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***Life at Redeemer***

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**July 20, 2025**

**Welcome to Redeemer**

We welcome you to our worship service this morning! Please sign the guest book that is found in our entry area or the red attendance book found in the pews. If you include your email address, we will keep you informed of any upcoming events. You can also email us at [church@redeemermclean.org](mailto:church@redeemermclean.org).

**Holy Communion Open to All**

We offer Holy Communion at all of our worship services. Please follow the instructions of the pastor when it is time to come forward. If you are not comfortable taking Holy Communion for any reason but would like to come forward for a blessing, then just cross your arms and the pastor will bless you. All are welcome to the Lord's Table.

**Hymns Today at the 9:00 Service**

- #834 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise**
- #711 O Day of Peace**
- #761 Evening and Morning**
- #654 The Church's One Foundation**

**Volunteer Coordinator Needed  
for Faith Formation Teachers/Parents  
No Teaching Required**

Faith Formation is seeking a volunteer to coordinate teachers and parent classroom volunteers. This involves weekly tasks, but presence on Sunday is not required. These tasks include:

- Confirming classroom coverage each week and arranging substitutes as needed.
- Managing a SignUpGenius or similar tool for scheduling parent classroom volunteers.
- Communicating to parents announcements and events.

If you are interested in volunteering or would like more information, please contact [grace@redeemermclean.org](mailto:grace@redeemermclean.org).

**Worship Service Schedule**

**Traditional and Contemporary Services Switch**

**July 27**

Please note that our worship services will switch next week. The contemporary service will be at 9 am and the traditional service will be at 10:30 am from July 27 through August 31.

**New Mortgage**

**Opportunity for Questions Today in Crossroads**

The Council has selected the ELCA's Mission Investment Fund to provide the new mortgage for the completion of our upcoming construction project. The \$1.6M loan will be fully amortized over a 25 year term with no balloon payment due. The rate will be approximately 7.375% (final rate is set just prior to closing) and will adjust every 5 years over the life of the loan. The monthly principal and interest payments will be approximately \$11,700. There are no penalties involved with paying off the loan early, as we have done in the past. While the congregation already approved taking on a \$1.6M mortgage at the last annual meeting, there does need to be congregational approval on the selection of the ELCA's Mission Investment Fund and the loan terms. This vote will take place at an upcoming special congregational meeting (date yet to be finalized). In the meantime, there is an opportunity for questions and discussion on mortgage TODAY in the small meeting room off the Crossroads lobby (on the side by the coffee station) following each worship service. Questions can also be emailed to [church@redeemermclean.org](mailto:church@redeemermclean.org).

**Redeemer Renaissance Open House**

**July 22 — 10 to 11 am & 5:30 to 6:30 pm**

Families are invited to an open house at Redeemer Renaissance Preschool. The open house will showcase our preschool for the 2s, 3s, and 4s with morning and all-day availability. For more information, please call 703-356-3567.

### **Construction Project Update**

With construction starting in the education wing on August 18<sup>th</sup>, we will have to move all items out of those areas. Some of the walls and ceilings in those rooms will be rebuilt. If your ministry team has things stored in those areas, please consider storing those items off site during the construction. We will have an on-site storage unit in the parking lot for some things, but obviously that will not be a good storage environment for all items. Things that the church no longer needs will either be sold, donated, or salvaged, in order to free up space for items that the church really needs to keep on hand going forward.

### **Large Print Worship Bulletin**

#### **Available at Traditional & Contemporary Worship Services**

We now have large print worship bulletins available at both the traditional and contemporary services, for anyone who would benefit from this easier-to-read version. If you are interested in utilizing this bulletin, please speak to an usher on Sunday.

### **Pastoral Emergencies before Interim Pastor**

If you experience an emergency and need pastoral care, please call the church office at 703-356-3346 or email [church@redeemermclean.org](mailto:church@redeemermclean.org). You may also email Council President Karen Miller at [president@redeemermclean.org](mailto:president@redeemermclean.org).

