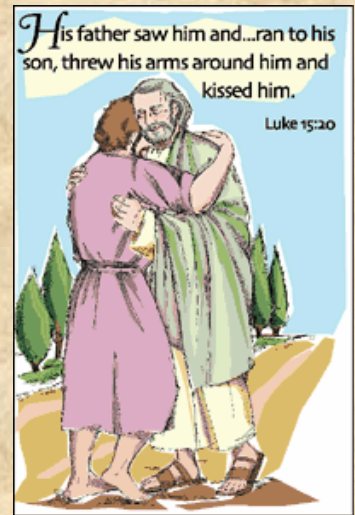


BUILDING BRIDGES - GOD EMBRACES THE LOST SON

THE 6th SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

February 11 & February 12, 2017

The arms of our loving God are open wide to receive you, for this time of worship and forever. **Welcome!** 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. Please note the **deadline** for bulletin announcements is **Wednesday by noon**.



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			
	<u>SAT. 5:30</u>	<u>SUN. 8:15</u>	<u>SUN. 10:45</u>
Preacher	Pastor Allison	Pastor Allison	Pastor Allison
Liturgist	Pastor Allison	Pastor Akers	Pastor Akers
Organist	Beth Kuhlman	Florence Moeller	Florence Moeller
Acolytes	Luke L	Lizzie T Blake S	Caleb B Kate H
Sanctuary Stewards			Teddi Heinzman Ellen Benziger

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE INFORMATION - MUSIC

Saturday-5:30 PM - 81 / Sunday-8:15 AM - 102 / Sunday-10:45 AM - 204 = 387

Prelude - "Amazing Grace" - arr. Diane Bish / **Choir** - "In Remembrance of Our Lord" / "Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak" / "O Little One, If You Be Lost" / **Offertory** - "Come Unto Me" by Handel

Postlude - "Jesus Lead Thou On" - Paul Manz

PRAYERS FOR HEALING, STRENGTH, PEACE AND COMFORT

We remember Nancy Jones, Betty Pohlman, Marilou Reason, Imogene Canan, Ralph Grotrian, Heather Hartman, Barbara Moeller, Bonnie Ryder, Nancy Philips, Kori Wood, Delia Overia, Robert Braswell, Suzanne Biddle, Kristen Cain, and Pam Richardson.

ALTAR FLOWERS

This weekend's altar flowers are given by **Bev Beahrs** to thank God for His many blessings, in loving memory of her parents, **Ted & Eileen Beahrs** and brother **Larry Beahrs, Sr.** Also in thanksgiving for her church family and friends. "I am very blessed" Bev. ☺

THANKS TO YOUR GENEROSITY, \$751.50 WAS RECEIVED DURING LAST WEEKEND'S SOUPER BOWL OFFERING FOR THE KOKOMO RESCUE MISSION.

THANK YOU!

Thank you to all who supported the Sub Sandwich Sale last weekend! With your help, our students were able to raise \$725 to offset the costs of their summer events this year! As we move forward, we will have additional fundraisers, but more than anything, we ask for your prayers! Thank you!

PASTOR SHAUEN TRUMP - COMING NEXT WEEKEND

We are excited that **Pastor Shauen Trump**, our missionary in Kenya, Africa will be with us **next weekend, February 18th and 19th**. **Pastor Trump** will be preaching at all **3 worship services** and leading **Adult Bible Class**.

SUNDAY SCHOOL - BIBLE CLASS THIS SUNDAY AT 9:30 AM

Two Adult Bible Classes continue **this Sunday [today] at 9:30 AM**.

In the Adult Education Room, **Jonathan Guse** will be teaching a class on **Psalms 128 and 130: "Hope in the Lord"**.

In Mission Hall, **Pastor Akers** continues a study from the Transforming Churches Network titled **Building Bridges - How God Sends the Church to Touch the World**. Remaining weekly study topics are:

February 12th - God Embraces: The Lost Son (Luke 15:11-24)

February 26th - God Challenges: The Older Son (Luke 15:25-32).

On **Sunday, February 19th** **Pastor Shauen Trump**, our missionary in Kenya, Africa will be leading a Bible class for adults and youth.

This Sunday, **Pre-S and Kindergarten** students will meet in the **Kindergarten classroom** with their teacher, **Ms. Sarah Frey**. Today, they will learn about **Jesus Triumphant Entry** in Mark 11:1-10 and Luke 19:28-40.

Grades 1-4 will learn more about **Jesus Triumphant Entry** into Jerusalem from Mark 11:1-10 and Luke 19:28-40 with **Marta Laubenstein** in the **4th grade classroom**. Next week's study will be about the **Widow's Offering**.

