



Life at Redeemer

Redeemer Lutheran Church

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Table Talk — Luther’s Theology of Love Sundays at 9:45 am in Room 204

Join us for a series discussing Luther’s theology of love and the Finnish school of Luther interpretation.

January 14 — Two Kinds of Love and Love as a Unifying Power

January 21 — The Theology of Glory vs. the Theology of the Cross

January 28 — Two Kinds of Love and the Worth of Creation

February 4 — Faith and God’s Creative Love for “What Is Not” and for “Evil”

February 11 — Christians as “Christ’s” to Their Neighbors

February 18 — Love for God

Partner for Surgery

Do we have any dentists in the house? Every time we pack the post op gift bags for the children we include a **toothbrush** and **travel size toothpaste**. This week we packed 80 bags to send to Guatemala with Linda and Frank Peterson, leaving our cupboard bare of these very essential items!! If anyone could please donate toothbrushes (junior size the best size) or any travel size (**only!**) toothpaste we would be most grateful. Our PfS red box is located outside Fellowship Hall. Thank you so very much.

Tuesday Prayer

All are invited on Tuesday mornings from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. as we open the sanctuary for a time of prayer and contemplation. Please use the front entrance of the church and enter the sanctuary where someone will meet you.

We start each week with corporate prayer where the needs of our community, nation, and world are lifted up before engaging in individual time with God. You are welcome to engage the time in a way that helps you feel connected with God and prepares you for your day. If you can’t join us in person but are interested in participating remotely in this ministry, please contact Deacon Erin at erin@redeemermclean.org. All are welcome!

In Memory of Esther Halvorson

The funeral for Esther Halvorson, a charter member of Redeemer, will be held at the church on Saturday, January 20, at 11:00 am. The family invites you to the service and the reception that will follow immediately in Fellowship Hall.

Cards can be sent to Carol Miller at:
8175 Tall Pines Lane
Catlett, VA 20119

Wednesday, January 17 – Our Bible Study Classes Resume

We will continue our *Overview of the Bible* class from 8:00 am – 9:00 am. We meet in the Conference Room. This week we are reading Ezra-Nehemiah.

And in the evening we are studying *the Lectionary* from 7:15 pm – 8:30 pm. We review the lessons that will be read the following Sunday in worship. We meet in the Conference Room. All are welcome.

If you need childcare, please let us know ahead of time and we will make sure we have coverage.

Life in the Spirit

Before the holiday break, Diane Miller led a new study called *Life in the Spirit*. The class will continue for three Sundays in February – February 11, 18, and 25 – at 12:15 pm. A light lunch will be served and the class will follow, ending at 1:30 pm.

WELCA

(Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America)

WELCA offers a perspective on Christian issues as they relate to women in today’s world. We meet on the 3rd Monday of each month in the church library. Light refreshments are served. Stimulating topics are discussed. This is a chance to meet other Redeemer members and a chance to form lasting relationships. Our next meeting is **tomorrow** January 15, at 2:00 pm. All are welcome.

OUR MISSION: SHARING CHRIST’S LOVE
WITH THE GREATEST NUMBER OF PEOPLE

A N N O U N C E M E N T S

Habitat for Humanity Volunteers Needed

In January, renovate a home with other volunteers and the partner family. In February, break ground on a brand-new home.

No construction experience is necessary. Tools provided or bring your own. Must be 16 or older. Friends, neighbors, and co-workers welcome!

Saturday, January 20th – Herndon, Renovation
Wednesday, February 21st – Herndon, New Home Build
Saturday, March 24th – Herndon, New Home Build
Wednesday, April 25th – Herndon, New Home Build

Hours: 8:30 – 3:30

Signup at <http://tinyurl.com/Habitat-IC> or contact Lynn Barth at [703-346-8012](tel:703-346-8012) or lynnbarth@gmail.com, to sign up for these builds or to get on the mailing list for future builds. Please let me know if you are interested in carpooling. or contact Lynn Barth at [703-346-8012](tel:703-346-8012) or lynnbarth@gmail.com, to sign up for these builds or to get on the mailing list for future builds. Please let me know if you are interested in carpooling.

