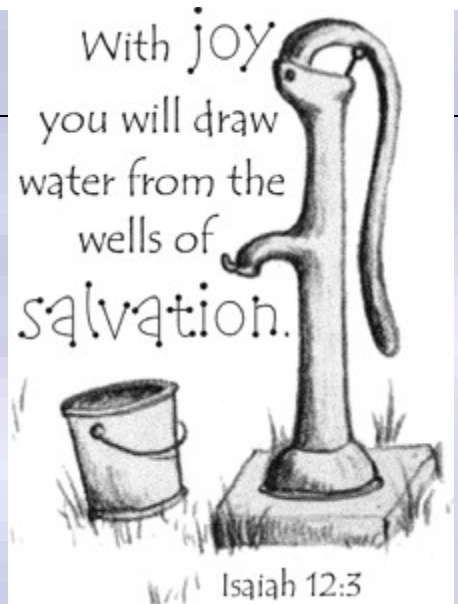


**BUILDING BRIDGES: GOD CHALLENGES THE OLDER SON**  
**THE 8<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY**  
**February 25 & February 26, 2017**

Welcome to worship! In the words of the psalmist, let us “exalt the LORD our God and worship at His footstool” (Psalm 99:5, NIV). 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**.



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<b>SATURDAY EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE: 5:30 PM</b> <b>SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES: 8:15 &amp; 10:45 AM</b> <b>CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP: 10:45 AM [1<sup>ST</sup> &amp; 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAYS]</b> <b>SUNDAY SCHOOL AND BIBLE CLASS: 9:30 AM</b>			
<b>Preacher</b> <b>Liturgist</b> <b>Organist</b> <b>Acolytes</b>  <b>Sanctuary</b> <b>Stewards</b>	<u><b>SAT. 5:30</b></u> Pastor Akers Pastor Akers Florence Moeller Kelsey T	<u><b>SUN. 8:15</b></u> Pastor Akers Pastor Allison Florence Moeller Hunter R Megan C	<u><b>SUN. 10:45</b></u> Pastor Akers Pastor Allison Florence Moeller Luke L Karson L Patsy Kirkendall Debby Durr

**LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE - MUSIC**

Saturday-5:30 PM - 81 / Sunday-8:15 AM - 82 / Sunday-10:45 AM - 140 = 303

**Jubilate Bells**- “The Bell Anthem” & “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name” / **Offertory** - “Come, Let Us Join Our Cheerful Songs” - Max Drischner / **Postlude** - “Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies” - C.S. Lang

**PRAYERS FOR HEALING, STRENGTH, PEACE AND COMFORT**

We remember **Ruth Luecke, Sharon Packard, 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 **Steve & Vivian Heronemus** in honor of their **48<sup>th</sup>** wedding anniversary and in thankfulness for their **children and grandchildren.**

**SHUT-IN OF THE WEEK -BILL SPOON**

*Bill Spoon is our honored shut-in of the week.*

**CHURCH OFFICE - MISSION HALL FOYER CARPET / TILE INSTALLATION SCHEDULE**

Beginning next week, installation of new carpet / tile will take place in the Church Office / Mission Hall foyer areas. The planned schedule is as follows:

**Tuesday - Feb. 28** - remove carpet from Mission Hall foyer / install tiles.

**Thursday & Friday - March 2 & 3** - remove / install carpet in Church Offices, including Pastor Allison's and Jerry Kraase's rooms.

**Monday - March 6** - carpet removed / installed in Pastor Akers and volunteer office.

**PLEASE NOTE! ALL TUESDAY BIBLE CLASSES ARE CANCELLED FOR FEBRUARY 28.**

**\$2,741.00 WAS COLLECTED LAST WEEKEND TO HELP PASTOR SHAUEN TRUMP AND HIS MISSION EFFORT IN AFRICA. THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!**

**LENT BEGINS MARCH 1, 2017 - CATECHETICAL SERMON SERIES: THE TEN COMMANDMENTS**

*A LENTEN MIDWEEK SERIES FOR THE 500<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE REFORMATION*

This 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
<i>Non-Tenebrae</i> - 12:00 PM		
Good Friday - April 14 - 7:00 PM	Tenebrae Service	
Easter Sunday - April 15 & 16	"Commandment One"	Mark 16:1-8

**COME TO DINNER**

Dinner will be served this Wednesday, from 5:45 - 6:15 PM in Fellowship Hall. BBQ pork sandwiches, veggie tray, chips and cake are on the menu. Please register for dinner by completing the lavender reservation insert in your bulletin and return it to an usher or the white box in the Narthex.

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

In Mission Hall, Pastor Akers continues a study from the Transforming Churches Network titled **Building Bridges - God Challenges: The Older Son** (Luke 15:25-32).

