



# Life at Redeemer

## Redeemer Lutheran Church

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## November 4, 2018

### Wednesday Bible Study November 7

The "Overview of the Bible" class will meet from 8 am to 9 am in the Conference Room. We will study 2 Corinthians.

### Veterans Day November 11

Veterans Day is a national holiday that honors our military who served in our Armed Forces. It coincides this year with the 100th Anniversary of Armistice Day.

We will include special prayers and music on this Sunday. In addition we ask all of you who are veterans of our Armed Forces (or who currently serve) to bring in any memorabilia and/or pictures of when you served (please mark them well so we can return them to you safely.) Materials will be collected from now until Friday, November 9. We will display them in the Crossroads on November 11. It would be helpful if the items were also labeled for the time period served.

We would also like to know of anyone who is currently serving overseas so that our children could send him/her greeting cards from Redeemer. Please send us an address and the relationship you have with that person.

And if anyone still fits in their uniforms - Please feel free to wear them on that day!

### Good Neighbor Scarves

The Redeemer Prayer Shawl group is selling handmade scarves to benefit the Good Neighbor Program at Redeemer as we assist the Mehari family, from Ethiopia. Mewael, who is a paraplegic, needs a laptop computer to enable him to study English and prepare for eventual employment. Scarves cost \$10 for a large size and \$5 for a small size and any donation amounts are welcome. Checks should be made to Redeemer Church and marked for the Good Neighbor Program. All funds will go to help the family assimilate into the community.

### Advent

Advent begins on Sunday, December 2. We would like to invite individuals and/or families to help during the worship services to light the candles on the advent wreath and to offer an advent prayer (written ahead of time by the pastor). Please email pastor at [psk@redeemermclean.org](mailto:psk@redeemermclean.org) if you would like to participate in this way. Sign up early!

Weeks available – Dec 2, Dec. 9, Dec. 16, Dec. 23:  
Times available – 8:30 am, 9:45 am or 11:00 am

When you email the pastor please let her know all of your names, the week you want to serve, and the time of the service. Thank you!

### *Also in Advent...*

As we embark on the busyness of the holidays, we invite you to embark on an Advent journey – a journey of preparation and anticipation. On Tuesday, December 4, 11, and 18 we will gather in the Crossroads for a light lunch at 11:15 am. A 30-minute worship service will follow that includes contemplative singing, prayers, and Holy Communion. Each week we will be blessed with a short reflection on hope, peace, and joy.

We need one or two volunteers each week who can assist us in setting up for the lunch and providing a dessert.

If you have any questions, please contact Deacon Erin at [erin@redeemermclean.org](mailto:erin@redeemermclean.org). We look forward to you joining us.

### OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD®

Redeemer Renaissance After-School Program invites you to participate in the Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child. Operation Christmas Child delivers great joy to millions of children around the world through shoeboxes lovingly and prayerfully packed with gifts that will bring delight to a child. In the hands of local churches, every gift-filled shoebox is a powerful tool for evangelism and discipleship—transforming the lives of children and their families around the world through the Good News of Jesus Christ! **Instructions and boxes can be found outside the sanctuary. Return to the church no later than Sunday, November 11, 2018. Thank you for your kindness!**

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WITH THE GREATEST NUMBER OF PEOPLE

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

## ***Time with God: Spending Time with God in Our Daily Life***

1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> graders and their parents are invited to attend ***Time with God: Spending Time with God in Our Daily Life*** on **Sunday, November 18**, from **9:45-10:45 AM**. Each year Deacon Erin works with families on exploring a different faith practice to foster households of faith. With this faith practice, we will discuss ways to incorporate devotional time into our busy schedules. If your child attended last year as a first grader, you are welcome to join us again or worship with your family. *Time with God* will take place in the Fellowship Hall. Please RSVP by Wednesday, November 14 to [Erin@RedeemerMcLean.org](mailto:Erin@RedeemerMcLean.org). We hope to see you there!