Parent Note: The children learned about "The Triumphant Entry" in Luke 19:1-10. **Jesus' victorious entry into Jerusalem begins the week, which ends with His crucifixion and death. As a family, talk about, "How did the people welcome Jesus to Jerusalem? How can we praise and honor God today?"**

Grades 5-7 join **Hugh Hunkeler** in the **5/6 grade classroom** to complete their study of **Life's Big Questions, God's Big Answers by Brad Alles**.

8 grade students continue their preparation for Confirmation in the **7/8 grade classroom** with **Pastor Allison** teaching this morning.

High School students are encouraged to meet for class upstairs in the **Youth Room** with **Mark Laubenstein** to begin a new study by **Francis Chan, The Book of James**.

LADIES BIBLE CLASS

Pastor Allison's **Ladies' Bible Class** meets **this Tuesday, February 14 at 10:00 AM** in Mission Hall. Pastor Allison and the ladies are studying the **"Book of Acts"**.

RIGHT NOW MEDIA

We just want to remind you all that you have access to an incredible **Bible Study Library!** There are literally 1,000's of video-based studies at your fingertips! If you haven't been using it - give it a try! If you don't have login information, we'd love to get you set up! Please give us your name and email address on the form located at the Welcome Center! A login is needed, which is provided by an invitation that we need to send to your email.

All Our Redeemer Bell Choirs are preparing new music for the 2017 Handbell Festival, **Saturday, March 4, 2017**. There will be Bell Choirs from 10 churches participating in 2017 Festival event being held at **Bible Baptist Church**, corner of Lincoln & Dixon Rd. You are invited to hear the Bells that evening at **5:30 PM** at the church.

YOUTH CENTRAL

GROUPS - HS YOUTH GROUP

Sometimes, the Old Testament can seem confusing, especially the various laws and rituals that we find. **Tonight [Sunday]**, we'll begin to take a look at some of those laws and rituals as we examine the book of Leviticus - don't let this scare you! Join us from **6:30-8:30 pm** as we take a look at the overarching themes of the book!

PATHWAYS - MS YOUTH GROUP

Join us this **Wednesday, February 15th**, from **6:30-8:30 pm**. Hope to see you there!

If you have any questions about any student ministry activities, please see **Jonathan Guse**.

☺ **If your child is showing an interest in letters**, give him a pencil or pen and choose a letter or word for him to find and circle in the bulletin. Find all the times JESUS is printed (or LOVE or GOD). Count together how many times he found the word. Listen for that word in our worship today.

MISSION POSSIBLE XII ... HOUSING / PRAYER PARTNERS

We are looking for beds for the participants in Mission Possible XII this summer. Host families are responsible for breakfast, delivering participants to church and picking them up in the evening. If you are willing to house servants, please complete the form in this bulletin and give it to Joan Hoch or drop it in the white box at the Welcome Center. If you have questions, contact **Joan Hoch**.

MISSION POSSIBLE XII PRAYER PARTNERS NEEDED

Mission Possible XII is July 2 - 8. Prayer Partners are needed for all the MP XII participants. If you can write 3 notes and pray daily for someone, you can be a Prayer Partner. We are looking for young and old, male and female. If you are interested, there is a sign-up sheet at the Welcome Center. You can also contact **Karen Jewell** with your questions and your interest.

BREATHE by RLS Principal Ruth Lavrenz

"Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!" Psalm 150:6

TRASH BAGS:

It's that time again! Trash bag orders will be taken **this weekend and next weekend**. There will be someone in the extended care room after each service this weekend and next to take your order. There will be samples there for you to look at as well. The cost is still **\$10.00**. Checks can be made out to Redeemer Lutheran School.

COMING UP:

Our school spelling bee will be held the week of **February 13**.

ISTEPS-round one will begin the week of **February 27**.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

1 Corinthians 3:7 "So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth." Isn't that the truth! And it's not just true about preachers like Paul, but about all of us in all of the Christian life. God can do such wonderful things with our feeble efforts. This is so very true of our gifts to the Lord's work in the Church. From His generous giving to us, we learn to give generously; and then the Lord blesses this response to His grace in turn and uses our very giving to continue to bless us in the Church where we hear of His gracious generosity to us. And the cycle repeats, and the Lord gives growth!

