

This Week at Our Redeemer

Sun 12/14	8:00 AM	Praise & Worship Service with Holy Communion
	9:15 AM	Coffee Fellowship
	9:30 AM	Youth Group (Family Life Center)
	10:30 AM	Divine Service with Holy Communion
	4:00 PM	Sounds of the Season Concert by Our Redeemer Lutheran School (PK3-8th Grade)
Mon 12/15	4:15 PM	Basketball - Girls B vs. Williams Bay (HOME)
	5:15 PM	Basketball - Girls B vs. Williams Bay (HOME) <i>*Girls B plays two games in a row</i>
Tue 12/16	9:30 AM	Lectionary Bible Study (Conference Room)
	4:30 PM	Basketball - Boys B vs. St. Paul - Janesville (HOME)
	5:30 PM	Basketball - Boys A vs. St. Paul - Janesville (HOME)
	6:00 PM	Board of Elders
Wed 12/17	7:30 AM	5th-8th Grade to Madison (Overture Center & Capitol Building)
	8:35 AM	Chapel Worship Service
	12:00 PM	Advent Midweek Worship Service
	3:45 PM	Confirmation Instruction
	5:00 PM	Advent Supper (ORLS - Menu TBD)
	5:30 PM	Adult Choir
	6:30 PM	Advent Midweek Worship Service
Thu 12/18	4:00 PM	Basketball - Boys B @ First Lutheran
	5:00 PM	Basketball - Boys A @ First Lutheran
Fri 12/19	2:00 PM	PTL Christmas Party
Sat 12/20		No Events

General Information

Prayer Requests and Prayer Partners

All prayer requests received by Noon on Wednesday will be added to the Sunday service folder and Prayers of the Church (unless otherwise requested).

Food Pantry

Our Church and School supports the Delavan Food Pantry as part of a cooperative effort with other area churches. Place donations of dry and canned goods in the “Food Bank” box in the narthex.

Hearing Devices

Devices are available for those who would like to use one. Please see an Usher or Elder.

Prayer Shawls

Shawls are available in both foyers of the church. Please sign the registry and take what you need.



Our Redeemer Lutheran Church with School

Our Mission: Sharing the Redeeming Love of Jesus

A Congregation of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod

Sunday Worship Services: 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

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Jesus taught that by eating the bread and wine of the Lord’s Supper, we receive his body and blood for the forgiveness of our sins (Mt 26:26-28). St. Paul taught that the Lord’s Supper is a confession of our unity in the faith (1 Cor 11:26) and can harm us if taken wrongly (1 Cor 11:28-29).

We take seriously the spiritual care of those who commune at our altar. Because of the above scriptures, if you are not a member of the LCMS and hold a differing confession, we ask you to refrain from communing until you speak with the pastor. You are still invited to come up, with your arms crossed over your chest, to receive a blessing. Your worship with us here is always welcomed!

For information about our church, to submit a prayer request, or e-giving.



*Third Sunday in Advent
Sunday, December 14, 2025
Praise & Worship, 8:00 AM*

Opening Song: **O Come O Come Emmanuel**
Invocation
Opening Sentences
Confession of Sins
Introit
Salutation and Prayer of the Day
Old Testament Reading: **Isaiah 35:1-10**
Epistle: **James 5:7-11**
Alleluia Verse
Holy Gospel: **Matthew 11:2-15**
Children’s Message
Song of the Day: **Come Thou Long Expected Jesus**
Sermon
Apostles’ Creed
Prayer of the Church
Offering
Song of the Month: **Savior of the Nations, Come (vs. 4-6)**
Preface
Prayer of Thanksgiving
The Lord’s Prayer
The Words of Our Lord
Pax Domini
Distribution Songs:
Make Room Christmas Offering
The Dismissal
Post-Communion Collect
Benediction
Closing Song: **Holy Forever (Christmas)**



Physical, Emotional, and Spiritual Healing

Joy Becker, Naomi Boehm-Idzelis,
Landon and Jackson Britzke,
Abi Hummel, Carole Larson,
Debbie Lynn, Kayla Poli,
Logan Sables, Chuck Schaller,
Janet Schmaling, Gerry Schmidt,
Debbie Stark, Robin Strom,
Joy Wagner, Richard Wheeler Jr.,
Richard Wheeler Sr., Jim Wilkins, Colette Witt,
The Family of Gerry Edwards

