to explore volunteering opportunities at church!
You can also find sign-up details on the Town Square bulletin board.*



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

What is a Mystery Prelude? Scan the QR code to sign-up!



ALL paper signup sheets in the Town Square are located behind the coffee hour station in the hallway near the coatroom! Come see how you can get involved!



Our Sanctuary Has A Hearing Loop To Assist Those With Hearing Loss. Users should set their hearing aids to T-coil.

Please see an usher if you have questions or for additional information.

ALTAR FLOWERS - SPOTS IN FEBRUARY AVAILABLE!

Sign-up now for either Altar or Lectern flowers in the Sanctuary or the Chapel!
Rates are as follows:

Sanctuary: \$55; Chapel: \$50; Lectern: \$45

**Sign-up links can be found on the church's website by selecting "WAYS TO SERVE" and then*

"Altar and Lectern Flower Sign-up." Paper Sign-ups are available on the Town Square Bulletin board.

WEDNESDAY LUNCH & WORSHIP

All are invited to join us for our next Wednesday Lunch and Worship on **Wednesday, February 19th in the Great Room at 12:00pm** with a delicious meal of creamy potato soup with bacon, pork schnitzel, coleslaw, corn, warm pretzel bites and dessert, prepared by Michele Margosian. Following the meal, we'll hold a **worship service at 1:00pm in the Chapel** that will include Holy Communion. Please call the Church Office by **February 17th** if you plan to join us for lunch. If you are in need of transportation, let the Church Office know and we'll do our best to assist. Contact **Gary Priskorn** with any questions. Looking forward to having you with us!

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!!!

Youth Choir Rehearsals

Youth Choir will sing on **Sunday, March 30** with *rehearsals being held in the Chapel from 10 - 10:30 on Feb. 9, 16, 23; March 16, 23.* Ages 7 and up are welcome! Contact nancylesinski@gmail.com with any questions.

2025 Lenten Theme

THE SEASON OF LENT

ATTITUDE CHECK!

The Sermon on the Mount is the longest message recorded in the gospels. His message brings to us a great deal of insight into our role in the Kingdom of Heaven. But He starts it all with the “Be Attitudes”.

I must admit at one time the beatitudes sounded to me, “Today, life is hard. But, one day soon I will bless you!” yet, I have discovered that these saying are powerful when viewed through a new lens. It’s a prescription on how we are to live. This Lent we will study the beatitudes as a way to our live our lives as Be Attitudes.

LENTEN MEALS

Lent begins on Wednesday, March 5th and we need YOUR help! Grab your family or some friends and sign- up to host a Lenten lunch or dinner! You can sign-up via the church website or the Town Square bulletin board. Contact **Kim Davis (248.613.4200)** with questions or for more information. If you don’t feel comfortable planning a whole meal, you can sign-up to be a helper!

LENTENKIDZ

Join us during mid-week Lenten services, which start on Wednesday March 5th, for LentenKidz! All children ages 3 to 5th Grade are welcome! Children go to church with their families and then, after the Children’s Message, will go down to the Scheidt Room for lesson and activities. We hope you’ll join us!

LENT AND EASTER MUSIC

Hallelujah Chorus on Easter! If you plan to attend worship at the 9:00am or 10:30am services on Easter Sunday, April 20th, we invite you to join the Chancel Choir in singing the ‘Hallelujah Chorus’ from Handel’s Messiah! You will be provided with a copy of the music during the service, or a copy can be obtained in advance by contacting **Steve SeGraves**.

Special Music Needed for Lenten Services! If you sing or play an instrument, we are looking for individuals to provide special music during our 1:00pm and 7:00pm Wednesday services. Services run Wednesday, March 12th thru Wednesday, April 9th. Please contact **Steve SeGraves** if you’d like to offer your musical ability for one of these services.

EASTER FLOWERS

Coming Soon! Be on the look-out for Easter flower order forms to beautify our Sanctuary on Easter.

Season of LENT 2025 - Wednesday Services

March 5, Ash Wednesday - Matthew 5:3

Poor in Spirit

March 12 - Matthew 5:4

Those who Mourn

March 19 - Matthew 5:5

The Meek

March 26 - Matthew 5:6

The Hungry and Thirsty

April 2 - Matthew 5:7

The Merciful

April 9 - Matthew 5:8

Clean of Heart

1:00pm - Chapel; 7:00pm - Sanctuary

Each worship service is preceded by a meal:

Lunch at 12:00 noon and Dinner at 6:00pm

(5:30pm confirmands)

HOLY WEEK

Maundy Thursday - April 17

1pm and 7pm

Good Friday - April 18 -

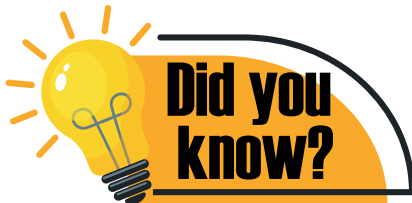
1pm and 7pm

Holy Saturday - April 19

5pm

Easter Sunday - April 20

7, 9, 10:30am



OUR VERY OWN - "BEACON OF HOPE"



Did you know that our Sanctuary chandelier will be lit all-day - **EVERY day!** - for our entire 100th Anniversary Celebration?!