### **Shoe Box Collection for Redeemer Renaissance**

Redeemer Renaissance Summer Camp needs your empty shoe boxes! Please bring them to the church so they can be used to create s'more ovens and dioramas.

### **Winter Scarf Drive**

#### **Pick Up "Scarf in a bag" Kits**

The prayer shawl group will be hosting the annual winter scarf drive once more. Please consider making a scarf for the women of N Street Ministries ([nstreetvillage.org](http://nstreetvillage.org)). Gently used and newly purchased winter scarves are also welcome. "Scarf in a bag" kits are available in Crossroads. Each bag contains enough yarn to knit or crochet a scarf and directions for both crocheted and knitted scarves, or use any pattern of your choosing. Collection will begin in September, and the drive will end in early October. Please email Lynn Barth for more information or yarn at [lynnbarth@gmail.com](mailto:lynnbarth@gmail.com).

### **Young Adult Group Mall Hang**

**July 22 — 7 to 9 pm**

Join us for shopping and dinner at Tyson's Corner Mall. For more information, please contact Grace Howie at [grace@redeemermclean.org](mailto:grace@redeemermclean.org).

### **Redeemer Renaissance Playground Playtime**

**July 23 – 9:30 am to 10:30 am**

Friends and neighbors are invited to come and play this summer! RRP families will gather on the playground! This is a wonderful opportunity to meet other families and introduce your child to the grounds—natural play area, play structures, gardens, and outdoor classroom—which are special places for them. These spaces offer your child a safe place to wonder, discover, and explore while increasing their confidence and independence as they transition to begin the new school year.

### **Thursday AM Bible Study**

**July 24 — 8 am**

The group meets via Zoom. If you are interested in joining, please contact Doug Scheffler at [dougscheffler@aol.com](mailto:dougscheffler@aol.com) or email the church office at [church@redeemermclean.org](mailto:church@redeemermclean.org).

### **Save the Date**

#### **Metro D.C. Synod Faith Day at Nats Stadium**

**August 16 – 4 pm**

You're invited to join congregations from across the Metro D.C. Synod for Faith Day at Nationals Park—an afternoon of baseball, fellowship, and community connection. Tickets are just \$17, with \$5 from each ticket supporting Youth For Tomorrow, a nonprofit organization making a difference in young lives. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet others from across our synod and enjoy a summer evening together at the ballpark! If you are interested, please purchase tickets at <https://www.gofevo.com/event/Metrodc4> by August 13.

### **Sign Up to Host Coffee Hour**

Everyone is welcome to host Sunday morning Coffee Hour. Get your friends, family, or ministry group together and sign up! It is a great way to meet people, welcome visitors, and inform people about your ministry or group. All coffee supplies, training, and written instructions are provided. If you have any questions, contact Kim Wenk at [kbwenk@gmail.com](mailto:kbwenk@gmail.com). Scan the QR Code or go to [bit.ly/RedeemerCoffeeHour](http://bit.ly/RedeemerCoffeeHour) to sign up.



## CALENDAR OF UPCOMING CHURCH EVENTS

### *Including Hybrid Options*

Sun., 7/20	<i>Sunday Worship Service Times</i>	<i>(Live stream both services)</i>
	9:00 am--10:00 am	Traditional Service
	10:30 am--11:30 am	Contemporary Service
	8:30 am--12:00 pm	Church nursery is available for infants and toddlers
	10:15 am--11:15 am	Table Talk Adult Education (Conference Room/Hybrid)
Tues., 7/22	10:00 am--11:00 am	Redeemer Renaissance Preschool Open House
	5:30 pm--6:30 pm	Redeemer Renaissance Preschool Open House
	7:00 pm--9:00 pm	Young Adult Outing
Weds., 7/23	9:30 am--10:30 am	Redeemer Renaissance Playground Time
Thurs., 7/24	8:00 am--9:00 am	Thursday AM Bible Study (Zoom)
Sat., 7/26	2:00 pm--3:00 pm	Michael Brittin Memorial Service (Sanctuary)

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# ***Please Remember to Pray....***