Our Homebound

Mildred Boness, Diane Carter,
Duane Duesterbeck, David Gilbert, Barbara Hart,
Darlene Langholff, Carole Larson,
Joann Meinschock, Phyllis Patek, Esther Veley,
Jackie Viel, Joy Wagner, William Wiedenhoef

Our Service Members

Richard Cameron, Ben Kastning, Daniel Loomer,
Richard Wheeler III, and Jared Zeimentz

Our School Students, Faculty, and Staff

Heather Knieling - Principal
Kade & Kole Grice, Maisey Hardy

Milestone Birthdays

Javan Wehmeier
Mary Sterken
Steven Scott

Milestone Anniversary

Justin & Abigail Sorg

Sunday, December 14th

8:00 AM Worship Assistance

Elder: Don Johnson
Communion: Eric Murphy
Lector: TBD
Acolyte: Charles Duesterbeck
Musician: Becky Penniman
Ushers: Jim Baar, Rick Getka, Eric Murphy, John Hopkins, Dave Bunnell

10:30 AM Worship Assistance

Elder: Luca Albrecht
Communion: Mark Rathke
Lector: TBD
Acolyte: Zoey Epping
Musician: Brenda Wunderlich
Ushers: Bill Lenz, Mark Rathke, Dave Newcomb, Ron Grair

Altar Guild: Joann Koles, Judy Lenz, Wendy Kujawa, Dorothy Nietfeldt

Sunday, December 21st

8:00 AM Worship Assistance

Elder: Jeff Holt
Communion: Chris Keil
Lector: TBD
Acolyte: Cole Hage
Musician: Judy Becker
Ushers: Bill Duesterbeck, Tom Polzin, Don Schmaling, Dale Albrecht, Bruce DeWitt

10:30 AM Worship Assistance

Elder: Don Johnson
Communion: Luca Albrecht
Lector: TBD
Acolyte: Isabella Nerland
Musician: Judy Becker
Ushers: Larry Albrecht, John Held

Altar Guild: Joann Koles, Judy Lenz, Wendy Kujawa, Dorothy Nietfeldt

Congregational Giving

	For the Week of Dec. 1st-7th	Year-to-Date
Actual Offerings Received	\$21,141.63	\$369,582.52
Budgeted Offerings	\$20,000	\$460,000

Announcements

Love Comes Down At Christmas

Our Redeemer’s Nation Junior Honor Society class is inviting the Our Redeemer family to participate in “Love Comes Down at Christmas.” For \$1 each, you can send a candy cane and message to your favorite student (or to an entire class or the school). Orders are due by Monday, December 15th and all candy canes and messages will be delivered to on Friday, December 19th. The funds will be used to support A Place of Refuge. Order forms will be in the Narthex or the church office.

Advent Midweek Worship and Advent Suppers

Join us on Wednesday, December 17th at noon and 6:30 PM for our Advent Midweek Worship. Advent Supper beginning at 5:00 PM will be a baked potato bar served by the ORLS staff.

Our Redeemer Staffing Update

We have now outsourced our bookkeeping tasks to a local accounting firm. Danielle Strom will be moving into the church office as the part-time Church Administrative Assistant. That will leave the full-time School Administrative Assistant position open. Anyone interested in applying may pick up a job description in the office or contact Bill Duesterbeck at bduesterbeck@orlcs.org.

Offering Envelopes

New offering envelopes are ready to be picked up for those who receive them. For the next 2 Sundays, please stop in the Fellowship Hall between services. You may also stop in the Church Office during the week to them up.

Portals of Prayer

The January - March 2026 Portals of Prayer will be available in the Narthex beginning on Sunday, December 14th. If you signed up to receive them, yours will be labeled with your name.

RaiseRight News

LAST ORDER BEFORE CHRISTMAS! Place your order in the dropbox BEFORE the 10:30 service or place your online order by 8:00 PM. Make sure you have everyone on your gift list checked off! Any questions, please contact Lauren Romeo at orscrip@gmail.com or 262-325-3059.

Stewardship Thought

Isaiah 35:4 – “Say to those who have an anxious heart, ‘Be strong; fear not! Behold, your God will come with vengeance, with the recompense of God. He will come and save you.’” The return of our Lord at the Last Day is a cause of joy and anticipation for us believers. We know our Lord and His love, and we look forward to His Second Advent. Indeed, how we live our lives here and now flows from our certain hope of resurrection and eternal life.