Tom and Brenda Boyce have graciously sponsored the lighting of our beautiful chandelier in loving memory of their son, John, and all other children who are now held in the arms of Jesus in their heavenly home.

The story of our chandelier, written by Brenda, can found in the Town Square. Be sure to take one home to read!



REDEEMER'S PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

This will be a keepsake for you and others.
Is your information up to date?

TIME TO UPDATE YOUR MEMBER PROFILE!

- Have you moved?
- Have you changed your phone numbers?
- Have your adult children moved away?
- Do you give online and not want to receive envelopes?
- Do you need your login credentials?
- Do you want to send in a photo for your family and individual profiles?

Please make sure you update your family membership information online in Shelby Membership OR send your updated information to office@redeemberirmingham.org.

You can also call the church office to make any changes to your family profile.

***Please note, if you would like a printed copy of your family profile, we can email that to you so you can make updates.*

HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT CHURCH...

10	11	12	13	14	15
11a RYG Family of God (FOG) Kitchen Prep 5p RYG Family of God (FOG) 7p Worship 8p Al Anon 8p Love of Life	9:30a Tuesday Morning Bible Study 6p Soup's On! - Cooking with Donna Hollis 6:30p Redeemer Pickup Basketball	6:45a Men's Bible Study 9:15a Positive Parenting 1p Pathways 6p Confirmation 6p RYG Core Group 6p Year 3 Confirmation Class 6:30p Chancel Choir Rehearsal 7:15p Leadership Team Mtg	9:30a Community Bible Study 1p Concert - The Birmingham Musicale Choral Ensemble 6:30p Redeemer Pickup Basketball 7p Redeemer Ringers Rehearsal	Happy Valentine's Day 	

MISSIONS

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,*
- *and shop for items.*

You can also donate funds to be used to purchase supplies for the meals with the FOG Sponsorship.

Sign-up to help on the church website 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 (\$100) than there is to plan, shop, cook or serve the meal.

2025 Family of God Soup Kitchen Sponsor Sign-ups are available! LOTS of spots available!!

THANK YOU! To Darlene Bliss for her FOG sponsorship in February in memory of Tyler Henry Bliss.

CALIFORNIA FIRE RELIEF

Any donations made to help those impacted by the California fires will be matched by Redeemer up to \$3,000 and donated to Samaritan’s Purse who mobilizes staff and equipment and enlists thousands of volunteers to provide emergency aid to victims of disasters. Please make checks payable to **Lutheran Church of the Redeemer** and put **"California Fires"** in the memo line, or pay online with the QR code.



scan QR code to donate

FAMILY OF GOD

RYG cooks and serves at Family of God Soup Kitchen the 2nd Monday of every month - join us in helping others!

February 10th

March 10th

*Meet in the kitchen at 5:00pm and bring money for dinner!

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REDEEMER YOUNG ADULTS

BIBLE STUDY:
First Thursday of Every Month

MONTHLY SOCIALS AND OUTINGS

TEXT MICHAEL BANERIAN TO LEARN MORE AND GET INVOLVED!
(248) 925-7125

CHURCH LUNCHESES:
Once a Month after Church

WATCH PARTY



Stay tuned to March’s Lamp for more details!

PRIME TIMERS

WHY'S IT CALLED THAT?!

A special afternoon of fellowship, unique information, and a delicious meal of chicken parmesan is planned by the Prime Timers group for **Sunday, February 16th from 2:00-5:00pm in the Great Room**. Our special, captivating guest presenter will be **Bailey Sisoy Moore**, owner of Detroit History Tours. Bailey was our speaker for an event in November 2023 and was extremely well received!

Did you ever wonder why it's called Woodward Avenue or how Belle Isle got its name or wander in the city asking yourself, "Why is that named that?" Bailey will help us explore the parks, public buildings, streets, and foods whose names are famous but whose stories have been lost to history. Following her presentation, we'll enjoy supper together. All are welcome to join us for a great way to spend a winter Sunday afternoon! There is no charge - a freewill donation will be received. Please sign-up by February 10th on the Town Square bulletin board or call the Church Office. Questions? Contact **Gary Priskorn**.

