

THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

January 2 & January 3, 2016

Welcome to 2016, welcome to Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer and welcome to our first worship service of the year! Please introduce yourself to **Pastor Allison** and **Pastor Akers**, and complete the information in the Rite of Fellowship pad located on the pew. **Large print services** and **assistive listening devices** are available from the ushers or at the Welcome Center. For **Pastoral Care** please call **Pastor Allison** or **Pastor Akers** at the



church or at home. A **Sitting Room** [in the east wing] and a **Nursery** [in the west wing] are available for infants through age three during each worship service. **If little ones become restless during the service and are disturbing other worshipers, please take them out of the service until they have settled down. Thank you!** "The Lutheran Hour" can be heard every **Sunday at 8:00 AM on WIOU 1350 AM**, sponsored by Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer.

LUTHERAN CHURCH OF OUR REDEEMER / REDEEMER LUTHERAN SCHOOL 705 SOUTHWAY BOULEVARD EAST, KOKOMO, INDIANA 46902			
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SATURDAY EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE: 5:30 PM SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES: 8:15 & 10:45 AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP: 10:45 AM [1ST & 3RD SUNDAYS] SUNDAY SCHOOL AND BIBLE CLASS: 9:30 AM			
WORSHIP SERVICE PARTICIPANTS - MUSIC			
Preacher Liturgist Organist Acolytes Sanctuary Steward	SAT. 5:30 Pastor Akers Pastor Akers David Britton Volunteer Needed	SUN. 8:15 Pastor Akers Pastor Allison Florence Moeller Volunteer Needed	SUN. 10:45 Pastor Akers Pastor Allison Volunteer Needed Kitty Davis

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE INFORMATION

Saturday-5:30 PM - 45 / Sunday-8:15 AM - 86 / Sunday-10:45 AM - 156 = 287
Christmas Eve - 611 / Christmas Day - 126

ALTAR FLOWERS

Two families are placing flowers on the altar this weekend. **Otis & Barbara Porter** in memory of their **granddaughter** and **two grandsons**. Also by **Marvin & Sally Schindel** in honor of their **60th** wedding anniversary and in thankfulness to God for His many blessings.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING, STRENGTH, PEACE AND COMFORT

We remember **Darlene Foesch, Tom Baird, Cole Schroeder, Bob Wheeler, Doris Temme, Will Carson, Kori Wood, Betty VanOgden, Heather Hartman, Terry Michael, Dick Dunkin, Faith [Spoon] Flowers, Jack Garner, Sandy Fisher, Leta Williams, Susan Hermes, Pam Richardson, and Marilou Reason.**

Please be sure you are using your **tan 2016** offering envelopes. If you have not yet picked up your packet, they are still available in the east wing hallway. Thank you. ☺

TUESDAY EVENING BIBLE CLASS WILL NOT BE MEETING UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. PLEASE WATCH FUTURE BULLETINS FOR MORE INFORMATION. THANK YOU.

ADULT BIBLE CLASSES / SUNDAY SCHOOL BEGINNING IN JANUARY, 2016 / 9:30 AM



ADULTS

"LIVING BEYOND YOURSELF" - EXPLORING THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT - MISSION HALL

A Ladies' Bible study will be offered beginning **Jan. 3** titled "**Living Beyond Yourself**" - **Exploring the Fruit of the Spirit** by **Beth Moore**. Lessons will be alternated with DVD sessions, as we have done in the past. This effort will be facilitated by **Renee Young, Ginny Hingst** and **Tracy Brandenburg**, and meets in **Mission Hall**.

JEREMIAH AND LAMENTATIONS BIBLE CLASS - FELLOWSHIP HALL

Join us as we take a deeper look into the words of the Weeping Prophet. Jeremiah's prophecy is longer than all other Biblical texts other than Psalms and his writing is full of lament and tragedy, but his message is still one to be treasured. We will meet in **Fellowship Hall** as we begin to devour this mournful prophet. If you have any questions, see **Pastor Akers** or **Jonathan Guse**.



CHILDREN - YOUTH - HIGH SCHOOL

Welcome back to Sunday morning Bible Study. Classes resume for all ages on **January 3**. We encourage everyone to take advantage of the opportunity to study the Word and draw closer to our Lord.

FAITHWEAVER NOW: PRE-K & K

All Toddlers through Kindergarten-aged children are invited to join Mrs. Melanie Waggoner in the Pre-school room across from the Nursery.

FAITHWEAVER NOW: ELEMENTARY

Students in grades 1-4 are welcome to join Mrs. Ashley Schneider in the 3rd/4th grade classroom to experience the Word of God.

FIRM FOUNDATION: MIDDLE SCHOOL

All 5th-7th grade students are invited to join Mr. Steve Gaunt in the 7th/8th grade classroom as we continue to look at the Bible as one big narrative(story). The Bible is the greatest story ever told and you are invited to take part in it! For all students looking toward 8th grade Confirmation, this is the place to start!

8TH GRADE CONFIRMATION

All 8th grade students are encouraged to attend class in the 5th/6th grade classroom as we Explore Luther's Small Catechism in preparation for Witness Night and Confirmation. We will continue our study of the six chief parts of the Catechism and apply them to our daily walk with the Lord.

