

**THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**June 4 & June 5, 2016**



Elijah and the Widow

Brothers and sisters in Christ, how good it is to gather to praise our God and hear His Word for us today! May God bless you during your time 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 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 **Wednesdays 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 [1<sup>ST</sup> & 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAYS]**  
**SUNDAY SCHOOL AND BIBLE CLASS: 9:30 AM**

**WORSHIP SERVICE PARTICIPANTS & MUSIC**

	<u>SAT. 5:30</u>	<u>SUN. 8:15</u>	<u>SUN. 10:45</u>
<b>Preacher</b>	Pastor Allison	Pastor Allison	Pastor Allison
<b>Liturgist</b>	Pastor Allison	Pastor Akers	Pastor Akers
<b>Organist</b>	David Britton	Florence Moeller	
<b>Acolytes</b>	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed
<b>Sanctuary Stewards</b>			Amy Shrack Debby Durr

**LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE – MUSIC**

Saturday–5:30 PM – **95** / Sunday–8:15 AM – **174** / Sunday–10:45 AM – **122 = 391**

**Prelude** – "Toccata in D Minor – Resurrection" – J.S. Bach / **Offertory** – "In Thee is Gladness" - arr. Paul Manz / **Postlude** – "Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good"

**ALTAR FLOWERS**

This weekend's altar flowers are given by **Ross & Sharon Morkal** in honor of their **60<sup>th</sup>** wedding anniversary, and to thank God for His many blessings upon them and their family.

**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**

During **this Sunday's 8:15 AM** service, the following new members will become part of Our Redeemer's church family. Joining by Adult Confirmation are **Nick C** and **Jesse D**. Joining us by Reaffirmation of Faith are **John I** and **Jill D**. We also welcome **Jesse & Jill's** three sons, **Lincoln, Sawyer** and **Waylon**. **Nick Comb's** wife, **Maggie**, joined Our Redeemer last spring by membership transfer. We warmly welcome these individuals to our congregation and ask God's blessings to be upon them.

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

We remember **Karen Harrison, Paul & Eleanor Strauch, Sonja Gotshall, Vivian Heronemus, Marjorie Muhl, Mike & Tracy Spinner, Betty Cowgill, Rob Reason, Lori Seaman, Kristen Cain, Susan Hermes, Dick Dunkin, Heather Hartman, Jack Garner, Pam Richardson, and Marilou Reason.**

**"REDEEMER REPORTER" DEADLINE IS THIS THURSDAY! ☺**

**THANKS TO YOUR GENEROSITY, \$54.01 WAS COLLECTED FOR LWML FOR LAST WEEKEND'S FIFTH SUNDAY COLLECTION.**

## **SHUT-IN OF THE WEEK – VIOLET KILE**

*Violet Kile is this week's honored shut-in.*

## **THANK YOU LADIES!**

The staff and faculty of Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer and Redeemer Lutheran School send their heartfelt thanks to the ladies for the wonderful and entertaining Staff Appreciation Luncheon this past Thursday. ☺

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

### **THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT AND LIFE TODAY – ADULT ED ROOM**

It's one of the most famous passages in Scripture, known by Christians and non-Christians alike. The Sermon on the Mount is also one of the most quoted pieces of Scripture because of the variety and magnitude of topics Jesus tackled with the crowd that day. But the question becomes, "How does this famous sermon apply today?"

Culture says we need to get with the times and adjust our view of Scripture accordingly. The Sermon on the Mount says otherwise. Join **Jonathan Guse** in the **Adult Education Room** as we begin a deeper look into the Sermon on the Mount.

### **A LONGER LOOK AT THE LESSONS – MISSION HALL**

*This morning in **Mission Hall**, **Pastor Allison** leads a class called, "A Longer Look At the Lessons". Each week we will take a look at the 3 Scripture readings that are assigned for each Sunday. This week we will take a look at the readings assigned for "Proper 5".*

### **YOUNG ADULTS BIBLE CLASS – CHURCH LIBRARY**

**Young Adults Bible Class** continues **this Sunday**. Our study is "**One God, many gods: A Study of World Religions**". Christianity and fourteen other religious faiths are examined and compared, with a goal of identifying the central teachings of each and providing some tools for Christians who encounter people of other faiths in their daily lives. Please join us in the **Church Library** starting at **9:30 AM**.

