

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT REDEEMER



Redeemer Lutheran Church

CHILI COOK-OFF

January 25, 2026 | 5:30–7:30 PM

RSVP by Jan 14th to enter the competition!

Get ready for a night of bold flavors and big plays. Join us for Chili Bowl Sunday – a chili cook-off and playoff football party all rolled into one.

Chili Cook-Off & Football

Jan 25th | 5:30-7:30pm

Get ready for a night of bold flavors and big plays. Join us for a chili cook-off and playoff football party all rolled into one. **What to Expect:** Homemade chili showdown, all the toppings, cornbread, desserts, drinks (BYOB if desired), football on the big screen, fellowship, and friendly competition. **This event is free and open to all.** Bring your appetite, your friends, and your game-day spirit.



THINK YOUR CHILI HAS WHAT IT TAKES TO WIN?

Calling all chili champs, spice masters, and flavor fanatics to enter our Chili Cook-Off event. Bring your best pot of chili and compete in these deliciously fun categories:

- Best Kick – Spiciest chili that's still enjoyable
- Most Original Recipe – Unique ingredients or creative twist
 - People's Choice – Voted on by all attendees
- Judge's Favorite – Overall best selected by our panel
- Best Name – Most creative or humorous chili name

RSVP to enter your chili by January 14, 2026



MNO Jewelry Making

Jan 9th | 6pm

Join us for our first mom's night of the new year! On January 9th at 6:00 we will be creating our own leather jewelry. These are very easy to make and instructions and materials will be provided. No experience needed! The cost is \$6 per person. RSVP on our website by January 2nd.



John Denninger - PGI Presentation

Jan 14th

Join us at Redeemer where John Denninger will give a presentation on January 14th (10:30 AM) to share information about financial planning through wills and estates (The Planned Giving Initiative).

DISCOVER RLC

GRACE. HISTORY. MISSION. COMMUNITY.



Discover RLC/New Member Sunday

January 17th & 18th

Redeemer Lutheran Church invites all those looking to learn more about our ministry to join us for **Discover RLC on January 17th**. Enjoy a day of connection, learning, and fellowship with our pastor, ministry leaders, and fellow members. Lunch is included.

Join us in **welcoming our new members** at brunch between services on **January 18th**. We're grateful to share this special morning of fellowship and connection with you.



Food Pantry Volunteer Training

Sunday, Jan 25th | 12:15pm | RSVP by: January 22

Whether you're a current volunteer or curious about getting involved, join us for a practical, hands-on training to support this growing ministry. We'll cover procedures, roles, safety, and how to serve neighbors with care and dignity.

Questions/RSVP: Becky Wade — bwade@redeemerric.org

Come learn, connect, and make a difference!

NATIONAL LUTHERAN SCHOOLS WEEK



Let's Make a Joyful Noise

PSALM 98:4



National Lutheran School Week

Jan 26-30th

Join us as we celebrate with Lutheran schools across the world! This special week is a time to come together as a community and share in the joy, purpose, and Christ-centered mission of Lutheran education. 🎶 This year's theme: Let's Make a Joyful Noise! 🎶 We can't wait to celebrate with our students, families, and staff all week long!

We give God special thanks for Redeemer Lutheran Child Development Center. May God continue to bless us as we enter this new year.



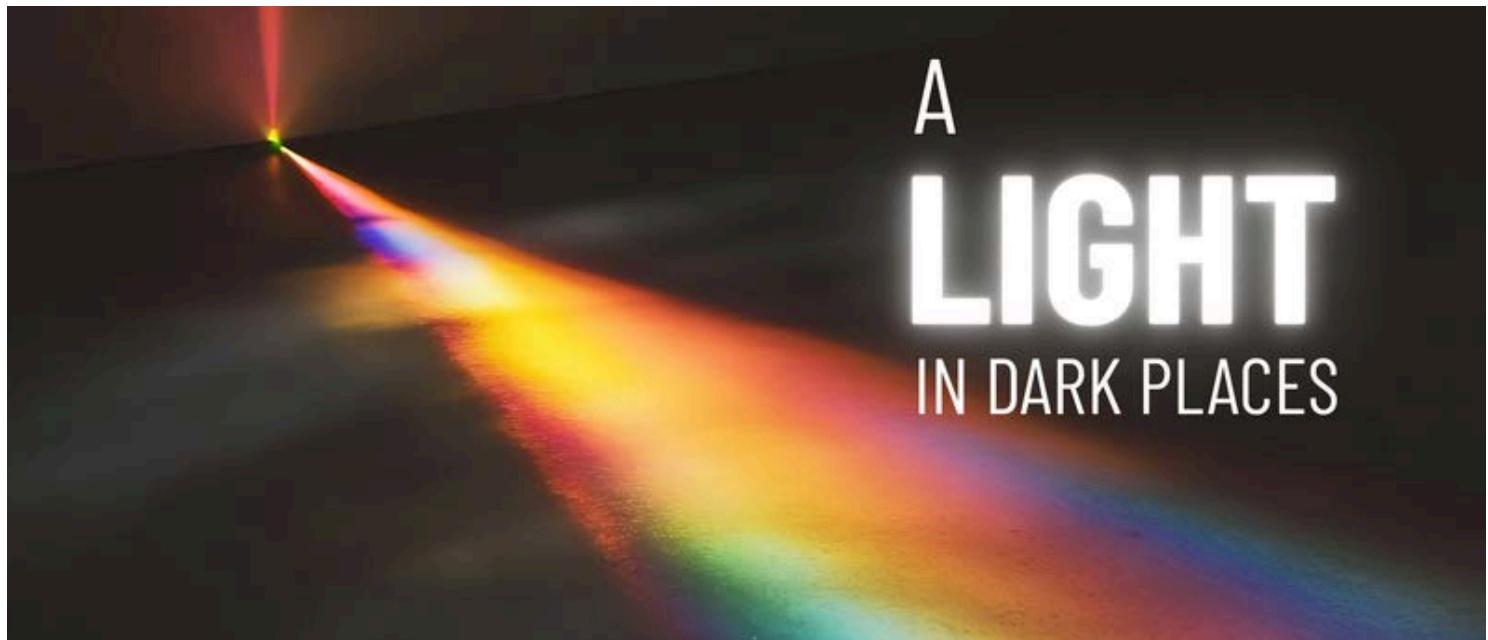
Limping with God: Jacob and the Guide to Messy Discipleship

