



THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
May 20 & May 21, 2017

Welcome to worship! Forty days after His resurrection, Jesus ascended – withdrew from the earth – but He has never left us. Where two or more gather in His name, He is there. He is here! 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 worshippers, 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

	SAT. 5:30	SUN. 8:15	SUN. 10:45
Preacher	Pastor Allison	Pastor Allison	Pastor Allison
Liturgist	Pastor Allison	Pastor Akers	Pastor Akers
Organist	Beth Kuhlman	Florence Moeller	
Acolytes	Rylee K	Daniel M	Caleb B Selia D
Sanctuary Stewards			Patsy Kirkendall Debby Durr

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE - SUNDAY'S MUSIC - 8:15 AM
 Saturday-5:30 PM - 92 / Sunday - 8:15 AM -116 / Sunday-10:45 AM - 177 = 385
Solo Bells - “My Story, My Song” / Quartet Bells - “Blessed Assurance”
Offertory - “O Bless the Lord My Soul” / Postlude - “With High Delight”

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers are given this week by **Dan & Beth Dinkel** in thanksgiving to God for His many blessings in their lives and especially honoring the **memory of their wonderful parents.**

PRAYERS FOR HEALING, STRENGTH, PEACE AND COMFORT

We remember Jonathon Ellers, Karen Harrison, Joan Peterson, Robert Molkenkine, Ralph Grotrian, Jayne Frey, Nancy Jones, Betty Pohlman, Heather Hartman, Nancy Philips, Kori Wood, Delia Overia, and Robert Braswell.

THANKS FOR YOUR LOVE!

Ruth Luecke sends her heartfelt appreciation for the prayers, cards, well wishes and other acts of Christian love bestowed upon her recently.

HOLY BAPTISM

During this Sunday's 10:45 AM service, **Greyson Joseph B**, son of **Kyle & Annie B** will receive the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. Joining in the celebration of Greyson's baptism are proud grandparents, **Rick & Elaine P.**

SHUT-INS OF THE WEEK - PAUL & ELEANOR STRAUCH

Paul & Eleanor Strauch are this week's honored shut-ins.

STAFF APPRECIATION LUNCHEON

The annual Staff Appreciation is scheduled for **Thursday, June 1, 2017 at 12:00 Noon** in Mission Hall.

BUDDY BAG PACKING

Buddy Bag packing for Kokomo Urban Outreach is this Monday, May 22, 2017, beginning at 5:30 PM. We pack Buddy Bags for Elwood Haynes, Pettit Park, Darrough Chapel and Sycamore Elementary. We are usually done in under an hour. The location is 720 N. Webster St. For more information contact Cindy Sewell.

NEW BIBLE STUDY

A new Bible Study group will be starting on **Monday evenings at 7:00 pm**. The group will meet the **second and fourth Mondays** of each month. The first meeting will be **June 12th**. The subject will be **"The Journey: From Unbelief to Faith"** developed by the Lutheran Hour Ministries. For additional information see **Wess Mechler**.

→ → → → WORLD RELIGIONS - MISSION HALL ← ← ← ←

Continuing today at 9:30 AM, Jonathan Guse and Joshua Mugg are teaching a class on world religions. They will discuss: Judaism, Islam, Hinduism, Buddhism, Naturalism, Mormonism, and Jehovah's Witness, focusing on how they answer the big questions of life (why are we here? what happens when we die? how should we act?). They will also discuss how to evangelize people of other faiths. This class meets in Mission Hall.

→ → → → ADULT INFORMATION CLASS/GODCONNECTS ← ← ← ←

Today, at **9:30 AM**, we are continuing an adult membership class featuring a new video-based curriculum called GodConnects developed by Lutheran Hour Ministries. This course will teach the foundations of the Christian faith for the person who has never heard it, or for anyone who wants to review it. Attendance at the class may lead to membership in our church, but there are no obligations. If you know someone who may be interested in attending, please consider inviting him or her. This new class will be team taught by **Pastor Allison and Pastor Akers**. We will meet in the **Adult Education Room**.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Preschool - 4th Grade: Preschool and Kindergarten students meet in the RLS kindergarten classroom, and 1st-4th grade students meet in the RLS 4th grade classroom.

5th grade - 7th grade: Today the students continue the curriculum, "God's Big Story". These students meet in the RLS 5th/6th grade classroom.

8th grade confirmation: Eighth graders are invited to join the high school class for Sunday School today.

High School: High schoolers meet in the Youth Room.

JOIN US!

SERVICE PROJECT FOR ALL AGES

*Our first Service Sunday last Thanksgiving weekend was met with such rave reviews that we have decided to do it again! Come join us in the Fellowship Hall on **Sunday, May 28, at 9:30 am**. Opportunities will abound for all ages...AND REFRESHMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED, TOO! Our service will bring cheer to some, entertain others, and lighten the load for a future outreach activity. (Can you guess what we will be doing?) **Looking for some supplies! *stickers (general, spiritual, cheerful), *yarn, *magazines (dated within the last 3-5 months)**, If you have any of the above items and would like to donate them for Service Sunday, please put them in the designated container in the narthex. Thanks! *****Addition to last week's list: BAKED GOODS (ex. muffins, breads, cookies), Bring baked goods on May 28.** Questions? Talk to **Debbie Street or Sheryl Hartman**.*

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Adult classes continue **June 4 and June 11**. The children will combine their classes on those two Sundays for some special lessons/activities about the early Christian church. From **June 18 through July 30**, all ages will meet together for some specially planned activities for Christian fellowship, growth and service. **JOIN US!**

YOUTH CENTRAL

GROUPS- HS YOUTH GROUP

Join us tonight [Sunday] for a time of study, fellowship, and prayer in the Youth Room! We meet from 6:30-8:30 pm! Hope to see you there! Here's our schedule through May!