STRONG TOWER: HIGH SCHOOL

Join Mr. Kyle Street and Mr. Brent Seaman during the Bible Study hour in the youth room upstairs for a closer look at the teachings of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

COLLEGE STUDENTS

You are invited to share devotions and fellowship with **Jonathan Guse** on **January 3** and **10**.

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER

DATE	TIME	TITLE / EVENT	LOCATION
Sat.	5:30 PM	Traditional Communion	Sanctuary
Sun.	8:15 AM	Traditional Communion	Sanctuary
	9:30 AM	Adult Bible Class	Mission Hall / Fellowship Hall
	9:30 AM	Elementary / Jr. High - High Sunday School	RLS / Youth Rooms
	10:45 AM	Contemporary Worship	Sanctuary
Mon.	1:00 PM	Hands of Love	Sitting Room
	1 & 6:30 PM	Diabetes Class	Church Library
Tues.	8:00 AM	Men's Bible Study	Mission Hall
	1 & 6:30 PM	Diabetes Class	Church Library
	5:45 PM	Bell Choir	Choir Room
	6:00 PM	Cub / Boy Scouts	Fellowship Hall
	7:00 PM	Choir	Choir Room
Wed.	8:45 AM	RLS Chapel	Sanctuary
	1 & 6:30 PM	Diabetes Class	Church Library
	5:30 PM	Board of RLS	School Conference Room
	5:30 PM	Board of Deacons	Mission Hall
	6:30 PM	Pathways	Youth Room / Fellowship Hall
Thurs.	9:30 AM	Quilting	Choir Room
	9:30 AM	Ladies' Koinonia	Mission Hall
	6:00 PM	Deaf Bible Study	Church Library
Sat.	5:30 PM	Traditional Communion	Sanctuary

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

Patricia Mundell - Jan. 9
Connie McIntosh - Jan. 10
Marvin Schindel - Jan. 12
Jerry Smith - Jan. 12
Betty VanOgden - Jan. 12
Barbara Gibson - Jan. 15
Cindy Wheeler - Jan. 31

☺ **The word "epiphany"** (pronounced ee-PIF-uh-nee) comes from a Greek work meaning "manifestation" or "being made known." In other words, Jesus was "made known" to all people simply by being born. Today we remember the visit of the Wise Men, who were guided to Jesus by a special star.

RLS SCRIP

Welcome 2016!! Rhonda and Michelle are back in Extended Care to serve all your SCRIP needs. The holidays may be over but you will still need gas and groceries. Not to mention all the New Year's sales to visit while you are making those Christmas gift exchanges.

BOARDS MEETING IN JANUARY, 2016

Board of RLS - Wednesday - January 6 - 5:30 PM - School Conference Room

Board of Deacons - Wednesday - January 6 - 5:30 PM - Mission Hall

Church Council - Tuesday - January 12 - 6:00 PM - Church Library

Voters' Assembly - Wednesday - January 20 - 7:00 PM - Mission Hall

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Matthew 2:11: "And going into the house they saw the child with Mary His mother, and they fell down and worshiped Him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered Him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh." Worship and the giving of gifts go together. This makes sense because God is the great Giver of every good gift and we worship Him and desire to grow into His image. We receive His gifts in worship and then, being conformed to the likeness of His image, we imitate His generosity.

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**Kokomo
Rescue
Mission** 
Serving Six Counties

News and Opportunities

January 2016



Warming Center

Here at the Kokomo Rescue Mission we know the cold Indiana temperatures can really take a toll on the people in our community. This is why we open our dining room from 9am-5pm on days temperatures get in the single digits. Men, women, and children are welcome to come in and warm.



Walk a Mile 2016

On Saturday, February 13, 2016 we will hold our 15th annual Walk a Mile in My Shoes Event. Team Packets are now available at the Mission Office. Please consider forming a team as a church, small group or youth group. We look forward to seeing you on February 13!

5th Sunday Focus "Re-Stock" Sunday is Sunday January 31st

Throughout the year the Mission uses many kinds of items in its ministry. Restock Sunday will help get us through the winter months. Items needed are: Bleach, Powdered Laundry Detergent, Hand Sanitizer, Toilet Tissue, Paper Towels, Napkins, Facial Tissue, Men's Deodorant. Food items are: Hamburger Helper and Rice-a-Roni.

Collect and donate items individually, or join with your church and bring these items to the Mission office at 321 W. Mulberry in Kokomo at your convenience.

Every item helps. Many of our neighbors are still struggling during these tough economic times. They are counting on you!

Thanksgiving & Christmas 2015

For Thanksgiving 2015, 2,246 meals were served by the Kokomo Rescue Mission and through it's partnership with Kokomo Urban Outreach.

Our Red Ribbon Christmas Outreach was also busy as we served 754 families, for 2,256 individuals which includes 1,039 children. We could not do any of this without our wonderful volunteers. Thank you!

*Thank you for
caring about the
homeless,
hungry, and hurting
in our community*



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Expiration Date: 03/31/2016

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