



# Life at Redeemer

## Redeemer Lutheran Church

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## March 18, 2018

### Caregivers' Support Group

Today at 12:15 pm we will meet at StarNut Restaurant in McLean for lunch (1445 Laughlin Avenue – next to Chain Bridge Bank). It is an opportunity to tell our stories, to make new connections, and to network so that each of us can more effectively care for our loved ones. Please join us.

### Wednesday, March 21 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. This week we will study Ecclesiastes and Song of Solomon.

### Table Talk Sundays at 9:45 am in Room 204

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

March 18 — Latin America

March 25 — Middle East

### Holy Week Schedule

Maundy Thursday – March 29

7:00 pm Foot Washing in the Prayer and Care Room

7:30 pm Worship with Holy Communion  
Stripping of the Altar

Good Friday – March 30

11:15 am Lunch in the Crossroads  
12:00 pm Worship with Holy Communion  
Elements are Pre-Consecrated  
7:30 pm Tenebrae Service (Service of Shadows)  
The Passion Narrative is read  
The church moves into darkness

Easter Vigil – March 31

9:00 am Easter Vigil Walk through McLean

**Easter Services – April 1**

**Please note the time change for this Sunday only**

8:00 am Traditional Service  
9:30 am Contemporary Service  
11:00 am Traditional Service

### Wednesday Mid-Lenten Dinner and Service

Come join us for dinner followed by Holden Evening Prayer. Dinner is served at 6:30 pm and worship is at 7:30 pm. Come for both or just for the service. Worship includes Holy Communion.

### New Members

Today we receive Meg Kuhagen and Christine and Tom Rice as members of Redeemer. Please meet and greet them after the service and welcome them into our faith community.

### Partner For Surgery

Partner For Surgery is still in need of wash clothes, baby pacifiers, baby socks, and travel size shampoo. These items are sent in gift bags to children in Guatemala. The bags, given after surgery, are a reminder of the generosity of the people of Redeemer willing to share what they have with those less fortunate. When you are shopping this week, just add an extra needed item or two to your shopping cart and drop them off in the red box located inside the Parents' Hall entrance. All items will be put to good use and are greatly appreciated. For information, please contact: [linda.peterson4@gmail.com](mailto:linda.peterson4@gmail.com).

### Flower Baskets

Please support Redeemer's Youth Ministry. The youth (grades 7-12) are selling 10" hanging flower baskets for \$15 each to raise funds for youth programs and summer mission trips. The varieties available for sale this year are calibrachoa, geranium, impatiens, and petunias. The baskets are available for sale NOW via an online order form at <https://www.cognitofirms.com/Redeemer4/RedeemerYouthFlowerSale>. Online payments via direct transfer from your bank account or via credit card are being accepted through Redeemer's secure online payment portal. Checks and cash are also acceptable. You can also place your order in person between services in the Crossroads on March 25th, April 1st and April 8th. The baskets will be available for pickup on Friday, 4/20 from 4 pm to 7 pm and on Saturday 4/21 from 9 am to noon.

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

## Redeemer Quilting Group

The quilting group is a group of Redeemer members who meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month in Parents Hall at 9:30 am. You don't need any sewing experience. The group needs members who are interested in cutting, sewing, designing and assembling quilts which are sent to children in Guatemala. If you would like to help, please contact: Kate Jones, [katerjones@gmail.com](mailto:katerjones@gmail.com).

## Redeemer Shawl Ministry

No experience needed to join the Shawl Ministry which meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month, from 10:30 – Noon. The group knits and crochets shawls and baby blankets. This is a good chance to meet with other Redeemer members and share your talent. Contact Betsy Kutscher, [betsyk419@gmail.com](mailto:betsyk419@gmail.com).

## Habitat for Humanity

Redeemer Lutheran Church is part of a group of local churches who pool members for volunteer days at Habitat of Humanity of Northern Virginia.

One of the members of a faith group, Ann Granger, is hoping to participate in an urban rappelling fundraiser to benefit Habitat for Humanity.

Here is her message: Ann writes: My son and I will be participating in a fundraiser for Habitat for Humanity and I want to give you all the info, in case you would like to donate to this amazing organization or come out and cheer us on. If we can raise \$2,000, my son Will, and I, will join a select group of crazy people to rappel down the 14-story Hilton headquarters building in Tyson's Corner on May 19.

Please check out our fundraising page at <https://www.purecharity.com/over-the-edge-for-habitat-nova-by-ann-granger#>

## Together, we are building lives as well as homes.

Habitat for Humanity Volunteers Needed for Townhouse Renovations No construction experience is necessary. Tools provided or bring your own. Must be 16 or older. Friends, neighbors, and co-workers welcome!

3/24/2018, Saturday, 8:30 – 3:30  
1215 Alabama Drive, Herndon VA 20170

4/25/2018, Wednesday, 8:30 – 3:30  
1215 Alabama Drive, Herndon VA 20170

Signup at <http://tinyurl.com/Habitat-IC> or contact Lynn Barth at [703-346-8012](tel:703-346-8012) or [lynnbarth@gmail.com](mailto: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.

## Save the Date!

Vacation Bible School  
July 23 - 27, 2018

More details to follow!