Jan 31st | 9am-3:30pm | Trinity Lutheran Church (C10 Event)

When we look to the Bible for faith role models, we tend to think of Moses' obedience or David's bravery. Wait. Jacob? This trickster, liar, and selfishly ambitious man who fathers children with four women and leads a dysfunctional family rife with jealousy and backstabbing!

Yes. Jacob. This sinner-saint, who limps along with the Lord, burdened by weakness and beset by problems. Jacob. The mirror image of all of us who follow Jesus.

Chad Bird's presentation will open our eyes to new ways of thinking about our Christian life and faith. Join us for this inspiring workshop!



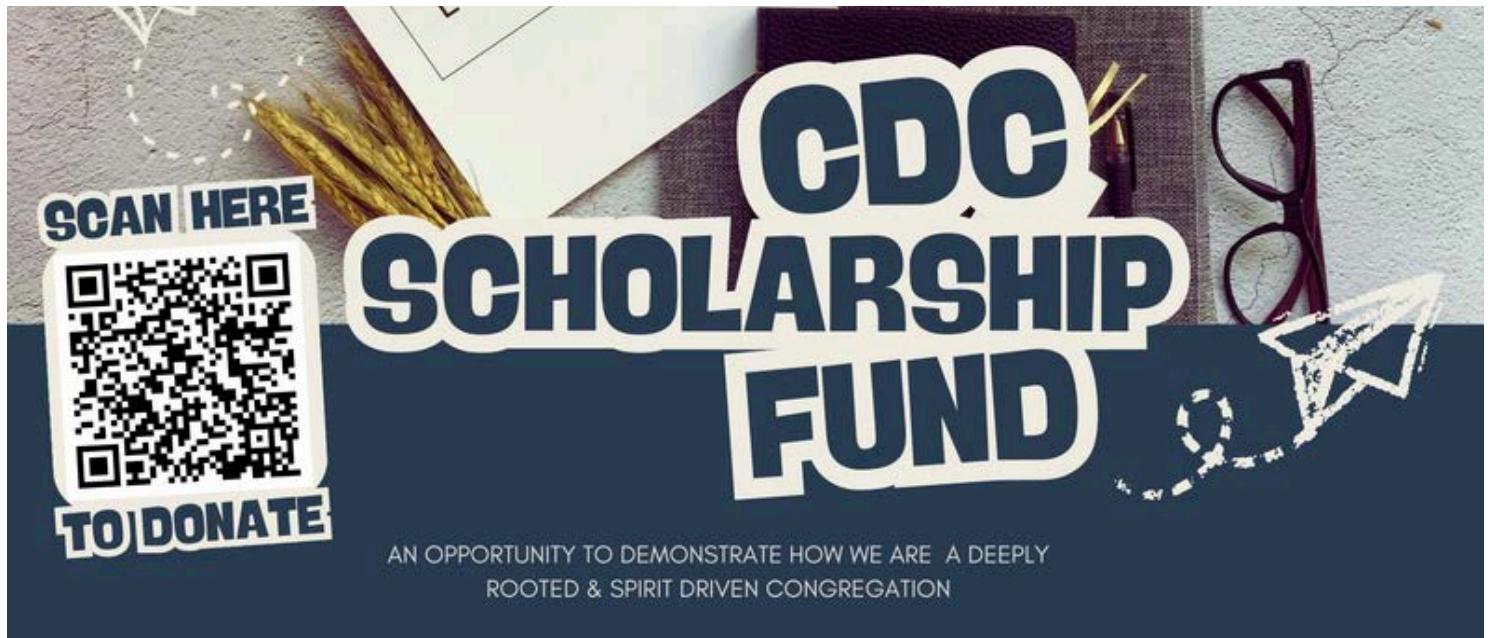
A LIGHT IN DARK PLACES

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January Sermon Series

The season of Epiphany is a season of light, centered on Scripture's witness to Christ as the Light of the World. In this series, we will explore how Jesus brings His Light into the darkness of our world and into our own lives. Each week, through the Gospel lessons, we will reflect on how His Light pushes back the darkness with hope and power.





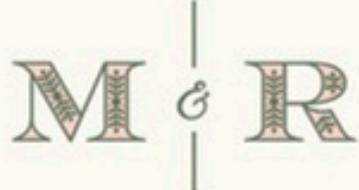
A message from Ramona Carper

With a heavy heart, I am stepping down as the contemporary music leader Effective January 4th 2026. I want to thank the amazing musicians that

I've had the privilege to play with. They have supported every idea I've had and been an amazing team to lead. I also want to thank the congregation for allowing me to share my ministry with you each week. I have loved every minute of it. No matter who leads, one thing will never change: Redeemer Lutheran is a special place because of the warm and inviting community that exists, felt by all who walk through the doors.

Thank you for four wonderful years!





REV. DR. MATTHEW BEAN

and

MS. REBECCA WADE

along with their children

invite you to celebrate their wedding
with a cake reception

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2026
from TWO UNTIL FOUR PM

Redeemer Lutheran Church
9400 Redbridge Road
North Chesterfield, Virginia 23236

RSVP before January 17
at bit.ly/beanwedding

RLC CALENDAR - RECURRING EVENTS

Worship

Traditional Service | Sundays, 8:30 am | Sanctuary
Contemporary Service | Sundays, 11:00 am | Sanctuary
Wiggle Church | Thursdays, 5:30 pm | Fellowship Hall