FAITHFUL FRIENDS Enrichment Series Sunday, March 2, 11:45-12:45 in the Great Room

Do you have an elderly parent or friend who seems to be struggling with the reality of day-to-day living? Are you a current or potential caregiver looking for Eldercare resources, answers to caregiving questions, or are unsure of the signals and symptoms that may prompt concern and additional care? Then, please join us for our next Faithful Friends Enrichment Program.

Based on requests, Redeemer member and Eldercare Counselor and Gerontologist, Diane Johns, also an experienced caregiver, will again lead a discussion of recognizing the obvious, but also the "silent" signs and behaviors of the elderly that warrant attention, observation and care, as well as review available resources.

Please let any of the team know if there is a topic you are interested in learning more about for future programs.

*Gary Priskorn, Marilyn Staargaard, Diane Johns,
Pam Tyndall, Tracey Fish and Cheryl Carr*

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Redeemer's Vacation Bible School 2025

VBS will take place June 16-20! All children in Preschool through 5th Grade are welcome to attend - teens, teachers, and parent volunteers will be needed to make the week fun for all! Contact Nicole Olds if you are interested in helping out this summer!

Scamper Camps 2025!

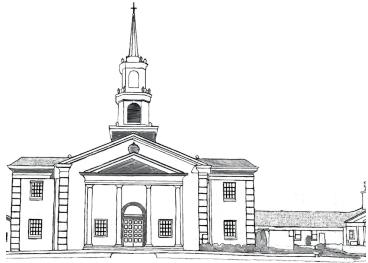
Programming is open to children who are 2-years old (as of January 1st, 2025) through 5-years old. Once kids have gone off to kindergarten, they are too old to come back. Sign-ups will start in February - please contact Nicole Olds with any questions!

RYG-HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH

*RYG Bible Study: February 16,
23
7:00-9:00pm - Meet in the
Youth Room*

Core Group: February 12, 26
**RYG
USHERING
FEBRUARY 23,
2025**

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THROUGH THESE DOORS
How did you come to Redeemer?
Tell your story!

You write the story, and we will print it in a beautiful book to be presented at our June 1 celebration. Pick up a form on the end cap in the Town Square and write your story. Send it to my email, misskitty@redeemberirmingham.org and this keepsake will delight you with stories of searches that ended in joy at Redeemer. We hope to have at least 150 people respond with their stories. I know you will want to be part of a book that goes in the time capsule with a copy next to your favorite chair. **Questions? Contact Miss Kitty.**

CHICKS WITH STICKS - FEBRUARY 20, 2025

And there is interest in crocheting which has taken Europe by storm. We know how!!!! Come and learn.

WOMEN'S BOOK GROUP - TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25 AT 7:30 PM

Chilly February brings our Women's Book Group an exciting book to read and review! ***Saving My Assassin: A Memoir*** (The True Story of a Christian Attorney's Battle for Religious Liberty in Romania) by Virginia Prodan. Come share, or come listen.....you are invited and welcome. **Tuesday, February 25 at 7:30** by the fire in the Town Square.



DROP OFF YOUR RUMMAGE ITEMS:

**SATURDAY, MARCH 1 | 9AM-1PM
THURSDAY, MARCH 6 | 9AM-6PM**

SHOP THE SALE:

**FRIDAY, MARCH 7 | 6-8 PM (\$5 CASH ENTRY)
SATURDAY, MARCH 8 | 9AM-3PM
SUNDAY, MARCH 9 | 12-2PM
(50% OFF OR FILL A BAG FOR \$5)**

**PROCEEDS BENEFIT SACRED SPACE AND
THE HIGH SCHOOL MISSION TEAM!**

SOUP'S ON!

Cooking with Donna! Find your way to Redeemer's Great Room on **Tuesday, February 11** for a round of instruction and soup tasting with our own Donna Hollis. Donna's plan includes two soups for your tasting pleasure, a gourmet salad and a few surprises as only Donna can promise. We begin promptly at 6:00 and will have some snacks to pacify your appetite while you wait for your soup. Finger dessert will follow. Please join us! A free will donation will be accepted at the door.

WOMAN OF THE YEAR LUNCHEON

Tickets for the Woman of the Year Luncheon can be purchased by going to *The Council of Lutheran Women's* website and finding the event code for Eventbrite. Then, go to the Eventbrite website and make your reservation for **Tuesday, March 25 at 11:00am** at Crystal Gardens, located at 16703 Fort Street, Southgate, Mi.