## WELCA (Women of Evangelical Lutheran Church in America)

For an informal get together in the church library and a chance to meet other Redeemer members come join the WELCA group. It is a group of women who meet to study a monthly topic related to scripture. Light refreshments are served. Join us on the third Monday of each month in the church library at 2:00pm. This month on March 21, 2018 the discussion will be the three pillars of Lent. Contact Miriam Howard:

[410mrshoward@gmail.com](mailto:410mrshoward@gmail.com) for information.

## Redeemer Online

Did you know that Redeemer has a regularly updated Facebook Page at <https://www.facebook.com/LutheranChurchoftheRedeemerMcLean?>

Please visit and "Like" it.

Redeemer's online directory just underwent a major update. If you have never logged in, go to [www.instantchurchdirectory.com](http://www.instantchurchdirectory.com) and click the button in the upper right-hand corner labeled "Church Member Sign In." In the box on the right there is a link: First time signing in? Create login now. Click on that link and you will be taken to a page where you enter the email on file with the church (the one at which you are receiving this message) and then create a password. You will be sent an email from [service@instantchurchdirectory.com](mailto:service@instantchurchdirectory.com) with instructions for confirming your email. Follow the link in that email for your initial login. Once you are logged in to [instantchurchdirectory.com](http://instantchurchdirectory.com), please locate your entry. Check it for any errors. If there are additions or corrections, if you would like to submit or change a picture, or if you are unable to gain access to the directory contact Roberta Pittman at [rpittman@cox.net](mailto:rpittman@cox.net).

Additionally, there is a printable PDF version of the directory at [directory.instantchurchdirectory.com/74016895/churchdirectory.pdf](http://directory.instantchurchdirectory.com/74016895/churchdirectory.pdf)

You can get the password by calling the church office or emailing Roberta Pittman. The PDF version is not as easy to navigate, but has some nice features not available in the web version.

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## This Week at Redeemer

Sun	3/18	8:30a	Traditional Service	Nave
		9:45a	Contemporary Service	Nave
		11:00a	Traditional Service	Nave
		1:00p	Cub Scouts	Classrooms
		1:00p	MOJO Volleyball	Parents' Hall
Mon	3/19	10:00a	Growing Deeper with God	Library
		2:00p	Women of the ELCA	Library
		5:30p	Sunshine Academy	Classroom 202
		6:30p	Aerobics	Conference Room
		6:30p	MOJO Volleyball	Parents' Hall
Tue	3/20	8:00a	Prayer Time	Nave
		12:00p	Rotary	Fellowship Hall
		5:00p	Sunshine Academy	Classroom 202
		7:00p	McLean Orchestra Board	Conference Room
		7:15p	Boy Scouts	Fellowship Hall
Wed	3/21	8:00a	Bible Study	Conference Room
		9:30a	Quilting	
		6:30p	Lenten Dinner	Fellowship Hall
		6:30p	MOJO Volleyball	Parents' Hall
		7:00p	Hadi Meditation	Classroom 203
		7:30p	Lenten Service	Nave
		8:00p	AI-Anon	Classroom 204
Thu	3/22	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

## Upcoming Events



- 3/18** *Caregivers Support Group*
- 3/19 Growing Deeper with God
- 3/19 Women of the ELCA
- 3/20 Prayer Time
- 3/21 Bible Study
- 3/21 Quilting
- 3/21 Lenten Dinner/Service
- 3/25 Faith and Fellowship
- 3/29 Maundy Thursday
- 3/30 Good Friday
- 3/31 Easter Vigil Walk

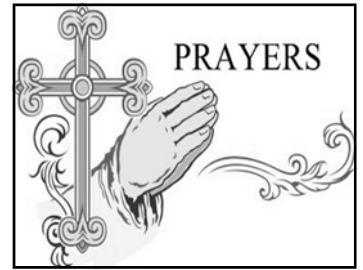


- 4/01 Easter (8, 9:30, 11 am)
- 4/03 Prayer Time
- 4/04 Bible Study
- 4/05 Prayer Shawl
- 4/08 Faith and Fellowship
- 4/09 Growing Deeper with God
- 4/10 Prayer Time
- 4/10 Finance and Administration
- 4/11 Bible Study
- 4/13 Faith and Fellowship
- 4/16 Women of the ELCA
- 4/17 Prayer Time
- 4/18 Bible Study

*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 those affected by the Parkland Shooting***

#### **For Healing:**

Karen Baker  
Justin Bishop  
Keith Bornmann  
Caroline  
Elizabeth Carroll  
Michelle Crone  
Linda Ernst  
Wally Ferguson  
Karen Freschi  
Grandpa Tom  
Rick Granholm  
Kirk Gunderson  
Kevin Holmlund  
Mark Holmlund  
Jack  
Kate Jones  
Katelyn  
Kendall Lyons  
Marcia  
Ruth Martz  
Coletta Miller  
Lisa Nagorny  
Laura Opsal-Ong  
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 Joe Moore  
The family and friends of Jean Stark

#### **For Comfort and Peace:**

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

#### **For Comfort and Strength:**

Gwen Brown  
Lena Heier  
Rhonda Heier  
Bernie and Brianne Hoelschen  
Jeff and Lauren  
Katelyn  
Charles Lee  
Noormal Family  
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.*