



Life at Redeemer

Redeemer Lutheran Church

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Wednesday Bible Study November 14

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

History of Veterans Day

World War I ended on November 11, 1918, with the signing of the Armistice by the Allies and Germany. In the first Armistice Day proclamation in 1919, President Woodrow Wilson called for the nation to remember those who died in their country's service and to make the day an opportunity for America to "show her sympathy with peace and justice in the councils of the nations."

In 1927 Congress called for the display of the U.S. flag on government buildings, and in 1938 Congress called for observing Armistice Day in churches and schools - again dedicating the day to the cause of world peace.

Armistice Day became Veteran's Day by an act of Congress in 1954, changing its purpose and scope. President Eisenhower called on the nation to remember the sacrifices of those who fought in all our nation's wars, to celebrate the contributions of all veterans of military service, and to rededicate ourselves to the task of promoting an enduring peace. It is Eisenhower's call that remains the three-fold purpose of Veterans' Day: remembering those who fought and died, celebrating all veterans, and promoting an enduring peace.

Family Advent Worship

Please keep open Sunday December 2, 2018, 4-6 pm for a short service and some wonderful family advent activities. This is open to families, large or small, so all are welcome. Volunteers are needed to provide some of your favorite Christmas goodies that you are willing to share for this event. Please let Deacon Erin know, if you plan to attend and/or if you have a goodie to share. This is a fun event and we look forward to seeing you there. Contact Deacon Erin at Erin@RedeemerMcLean.org.

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@redeermclean.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 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@redeermclean.org. We look forward to you joining us.

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 Lutheran Church" and marked for the "Good Neighbor Program." All funds will go to help the family assimilate into the community.

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

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

1st and 2nd 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. We hope to see you there!

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

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.fairfaxcounty.gov/planning-zoning/mclean-cbc-study/meetings>.

Habitat for Humanity

There is one day left in 2018 to volunteer with Habitat for Humanity - 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.

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 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. With additional peolepower, we can service two additional HoneyBaked Ham stores in our area.

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.

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. Your help will be greatly appreciated and your life will be enriched.

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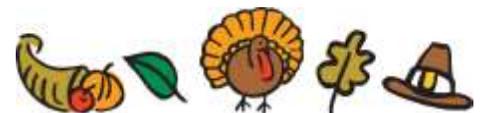
This Week at Redeemer

Sun	11/11	8:00a	Traditional Service	Nave
		9:45a	Contemporary Service	Nave
		11:00a	Traditional Service	Nave
		12:15p	Confirmation Workshop	RLC
		1:00p	Brownie Troop 1845	Classroom 202
		1:00p	MOJO Volleyball	Parents' Hall
		4:00p	I Drive Smart	Classroom 202
Mon	11/12	5:30p	Sunshine Academy	Classroom 202
		6:15p	Aerobics	Conference Room
		6:30p	MOJO Volleyball	Parents' Hall
		7:30p	Congregational Council Meeting	Conference Room
Tue	11/13	8:00a	Prayer Time	Nave
		9:00a	Faith Conversation	Library
		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	Worship Committee Meeting	Library
7:15p	Boy Scouts	Fellowship Hall		
Wed	11/14	8:00a	Bible Study	Conference Room
		7:00p	Hadi Meditation	Classroom 204
		8:00p	Al-Anon	Classroom 204
Thu	11/15	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
Sat	11/17	4:00p	I Drive Smart	Classroom 202

Upcoming Events



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 in Death:

The family and friends of Brad Boeckmann

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

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.