

11TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - THE WHAT OF OUR VISION

August 19 & August 20, 2017



Sisters and brothers in Christ, we **welcome** you to worship and Christian fellowship. May you find blessing and strength in your participation here this morning [evening]. Please introduce yourself to **Pastor Allison**, 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.

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	

WORSHIP SERVICE PARTICIPANTS			
	<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 Allison	Pastor Allison
Organist	Florence Moeller	Florence Moeller	
Acolytes	Selia D	Rylee K	Megan C Madison C Jane Sipe Kitty Davis
Sanctuary Stewards			

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

Saturday-5:30 PM – 81 / Sunday – 8:15 AM -76 / Sunday-10:45 AM – 171 = 328

PASTOR AKERS

Pastor Akers is attending Caleb’s installation as Director of Christian Education at St. Matthew’s Lutheran Church in Sonora, California this weekend.

SHUT-IN OF THE WEEK - MARTHA LEITER

Martha Leiter is this week’s honored shut-in.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING, STRENGTH, PEACE AND COMFORT

We remember Patsy Shephard, Caryl Lamb, Sharon Harruff, Will Carson, Doris Temme, Joan Peterson, Robert MolKentine, Ralph Grotrian, Jayne Frey, Nancy Jones, Heather Hartman, Nancy Philips and Delia Overia.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Two families are placing flowers on the Lord's altar this weekend. **Jim & Marcia Hudson** in honor of their son, **David's** and Marcia's father, **Bob Hobson's** birthdays, and in thankfulness for the blessing of their family. Also by **Gretchen Laudenschlager** in memory of her husband **Dave**, in honor of her mother, **Betty Burkhart's** 94th birthday, and in thankfulness for all of God's blessings bestowed upon her family.

SUNDAY SCHOOL THIS WEEK! - 9:30 AM ON SUNDAY - WELCOME TO ALL!

CLASS	LOCATION	TEACHER[S]
<u>2's and under w/parents</u> This new class will discuss the current Transforming Churches Bible Study.	Church Nursery	Parent Facilitated
<u>Pre-School, Pre-K, Kdg.</u>	RLS Kindergarten Room	Ashley Schneider
<u>1st - 4th Grades</u>	RLS 4 th Grade Room	Sharon Mugg
<u>5th - 7th Grades</u> The Sunday School lesson today focuses on "Solomon Builds the Temple." Though God resided within the Old Testament temple, He was hidden behind the veil in the Most Holy Place. Jesus is the unveiled Most Holy Place, accessible to all, enfolding believers in the arms of His Word and Sacraments. Parents, ask your children, "What kinds of things would you have seen in Solomon's temple? Where do we see Jesus today?"	RLS 5 th / 6 th Grade Room	Stephanie Gross
<u>8th Grade Confirmation</u>	RLS 7 th /8 th Grade Room	Kathy Tucker
<u>High School</u> "Surrender" Bible Study by Francis Chan---This week's topic is "Surrender Status"	Youth Room (top of stairs)	Zack Conner
<u>Adult Bible Class</u> - "Transforming Churches"	Mission Hall	Pastor Allison

WATCH REUNION

A WATCH reunion gathering is planned for **Sunday, August 27**, at **12:00 PM, noon**, in Fellowship Hall. Please bring a covered dish to share. This is a social time to reconnect with each other and learn the latest about WATCH #13. All family members are invited to attend. If childcare is needed, please contact **Gene Miller** or **Beth Dinkel**.

Hands of Love will be meeting once again in **August** on **Monday**, the **21st** from **1:00 – 2:30 PM** at **Diane Turner's** home. Hope your summer is going well and trying some new projects. ²¹ Hands of Love begins **their new season** on **Monday, September 11, 2017** from **1:00 – 2:30 PM** at **Diane Turner's home**. New people are welcome. We can teach knitting and crocheting to anyone who wants to learn. If you have any questions, please call **Diane Turner**.

WEEKDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

“MORMONS, WHO THEY ARE, WHAT THEY BELIEVE”

Tuesday morning Men's Bible Study is discussing, The Mormon Church (aka The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints) means different things to different people. From its feel-good, family-oriented TV commercials to its Grammy- and Emmy-winning Mormon Tabernacle Choir to its bicycling missionaries, the Mormon Church is high profile all the way. Founded in the early 19th century, this religious movement boasts more than 15 million members and 85,000 missionaries, ranking it in the top five of "Christian denominations" in the U.S., according to the National Council of Churches. This Men's Bible Study meets **Tuesdays** at **7:30** in **Mission Hall**. If you have any questions, please contact **Wess Mechler**.

“THE GREAT DECEIVER”

Is Satan a real being, or is he just an outdated representation of evil? The Bible speaks of him as a rebel angel leading his minions against God, the holy angels, and all God's children. But recent surveys suggest a majority of Christians in the United States don't believe Satan really exists. **Monday evenings** a Bible study will be examining what the Bible has to say about the Great Deceiver, Satan. All are welcomed. **Monday August 28th** at **7:00 PM** in the Sitting Room will be our next encounter with the Word. If you have any questions please contact **Wess Mechler**.

LADIES' KOINONIA BEGINS THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7TH

Ladies Koinonia meets **Thursdays** at **9:30 AM** with Pastor Akers in Mission Hall. The startup date is **Thursday, September 7th** with the topic "**Quiet Heroes of the Faith**." In a time of great challenge, Quiet Heroes of the Faith highlights men and women in the Bible who overcame extraordinary difficulties. Their stories show that God chooses ordinary people – people like you - to do His extraordinary work. These lessons will introduce you to the cultural setting and life story of a biblical character, examine the joys and challenges that person faced, and show how God forgave, sustained, and empowered that person to serve Him. Concluding activities will lead you in reviewing God's blessings in your own life.