We have a table for 10 so get your ticket early to celebrate Erin Mortenson and her contributions to Redeemer and the community.

BUNCO NIGHT!

COMING SOON! Hosted by Women's Ministry!

So fun, so easy, so us! ***More information to follow in the bulletin!***

WOMEN OF REDEEMER

We are invited to attend "Spiritual Conversations" sponsored by Historic Trinity Lutheran Church in Detroit on Saturday, March 1, 2025 from 9:30-3:00.



For more information and to register, scan QR code

BIBLE STUDIES

SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDIES

In-home gatherings are people committed to growing together spiritually, caring for and ministering to one another, reaching others with the love of Jesus and, ultimately, sharing life's victories and challenges.

Talk to Pastor Randy if you are interested in joining or starting a Small Group!

COMMUNITY BIBLE STUDY

Community Bible Study is back for the winter. Please join us on **Thursday mornings from 9:30 - 11:00am** to study Moses and the book of Exodus with Andrea Schlak.

We will take another look at a familiar story and hopefully learn something new and apply it to our lives today. Any questions contact Andrea schlakandrea@gmail.com

BIBLE STUDIES

SUNDAYS

Adult Bible Study - Rev. Ronald Farah - Romans

CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

All-year after 9:00am Worship Service - Scheidt Room

New Member Class - Laura Vowell
(Annually in the Fall) - Great Room

Children's Sunday School - Nicole Olds
10:30am - Lower-Level classrooms

RYG (High School) - Gia & Eric
7:00pm - 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 6:00pm)*

WEDNESDAYS

Men's Bible Study - Gary Priskorn - Acts
*All-Year 6:45-7:30am - Great Room (*Zoom Available)*

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

Confirmation Classes - Laura Vowell
6:00-8:00pm - Various Rooms

Core Group (RYG - High School) - Gia Scheidt
6:00-8:00pm - Youth Room

THURSDAYS

Young Adults - Michael Banerian's (3217 Maplewood, RO)
6:30-8:00pm - 1st Thursday of Every Month

Community Bible Study - Andrea Schlak
Moses and the Book of Exodus
9:30-11:00am - Great 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 or the back of these announcements for a Bible reading plan.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Women's Tuesday Night Bible Study: ***Don't Give the Enemy a Seat at Your Table*** with Louie Giglio. Have you ever regretted not coming to a bible study and then thought you couldn't possibly attend because two or three sessions had gone by and you would be too far behind to catch up? Well this is not one of those studies. If you have not started this study and want to be part of a heart warming, soul strengthening adventure then come in on our second half! We loved the first lesson, gaining understanding of God's loving plan for us and want to share it with you. **Tuesdays, February 11 and 25.** No study on the 18th. Can't make it? There will be a new study in March....join us! Great Room, Tuesday nights at 6:30.

POSITIVE PARENTING

We are a group of moms that discuss topics relating to family-life, parenting and motherhood. We explore a wide-range of books and ideas throughout the year and enjoy conversation, prayer and community with one another. Positive Parenting meets weekly on Wednesday mornings from 9:15-10:45am in the Great Room. Nursery care is provided and is available on a drop-in basis for any younger children.

Each session stands alone, there is no need to purchase books, or read ahead of attending.

2/12: Valentine's Party

2/19: No Class (midwinter break)

2/26: Cooking for Family of God, meet in the Redeemer kitchen

3/5: Careers--The Power Pause

Redeemer offers Christian Counseling services here at Redeemer. Call Dr. Sandy for more information.

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**PATHWAYS
REDEEMER'S GRIEF AND
LOSS RECOVERY
GROUP
FEBRUARY 12, 1:00PM IN
THE TOWN SQUARE**



Ask Me About.....

During our anniversary year, you will see our church staff and volunteers wearing buttons that invite you to ask them about our vast array of ministries here at Redeemer.

***Please ask them questions,
they are very excited to share!***

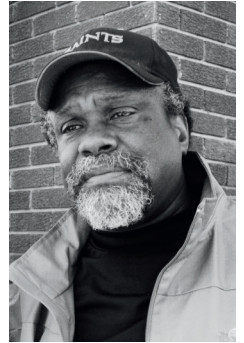
Request from the Holy History Committee: If anyone has Black, Silver or Gold picture frames that they would like to donate to the history committee it would be very helpful! Sizes needed would be 5 x 7, 8 x 10, 11 x 14. Thanks in advance! A labeled box this afternoon in the Town Square narthex for people to drop them off.



