



# Life at Redeemer

## Redeemer Lutheran Church

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### October 14, 2018

#### Wednesday Bible Studies

October 17

The "Overview of the Bible" class will meet from 8 am to 9 am in the Conference Room. We will study the Book of Acts.

The "Bible Study on Isaiah" will continue at 7:15 pm. We will study Chapters 55-66. This is the last class in this series.

#### First Communion Class Today

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](mailto:psk@redeermclean.org). We will hold a class *today* 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.

#### Social Concerns Committee Meeting

Please join us next Wednesday, October 17, 7:15 - 9 pm for our Fall Social Concerns meeting. We will meet in the Library at Redeemer. The committee will gather to plan activities and budget for 2019. All are welcome!

#### Gift Bags for the Babies!

Linda and Frank Peterson will be taking **60** post-op gift bags to Guatemala on October 20. All of these bags will be for **children under 2 years of age**. We need to collect several **Baby Rattles and Baby Pacifiers** in a very short time. Please help us if you can! The Partner for Surgery red collection box is located outside Fellowship Hall. Thank you.

#### Hurricane Florence Relief Trip

Save the Date: Friday, Nov. 2-Monday, Nov. 5 (three nights out of that weekend)

We are organizing a team of up to 15 congregants to help with hurricane damage clean up and repairs in the greater Wilmington, NC area. Redeemer members, family and friends, age 14 and up, are encouraged to join the team! Volunteers will help homeowners affected by flooding and storm damage. We will assist with mud-outs, roof tarping, chainsaw work and debris clean-up. Training and tools will be provided - all that's needed are willing hearts and capable hands.

There are background checks to be done and special paperwork for youth ages 14-18, so a commitment to participate will be needed by late October. More details will be provided as our mission comes together.

Food and lodging are provided through a local church; we'll likely have to provide our own bedding in the form of twin air mattresses, cots or sleeping bags.

If you need more details or are ready to sign up, please contact Liz Holzapfel, [woodapple1@verizon.net](mailto:woodapple1@verizon.net) or 703-307-0598.

#### 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@redeermclean.org](mailto:erin@redeermclean.org)

#### Ham Runners

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

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

## Women of the ELCA

The Women of the ELCA will meet on Monday, October 15th at 1:30 p.m. in the library.

We will continue our discussion of lesser known women of the Bible. All are welcome.



## Shepherd's Center Request For Volunteers

VOLUNTEERS WANTED- AN HOUR OF YOUR TIME CAN MAKE A HUGE DIFFERENCE. The Shepherd's Center of McLean-Arlington-Falls Church invites you to become a volunteer to drive senior adults to and from their medical appointments, the pharmacy and grocery store. No specific time commitment is required as you can choose the ride convenient for your schedule. Please call (703) 506-2199 or visit our website at [www.scmafc.org](http://www.scmafc.org). Your help will be greatly appreciated and your life will be enriched.

## McLean Community Business Center

A community-driven planning study for the McLean Community Business Center (CBC) is underway. The McLean CBS is more commonly known as downtown McLean and is centered on the intersection of Chain Bridge Road and Old Dominion Drive. McLean has long been planned to serve as a focal point for residents, with a mix of residential and community-serving commercial uses. The last significant review of the Comprehensive Plan recommendations for the CBC occurred over 20 years ago. The current study began this summer with three community workshops that were held in June.

Streetsense, the County's consultant, presented its analysis from those meetings to the community at an open house held on September 27. Based on community feedback, Streetsense will create a final Vision Plan for the McLean CBC.

More information about the task force, including its meeting schedule, agenda, and notes from past meetings, is available online at <https://www.fairfaccounty.gov/planning-zoning/mclean-cbc-study/meetings>.

## 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.

14-Oct Justin Martyr's Defense of the Faith  
21-Oct Tertullian's Defense of the Faith  
28-Oct Origen's Defense of the Faith

## Lauren Markwart

Lauren Markwart is currently spending a gap year (9 months) with Score International in Costa Rica before attending the University of Virginia in the Fall of 2019. She is studying Spanish and religion in the capitol city of San Jose during the week, then traveling three hours near the Nicaraguan border each weekend to work in a mission church.

