



# Life at Redeemer

## Redeemer Lutheran Church

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## April 15, 2018

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

Join us for our final in a 7 week series on Lutheranism around the world.

Today the topic is "North America."

### Stained Glass Windows

The installation of Redeemer's stained glass windows is scheduled to begin tomorrow. The installation should take approximately two weeks. Please save the date ... We will officially dedicate the windows on Pentecost Sunday, May 20, at the 11:00 am service.

### Confirmation Workshop April 22

On Sunday, April 22, all 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Graders are encouraged to worship with their families (there are no classes on that day for just the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders). We will then convene at 12:15 pm in Fellowship Hall for a light lunch and the classes will follow. All 7<sup>th</sup> Graders meet with Liz Scheffler and all 8<sup>th</sup> Graders meet with Pastor Kessinger. This is the last Confirmation Workshop until September. After lunch, all parents are encouraged to stay in Fellowship Hall to meet with Marlon Yearwood. Activities and service projects will be discussed for the summer months.

### First Communion Class May 6, 2018

On Sunday, May 6, Pastor Kessinger will hold a class for any youth who is ready to prepare for his/her First Communion. The class will start at 12:15 pm with a light lunch in Fellowship Hall and then we will move to the library for the actual lesson. Parents are welcome to attend as each child will be given a booklet to take home to study before he/she receives first communion on Sunday, May 27, at the 11:00 am service. Please contact Pastor Kessinger if you would like to sign your child up for the day of instruction or if you have any questions. Her email is [psk@redeermclean.org](mailto:psk@redeermclean.org).

### WELCA

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

April 16 at 2 pm

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 2:00 pm. This month *tomorrow*, the discussion will be the reasons behind the church using the word "Evangelical". Contact Miriam Howard: [410mrshoward@gmail.com](mailto:410mrshoward@gmail.com) for information.

### Redeemer Quilting Group April 18 at 9:30 am

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.

Contact: Kate Jones, [katerjones@gmail.com](mailto:katerjones@gmail.com).

### Redeemer Shawl Ministry April 19 at 10:30 am

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).

### Parent's Night Out April 27 from 6:00 to 8:30 pm

Enjoy a night out while Redeemer staff and youth provide pizza, snack and activities for your children. Children of all ages are welcome. Suggested cost is \$20.00 per family. All proceeds will go to Youth Mission Trips/2018 ELCA Youth Gathering. Please RSVP Marlon Yearwood at [marlonyearwood@yahoo.com](mailto:marlonyearwood@yahoo.com)

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

## Lutheran Social Services

Lutheran Social Services has asked Gene and Joan Durman to sponsor a table at their Expression of Abundance 2018: Journey to Transformation breakfast. This annual event will be held on Tuesday, May 15 from 7:30 - 9:00 am at Holy Trinity Church Fellowship, 3022 Woodlawn Avenue, Falls Church, VA 22042.

We would like to invite you to be our guest, a way to show our support for the work of LSS. For each of you who attend, Gene and Joan will make a donation on your behalf.

Please let us know if you will be able to join us. We may be reached at [jdurman@aol.com](mailto:jdurman@aol.com), 703-356-4929.

## LSS – REFUGEE WELCOME KITS PACKING PARTY

Join us on Sat. April 28: We are hosting a Refugee Welcome Kits Packing Party at the Great Falls Library (9830 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls, VA 22066) 10 am – noon – in partnership with Returned Peace Corps of Northern Virginia. Our efforts support the Lutheran Social Services of the National Capital Area Refugee and Immigrant Services Program to welcome and resettle refugees from around the world -- a #RotaryPeaceCorpPartnershipProject. You can help by participating on the day and in advance by donating items including toiletry, cleaning, and towels/linens to pack into the welcome kits. Items include shampoo, conditioner, soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, combs, buckets, mops, brooms, trashcans, paper towels, toilet paper etc. To sign up to donate items, use our signup genius page at [www.signupgenius.com/go/10c044eacab2daOfc1-refugee1](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c044eacab2daOfc1-refugee1). We can make arrangements to get your items to the event. For questions or more info, email Club President Erica at [brouillettej@gmail.com](mailto:brouillettej@gmail.com).

## Habitat for Humanity

Habitat for Humanity Volunteers Needed for Townhouse Renovations No construction experience is necessary. Tools provided or bring your own. Must be 16 or older.

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 car-pooling.

## Save the Date!

Vacation Bible School  
July 23 - 27, 2018

More details to follow!

## Safety & Security Task Force

Redeemer would like to form a Task Force to review the safety and security of our environment here at the church for our members, students and guests. The Task Force would meet for a limited period of time and make recommendations to the Congregational Council for improvements. Please consider helping with this effort and relay your name and contact information to [church@redeemermclean.org](mailto:church@redeemermclean.org).

## College Care Packages

Do you have college students who might enjoy receiving a care package from church? We would like them to receive it before their finals week. Contact Jackie Cho with details by April 20th and we'll take care of the rest!  
[jcho@mcneaney.com](mailto:jcho@mcneaney.com).

## 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.

**Ministers: The People of Redeemer Church**  
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## This Week at Redeemer

## Upcoming Events

Sun	4/15	8:30a	Traditional Service	Nave
		9:45a	Contemporary Service	Nave
		11:00a	Traditional Service	Nave
		1:00p	MOJO Volleyball	Parents' Hall
Mon	4/16	2:00p	Women of the ELCA	Library
		6:30p	Aerobics	Conference Room
		6:30p	MOJO Volleyball	Parents' Hall
Tue	4/17	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	4/18	8:00a	Bible Study	Conference Room
		9:30a	Quilting	Fellowship Hall
		6:30p	MOJO Volleyball	Parents' Hall
		7:00p	Hadi Meditation	Classroom 203
		8:00p	Al-Anon	Classroom 204
Thu	4/19	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
		8:30p	Men's Basketball	Parents' Hall



- 4/16 Women of the ELCA
- 4/17 Prayer Time
- 4/18 Bible Study
- 4/18 Quilting Group
- 4/19 Prayer Shawl
- 4/22 Confirmation Workshop
- 4/22 High School Connect Group (9-12)
- 4/23 Growing Deeper with God
- 4/24 Prayer Time
- 4/25 Bible Study
- 4/30 Faith Alive



- 5/01 Prayer Time
- 5/02 Bible Study
- 5/02 Quilting
- 5/03 Prayer Shawl
- 5/05 UN Goals as Spiritual Calling

*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:**

Justin Bishop  
Keith Bornmann  
Elizabeth Carroll  
Michelle Crone  
Teresa Curley  
Linda Ernst  
Wally Ferguson  
Karen Freschi  
Ginger Glindemann  
Rick Granholm  
Eve Green  
Kirk Gunderson  
George Hall  
Hannah  
Jack  
Katelyn  
Kathleen Kutschenreuter  
Marcia  
Ruth Martz  
Coletta Miller  
Laura Opsal-Ong  
Pat Purcell  
Barbara Ramsey  
Erik Ramsey  
Rev. Robert Richter  
Karin Ryding  
Kathy Stieg  
Beth Telford  
Silence Triplett  
James and Patricia Woodward

### **For Comfort in Death:**

The family and friends of Carol Chirstopher Albright  
The family and friends of Caroline Bauman  
The family and friends of Betty Scott

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

Karen Baker  
Bertha  
Mary Cox  
Reverend Monte Frohm  
George  
Art Gunderson  
Lynn Porter Hardisky  
Colleen Higgins  
Susan

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

Gwen Brown  
Corrie  
Lena Heier  
Rhonda Heier  
Jeff and Lauren  
Katelyn  
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.*