

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

January 16 & January 17, 2016

Brothers and sisters through Jesus — children of God with whom He is well pleased — **welcome** to worship! 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.



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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

	SAT. 5:30	SUN. 8:15	SUN. 10:45
Preacher	Pastor Akers	Pastor Akers	Pastor Akers
Liturgist	Pastor Akers	Pastor Akers	Pastor Akers
Organist	Florence Moeller	Florence Moeller	
Acolytes	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed	
Sanctuary Stewards			Matt H Katie H Kitty Davis Amy Shrack

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE – MUSIC

Saturday–5:30 PM – 76 / Sunday–8:15 AM – 93 / Sunday–10:45 AM – 125 = 294
Prelude – “Partita: Abide O Dearest Jesus” – J. Pachelbel / **Offertory** – “In Thee Is Gladness” – arr. Paul Manz /
Postlude – “All Glory Be To God on High” – Telemann

ALTAR FLOWERS

This weekend’s altar flowers are given by the **church office staff** in thanksgiving to God for His many blessings and His people they serve at Our Redeemer and Redeemer Lutheran School.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING, STRENGTH, PEACE AND COMFORT

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

→ → → NEW TUESDAY EVENING BIBLE CLASS - GOSPEL OF LUKE – BEGINS THIS WEEK

Pastor Allison will begin a new study on the **Gospel of Luke** this Tuesday, Jan. 19 from 6 – 7 PM in Mission Hall. This week we’ll be taking a look at lesson 1, “The Most Wonderful Child”. All you need to bring is your Bible.

SHUT-IN OF THE WEEK – VIOLET KILE

Violet Kile is this week’s honored shut-in.

VOTERS' ASSEMBLY – THIS WEDNESDAY

Voters' Assembly meets *this Wednesday, January 20, 2016 at 7:00 PM* in Mission Hall. All communicant members, age 18 and over are eligible and encouraged to attend.

2016 OFFICERS / BOARD MEMBERS

During **this Sunday's 10:45 AM** services, newly elected officers and board members will be installed. Serving the congregation in 2016 are: **David Baird** – President / **Roger Davis** – Vice President / **Karen Jewell** – Secretary / **Debbie Barton** – Treasurer / **Robin Clark** – Assistant Treasurer / **Henry Shrack** – Financial Secretary / Board of Deacons – **Keith Hill, Larry Sullivan, Terry Gotshall, Rufus Howard, Kevin Klepfer, Steve Sewell, John Hubbert, Tom Baird, Ross Morkal, Steve Gaunt, Al Harvath, Jim Durr, Zack Conner, Bob Hingst, Gene Miller, Curt Welke** / Board of Parish Life – **Barbara Gilliland, Beth Dinkel, Sheryl Hartman** / Board of RLS – **Marta Laubenstein, Gordon Claucherty, Marilyn Marsh, Karen Harrison, Greg Kuhlman, Robyn Dill** / Board of Stewardship - **Richard Harrison, Dick Ardrey, Phil Wehmeyer** / Board of Property – **Joe Brooks, Jerry Hartman, Skip Youngdale, Bill Barton** / Board of Christian Outreach – **Kyle Street, Becky Grawcock, Amy Shrack.**

THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WHO ARE RETIRING FROM OFFICE:

Steve Sewell, Dan Dinkel, Ralph Grotrian, Tom Manship, Tim Brubaker, Mark Pearson, Renee Young, Todd Brandenburg, Mark Dunkin, Ginny Hingst
WELL DONE GOOD AND FAITHFUL SERVANTS!

GREETERS MESSAGE FROM TOM BAIRD

*"I want to thank those individuals who serve as Greeters this past year and ask if you would consider serving in this capacity for 2016. If you do not want to continue to serve in 2016 please contact **Tom Baird**. I would also welcome any new members who would like to serve as a Greeter. A great way to get to know the members of our congregation."*



Divorced? Separated? You don't have to go through it alone. Find help, discover hope, and experience healing through Divorce Care (from the creators of Grief Share). These classes begin with a DVD lesson presented by experts and are followed with a few optional discussion questions. Pastor Akers facilitates the group. **DivorceCare for Kids** will be led at the same time by Jonathan Guse. The class meets **Thursdays at 6 PM**. We will meet in the Sitting Room. If you are interested in participating or would like more information, talk to Pastor Akers (PastorAkers@RedeemerKokomo.org) or Jonathan Guse (jonathan_guse@yahoo.com). You can also visit www.divorcecare.com for more information. Brochures are available in the narthex wall rack.

COOKING FOR A SMALL HOUSEHOLD COOKBOOK

*We are completing our final printing of our cookbook. We will be taking a check from the profits, and all of the canned goods collected from our church to the Seminary in Ft. Wayne toward the end of the month. If you would still like to help our Seminary Students, WE WOULD BE VERY HAPPY to bring any additional contributions you would like to give, like additional canned food items, or Script gift cards for either Meijer or Marsh. Contact either **Vivian Heronemus** or **Tami Brooks**.*

SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASSES / SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES - 9:30 AM

ADULTS

This Sunday, two adult Bible Classes will be held. In Mission Hall, the ladies are studying **"Living Beyond Yourself" - Exploring the Fruit of the Spirit** by **Beth Moore**. The ladies will learn how to "pour out," "pour in" and "pour forth" this morning in Mission Hall as they view DVD # 1. For those who have not been able to attend yet, please feel free to join us. Please note that the unclaimed workbooks will need to be returned by the end of January in order for the church to receive a refund. In Fellowship Hall, Jonathan Guse will lead the class, **"Jeremiah and Lamentations"**.