Her group consists of 22 students (11 boys and 11 girls) that break into teams of three to serve various churches in the region. They will travel to Panama and Nicaragua as part of the program.

She absolutely enjoys the experience and is "sharing God's love with the greatest number of people"! Below is her email and mailing address. Please send her a card or note! She would love to hear from her church family.

Lauren's email is: [Lmarkwart@gmail.com](mailto:Lmarkwart@gmail.com)

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Del Gimnasio del Este  
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Casa amarilla con bandera de CR  
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## Rise Against Hunger

November 3, 2018

Lutheran Church of the Redeemer

Shifts begin at 8:00 am, 11:00 am and 2:00 pm

The goal for this event will again be to package 300,000 meals requiring contributions of \$87,000 (29 cents per meal) and 1200 volunteers.

Learn more about Rise Against Hunger McLean Community Events at <https://www.facebook.com/McLeanCommunityRiseAgainstHungerEvents>.

Volunteer and Donate at <http://events.stophungernow.org/McLeanRAH2018>

Contact us at [riseagainsthungermclean@gmail.com](mailto:riseagainsthungermclean@gmail.com)

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## This Week at Redeemer

## Upcoming Events

Sun	10/14	8:00a	Traditional Service	Nave
		9:45a	Contemporary Service	Nave
		11:00a	Traditional Service	Nave
		12:15p	First Communion Class	Fellowship Hall
		1:00p	MOJO Volleyball	Parents' Hall
		1:30p	Girl Scout Troop	Classroom 202
		3:00p	Cub Scouts 861	Classrooms
Mon	10/15	1:30p	Women of the ELCA	Library
		5:30p	Sunshine Academy	Classroom 202
		6:15p	Aerobics	Conference Room
Tue	10/16	8:00a	Prayer Time	Nave
		9:00a	Faith Conversations	Library
		5:00p	Sunshine Academy	Classroom 202
		12:00p	Rotary	Fellowship Hall
		7:15p	Boy Scouts	Fellowship Hall
Wed	10/17	8:00a	Bible Study	Conference Room
		9:30a	Quilting	Fellowship Hall
		7:00p	Hadi Meditation	Classroom 204
		7:15p	Bible Study	Conference Room
		7:15p	Social Concerns	Library
		8:00p	Al-Anon	Classroom 204
Thu	10/18	10:30a	Prayer Shawl Ministry	Library
		5:30p	Teen CBS	RLC
		7:00p	Bell Choir	Music Suite A
		7:45p	Traditional Choir	Music Suite B

*October*

<b>10/14</b>	<b>First Communion Class</b>
10/15	Women of the ELCA
10/16	Prayer Time
10/17	Bible Study (AM and PM)
10/17	Quilting
10/18	Prayer Shawl Ministry
10/21	Receive New Members
10/21	Banner Committee
10/21	Confirmation Dinner
10/28	Confirmation

  
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11/01	Prayer Shawl Ministry
11/03	Rise Against Hunter
11/06	Prayer Time
11/07	Quilting
11/11	Confirmation Workshop
11/12	Congregational Council Meeting
11/13	Prayer Time
11/13	Finance and Administration
11/15	Prayer Shawl
11/18	Banner Committee
11/19	Women of the ELCA

*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:**

Spencer Blessing  
Shirley and Richard Carlson  
Michelle Crone  
Agatha Culhane  
Bill DeLong  
Jim Firth  
Scott Garretson  
Betty Gates  
Kirk Gunderson  
George Hall  
Deanna Heier  
Jack  
Danielle Kempf  
Gladys Malek  
Audrey Markwart  
Coletta Miller  
Nicholas  
Pam  
Carol Patney  
Tish Richards  
Rev. Robert Richter  
Karin Ryding  
Richard Skelton  
Kathy Stieg  
Beth Telford  
Terry  
Michael Tienan  
Ray Tiernan  
Judy Wilson

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

The family and friends of Patrick Collette  
The family and friends of Reverend Monte Frohm  
The family and friends of Maggie

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

Bertha  
George  
Lynn Porter Hardisky  
Colleen Higgins  
Susan

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

Gwen Brown  
Corrie  
Sarah and Jenny  
Liza and Straker

### **For Safety:**

For those in Indonesia and those in the path of Hurricane Michael  
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  
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.*