### **7 SUNDAYS IN SUMMER CHALLENGE: PRE-K THRU HIGH SCHOOL**

**This is the 1st Sunday of our 7 Sundays in Summer Challenge.** Children and youth that attend Sunday School 7 times between June 5 and July 31 can enjoy 2 free games of bowling, our treat, August 21 from 2-4:30 pm at Heritage Lanes.

### **PRE-K THRU 7TH GRADE**

We are excited to kick off our Summer Sunday School program today with a little magic in **Fellowship Hall!** **Pastor Rob Roloff** will be here to amaze and entertain us with his performance of magic and slight of hand. Your kids won't want to miss this show! **This will be the 1st Sunday of our 7 Sundays in Summer Challenge.** Our 7 Sundays in Summer program continues next week, June 12, with a fascinating show about God's creation. Join us for this fun program with live animals from **Silly Safari, Inc.**

### **STRONG TOWER: HIGH SCHOOL**

Meet in the **Youth Room** with **Steve Gaunt** for The Easter Experience by Kyle Idleman. This 6 part series brings the passion, and resurrection of Jesus to life through dramatic storytelling and challenging teaching done in a highly cinematic style.

## **GRADUATION OPEN HOUSE**

**Mark & Terri Renken** invite you to join us in celebrating Abby's graduation from Western High School at her open house, **today [Sunday]** from **12:00-5:00 pm**. "We have been blessed with great friends and would love to share this exciting time with you!"

## **YOU ARE INVITED**

***Emily Baird**, along with her family, invite the congregation to join in celebrating Emily's high school graduation and academic achievements at an Open House on **Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup>** from **2 - 5 PM** at their home. "It takes a village...", and you have been our village with your support of Redeemer Lutheran School and Church. Thank you!"*

### **YOUTH CENTRAL**

## **GROUNDS – HS YOUTH GROUP**

Summer is here! Join us **tonight [Sunday]** at **6:30 PM** in the Youth Room for a short devotion and games as we welcome the **8<sup>th</sup> grade class!** **8<sup>th</sup> graders – we would love to see you there!** If you have any questions, please see **Jonathan Guse**.



## **PATHWAYS – MS YOUTH GROUP**

We're on "summer break" from our regular meetings. Be on the lookout for information about some special meeting times this summer! If you have any questions, see **Jonathan Guse, Tami Brooks, or Kori Wood**.

## **BUBBLE SOCCER!!!**

All 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students are invited to join us on **June 26<sup>th</sup>** for Bubble Soccer at **Darrough Chapel Park**! This event will take place from **3-7pm** and the cost is **\$10!** **You must sign up for this event!** When you sign up, there is a link to a waiver that must be turned in as well! Please turn that into Jonathan Guse! Parents are welcome to come as well! There will be a cookout while everyone is playing! If you have any questions, please see **Jonathan Guse**. Visit <http://tinyurl.com/zfhm2lu> to sign-up today or follow this QR code!



## **RESCUE MISSION BIRTHDAY PARTY**

*Thank you to all who filled a bag or bags for the Rescue Mission! Your generosity is very much appreciated. Would you like the opportunity to help distribute these gifts and help serve at the Birthday Party on **June 8**? If so, please arrive at the mission by **11 AM**. We also need help transporting all of the bags to the mission - we will meet at church at **9:30 AM** to load up. Please contact **Cindy Sewell** or sign up at the Welcome Center if you can help.*

## **STEWARDSHIP MOMENT**

**Galatians 1: 11** "For I would have you know, brothers, that the gospel that was preached by me is not man's gospel." Our religion is not man made, but God-revealed. We need the Lord's instruction and wisdom. We just don't know enough on our own. It seems foolishness to the world that Christians drop their hard earned money into the collection plate every week. They just don't see a benefit to the preaching of the Word, the administration of the Sacraments, the sending of missionaries, or the educating of children in the faith. But from the Lord's instruction and Wisdom we know better. Giving teaches us generosity; the work of the Church is the salvation of mankind and we are blessed to be called to participate in it in this way.

