

ARTICULATION AND ACTION - THE 4TH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 25 & March 26, 2017

Brothers and sisters, **welcome** to worship as we are wrapped in the embrace of our loving Creator! Please introduce yourself to **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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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			
Preacher	SAT. 5:30 Pastor Akers	SUN. 8:15 Pastor Akers	SUN. 10:45 Pastor Akers
Liturgist	Pastor Akers	Pastor Akers	Pastor Akers
Organist	David Britton	Florence Moeller	Florence Moeller
Acolytes	Hunter R.	Luke L.	Megan C.
Sanctuary Stewards		Sub Needed	Natalie S.
			Marietta Adelsen Caroline Howard

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE – SUNDAY'S MUSIC

Saturday–5:30 PM – 84 / Sunday–8:15 AM – 97 / Sunday–10:45 AM – 143 = 324 / Lent - 222

Prelude – "There's a Church Within Us" – Schneider / Anthem – "Those Who Trust in the Lord" / Offertory – "O Christ You Walked the Road" – CW Ore / Postlude – "Cross of Jesus" - John Stainer

PRAYERS FOR HEALING, STRENGTH, PEACE AND COMFORT

We remember **Norma Hiteshew, Ruth Luecke, Nancy Jones, Betty Pohlman, Marilou Reason, Imogene Canan, Heather Hartman, Bonnie Ryder, Nancy Phillips, Kori Wood, Delia Overia, Robert Braswell, and Pam Richardson.**

SHUT-IN OF THE WEEK – VIOLET KILE

Violet Kile is our honored shut-in this week.

THANKS FOR YOUR LOVE!

Barbara Moeller wishes to thank her Our Redeemer family for the many prayers, cards, well wishes and other acts of Christian love during her recent eye surgery and recovery.

ALTAR FLOWERS

*This weekend's altar flowers are given by **Gene Miller and Family** in memory of their loved one, **Joyce**, and in gratitude to God for all His many blessings.*

MIDWEEK LENTEN SERIES – “THE TEN COMMANDMENTS” CONTINUES THIS WEDNESDAY

A LENTEN MIDWEEK SERIES FOR THE 500TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE REFORMATION

This Wednesday, March 29, we continue our series, “The Ten Commandments” with services at 12 noon and 7:00 PM. This week’s theme and text are “Commandment Five” from 2Samuel 11:1-27.

REMAINING WEEKLY THEMES AND TEXTS ARE:

Lent 6 – April 5	“Commandment Four”	Luke 2:41-52
Maunder 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

COME TO DINNER

Dinner will be served **this Wednesday**, from **5:45 – 6:15 PM** in Fellowship Hall. **Baked potato bar, chicken salad, jello and ice cream** 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.

ORDER YOUR SPRING EASTER FLOWERS NOW

*There is a sign-up sheet at the Welcome Center to order spring flowers for Easter weekend. You may choose the type of flower you want, prices vary. Please pick up an envelope in the basket next to the sign-up sheet and make your payment to the church with a memo saying “Easter Flowers”. Please place your payment into the white box at the Welcome Center. The last day to order will be **April 2nd**. If you have any questions, contact the **Church Office at 453-0969**. Thank you.*

HELP WANTED! TREATS NEEDED FOR THE “CAKE WALK” AT THE EASTER EGG HUNT

Here’s another way you can help with our Easter Egg Hunt on **Sunday, April 9**. We need **baked goods (cookies, cupcakes, mini bread loaves, etc.), treats and snacks (homemade or store-bought)** that will be given as prizes for the “Cake Walk.” If you’d like to help, sign up at the big Easter basket in the narthex or contact **Sheryl Hartman**. Donations can be dropped off at the Easter Basket in the narthex **Wednesday, April 5** or **Sunday, April 9**. Thanks for your help with this community outreach event.

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.*

† LAWN CROSS PROGRAM †

Lent has begun and so has the Lawn Cross Program. Present planning is that a Deacon will occupy the Lawn Cross table in the Narthex at least 15 minutes before and after each worship service during Lent. We are asking for a donation of **\$10.00/Cross**. All proceeds minus material costs (ie. wood), will go to the RLS Scholarship Fund. At the present time we have about 80 crosses on hand, ready to go on somebody's lawn. If we run out of Crosses just leave your name with the Duty Deacon and we will make, paint, and deliver a Cross to you. If you have any questions check with the Duty Deacon and if that fails call **Ross Morkal**.

ADULT BIBLE CLASS THIS SUNDAY AT 9:30 AM

*In the Adult Education Room, **Jonathan Guse** will be teaching a class on **“Psalm 109: Righteous Retribution”**.*

Catching Vision – Seeing a New Future for Your Church is the topic for the Bible study taking place in Mission Hall. Using the story of Nehemiah, we will discover how God gave incredible vision to an unremarkable man and used him to inspire a nation to rebuild the walls of Jerusalem. This study will spark a remarkable vision for the future of our church and for each of us as disciples of Jesus. **Pastor Akers** is leading our study.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS:
SPECIAL SPRING BREAK SUNDAY SCHOOL PLANS

Sunday School is **NOT** taking a Spring Break this year. **INSTEAD**, there are some special activities planned for the children in preschool through high school classes. (*Eighth graders will still have Confirmation class.*)

Sunday, March 26: "Path to the Garden" – The students will meet in the gym and experience some "hands-on" activities to remember Jesus' life from Palm Sunday through Maundy Thursday. High school students will be assisting with these "stations."