PASTOR ALLISON'S WEEKDAY BIBLE STUDY START UP DATES

Tuesday Evening Bible Study begins on **Tuesday, September 19** from **6 – 7 PM** in Mission Hall. Class topic to be determined.

Ladies Bible Class will meet for the first time this year on **Tuesday, September 26** at **10:00 AM** in Mission Hall. Please watch future bulletins for more information on class discussion.

SHHH...by RLS Principal Ruth Lavrenz
“Be still and know that I am God...” Psalm 46:10

Have you considered donating to the SGO (Scholarship Granting Organization)? If you have and want to find out more about it, please see **Mrs. Tucker, Miss Lavrenz** or **Gordon Claucherty**. If you already plan to make a donation, keep in mind that those tax credits are going fast. In mid- July, over 25% of the tax credits were already gone. They are projecting they will be gone by Thanksgiving, if not earlier.

RLS RUMMAGE SALE BAKE SALE EVENT!

Redeemer Lutheran School's 7 & 8 Grade Classes are hosting a Rummage Sale and Bake Sale in the Fellowship Hall on **Saturday, September 9th, 2017** from **8 AM to 2 PM**. Donations of gently used and clean items **are now being accepted** in the Fellowship Hall. Items may be dropped off at the stage in Fellowship Hall, or in the front hallway of the school and will be moved by the students. Please note that set up assistance is needed as well, on **Friday, September 8** at **10:00 AM** in the gym. Please contact **Lynn Cleaver** if you need any further information. Thank you for your support.



RLS SUPPLY STORE SUPPORT

It's that time of the year again. The Redeemer School Supply store could use some support to fill our shelves. We supply each new student on the School Choice program and any returning students on the same program with a polo shirt for chapel and a back pack filled with school supplies. Our shelves are in pretty good condition, but our funds have taken a hit. If you would like to donate to this need, there are envelopes at the Welcome Center for you to use. You may put them in the white box or hand them to Kathy Tucker. Also, if any of you have any gently used Redeemer polo shirts in your closets that you don't need anymore, they would be put to good use by our students. You could drop them at the school office or at the Admission Counselor's office (across the hall from kindergarten). Thank you :)

YOUTH CENTRAL

PATHWAYS AND GROUNDS- MS & HS YOUTH GROUPS

Looking forward to seeing everyone **tonight [Sunday]!** Both groups meet for Bible study, fellowship, and games!

	PATHWAYS	GROUNDS
Sunday, Aug. 20 th	4-6 pm	6:30-8:30 pm
Friday, Aug. 25 th	6:30-9:30 pm	---
Sunday, Aug. 27 th	4-6 pm	6:30-8:30 pm
Sunday, Sept. 3 rd	Labor Day - Enjoy the long weekend!	
Sunday, Sept. 10 th	Yes We Can	6:30-8:30 pm
Sunday, Sept. 17 th	4-6 pm	6:30-8:30 pm
Sunday, Sept. 24 th	4-6 pm	6:30-8:30 pm
Friday, Sept. 29 th	---	9pm-12 am

JR. HIGH RALLY!

All 7th and 8th grade students are invited to sign-up for the 2017 Indiana District Jr. High Rally! This rally will take place at **Camp Lakeview, September 15th and 16th!** The cost is **\$50** and **you must be signed up no later than Sunday, August 27th!** This is an overnight full of games, fun, food, and Bible study that you don't want to miss

IDYG - HIGH SCHOOL GATHERING

All high school students are invited to sign-up for the 2017 Indiana District Youth Gathering! This event will be hosted at **Holy Cross Lutheran Church** in Indianapolis the weekend of **November 10th-12th**. We have the choice of staying one or two nights, so please indicate your preference on the sign-up sheet. The cost is **\$50 + lodging. Sign-up by October 1st!** This is a weekend of games, study, and service projects in the city! Make sure you don't miss out!

YES WE CAN!

Mark your calendars for **Sunday, September 10th from 12-5 pm!** It's time to head out into the neighborhoods to stock the shelves of the Rescue Mission! All **students of any age** are welcome to sign-up at the bulletin board across from the Adult Education Room! **Parents will be needed as drivers** - sign-up at the same location! If you have questions, please see **Jonathan Guse or Pastor Akers.**

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

MUSIC TEAM

At Our Redeemer, we like to use musicians from the congregation to augment our worship. If you have musical talent, why not share it with your fellow Christians? Feel free to contact **Florence Moeller, Juanita Martin-Davis or David Britton.**

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

A special thanks to all who attended the congregational pitch-in a couple of weeks ago. It was good to fellowship with one another and enjoy some delicious food, too.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Matthew 15:27 “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.” These are the words of faith, for faith means receiving what God gives. And God has given us so much more than just the crumbs that fall from the table – He has given us life, salvation, body and soul, eyes and ears, possessions and income. That’s where our stewardship starts: with faith in the God who is the greatest Giver.

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.



<u>THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER</u>			
<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>TITLE / EVENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Sat.	9:00 AM	Quilt Class	Mission Hall
	5:30 PM	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary
Sun.	8:15 AM	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary
	9:30 AM	Sunday School / 8 th Grade Confirmation	Nursery / RLS / Youth Room
	9:30 AM	Adult Bible Class	Mission Hall
	10:45 AM	Contemporary Communion	Sanctuary
	4:00 PM	Pathways	Youth Room / Fellowship Hall
	6:30 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	Fellowship Hall

Wed.	8:45 AM	RLS Chapel	Fellowship Hall
Thurs.	9:30 AM	Quilting	Choir Room
	6:30 PM	Cardio Drumming	Fellowship Hall
Fri.	6:30 PM	Pathways	Youth Room / Fellowship Hall
Sat.	5:30 PM	Traditional Communion	Sanctuary