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	Bible Class / Sunday School / Confirmation	Various Classrooms
	10:45 AM	Traditional Communion	Sanctuary
	12:00 PM	WATCH Steering Committee	Church Library
	6:30 PM	Grounds	Youth Room / Fellowship Hall
Mon.	9:00 AM	Room Occupied	Mission Hall
	4:45 PM	RLS Boys Basketball	Fellowship Hall
	6:30 PM	Quilt Class	Mission Hall
	6:30 PM	Cardio Drumming	Fellowship Hall
Tues.	8:00 AM	Men's Bible Study	Mission Hall
	10:00 AM	Ladies' Bible Class	Mission Hall
	5:45 PM	Bell Choir	Choir Room
	6:00 PM	Cub - Boy Scouts	Fellowship Hall
	6:00 PM	Tuesday Evening Bible Class	Mission Hall
	7:00 PM	Choir	Choir Room
Wed.	8:45 AM	RLS Chapel	Sanctuary
	3:30 PM	RLS Girls Basketball	Fellowship Hall
	6:00 PM	RLS Boys Basketball vs. Western	Fellowship Hall
	6:30 PM	Pathways	Youth Room
Thurs.	9:30 AM	Ladies' Koinonia	Mission Hall
	9:30 AM	Quilting	Choir Room
	6:00 PM	Deaf Bible Study	Church Library
	6:30 PM	Cardio Drumming	Fellowship Hall
Fri.	3:30 PM	RLS Girls Basketball	Fellowship Hall
	7:00 PM	Duo Club	Mission Hall
Sat.	5:30 PM	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

Helen Gullion - Feb. 23

Sharon Redman - Feb. 26

Sally Schindel - Feb. 28

SIMPLY GIVING - A NEW WAY TO GIVE ELECTRONICALLY!



Visit the church web site at www.lcorkokomo.org and select the **On-line Giving** link in the left column to set up your account. Once set up, you can also use a smart phone and the QR code image here to go directly to the giving page.



LENT BEGINS MARCH 1, 2017
CATECHETICAL SERMON SERIES: THE TEN COMMANDMENTS
A LENTEN MIDWEEK SERIES FOR THE 500TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE REFORMATION

On **Wednesday, March 1**, we begin the Season of Lent with our Ash Wednesday service. Two services will be held on **Ash Wednesday, 12 noon** and **7:00 PM**. Both services will offer Holy Communion, and the imposition of ashes. The other remaining Lenten services will be held at **12 noon** and **7:00 PM**. Our theme this year is **"The Ten Commandments"**.

THE WEEKLY THEMES AND TEXTS ARE:

Ash Wednesday, March 1	"Commandments Nine and Ten"	1Kings 21:1-16
Lent 2 - March 8	"Commandment Eight"	Matthew 26:59-61
Lent 3 - March 15	"Commandment Seven"	John 12:1-8
Lent 4 - March 22	"Commandment Six"	2Samuel 11:1-5
Lent 5 - March 29	"Commandment Five"	2Samuel 11:1-27
Lent 6 - April 5	"Commandment Four"	Luke 2:41-52
Maundy Thursday - April 13	"Commandment Three"	Mark 14:12-26 & 1Corinthians 10:16-17
Good Friday - April 14	"Commandment Two"	Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9
Non-Tenebrae - 12:00 PM		
Good Friday - April 14 - 7:00 PM	Tenebrae Service	
Easter Sunday - April 15 & 16	"Commandment One"	Mark 16:1-8

MISSION POSSIBLE XII HOUSING

July 2 - 8, 2017

We are looking for beds for the participants in Mission Possible XII this summer. Host families are responsible for breakfast, delivering participants to church and picking them up in the evening. If you are willing to house servants, please complete the form below and give it to Joan Hoch or drop it in the white box at the Welcome Center. If you have questions, contact Joan Hoch at 452-9379 or jhoch@iuk.edu.

Name _____

Email _____

Phone _____

Number of servants you are willing to take _____

Check one: Boys _____

Girls _____

Adults _____

No preference _____

Pets in home - please specify _____

If you would like to house servants but transportation is a problem let Joan know. We will try to work it out. _____

MISSION POSSIBLE XII

JULY 2 - 8, 2017

We are looking for willing servants for our Mission Possible XII Servant Event July 2 - 8, 2017. Please indicate below how you would be willing to serve. If you are able to help in more than one area, that would be great. Please return the form to the church office or put it in the white box at the Welcome Center.

_____ BAKE COOKIES

_____ BE A PRAYER PARTNER

_____ DELIVER SNACKS TO THE WORKSITE

_____ HELP IN SOME OTHER WAY:

NAME: _____

PHONE: _____

E-MAIL: _____