## **For Healing**

Aaron  
Bettina  
Carol  
Charlotte  
Chris  
Christina  
Jana  
Jeff  
Jesse  
Jon  
Kim  
Mandy  
Marie  
Nancy and Peter  
Sam  
Debbie G.  
Joan and Ed  
Joe G.  
Steve M.  
Trevor W.  
Achikian, Maral  
Augustenborg Epstein, Erica  
Ayers, Kyle  
Bates, Barbara  
Bergdahl, Carol  
Blakey, Patrick  
Blankenship, Bob  
Born, King "Song"  
Bornmann, Keith  
Boyer, Carol  
Boyer, Charlie  
Brown, Richard  
Canes, David  
Capodanno, Sophie  
Carter, Nicole  
Cavallo, Michael  
Cooke, Martin  
DeGioia, Jack  
Detweiler, Shirley  
Devine, Daniel  
Diaz, Martin  
Duval, Louis  
Eifler, Ruth  
Geissl, Irene  
Glindemann, Ginger

Glindemann, Keith  
Graham, Jim  
Gross, Kathy  
Henkel, Vernon Jr.  
Heuer, Mark  
Hopkins, Harley  
Hughes, William  
Hunter, Baxter  
Jephson, Patrick  
Johnson, Ted  
Keating, Kathleen and Michael  
Kennedy family  
Lawrence, Kai  
Maheshwari, Mohan  
Martin, Beverly  
Martin, Trevor  
Miller, Coletta  
Moe, Mike  
Myers, Kathy  
Pittman, Larry  
Pujol Rodriguez, Esther  
Reblitz, Jennifer  
Richmond, Dan  
Ryding, Karin  
Scheinblum, Terry  
Schiedt, Mary Jane  
Schmid, Rahizza  
Schneck, Pastor Tony  
Shaefer, Phil  
Stear, Carolyn  
Stolar, Bob  
Sullivan, Katie  
Teutler, Alexander  
Teutler, Olga  
Vanderhoof, Brenda  
Vosburgh, Leah  
White, Jerry  
Williams, Tim  
Wright, Jim  
Wu, Jian  
Yesko, Edmund  
Yox, Karol

## **For Comfort and Peace**

Collins, Josephine  
Portis, Carol  
Peggy

## **For Comfort in Death**

The family & friends of Michael Brittin  
The family & friends of Hermino Gaitan Villalobos  
The family & friends of Eric Meck  
The family & friends of Kenneth Michlovitz  
The family & friends of Terry Retter  
The family & friends of Larry Smothers  
The family & friends of Virginia Teitman

## **For Safety**

All refugees  
All our military & diplomatic people throughout the world  
All those who serve to protect our country  
Armas, Jesús  
The Uriel family

## **For all healthcare workers and first responders**

Dominic, Elizabeth, and Ian  
Sharon  
Tara and family  
Kuhagen, Leslie  
Kutscher, Karin  
Laredo, Sandra

## **For Comfort and Strength**

Ari  
Dave  
Katelyn  
Anna and Stephen  
Sarah and Jenny  
Franks, Hannah  
Martin, Ramona  
Taylor, Charles  
Weber, Amy and Emerson and Fynn  
Those who suffer from depression  
Those who suffer from mental illness

### ***Prayer List Note:***

*To add names to this list, you may email or telephone the church office. We want all our prayers to be current — 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.*

## **Prayers for the World, our Nation, and our Community**

We pray for people in countries around the world that experience violence, war, and/or political division.  
We pray for people who live in areas where there have been disasters of any kind.  
We pray for improved relationships among all nations.  
We pray for our elected leaders that they lead with compassion while making hard decisions.  
We pray for the unemployed and the underemployed and all federal workers.  
We pray for all those facing persecution and oppression.

**Each month we will offer prayers for one of our congregations in the Virginia Conference.**

**We are part of the Virginia Conference of the ELCA Metro DC Synod.**

**We pray for Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Herndon, and their continued search for a permanent pastor.**

**We also have a prayer partnership with Evangelical Lutheran Church of St. Mary in Ulyanovsk, Russia, and their pastor, Zhanibek Batenov.**