



Life at Redeemer

Redeemer Lutheran Church

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Today we welcome to worship the students and parents of Redeemer's After-School Program.

We are delighted to have you here today!

Copier/Printer Available

The church office is getting a new copier/printer. If you are interested in the old one for use in an office environment, please let us know at church@redeermclean.org within the next couple of days. It is a Xerox Model 5665.

First Communion Class Today

Today, 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.

High School Graduates

Each year in the June issue of the Tidings (our newsletter) Redeemer likes to congratulate their High School Graduates. If you could please provide us with a picture of your son/daughter who will be graduating and let us know of their plans....work, college, military, etc. we will publicize it in the Tidings. Please also include the high school that they will graduate from. You can send the information to Carol in the office at cdamico@redeermclean.org

McLean Day on May 19, 2018

Come out to help at Redeemer's booth (at the park) or welcome people and hand out water bottles (at church). Again this year people will use our parking lot and then the bus service that will shuttle them to Lewinsville Park. We are looking for volunteers to take roughly 2-hour shifts to share the fun and friendship of the McLean community's big day. It is a very good "Community Service" opportunity for students and adults alike.

To sign up or if you have any questions please contact Mark Cronin at 703-328-6797 or by email at mlm.cronin@gmail.com. Mark can also be found on Sunday mornings in the Crossroads in-between services.

Table Talk

Responses to Worldwide Christian Persecution

Join us for a series on the responses of Christians around the world to persecution. We will be using the materials from Under Caesar's Sword, a global research project of institutes at Notre Dame and Georgetown University. Materials available at ucs.nd.edu. All are welcome to attend.

- May 6 — The People of God in Exile
- May 13 — The Paschal Mystery of Christ
- May 20 — Witness & Martyrdom in Church History
- May 27 — Human Dignity and Rights
- June 3 — Responses of Forgiveness
- June 10 — Responses of Solidarity & Six Idea for Action

Bible Overview Class

**May 9, 2018
8:00 am**

The Minor Prophets

Stained Glass Windows

Please save the date ... We will officially dedicate the windows on Pentecost Sunday, May 20, at the 11:00 am service. And please wear something red!

Vacation Bible School

Find adventure on the river with VBS 2018 Rolling River Rampage, July 23-27 from 9:30 am-12:30 pm. Ages 3(potty trained) though Age 12. Registration begins May 1st for church and preschool members. Registration forms will be available in the church office. There is a one-time registration fee of \$30 to cover supplies. If you have any questions feel free to contact Elizabeth Carroll elizabethccarroll@gmail.com

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

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 jgdurman@aol.com, 703-356-4929.

Redeemer Food Drive June 2-3, 2018

The next Redeemer Food Drive will be held on Saturday, June 2nd from 9:00 AM-11:00 AM.

Redeemer will be sponsoring 30 families in the Britepaths food assistance program as well as the SHARE pantry.

We will be collecting both food items and monetary donations for gift cards.

- Shopping lists will be available in the Crossroads and non-perishable donations can be dropped off there by Friday, June 1st
- Monetary donations noted for Food drive can be placed in the offering plate or sent to the Church office. Please contact Deanna if you plan to donate funds so that gift cards can be purchased and mailed in advance of the drive.

Volunteers are needed to:

- Sort donations on Saturday, June 2nd (9-11am)
- Deliver donations to families on Sunday, June 3rd
- Shop for families with special needs

Please sign up on the volunteer sheets in the Crossroads or contact Deanna Heier at dmheier@yahoo.com or 678-478-3561.

Volunteers Needed To Deliver Hams

For many years Redeemer members have volunteered their time working with the Honey Baked Ham Company to deliver their HAMS to the residents of N Street Village once a month.

Do you want to put more meaning into your life? Do you want to do something that is satisfying and of great service to your community? Please consider volunteering to help pick up and deliver the HAMS to N Street Village. It is the easiest way to do something worthwhile, requiring about 3-4 hours once a month.

It's a great way to meet fellow members and learn something about N Street Village, a most meaningful community service. To give some time please contact Rick Stewart at ricstew2002@yahoo.com.

Economic Equality Caucus

You are invited to attend a non-partisan forum featuring several non-profit or faith-based leaders and major candidates from both parties in the 10th Congressional District election process.

Date: Wednesday, May 23, from 5 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. (includes a gathering time and light snacks) at Redeemer Lutheran Church.

This is free. To RSVP: Send an email to Lee Powell at leepowell@delta.comcastiz.net with your name and where you are from, or contact by phone at (202) 360-6347.

