



Life at Redeemer

Redeemer Lutheran Church

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Wednesday Bible Studies

September 19

The "Overview of the Bible" class will not meet this week. Those who have signed up to help host the Yom Kippur service will gather in the Crossroads at 8:45 am.

The "Bible Study on Isaiah" will continue at 7:15 pm. We will study Chapters 13-23. All are welcome at any time!

Funeral Service for Marian True

Marian True, a member of Redeemer since 1969, died on May 16, 2018. Marian and her husband, Ralph, were very active members of our church. The family has invited us to come and help celebrate her life at a service that will be held here on Saturday, October 6, at 11:00 am.

Animal Blessing

Every year we take the opportunity to bless the animals – an important part of God's creation. Please bring your pets outside the church (in the area by the Preschool playground) on Sunday, October 7, at 2:00 pm. If the weather is not cooperating then either we will meet right outside the church (nearest the entrance by Keillor Hall) or inside Keillor Hall.

Covered Dish Dinner

We are having another covered dish dinner at Redeemer on Saturday, October 13, from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. Members and friends of the congregation are invited to come to meet our new members and others new to the church. Since it will be held in October the theme will be an Oktoberfest (minus the beer). Bring something to share with others! For those who can help with set up and/or clean up – just let the pastor know and she will be forever grateful. We will have fun and it is a wonderful way to make new friends.

First Communion

First Communion classes are for any of our children who show a readiness to learn more about what takes place at the Lord's Table. If parents have a sense that their child is "ready" then please email Pastor Kessinger at psk@redeermclean.org. We will hold a class on Sunday, October 14, at 12:15 pm until 1:30 pm. Parents are encouraged to attend the class to hear the lesson and to continue the conversation at home. The actual First Communion will take place on Sunday, November 25, at the 11:00 am service to allow family members traveling from a distance to attend. If that date does not work out for you then please have that conversation with the pastor as well.

Barrel Oak Winery

Last year's afternoon at Barrel Oak Winery in Marshall, VA, was great fun for all ages, so we're doing it again! Please save the date for Sept. 23 and let Karen Detweiler (kdetweil@mitre.org) know if you're planning to come. We'll leave from RLC after the 11:00 service and return late afternoon. You can bring your own picnic or buy food and beverages at the winery. There'll be activities for children. Dogs are welcome, too!

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@redeermclean.org). New members will be received on Sunday, October 21.

Christian Formation for Adults — The TableTalk Group

New Series on Early Christian Writings
9:45 am in Room 204

Join us for a new series on the writings of the Church Fathers and other Christians during the first centuries of the church. All are welcome to attend.

Sept. 16 — (Other) Acts of the Apostles

Sept. 23 — Roman Persecution of the Early Church

Sept. 30 — The First Martyrs - Polycarp & Perpetua

Children's books and puppets wanted!

Hi, I am collecting children's books and puppets as part of my Gold Award project teaching young kids about puppetry. I will be bringing all donations with me to Stanton Elementary School on October 10th when I deliver a puppet theater that I made as well as animated puppet videos. If you have any to donate, please put them in the boxes at the crossroads or the preschool entrance! If there are any questions email me at emma.bradley3662@gmail.com

Thanks!
Emma Bradley

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 Food Drive

The next Redeemer Food Drive will be held on October 6 at 9 am in the gym.

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. 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
- Deliver donations to families
- 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.

This is a great family service event if you are looking for ways to serve the community together.

Thanks in advance to all those who can help in some way!

Help Needed with the Sound System

We need additional volunteers to help run the sound system on Sunday mornings during worship. This is especially the case for the 9:45 AM and the 11 AM services. We are looking for people who could help one Sunday a month or so. It is easy to learn and not that technical. We welcome adult volunteers and high school students. If you could help or have any questions, please send an email to Rob.Wenk@verizon.net. Thank you for being willing to serve in this important role for the church.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY invites and welcomes you

Please come to join us as we resume September 20, Thursday at 10:30 in the church library. We usually gather the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month. Knitters, crocheters, prayers and visitors are welcome. We will again be making shawls, baby blankets and scarves to give when we have our refugee/immigrant sharing dinner.