- Sunday, May 21st - 6:30-8:30 pm - 8th Graders, please join us tonight!
- Sunday, May 28th - No Pathways - Happy Memorial Day!

PATHWAYS -MS YOUTH GROUPS

A change is HERE! We've been talking about it for a while, but we're going to give it a try - Pathways will now meet WEEKLY on Sundays from 4-6pm starting this weekend! Here's the schedule at a glance through May:

- Sunday, May 21st - 4:00-6:00 pm - 5th Graders, please join us tonight!
- Friday, May 26th - 6:30-9:30 pm - Fun Friday!
- Sunday, May 28th - No Pathways - Happy Memorial Day!

CIY MEETING

All participants are asked to attend a quick meeting, TODAY at 6 pm, prior to Grounds, in the Youth Room to discuss some final details as we prepare for MOVE in June!

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



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REGISTRATION!

Registration is open! **All registrations will be online this year!** If you need help, please contact Jonathan Guse! Visit the VBS Page at www.lcorkokomo.org or scan here! (<https://tinyurl.com/n27fs3h>)



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.

SCHOOL SPIRIT TASTES GREAT



Make dinner a selfless act by joining us for a fundraiser to support Redeemer Lutheran School. Come in to the Chipotle at **1201 South Reed Road Suite B** in Kokomo on **Thursday, May 25th** between **5:00pm** and **9:00pm**. Bring in this flyer, show it on your smartphone or tell the cashier you're supporting the cause to make sure that 50% of the proceeds will be donated to Redeemer Lutheran School.

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.



STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

John 14:15 "If you love me, you will keep my commandments." Jesus is clear: our obedience to His Word comes from our love for Him. But where does that love come from? Jesus tells us that as well, "She was forgiven much, so she loved much" (Luke 7:47). Christ shows us His love and gives us the forgiveness of our sins - and this causes love to well up in us, which in turn causes us to keep the commandments of Jesus. For after all, the summary of the Law is "Love."

BREATHE BY RLS PRINCIPAL RUTH LAVRENZ

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

FINE ARTS FESTIVAL/AUCTION:

Thank you to everyone who baked for our auction. We raised over \$2300! It was a wonderful evening of fun, fellowship and fine arts! Thank you as well, to those who attended!

GREAT NEWS:

For the remainder of the school year, and through the month of June, we will have scrip available in the school office every day! So if you suddenly realize during the week that you need some scrip, you can stop in the office and purchase it. We will still take orders on Monday mornings, and will still continue to sell Scrip on Sunday mornings. We just want to make it available as often as possible.

VOTERS' MEETING:

Our Voters' Assembly voted to extend a call to Julie Kowalke to serve as our seventh/eighth grade teacher. She is planning to visit us the last week in May. Please pray for her as she deliberates her call to Redeemer.

VOLUNTEER BREAKFAST:

May 26 is our volunteer breakfast. It will begin at 8:30 in Mission Hall. YOU are invited if you helped out at Redeemer in any way this past year! Maybe you helped set up or take down tables and chairs for an activity. Perhaps you assisted our students in setting up for the rummage sale. It might be that you read for ISTEP tests. Or could it be that you baked some cookies for our admissions counselor? The list goes on. There have been so many possibilities to volunteer at school. If you helped in any way, please join us on Friday morning at 8:30 on May 26, so we can say thank you! (And bring your spouse!) We just ask that you sign up the number coming in either the church office or the school office.

RLS ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT FUNDRAISER AT CHIPOTLE - MAY 25TH [5 - 9 PM]

We hope you can join us Thursday, May 25th between 5 and 9 PM at Chipotle in Kokomo to help raise money for our Athletic Department here at Redeemer. Funds raised will help with the purchase of new equipment and jerseys. See flyer for more details. Be sure to stop by the SCRIP table and pick up a Chipotle gift card to pay for your meal. It's a win-win for our school!

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER

DATE	TIME	TITLE / EVENT	LOCATION
Sat.	1:00 PM	Member Function	Mission Hall
	5:30 PM	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary
Sun.	8:15 AM	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary
	9:30 AM	Bible Classes / Sunday School	Various Rooms
	10:45 AM	Contemporary Communion	Sanctuary
	1:00 PM	Member Function	Fellowship Hall
	4:00 PM	Pathways	Youth Room / Fellowship Hall
	6:00 PM	CIY Meeting	Youth Room
	6:00 PM	Grounds	Youth Room / Fellowship Hall
Mon.	9:00 AM	Room Occupied	Mission Hall
	1:00 PM	Hands of Love	Turner's Home
	6:30 PM	Cardio Drumming	Fellowship Hall
Tues.	7:30 AM	Men's Bible Study	Mission Hall
	6:00 PM	Cub - Boy Scouts	Sanctuary / Fellowship Hall
	7:00 PM	Choir	Choir Room
Wed.	8:45 AM	RLS Chapel	Sanctuary
Thurs.	9:30 AM	Quilting	Choir Room
	6:30 PM	Cardio Drumming	Fellowship Hall
Fri.	8:30 AM	RLS Volunteer Breakfast	Mission Hall
	6:30 PM	Pathways	Fellowship Hall
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	5:30 PM	Traditional Communion	Sanctuary