CHILDREN – YOUTH – HIGH SCHOOL

GROWING IN CHRIST: INFANT - AGE 2

Join Ms. Sandi Corradi in the Nursery for easy lessons exposing children to basic principles of the Bible, as well as some music and playtime.

FAITHWEAVER NOW: PRE-K & K

Ages 3 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.

YOUTH CENTRAL

GROUNDS – SUNDAYS AT 6:30 PM

Faith – fāTH – “complete trust or confidence in someone or something; strong belief in God or in the doctrines of a religion, based on spiritual apprehension rather than proof.” By definition, the word “faith” sounds cold and hard. But it is so much more than that! Join us **Sundays** from **6:30-8:30 pm** in the youth room as we talk about this incredible GIFT! Talk to **Jonathan Guse** if you have questions!

PATHWAYS

Our next meeting is this **Wednesday, January 20th** from **6:30-8:30 pm** in the youth room! Join us as we conclude our series, “At Your Table” and discuss the importance of reading and even memorizing God’s Word. If you have any questions, see **Jonathan Guse, Tami Brooks, or Kori Wood**.

NYG MEETING

There will be a meeting for students and parents of those attending NYG on **Sunday, January 31st after late service**. We will be discussing fundraising and you will receive any new details about the event.

© **Why was it important for Jesus to be born as a man?** *Jesus was born to die on a cross to pay for the sins of the whole world. But before he would die, he would have to live a perfect life under God’s Law – the Ten Commandments. That means that during his entire Jesus never sinned – not even once! As a man, Jesus took our place under the Law and kept it perfectly for us.*

LWML WIDOW'S MITE 5TH SUNDAY WEEKEND COLLECTION

Saturday and Sunday, January 30 and 31 is our **next 5th** Sunday loose change collection. All loose change in the offering plates will be donated to the LWML as mites to fund current missions. So, check your pockets and purses and add those coins to the offering plate. [This does not take the place of the ongoing contributions placed in the new Mite Box in the Narthex.]

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

John 2:3 *“When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to Him, “They have no wine.”” Behold the faith of Mary: she sees a problem and simply lays it before her Son and Lord, “They have no wine.” She does not offer a proposed solution, she does not demand, she simply states her need and waits for the Lord’s response. She trusts that the Lord is a giver and she knows that He always provides. May such a faith be ours!*

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER

DATE	TIME	TITLE / EVENT	LOCATION
Sat.	5:30 PM	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary
Sun.	8:15 AM	Traditional Worship	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 Communion	Sanctuary
	6:30 PM	Grounds	Youth Room
Mon.	1:00 PM	Hands of Love	Sitting Room
Tues.	8:00 AM	Men's Bible Study	Mission Hall
	5:45 PM	Bell Choir	Choir Room
	6 – 7 PM	Tuesday Evening Bible Class	Mission Hall
	6:00 PM	Cub / Boy Scouts	Fellowship Hall
Wed.	7:00 PM	Choir	Choir Room
	8:45 AM	RLS Chapel	Sanctuary
	6:00 PM	RLS Basketball	Fellowship Hall
	6:30 PM	Pathways	Youth Room
	7:00 PM	Voters' Assembly	Mission Hall
Thurs.	9:30 AM	Quilting	Choir Room
	9:30 AM	Ladies' Koinonia	Mission Hall
	6:00 PM	Divorce-Care	Sitting Room
	6:00 PM	Deaf Bible Study	Church Library
Sat.	1:00 PM	Member Function	Mission Hall
	5:30 PM	Traditional Communion	Sanctuary

BRAVE by RLS PRINCIPAL RUTH LAVRENZ

“Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.” Joshua 1:9

LUTHERAN SCHOOLS' WEEK:

We will be joining with nearly 2,300 LCMS preschools, elementary schools and high schools across the country to celebrate Lutheran Schools' Week. This year's theme for the national celebration is *Life Together in Christ*. Lutheran Schools' Week will be celebrated the **week of January 25** here at RLS.

TALENT SHOW/SPAGHETTI DINNER:

Our annual talent show and spaghetti dinner will be held on **Friday, January 29**. Dinner will be served beginning at **5:30** with the talent show to follow that. The dinner is a fund raiser for our 7-8 grade class trip which we will take in May of this year. Come and join us for an evening of fun, food and fellowship!

SNOW MAKE UP DAY:

We have missed one day of school and will be making that up this coming **Monday, January 18**.

RLS SCRIP

Be sure to place your SCRIP orders before 8:30 on Monday morning. We think that Winter is finally here! Just wanted to remind you that if school is delayed, the orders are due before the late bell rings. If school is cancelled, there will not be an order placed that week. Also, due to a work schedule change, SCRIP-TO-GO will be on **Fridays** from **3:30-4:30 pm** for remainder of this semester. Cards that are sent home with students will come home on Fridays, too. Stay Warm & Happy Shopping. Rhonda & Michelle