In the Adult Education Room, Jonathan Guse will be teaching a class on **Psalm 49: "Trust Not in Riches"**.  
**SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS**

**Preschool - 4<sup>th</sup> grade:** The children learn about "The Lord's Supper" (Luke 22:1-23) in Sunday School. In your family discussion ask, "What benefits and blessings do we receive in the Lord's Supper?"

Preschool and Kindergarten children meet in the RLS kindergarten classroom.

First thru fourth grade students meet in the RLS 4<sup>th</sup> grade classroom.

**Fifth - seventh grade:** These students begin a new study today entitled "God's Big Story", focusing on Creation (Genesis 1 & 2). They meet in the RLS 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> grade classroom.

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

**High School:** The students look at and discuss **James 1:13-18** today.  
**JOIN US!**

### WATCH REUNION

A WATCH reunion gathering is planned for **TODAY, Sunday, February 26, at 5:30 PM** in Fellowship Hall. Please bring a covered dish to share. This will be a time of fellowship and fun. All family members are invited to attend.

### “EGG” CITING OPPORTUNITY TO HELP

The Board of Parish Life needs your help filling plastic eggs for the Easter egg hunt that will be held on **Sunday, April 9, at 2:00 PM**. Please pick up a bag or two of plastic eggs from the table in the narthex and fill each egg with one piece of pre-packaged, individually wrapped candy (please no peanut butter or peanut products.). Return your bag(s) of filled eggs to the Easter basket that will be located in the narthex. Your help is greatly appreciated.

### HELPERS NEEDED - EASTER EGG HUNT

The Board of Parish Life is seeking adult and high school age volunteers to assist with the Easter egg hunt that will be held on **Sunday, April 9, at 2:00 PM**. Areas for assistance are Set-up, Welcome Staff, Parking Lot Monitors, Games and Snacks. If you are interested in helping, please sign-up on the sign-up sheet at the Welcome Center or contact **Beth Dinkel**. Your help is greatly appreciated.

### MARCH'S BOARDS / OFFICERS MEETING

**Board of Parish Life – Sunday – Feb. 26 – 12:00 PM – Church Library**  
**Board of Deacons – Monday – March 6 - 5:30 PM – Mission Hall**  
**Board of Property – Monday – March 6 – 7:00 PM – Sitting Room**  
**Board of RLS – Wednesday – March 8 – 4:30 PM – School Conference Room**  
**Church Council – Monday – March 13 – 6:00 PM – Church Library**  
**Voters' Assembly – Monday – March 20 – 7:00 PM – Mission Hall**

### RLS STUDENT COUNCIL- COMMUNITY SNACK BASKETS

*By Cora Dunkin (8th Grade Representative)*

It's that time of the year again- March Madness! Time to get fired up! During the week of March 13-17, Student Council will be collecting boxes of individually wrapped snacks. These snacks will be sorted and packed into "snack baskets" that will be delivered to places that make our community a better place to be. We have provided some snack ideas below, but anything that is individually wrapped will be a great addition. If you have a child/family member at the school, you can send the snacks with them. If not, you can drop them off to the school office or to Erin Ponder. Let's show our community how much Redeemer appreciates them and all that they do!

**Peanut Butter Crackers, Popcorn, Trail Mix, Hostess Snacks, Little Debbie Snacks, Chips, Granola Bars, Oreos, Nutter Butters, Cheese Crackers, Cookies**

### YOUTH CENTRAL

#### GROUNDS - HS YOUTH GROUP

Last week we started looking at the various kinds of sacrifices that were required of the Israelites as outlined in the book of Leviticus. **Tonight [Sunday], we're going to look in depth at the celebrated "Day of Atonement."** Join us from **6:30-8:30 pm** as we take a deeper look!

#### PATHWAYS - MS YOUTH GROUP

With Lent starting this week, that means a slight change in schedule for Pathways due to Wednesday evening services! Here is our schedule for the next two months:

Thursday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> - 6:30-8:30 pm

Thursday, March 16<sup>th</sup> - 6:30-8:30 pm

Friday, March 31<sup>st</sup> - 6:30-9:30 pm (Extended)

Thursday, April 6<sup>th</sup> - 6:30-8:30 pm

Wednesday, April 19<sup>th</sup> - 6:30-8:30 pm

Friday, April 28<sup>th</sup> - 6:30-9:30 pm (Extended)

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

☺ **What is “The Transfiguration of Our Lord”?** Have you ever wondered what Jesus must have looked like in His glory? The Bible gives us a glimpse of this in the story of Jesus’ transfiguration (pronounced trans-fig-yer-AY-shun) in Matthew 17. Jesus’ face became as bright as the sun, and His clothes became as white as light. Remind your child that someday we will see Him in glory when we die just as the disciples saw Him on the mountain.