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

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH INVITES YOU TO CELEBRATE SEPTEMBER PARENTS' NIGHT OUT

Enjoy a night out and Redeemer staff and youth will provide pizza, snacks & activities for the children. Children of ages 3-12 are welcome. So bring the children on Saturday, September 22, 2018, 6:00 to 8:30 pm in the Parents' Hall at Redeemer Lutheran Church, 1545 Chain Bridge Road, McLean, VA 22101

RSVP: Deacon Erin Reinhold at erin@RedeemerMcLean.org

Adult volunteers are still needed.

Stained Glass Window Booklet

Personal copies of the stained glass window booklet can be ordered by contacting the Church office. Sample copies are in the Crossroads. Content includes background information from the committee, a page for each window with explanations and scripture references, contributions from the artist and from Stained Glass by Shenandoah (the fabricators of our windows), and information from the artist who created the dove mosaic in the Crossroads. The price per copy is \$15.00; place the check in the offering plate or send it to the Church office. Deadline: September 30.

Women of the ELCA

The Women of the ELCA will meet on Monday, September 17th at 1:30 p.m. in the library. The discussion will be about some lesser known women of the Bible. All are welcome.

Ham Runners

If any one is interested in joining our crew of ham runners, please contact Rick Stewart at: ricstew2002@yahoo.com. With additional manpower, we can service two additional HoneyBaked Ham stores in our area.

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This Week at Redeemer

Upcoming Events

Sun	9/16	8:00a	Traditional Service	Nave
		9:45a	Contemporary Service	Nave
		11:00a	Traditional Service	Nave
		11:00a	Child Protection Policy Meeting	Conference Room
		12:00p	Banner Team	Fellowship Hall
		1:00p	MOJO Volleyball	Parents' Hall
Mon	9/17	1:30p	Women of the ELCA	Library
		5:30p	Sunshine Academy	Classroom 202
		6:15p	Aerobics	Conference Room
		6:30p	MOJO Volleyball	Parents' Hall
Tue	9/18	8:00a	Prayer Time	Nave
		5:00p	Sunshine Academy	Classroom 202
		12:00p	Rotary	Fellowship Hall
		6:30p	MOJO Volleyball	Parents' Hall
		7:15p	Boy Scouts	Fellowship Hall
Wed	9/19	8:00a	Bible Study	Conference Room
		6:30p	MOJO Volleyball	Parents' Hall
		7:00p	Hadi Meditation	Classroom 204
		7:15p	Bible Study	Conference Room
		8:00p	Al-Anon	Classroom 204
Thu	9/20	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

September

9/17	Women of the ELCA
9/18	Prayer Time
9/19	Bible Study (PM)
9/20	Prayer Shawl Ministry
9/25	Prayer Time
9/26	Bible Study (AM and PM)

October

10/02	Prayer Time
10/03	Bible Study (AM and PM)
10/04	Prayer Shawl Ministry
10/05	Britpath Food Drive
10/07	Faith Formation Service Event
10/08	Congregational Council Meeting
10/09	Prayer Time
10/10	Bible Study (AM and PM)
10/13	Pot Luck Dinner
10/15	Women of the ELCA
10/16	Prayer Time
10/17	Quilting
10/18	Prayer Shawl Ministry

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:

For those who suffer from depression

Keith Bornmann

Leon Brooks

Shirley and Richard Carlson

Vera Connelly

Michelle Crone

Agatha Culhane

Scott Garretson

Jimmy Garman

Kirk Gunderson

George Hall

Gwen Hejl

Jack

Judy Kuhagen

Maggie

Gladys Malek

Audrey Markwart

Coletta Miller

Web Mitchell

Robert Newkirk

Rev. Robert Richter

Karin Ryding

Jennifer Schlagel

Charlotte Sears

Kathy Stieg

Beth Telford

Terry

Mollie Tibbet

Michael Tienan

Ray Tiernan

Lorna Tishendorf

John Wallace

Judy Wilson

For Comfort in Death:

The family and friends of Art Gunderson

For Comfort and Peace:

Karen Baker

Bertha

Reverend Monte Frohm

George

Lynn Porter Hardisky

Colleen Higgins

Mrs. Bobby Lee

Susan

For Comfort and Strength:

Gwen Brown

Corrie

Lena Heier

Rhonda Heier

Bobby Lee

Sarah and Jenny

Liza and Straker

For Safety:

For those in the path of Hurricane Florence

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

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.