Key issues to be discussed -- jobs at good wages, economic progress and equality, health care, education, and infrastructure improvements.

10th DISTRICT CANDIDATES SPEAKERS: We expect to hear from confirmed Democratic candidates Alison Friedman, Dan Helmer, Paul Pelletier, Lindsey Stover. Sen. Jennifer Wexton is invited. Republican candidate Shak Hill is confirmed. Rep. Barbara Comstock is invited.

Questioners asking questions on the key issues noted above will be Megan Malone, Phillips Programs Board of Trustees, Government Relations Director, Visa, Inc. and Co-Chair for this meeting; Deanna Heier, Member of the Lutheran Church of the Redeemer Social Concerns Committee; a representative of the Virginia Latino Leaders Council; and Lee Powell, Economic Equality Caucus Co-Chair.

After the several key issues are covered by the questioners we will have follow-up questions from the audience, as our time allows.

Looking for a Chance to Use Your Talent?

The Falls Church - McLean Children's Center may just be what you are looking for. If you like working with children, reading to them, preparing snacks, or demonstrating a skill or hobby, the children at the Center would be delighted to have you.

Begun in 1968, and supported by more than 20 Faith groups, MCC has grown over the years and now serves more than 70 children. The Center provides child care for low income families.

Redeemer has responded to the needs of the Center since its inception and continues to do so today. On our day of service in September, Redeemer supports the Center through our Good Works Projects and financially.

If you would like to volunteer, please contact the Center at 703-534-4907. They are located in a dedicated wing of Lemon Road Elementary School at 7230 Idylwood Road, Falls Church, VA .

New Bible Study Series

Starts Wednesday, June 6 at 7:15 pm.

We will study Romans.

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This Week at Redeemer

Upcoming Events

Sun	5/06	8:30a	Traditional Service	Nave
		9:45a	Contemporary Service	Nave
		11:00a	Traditional Service	Nave
		12:00p	Banner Committee	Fellowship Hall
		12:15p	First Communion Class	Library
		1:00p	MOJO Volleyball	Parents' Hall
		2:00p	RRASP Recital	Nave
Mon	5/07	5:30p	Sunshine Academy	Classroom 202
		6:30p	Aerobics	Conference Room
		6:30p	MOJO Volleyball	Parents' Hall
Tue	5/08	8:00a	Prayer Time	Nave
		12:00p	Rotary	Fellowship Hall
		5:00p	Sunshine Academy	Classroom 202
		6:00p	Langley Residential	Conference Room
		6:30p	MOJO Volleyball	Parents Hall
		7:00p	Finance and Administration	Library
		7:15p	Boy Scouts	Fellowship Hall
Wed	5/09	8:00a	Bible Study	Conference Room
		6:30p	MOJO Volleyball	Parents' Hall
		7:00p	Hadi Meditation	Classroom 203
		8:00p	Al-Anon	Classroom 204
Thu	5/10	6:30p	MOJO Volleyball	Parents' Hall
		6:30p	McLean PTA	Fellowship Hall
		7:00p	Bell Choir	Music Suite A
		7:45p	Traditional Choir	Music Suite B
Sat	5/12	8:00a	McLean H.S. Car Wash	Westmoreland Lot
		9:00a	Boy Scout Merit Badge	Fellowship Hall



5/06	First Communion Class
5/08	Prayer Time
5/08	Finance and Administration
5/09	Bible Study (8 am)
5/11	Faith and Fellowship
5/14	Growing Deeper with God
5/14	Congregational Council Meeting
5/15	Prayer Time
5/16	Bible Study (8 am)
5/16	Quilting
5/17	Prayer Shawl Ministry
5/19	McLean Day
5/21	Women of the ELCA
5/22	Prayer Time
5/23	Bible Study (8 am)
5/23	Economic Equality Caucus
5/27	High School Connect

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:

Anne
Spenser Blessing
Keith Bornmann
Juan Borrego
Elizabeth Carroll
Michelle Crone
Linda Ernst
Ginger Glindemann
Rick Granholm
Kirk Gunderson
George Hall
Emily Howard
Jack
Pru Kellin
Daniel Maxim
Coletta Miller
Ashley Mulcahey
Lisa Nagorny
Laura Opsal-Ong
Pat Purcell
Barbara Ramsey
Erik Ramsey
Rev. Robert Richter
Karin Ryding
Ed Scheidt
Kathy Stieg
Beth Telford
Val
Gerri Werking
William
James and Patricia Woodward

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
Ben Clark and family
Corrie
Lena Heier
Rhonda Heier
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.