**Buddy Bag packing for Kokomo Urban Outreach** is this Monday, February 27, at 5:30 pm. We are usually done in under an hour. The location is **720 N. Webster St.** For more information contact **Cindy Sewell.**

**STEWARDSHIP MOMENT**

*Matthew 17:8 “And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only.” Jesus is enough. Moses and Elijah point to Jesus and are happy to fade into the background. With our eyes focused on Him and Him alone the rest of our lives come into focus. He is primary, all else secondary. When that order is right in our lives, things truly fall into place.*

**MISSION POSSIBLE XII ... HOUSING**

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.*

**REMAINING LENTEN DINNERS 2017**

Lenten Dinners will be served each Wednesday during Lent, and Maundy Thursday, from 5:45-6:15 PM in Fellowship Hall. The cost of the meals is \$3.00 (age 13 - adults), Free (age 12 - under).

<b>DATE</b>	<b>CO-CHAIRPERSON</b>	<b>DEACON AREAS</b>	<b>MENU</b>
March 8	<b>Mission Possible</b> Sue Allison Sarah Klepfer	#1 - Mark Dunkin #9 - Ross Morkal	Spaghetti Casserole Salad Breadsticks Dessert
March 15	<b>LWIS</b> Diane Anderson Mary Bastaich	#3 - Terry Gotshall #6 - Steve Sewell #12 - Jim Durr	Meat Loaf Scalloped Potatoes Green Beans Rolls Fruit Cocktail
March 22	<b>WATCH</b> Jill Lowden	#14 - Bob Hingst # 5 - Tom Manship	Breakfast Casseroles Seasoned Potato Wedges Sausage Links Fruit Salad Pastries
March 29	<b>LWIS</b> Jill Lowden Caroline Howard	#4 - Rufus Howard #2 - Larry Sullivan #16 - Roger Davis	Baked Potato Bar Chicken Salad Jello Ice Cream
April 5	<b>RLS 7<sup>th</sup> &amp; 8<sup>th</sup> Grade</b> Kathy Tucker	#15 - Tim Brubaker #10 - Robert Martin	Chicken & Noodles Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Rolls Cookies

Maundy  
Thursday  
April 13

RLS - PTL  
Janna Rogers

#8 - Tom Baird  
#13 - Bill Tucker

Chili  
PB & J Sandwiches  
Fruit Tray  
Cookies

*Peanut butter and jelly sandwiches will be available at all of the dinners. Vivian Heronemus Lenten Dinner Chairperson.*

**THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>TITLE / EVENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Sat.	5:30 PM	Traditional Communion	Sanctuary
Sun.	8:15 AM	Traditional Communion	Sanctuary
	9:30 AM	Bible Class / Sunday School / Confirmation	Various Rooms
	10:45 AM	Traditional Communion	Sanctuary
	<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>Board of Parish Life</b>	<b>Church Library</b>
	<b>5:30 PM</b>	<b>WATCH Reunion</b>	<b>Fellowship Hall</b>
	6:30 PM	Grounds	Youth Room
Mon.	9:00 AM	Room Occupied	Mission Hall
	1:00 PM	Hands of Love	Turner's Home
	6:30 PM	Quilt Class	Mission Hall
	6:30 PM	Cardio Drumming	Fellowship Hall
Tues.	5:45 PM	Bell Choir	Choir Room
	6:00 PM	Cub - Boy Scouts	Fellowship Hall
	7:00 PM	Choir	Choir Room
Wed.	<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>Ash Wednesday Communion Service</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
	<b>5:45 PM</b>	<b>Lenten Dinner</b>	<b>Fellowship Hall</b>
	<b>7:00 PM</b>	<b>Ash Wednesday Communion Service</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
Thurs.	9:30 AM	Quilting	Choir Room
	9:30 AM	Ladies Koinonia	Mission Hall
	6:00 PM	Deaf Bible Study	Church Library
	6:30 PM	Pathways	Youth Room
	6:30 PM	Cardio Drumming	Fellowship Hall
Sat.	11 - 2	Member Function	Fellowship Hall
	5:30 PM	Traditional Communion	Sanctuary

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:**

*Wilbur Huffman - March 7*

*Becky Werich - March 7*

*Harold Hartman - March 8*

**SIMPLY GIVING - A WAY TO GIVE ELECTRONICALLY!**



Visit the church web site at [www.lcorkokomo.org](http://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.



**MISSION POSSIBLE XII HOUSING**

July 2 - 8, 2017

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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. \_\_\_\_\_

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**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:

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_