Sunday, April 2: Easter Service Project – Preschool through high school students will meet in the gym and work together on a project for the community, proclaiming the Good News of Jesus' Resurrection. If your family will be in town, please make sure to bring your children for these special activities! Bring a friend, too!

YOUTH CENTRAL

GROUNDS – HS YOUTH GROUP

No Grounds this week due to Spring Break! Enjoy a great week! We'll see you on April 2nd!

PATHWAYS – MS YOUTH GROUP

As we are in the midst of Lent, that means a slight change in schedule for Pathways due to Wednesday evening services! Here is our schedule for the next two months:

- **Friday, March 31st – 6:30-9:30 pm (Extended) – THIS WEEK!**
- **Thursday, April 6th – 6:30-8:30 pm**
- **Wednesday, April 19th – 6:30-8:30 pm**
- **Friday, April 28th – 6:30-9:30 pm (Extended)**

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

☺ **Remind your children about proper manners** - Even the best-behaved children need to be reminded of their manners and why they're necessary. Before getting out of the car, remind your children how the family is to conduct themselves during and after the service and why the Lord and His people deserve our best manners. We need to teach our children that people are precious to God and that good manners are a way to show people respect and that we care about them.

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.

BREATHE by RLS Principal Ruth Lavrenz

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

NLSA:

This is an accreditation year for us! We will be welcoming a **National Lutheran Schools Accreditation** team to Redeemer, **April 5-7**. The team will join us for our Lenten dinner on the **5th** and then attend church that evening as well. On Thursday, the team will visit the school, interview the pastors, teachers and some parents. They will join the board and steering committee for a cook out that evening. Friday, the team will continue their visit by meeting and writing their report. On Friday, around 3:30 PM, the team will give us an exit report and let us know their recommendation for accreditation. Anyone who wishes to join us that afternoon for the report is welcome. So if you want to see just a little bit, into what goes into an accreditation, please join us for that exit report. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall.

RLS RUMMAGE SALE/BAKE SALE EVENT - MAY 6, 2017 / 8 - 2

Are you ready to purchase a new "complete" set of china but do not know what to do with the old? Has your crafting "cupboard" become a crafting "room" of unfinished projects? Did you notice that you have 4 hammers, 3 pliers and 10 standard screw drivers stuffed into one drawer? Redeemer Lutheran School's 6 & 7 Grade Classes will rescue you. We will be hosting a Rummage Sale and Bake Sale in the Fellowship Hall on **Saturday, May 6, 2017 from 8 AM to 2 PM**. Donations of gently used and clean items will be accepted in the Fellowship Hall, beginning **April 9**.



PALM SUNDAY

Saturday – April 8 - 5:30 PM / Sunday – April 9 – 8:15 & 10:45 AM

MAUNDY THURSDAY WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION

THURSDAY – APRIL 13 - NOON & 7:00 PM

GOOD FRIDAY – NON TENEBRAE

Friday – April 14 – 12:00 PM

GOOD FRIDAY TENEBRAE SERVICE

Friday – April 14 – 7:00 PM

EASTER WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION

Saturday – April 15 – 5:30 PM / Sunday – April 16 – 8:15 & 10:45 AM

EASTER BREAKFAST - 9:15 TO 10:15 AM IN FELLOWSHIP HALL

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).

DATE	CO-CHAIRPERSON	DEACON AREAS	MENU
April 5	RLS 7th & 8th Grade 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.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Psalm 142:5 — I cry to you, O LORD; I say, "You are my refuge, my portion in the land of the living." The Lord is our portion, our refuge, our everything. His mercy preserves through all our days in the land of the living. This confidence frees us from the fear that so often leads to sins of greed and coveting. We have the Lord, we have a Father, He is in control – so we can follow His Word in confidence.

REDEEMER GOLFERS

It's spring. The grass is starting to grow. Are you itching to be swinging your golf clubs again on a regular basis? If you played in Redeemer's Tuesday morning Men's Golf Group last year you have, or will soon receive an e-mail checking to see if you would like to be a part of the group again for the 2017 season. If you were not involved last year but would like to join the group, or have any questions, please contact Dave Turner. Thanks.

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER

	DATE	TIME	TITLE / EVENT	LOCATION
Sat.	9:00 AM		Scout Pinewood Derby	Fellowship Hall
	2 – 4 PM		Arthur Hartman Memorial Euchre Party	Mission Hall
	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
Mon.	9:00 AM		Room Occupied	Mission Hall
	1:00 PM		Hands of Love	Turner's Home
	6:30 PM		Quilt Class	Mission Hall
Tues.	8:00 AM		Men's Bible Study	Mission Hall
	5:45 PM		Bell Choir	Choir Room
	6:00 PM		Cub – Boy Scouts	Fellowship Hall
	7:00 PM		Choir	Choir Room
Wed.	12:00 PM		Lenten Worship	Sanctuary
	5:45 PM		Lenten Dinner	Fellowship Hall
	7:00 PM		Lenten Worship	Sanctuary
Thurs.	9:30 AM		Quilting	Choir Room
Fri.	6:30 PM		Pathways	Youth Room / Fellowship Hall
Sat.	5:30 PM		Traditional Communion	Sanctuary

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

Judy Becker – April 1

Martha Fecher – April 7

Nancy Trout – April 7

SIMPLY GIVING – A 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.



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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.

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: _____

EMAIL: _____