## **Shop AmazonSmile and help Redeemer**

The holidays are quickly approaching!  
Shop AmazonSmile:

<http://smile.amazon.com/ch/54-0700803>

Redeemer gets a donation equal to .5% of each total order. What could be easier?! **Redeemer** has received \$733.16 as of August 2018

## **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](mailto:erin@redeemermclean.org)

## **Habitat for Humanity**

There are two days left in 2018 to volunteer with Habitat for Humanity - Saturday, November 10, and Saturday, December 15.

Where: 8300 Frye Road in Alexandria. This is an old, but very well built house on a large lot. Habitat has recently been demo'ing the interior down to the studs, and should be rebuilding by [Nov 10](#).

When: 8:40-3:30

Who: Anyone age 16 + up

As always, there will be tasks for EVERYBODY, prior building experience and skills are not required and they will teach anything you need to know.

For more information and to volunteer, go to SignUpGenius page at <http://tinyurl.com/Habitat-IC>  
Questions: Ellen Kennedy, [Ellen.kennedy@cox.net](mailto:Ellen.kennedy@cox.net) or 571-228-2505

## **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.



## **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.

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## This Week at Redeemer

## Upcoming Events

Sun	11/04	8:00a	Traditional Service	Nave
		9:45a	Contemporary Service	Nave
		11:00a	Traditional Service	Nave
		1:00p	MOJO Volleyball	Parents' Hall
Mon	11/05	5:30p	Sunshine Academy	Classroom 202
		6:15p	Aerobics	Conference Room
		6:30p	MOJO Volleyball	Parents' Hall
Tue	11/06	8:00a	Prayer Time	Nave
		9:00a	Faith Conversation	Library
		12:00p	Rotary	Fellowship Hall
		5:00p	Sunshine Academy	Classroom 202
		6:30p	MOJO Volleyball	Parents' Hall
		7:15p	Boy Scouts	Fellowship Hall
Wed	11/07	8:00a	Bible Study	Conference Room
		9:30a	Quilting Group	Fellowship Hall
		7:00p	Hadi Meditation	Classroom 204
		8:00p	Al-Anon	Classroom 204
Thu	11/08	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
Sat	11/10	4:00p	I Drive Smart	Classroom 202



11/06	Prayer Time
11/07	Bible Study (8 AM)
11/07	Quilting
11/11	Confirmation Workshop
11/12	Women of the ELCA
11/12	Congregational Council Meeting
11/13	Prayer Time
11/13	Finance and Administration
11/14	Bible Study (8 AM)
11/15	Prayer Shawl
11/18	Banner Committee
11/20	Prayer Time
11/27	Prayer Time



SO MANY BLESSINGS

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  
Keith Bornmann  
James Brown  
Shirley and Richard Carlson  
Carol  
Chelsea  
Michelle Crone  
Bill Delong  
Jim Firth  
Juliana Gerris  
Kirk Gunderson  
George Hall  
Deanna Heier  
Grace Holby  
Gwenn Holmlund  
Meredith Hummel  
Jack  
Jeff  
Judith  
Danielle Kempf  
Audrey Markwart  
Coletta Miller  
Nicholas  
Carol Patney  
Jim Rakestraw  
Tish Richards  
Rev. Robert Richter  
Roy Rohm  
Karin Ryding  
Richard Skelton  
Kathy Stieg  
Beth Telford  
Terry  
Michael Tiernan  
Ray Tiernan  
Les Townsend  
Tracy  
Judy Wilson  
Lillian Wilson

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

Bertha  
George  
Lynn Porter Hardisky  
Susan  
Joann Shupp

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

Gwen Brown  
Sarah and Jenny  
Liza and Straker

### **For Safety:**

For those affected by the Hurricanes, the shootings and the Indonesian Plane Crash  
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  
Stephanie and Matt Kessinger and son, Ben, in Paraguay  
Jon Walsh

### **In Thanksgiving for Curtis Fazer**

#### ***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.*