Faith Alive

Join us for Faith Alive - a monthly community Bible study. Bring your Bible. Bring your kids. Bring your friends!

Schedule for 2018:

February 5, 2018 – 10-11:30 a.m.

March 5, 2018 – 10-11:30 a.m.

April 30, 2018 – 10-11:30

June 4, 2018 – 10-11:30

Contact Deacon Erin with any questions at Erin@RedeemerMcLean.org.

Growing Deeper with God - A Walk with the Spiritual Disciplines January 22 at 10:00 am

As the new year approaches, you are invited to discover new ways to deepen your relationship with God through the spiritual disciplines. Through this journey, we will be engaging Scripture and reading the book, *The Good and Beautiful God*, by James Bryan Smith. Please join us in the Library from 10-11:30 with your Bible, the book, and a journal. Contact Deacon Erin at Erin@RedeemerMcLean.org with any questions.

Year End Financial Results

While we are still working on closing the books for the past fiscal year, we are very pleased to report that from the generous giving of the congregation we were able to cover all our expenses for the year. More details will be forthcoming in the Congregational Annual Report, including the totals for the year. Thank you, thank you, thank you!

Become a volunteer for the Shepherd's Center Of McLean-Arlington-Falls Church

In the book of John, Chapter 10, verse 11, it says: "I am the good shepherd; the good shepherd lays down His life for the sheep". The wonderful volunteers of the Shepherd's Center are true shepherds to area senior adults who need help doing things they can no longer do for themselves. The mission of the Shepherd's Center is to give senior adults free transportation to medical and therapy appointments, the pharmacy and grocery store. Not only is the Center recruiting driver volunteers, but volunteers willing to visit shut-ins in their homes and to make phone calls from time to time to let aging adults know they have not been forgotten. In many cases, our volunteers are the only contacts some people have with anyone.

No long term commitment is required and you accept to take someone to a medical appointment, make a visit or call only when your schedule permits.

To find out more about the Shepherd's Center and how you can volunteer to provide transportation and other services, please call the Center number at (703) 506-2199 or e-mail the Center at info@scmafc.org. The Center's website is www.scmafc.org.

"Make a joyful noise unto the Lord" Psalm 100

We are seeking volunteers for the various musical groups at Redeemer including: Bell Choir, Traditional Choir, and Youth Choir. Please consider joining us in fellowship and sharing your musical gifts. We would love to have you join us! For more information contact Matt Osifchin at mattosifchin@gmail.com

Redeemer Youth Choir

All youth ages 3-17 are welcome to join our Redeemer Youth Choir! Rehearsals take place each Sunday immediately following Sunday School (10:55AM-11:25AM) in Music Suite A. No experience necessary, but we do have solo opportunities for our more experienced performers. Please email Youth Choir Director Amy Tribié (atribie@gmail.com) for more information and to sign up.

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This Week at Redeemer

Upcoming Events

Sun	1/14	8:30a	Traditional Service	Nave
		9:45a	Contemporary Service	Nave
		11:00a	Traditional Service	Nave
		12:15p	4 yr. old Faith Practice	Fellowship Hall
		1:00p	MOJO Volleyball	Parents' Hall
		1:30p	Brownie Troop 1845	Classroom 202
Mon	1/15	2:30p	Women of the ELCA	Library
		6:30p	Aerobics	Conference Room
		6:30p	MOJO Volleyball	Parents' Hall
Tue	1/16	8:00a	Prayer Time	Nave
		12:00p	Rotary	Fellowship Hall
		5:00p	Sunshine Academy	Classroom 202
		6:30p	MOJO Volleyball	Parents' Hall
		7:15p	Boy Scouts	Fellowship Hall
Wed	1/17	8:00a	Bible Study	Conference Room
		6:30p	MOJO Volleyball	Parents' Hall
		7:00p	Hadi Meditation	Classroom 203
		7:15p	Bible Study	Conference Room
		8:00p	AI-Anon	Classroom 204
Thur	1/18	5:30p	Teen CBS	RLC
		6:30p	MOJO Volleyball	Parents' Hall
		7:00p	Bell Choir	Music Suite A
		7:45p	Traditional Choir	Music Suite B
		8:30p	Men's Basketball	Parents' Hall
Fri	1/19	7:30a	McLean H.S. PTSA coffee	Fellowship Hall
		7:00p	Faith and Fellowship	Parents Hall
Sat	1/20	10:00a	I Drive Smart	Classroom 202
		11:00a	Esther Halvorson Memorial	Nave