Bible Study/Christian Education

Adult Bible Classes | Sundays, 9:45 am
Confirmation | Tuesdays, 6:30 pm | Fellowship Hall
JOY Group | Wednesdays, 10:30 am | Fellowship Hall
Men's Bible Study | Tuesdays, 7:30 am | Board Room
Women's Bible Study | Wednesdays, 10:00 am | Community Room
The Chosen Bible Study | 1st & 3rd Mondays, 6:30pm | Online

Music

Choir/Music Rehearsals | Thursdays, 7:30 pm | Choir Loft/Choir Room
Simple Truth | Tuesdays, 6:30 pm | Sanctuary
Joy Ringers | Thursdays, 6:30 pm | Choir Loft

Growing up RLC

Nursery | Sundays, 8:30 am & 11:00 am | Lower Level
Sunday School | Sundays, 9:45 am | Lower Level
Youth Night | Tuesdays, 6:30 pm | Youth Ministry Room

RLC Group Meetings

Board for Spiritual Care | 1st Thursday, 6:00 pm | Board Room
Board of Directors | 3rd Wednesday | Board Room
Koinonia Small Group | 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 6:00-9:00 pm | Lounge
Middle & High School Youth | 2nd Sunday Lunch & Bible Study, 12:30 pm | Fellowship Hall
Quilters | 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 10:00 am | Solarium
Quiram Small Group | 2nd Friday, 2:00 pm | Community Room
Smith Small Group | Sundays, 2:00 pm | Community Room

CDC

Administration Meetings | Tuesdays, 10:00 am & Thursdays, 10:30 am | Board Room
Chapel | Wednesdays, 9:30 am | Sanctuary

Community Events

Cozens NA | Thursdays, 7:15 pm | Fellowship Hall
NA Meeting | Wednesdays, 7:00 pm
RLC Food Distribution | Thursdays, 3:00-6:00 pm | Upper Parking Lot

PRAYER LIST

Those with Cancer:

Kathy Groves (Friend of Robin Balsamo), Jackie Murphy (Friend of Kate Kersten), Linda Lynch, Samantha Reed and Sharon Riddle (Friends of Margaret Clikeman), Debbie Parker, Chuck Sickels (Brother-in-law of the Balsamo's), Kathy Boucher.

General Prayers:

Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayers for:

- Our RLC Family, as we seek to grow as followers of Jesus
- Redeemer's Child Development Center & our CDC families
- Our efforts to build a Community-Based Church
- Our national & global leaders as they strive for peace throughout the world
- Our missionaries (the Cimas and the Wolfs)
- Our seminarian (Tucker Wright & family)
- Our friends and family: Chris Bickes, Michael Jones, Evelyn Barton (Friend of Andriea Ukrop), LaRay Mason, Bob Lenhart

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