## **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AT OUR REDEEMER - JUNE 12 – 16, 2016 / 6:00 – 8:30 PM**

*VBS is quickly approaching! Mark your calendars for **June 12-16, 2016, from 6:00-8:30 pm**. Children aged 3-5<sup>th</sup> grade (as of this past school year) are welcome to attend as participants, while children who have finished 6<sup>th</sup> grade-adults are needed as station leaders, station helpers, and crew leaders. Registration forms are located at the Welcome Center in the Narthex. If you are willing to help with VBS in any capacity, you may also sign up at the Welcome Center. We hope to see you there! Questions? Contact Kaila Claucherty.*

## **LCOR PRAYER CHAIN COORDINATOR NEEDED**

Our Redeemer's Prayer Chain, led by **Norma Hiteshow** and **Ida Loppnow** for several years, is in need of a new coordinator to oversee the chain. Prayer requests are received by telephone and/or email and passed down the line to each servant on the chain. The majority of prayer chain participants are on email, so someone with a computer and internet access would be helpful. If you are interested, please call the **church office** at **453-0969**. Norma has agreed to talk with the new chain leader as to the process to pass on prayer requests. Thank you to **Norma** and **Ida** for leading this important ministry tool over the years.

## **BASKET BALL AND SOCCER BALL REPORT**

*Hold up on the Soccer balls. We are at our quota to take to Guatemala. Not so with basket balls. We need more gently used or new basket balls. If you have one sitting in your garage taking up space, bring it to the east end of the Adult Education Room. We will test it for you to be sure it holds air. Thanks.*

## **PRAYER PARTNERS NEEDED**

*Prayer partners are needed for the English Second Language MOST Ministries team serving in Guatemala, **July 2 – July 9**. Prayer partners provide 2 cards/notes to the team member they are assigned and pray for that person prior to and throughout the week. A sign-up sheet is at the Welcome Center. Thank you. ☺*

## THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER

DATE	TIME	TITLE / EVENT	LOCATION
Sat.	5:30 PM	Traditional Communion	Sanctuary
Sun.	8:15 AM	Traditional Communion / Adult Confirmation	Sanctuary
	9:30 AM	Adult Bible Classes	Adult Ed Room / Church Library / Mission Hall
	9:30 AM	Elementary / Jr. High - High Sunday School	Fellowship Hall / Youth Room
	10:45 AM	Contemporary Worship	Sanctuary
	12:00 PM	Member Function	Fellowship Hall
	12:00 PM	Mission U	Mission Hall
	6:30 PM	Grounds	Youth Room
Mon.	9:00 AM	Room Occupied	Mission Hall
	1 & 6:30 PM	Diabetes Class	Church Library
	7:00 PM	Board of Property	Sitting Room
Tues.	7:00 AM	Men's Bible Study	Mission Hall
	10:00 AM	Ladies' Bible Class	Mission Hall
	1 & 6:30 PM	Diabetes Class	Church Library
	6:00 PM	Tuesday Evening Bible Class	Mission Hall
	6:00 PM	Cub / Boy Scouts	Fellowship Hall
Wed.	1 & 6:30 PM	Diabetes Class	Church Library
Thurs.	9:30 AM	Quilting	Choir Room
Fri.	6:30 PM	Johnson – Irish Wedding Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Sat.	2:00 PM	Johnson – Irish Wedding	Sanctuary
	5:30 PM	Traditional Communion	Sanctuary

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

*Gene Miller – June 15*  
*Paul Bastaich – June 16*  
*Florence Moeller – June 17*  
*Dick Ardrey – June 18*  
*Del Luecke – June 19*  
*Dick Keller – June 25*  
*Otis Porter – June 30*

### SIMPLY GIVING – A NEW 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 U – SUNDAY JUNE 5**

Our Redeemer is hosting a Mission U workshop from Lutheran Hour Ministries on the afternoon of **Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup> from noon until 5:00 pm.** Following a light lunch, **Equipping to Share: A Culture of Outreach** will be led by Pastor Akers' sister Deb Erdmann. We will examine the secular culture that defines present-day North America and how the church is often perceived as irrelevant. We will identify specific ways our congregation can build a culture of outreach that identifies and address the needs in our community, and explore ways to turn conversations to the gospel. Finally, we will explore ways Our Redeemer can encourage worship and discipleship inside and outside of the church building. Please sign up at the Welcome Center. There will be a free will offering to cover the lunch expenses.

### **MARRIAGE BLESSINGS**

**Nicholas Irish and Charlene Johnson** will be married at Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer on **Saturday, June 11, 2016 at 2:00 PM.**