THIS MONTH WE ARE CELEBRATING MISSIONS



During one of the mission trips to New Orleans, one of our teams met a gentleman named Robert Green as they were working outside at a Lutheran church. Robert thanked them for what they were doing and shared his story of losing his mother and granddaughter to the hurricane. He told them that during those difficult times, he kept saying “I have to trust God.” But it was the day he removed the 2 little words “have to” from that sentence. He began saying “I trust God” and everything changed for him. He was then on the road to recovery. What a statement of faith that our team was so blessed to hear.



Holy History Display Panels located in the Town Square! We hope you enjoy the Holy History display panels as they change each month to highlight each ministry of Redeemer. This month we are celebrating Missions and Outreach at Redeemer through the years.

Save The Date

Sunday, June 1st is our 100th Anniversary celebratory church service and congregational luncheon. We are honored to have Pastor Mark Wuggazer leading worship that morning and Kitty Sweitzer, along with her dedicated committee, organizing our fellowship meal.

100TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION BUS TOUR – AUGUST 12 – 15, 2025 Redeemer is hosting a 100th Anniversary Celebration Bus Tour to picturesque Lancaster, PA.

There we will tour the Dutch countryside and experience the Amish lifestyle, along with a visit to the SIGHT & SOUND MILLENNIUM THEATRE where we will experience one of the Bible’s most incredible stories live on stage! The story of “**NOAH**” will come alive with spectacular and captivating music, special effects and I guarantee, one of God’s most creative and unique “passenger manifests” imaginable! Families, young & “young at heart” are welcome.

Details posted on the Town Square bulletin board with sign-up sheet & on posters around Redeemer. LAMP will have more detailed information. This tour has limited capacity (52), early registration and deposit are encouraged. Questions? Contact Leslie Whitfield at 248-330-8685

PRAYER & PRAISE LIST

For those grieving the loss of loved ones:

- For the family and friends of Brian Budde, brother of Lisa Macks, who was called to his heavenly home

For those with health concerns:

- Dorothy
- Linda Hardoin
- Amy Valentine, Rosemary Ging's daughter.
- Marcie, sister of Bonnie Ernewein
- Bill, friend of Bonnie Ernewein
- Theresa Cochell, niece of Jon Duff
- Erica Calvaneso, sister-in-law to Andrea & Heather Calvaneso
- Jane Dornbrock, mother of Jill Bloom
- Midori, friend of Justin Sweitzer
- Amy Wargelin
- Pastor Ron Farah
- Mike Gillette, friend of the Lagoe family
- Myrna Orava
- Ron Ging

For those in Hospice Care:

- Etta Unruh
- Helga Compagnia

Special Petitions:

- For all those who are serving in the military, police & firefighters.
- President Trump 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.
- For all those suffering from the wildfires in California

Prayers of Thanksgiving:

- For those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries
- We welcome through baptism, Grayson Andrew Slank who will be baptized today.

BAPTISM

In honor of the baptism of **Grayson Andrew Slank** a \$50 donation in his name has been made to Care Net Pregnancy Center of Berkley. Care Net Pregnancy Center exists to present the Gospel of Jesus Christ and communicate Biblical truth regarding sexuality and the sanctity of human life. To find out more about Care Net and the ministry they provide and ways you can help, call (248) 545-6411 or carenetberkley.com. Also, by the generous donation in memory of Rosa Stauffer, a few drops of water from the Jordan River have been added to the baptismal water.

PLEASE NOTE: If you would like to be notified when a Congregation member is called to their heavenly home, please email the Church Office at office@redeemberirmingham.org and we will add you to our email list.

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.

THIS WEEK'S BIBLE READINGS FROM "READING THE BIBLE IN A YEAR"

February 9

Exodus 29:1-30:10
Matthew 26:14-46
Psalm 31:19-24
Proverbs 8:14-26

February 10

Exodus 30:11-31:18
Matthew 26:47-68
Psalm 32:1-11
Proverbs 8:27-32

February 11

Exodus 32:1-33:23
Matthew 26:69-27:14
Psalm 33:1-11
Proverbs 8:33-36

February 12

Exodus 34:1-35:9
Matthew 27:15-31
Psalm 33:12-22
Proverbs 9:1-6

February 13

Exodus 35:10-36:38
Matthew 27:32-66
Psalm 34:1-10
Proverbs 9:7-8

February 14

Exodus 37:1-38:31
Matthew 28:1-20
Psalm 34:11-22
Proverbs 9:9-10

February 15

Exodus 39:1-40:38
Mark 1:1-28
Psalm 35:1-16
Proverbs 9:11-12

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