



Life at Redeemer

Redeemer Lutheran Church

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Council

These are our newly elected Council Officers for 2018-2019. Please keep them in your prayers as they faithfully fulfill their responsibilities to God and to this church.

President - Matthew Kratz
Vice President - Laura Duval
Secretary - Karen Detweiler
Treasurer - Dean Graves

Life in the Spirit

Diane Miller will lead the study called *Life in the Spirit today*, at 12:15 pm. A light lunch will be served and the class will end at 1:30 pm. This is the last class in the series.

During Lent, February 21-March 21

Dinner at 6:30 pm and Holden Evening Prayer Service at 7:30 pm.

We will offer Holy Communion at all services. Please come! The reflection this week is "Understanding God's Forgiveness".

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

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.

Faith Alive

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

Schedule for 2018:
March 5, 2018 - 10-11:30 am
April 30, 2018 - 10-11:30 am
Contact Deacon Erin with any questions at Erin@RedeemerMcLean.org.

Wednesday, February 28 Overview of the Bible Class

We continue our *Overview of the Bible* class from 8:00 am - 9:00 am. We meet in the Conference Room. All are welcome at any time. This week we will study Psalm 1-89.

Learn to Knit

As part of her National Honor Society Capstone project, Crestienne DeChaine is organizing a "Learn to Knit" seminar at Langley High School in order to teach students to knit while making Afghan squares for the charity "Warm-up America." To prepare for this seminar she is collecting washable wool and acrylic yarn. If you would like to donate, there is a collection box in the Crossroads. All the yarn collected would go to making these afghan squares. Crestienne will collect the yarn over the next four weeks.

Eagle Scout Pillow/Linen Drive

Please help Ephraim Swenson-Reinhold, a life scout in troop 1865, gather supplies for the local housing organization, Gracing Space, that furnishes homes for those in transition. A donation box is waiting in the Crossroads for new and gently used twin-size sheets, comforters, and NEW pillows. The collection will occur through the month of February. Redeemer's goal is to collect 30 pillows, 20 sets of twin-size sheets, and 20 twin size comforters. Thank you for your support.

Annual Report & Pledge Cards

Extra copies of Redeemer's Annual Report are available for anyone who would like one in the Crossroads lobby by the side entrance. Also, if you haven't had a chance to drop off your 2018 Commitment Card, it can be sent to the church office to attention of Veronique Thomas, Redeemer's Financial Coordinator. Thank you pledging to support Redeemer through the giving of your time and your financial gifts.

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

Table Talk — The Future of Lutheranism in the World Sundays at 9:45 am in Room 204

Join us for a new 7-week series discussing Lutheranism around the world.

Feb. 25 — Lutherans in the World Church
March 4 — Africa
March 11 — Asia
March 18 — Latin America
March 25 — Middle East
April 1 — No Class (Easter)
April 8 — Europe
April 15 — North America

New Members

It is part of our mission at Redeemer to welcome all people into our church home through worship and our various ministries. For those of you who want to become a member of our faith community (or have questions about what that means) please contact Pastor Kessinger at the church office (703-356-3346) or via email (psk@redeemermclean.org).

Tuesday Prayer

All are invited on Tuesday mornings from 8:00 am to 9:00 am 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!

Partner for Surgery

Is there a Dentist in the House??? Every time we pack the post op gift bags we include **travel size toothpaste** and a **junior or adult size toothbrush!!!** We recently sent 80 bags with Frank and Linda Peterson to Guatemala and this has left our cupboard quite bare of these 2 very essential items. If anyone could please donate regular toothbrushes and/or travel size tubes of toothpaste it would be greatly appreciated. We also need **brand new washcloths**. Our red box is located outside Fellowship Hall. Thank you for your generosity.

Save the Date!

Vacation Bible School
July 23 - 27, 2018

More details to follow!

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 medial 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.

Habitat for Humanity Volunteers Needed

In February we are breaking 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, March 24th – Herndon, New Home Build
Wednesday, April 25th – Herndon, New Home Build

Hours: 8:30 am – 3:30pm

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.

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This Week at Redeemer

Upcoming Events

Sun	2/25	8:30a	Traditional Service	Nave
		9:45a	Contemporary Service	Nave
		11:00a	Traditional Service	Nave
		12:15p	Life in the Spirit Bible Study	Library
		1:00p	Brownie Troop	Classroom
		1:00p	MOJO Volleyball	Parents' Hall
Mon	2/26	6:00p	Faith and Fellowship	Fellowship Hall
		10:00a	Growing Deeper with God	Library
		5:30p	Sunshine Academy	Classroom 202
		6:30p	Aerobics	Conference Room
Tue	2/27	6:30p	MOJO Volleyball	Parents' Hall
		8:00a	Prayer Time	Nave
		12:00p	Rotary	Fellowship Hall
		5:00p	Sunshine Academy	Classroom 202
		7:00p	Stoneleigh Association	Music Suite A
		7:15p	Boy Scouts	Fellowship Hall
Wed	2/28	7:30p	McLean Youth Orchestra	Conference Room
		8:00a	Bible Study	Conference Room
		6:30p	Lenten Dinner	Parents' Hall
		6:30p	MOJO Volleyball	Parents' Hall
		7:00p	Hadi Meditation	Classroom 203
		7:30p	Lenten Service	Nave
Thur	3/01	8:00p	AI-Anon	Classroom 204
		10:30a	Prayer Shawl Ministry	Library
		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
Sat	3/03	8:30p	Men's Basketball	Parents' Hall
		10:00a	I Drive Smart	Classroom 202



- 2/25 Life in the Spirit Bible Study
- 2/26 Growing Deeper with God
- 2/27 Prayer Time
- 2/28 Bible Study (8 AM)
- 2/28 Lenten Dinner/Service



- 3/1 Prayer Shawl Ministry
- 3/5 Faith Alive
- 3/6 Prayer Time
- 3/7 Bible Study (8 AM)
- 3/7 Quilting
- 3/7 Lenten Dinner/Service
- 3/9 Faith and Fellowship
- 3/11 Seder Meal (Grades 7 and 8)
- 3/12 Growing Deeper with God
- 3/12 Congregational Council Meeting
- 3/13 Prayer Time
- 3/14 Bible Study (8 AM)
- 3/14 Lenten Dinner/Service
- 3/15 Prayer Shawl Ministry
- 3/17 Meet New Members Dinner
- 3/18 Caregivers Support Group
- 3/19 Growing Deeper with God

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:

Juniper Bell
Beverly Family
Justin Bishop
Keith Bornmann
Elizabeth Carroll
Michelle Crone
Linda Ernst
Wally Ferguson
Karen Freschi
Graeme
Rick Granholm
Kirk Gunderson
Jack
Kerry
Kendall Lyons
Marcia
Marilyn
Ruth Martz
Coletta Miller
Lisa Nagorny
Kay O'Brian
Barbara Ramsey
Erik Ramsey
Rev. Robert Richter
Karin Ryding
Lloyd and Joann Shupp
Simon
Harold Smith
Kathy Stieg
Beth Telford
James and Patricia Woodward

For Comfort in Death:

The family and friends of Carolyn Cheney
The family and friends of Faye Dewitt
The family and friends of William Kratz

For Comfort and Peace:

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

For Comfort and Strength:

Gwen Brown
Lena Heier
Rhonda Heier
Bernie and Brianne Hoelschen
Jeff and Lauren
Katelyn
Sarah and Jenny
Liza and Straker

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
Stephanie and Matt Kessinger and son, Ben, in Paraguay
Garrett Reese, in Kuwait
Jon Walsh

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.