- 1/15 Women of the ELCA
- 1/16 Prayer Time
- 1/17 Bible Study (AM/PM)
- 1/17 Quilting
- 1/18 Prayer Shawl Ministry
- 1/23 Prayer Time
- 1/24 Bible Study (AM/PM)
- 1/30 Prayer Time
- 1/31 Bible Study (AM/PM)



- 2/1 Prayer Shawl Ministry
- 2/4 Annual Meeting
- 2/5 Faith Alive
- 2/6 Prayer Time
- 2/7 Bible Study
- 2/8 Teen CBS
- 2/9 Faith and Fellowship
- 2/10 Boy Scout Lock in
- 2/11 Life in the Spirit Bible Study
- 2/12 Growing Deeper with God
- 2/12 Congregational Council Mtg.
- 2/13 Shrove Tuesday
- 2/14 Ash Wednesday
- 2/16 Faith and Fellowship

Redeemer members,

Please call Redeemer's office to let us know when you are in the hospital or if you know of a member who is in the hospital. We want to provide all members with a pastoral presence and prayer in times of need. Also, please let us know if a member is homebound, so that we can visit and provide Holy Communion. Thank you for your partnership in our caring ministry.

- Pastor Sandy Kessinger



Please Remember to Pray....

For Healing:

Alfrieda
Juniper Belle
Kirk Betts
Justin Bishop
Keith Bornmann
Michelle Crone
Faye Dewitt
Kent Glindemann
Gordan
Graeme
Rick Granholm
Kirk Gunderson
Jack
William Kratz
Mary (leukemia)
Coletta Miller
Celeste Moi
Trish Monroe
Kathy Myers
Hans Nilsen
Matt O'Donnell
Barbara Ramsey
Erik Ramsey
Rev. Robert Richter
Karin Ryding
Sharon
Lloyd and Joann Shupp
Simon
Kathy Stieg
Beth Telford
Joyce and Wayne Winter
James and Patricia Woodward

For Comfort in Death:

The family and friends of Regina Allen
The family and friends of Esther Halvorson
The family and friends of Graham Huston
The family and friends of Wayne Schemm

For Comfort and Peace:

Bertha
Mary Cox
Roy Davis
Reverend Monte Frohm
George
Art Gunderson
Lynn Porter Hardisky
Colleen Higgins
Jean Stark
Susan

For Safety:

For all our military and diplomatic people throughout the world
For all serving as police officers
Greg Adams and Colette Marcellin, in Afghanistan
Courtney Barnett, in Afghanistan
Tricia Bobb in Afghanistan
Tom and Karla Carroll
David Clarke in Burkina Faso, Africa
Stephanie and Matt Kessinger and son, Ben, in Paraguay
Garrett Reese, in Kuwait
Jon Walsh

For Comfort and Strength:

Gwen Brown
Beth Clark and son, Ben (Age 3)
Debbie, Maddie and Ryan
The family of Jeanne
Jeff and Lauren
Susan Bresee Joseph
Katelyn
The Kuhn Family
Dr. J. E. Lin
Liza and Straker
Susan

Prayer List Note:

To add names to this list, use the Prayer Request book located in the Crossroads. You may also email or telephone the church office. We will forward your request to the email prayer chain. We want all our prayers to be appropriate—so please keep us up to date on those whom you have added to our prayer list. With the exception of safety prayers for our military, we will remove names after one month unless we hear from you. We are prepared to pray indefinitely.