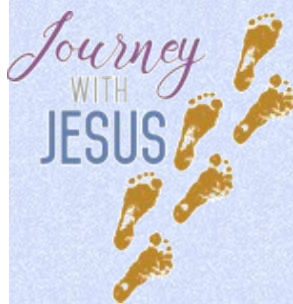


13TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – NATURAL EVANGELISM – THE FAITH JOURNEY

September 2 & September 3, 2017



Teachers, construction workers, parents, clerks, medical staff, community volunteers — on this Labor Day weekend, **welcome** to worship, where God offers renewal for the work to which you each are called. 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.

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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 Akers	Pastor Akers	Pastor Akers
Liturgist	Pastor Akers	Pastor Akers	Pastor Akers
Organist	Florence Moeller	Florence Moeller	
Acolytes	Kelsey T	Carson L Teagan B	Caleb B
Sanctuary Stewards			Susie Yeakley Anna Gaunt

LAST WEEK’S ATTENDANCE INFORMATION

Saturday–5:30 PM – **68** / Sunday – 8:15 AM –**95** / Sunday–10:45 AM – **148** = **311**

HURRICANE RELIEF COLLECTIONS

Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer is joining in the relief efforts for those effected by Hurricane Harvey. **Through the month of September**, door offerings will be collected at the end of each service. Please make checks payable to **Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer**. Thank you for your generosity in helping others.

THE CHURCH OFFICE AND RLS WILL BE CLOSED THIS MONDAY FOR LABOR DAY!

PRAYERS FOR HEALING, STRENGTH, PEACE AND COMFORT

We remember **Cena Benziger, Anita Corradi, Mike Bridegroom, Caryl Lamb, Sharon Harruff, Will Carson, Doris Temme, Robert Molkentine, Ralph Grotrian, Jayne Frey, Nancy Jones, Heather Hartman, Nancy Philips and Delia Overia.**

ALTAR FLOWERS

Joyce Irish is placing flowers on the Lord's altar this Labor Day weekend in celebration of her grandson, **Samuel's 6th birthday**, and in thankfulness for all God's blessings.

SHUT-IN OF THE WEEK – LOIS REAMS

Lois Reams is this week's honored shut-in.

A NEW GRANDSON

The Lord blessed **Jerry & Joanne Kraase** with the gift of a new great-grandson. **Owen Thomas Ross**, son of **Erin & James Ross**, was born on **August 23, 2017** in Angola, Indiana.

SPECIAL SUNDAY SCHOOL- LABOR DAY WEEKEND

This Sunday [today] at 9:30 AM, ALL kids (preschool thru high school) are invited to the gym / fellowship hall to participate in a special service project. Details will be given to you when you come. Lots of helpers needed! For Adult Bible Class, Pastor Akers will continue "Transforming Churches" in Mission Hall.

YES WE CAN FOOD COLLECTION

YES WE CAN collection of canned goods and non-perishable items is still going on until **September 10**. Thank you to those who have already donated. Extra bags are available in the Narthex. Thank you.

PARENTS OF COLLEGE STUDENTS AND MILITARY MEMBERS

*A member of LCOR would like to be a prayer warrior for your loved one during the year. We understand that life is a challenge and we would like to be there for them. A prayer partner will be available by their agreed upon method of communication for prayer requests and encouragement. If you believe your loved one would like to be paired with one of our warriors, please contact **Evelyn Baird**. If you know someone who would like to be on the list but may not see this, please have them contact me or send me their information. Thank you!!*

HANDS OF LOVE

Hands of Love begins **their new season** on **Monday, September 11, 2017** from **1:00 – 2:30 PM** at **Diane Turner's home, 2984 Lamplighter Ct**. 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**.

SEMINARY FOOD BANK

*Our seminary food bank shelves are empty. Thanks to the Turners for delivery to the Fort Wayne Seminary. Now let's fill those shelves. Remember those coupons, or buy one, get one free. Donate to the food bank, fill the green bins in the Narthex. Items such as canned veggies, fruit, cereal, condiments, paper products and personal hygiene items are needed. There are also families with children, so baby and children's items are also needed. Let's help the students and families. For more information, please contact **Caroline Howard**.*

SEPTEMBER BOARDS / OFFICERS MEETING SCHEDULE

Board of RLS – Wednesday – Sept. 6 – 4:30 PM – School Conference Room
Board of Deacons – Wednesday – Sept. 6 – 5:30 PM – Mission Hall
Board of Property – Monday – September 11 – 7:00 PM - Sitting Room
Church Council – Wednesday – Sept. 13 – 6:00 PM – Church Library
Voters' Assembly – Wednesday – Sept. 20 – 7:00 PM - Mission Hall



“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**.

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.

“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, September 11th 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**.

PASTOR ALLISON'S WEEKDAY BIBLE STUDY START UP DATES

Tuesday Evening Bible Study begins on **Tuesday, September 26th 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.

KOKOMO ZONE LWML WORKSHOP

The Kokomo Zone LWML Christian Life Workshop will be held on **Saturday, September 16, 2017** at **Emanuel Lutheran Church, 1385 S. Main St., Tipton, IN**. Bible study leader will be **David Stout**, colloquy candidate with the topic, **"Waiting on the Lord"**. Registration will be from **9:00 – 9:30 AM** with a light lunch provided. Please **RSVP for lunch: 765-675-2513**.

SHHH...by RLS Principal Ruth Lavrenz

"Be still and know that I am God..." Psalm 46:10

HOG ROAST

Coming up on **Friday, September 22**, we are having our annual hog roast/book fair. The hog roast is a free will donation which will benefit our scholarship program. The book fair will benefit our school library. Please mark this date on your calendar. More information will follow.

NLSA ACCREDITATION

Just received word that Redeemer Lutheran School is official! Our accreditation has been granted through the National Lutheran Schools' office in St. Louis. Our accreditation is good for five years. After months of hard work by several committees, and the steering committee, we can now celebrate! Praise the Lord!

Home baked goodies, clothes-all sizes, households, electronics, books, toys, furniture, sports memorabilia, and more!

PLEASE JOIN US!

CURRENT ENROLLMENT

Our enrollment currently stands at **122**. We have two new students joining us in September when they move here from Texas.

SUBSTITUTES

We are in great need of substitute teachers. If you have a teaching license or a sub license and would be willing to be on our list for subs, that would be wonderful. Also, if you would ever be willing to help as an aide in our preschool room or the school office, please call the school office and let us know. We can give you more details at that time.

SCRIP

Scrip is here for your every shopping and dining need. Stop by the Extended Care Room and see **Michelle Engelder**. If you are going out to breakfast or lunch after church, stop in and buy a scrip card to pay for your meal. If you do that once a week for a year you would be helping RLS by raising \$50 or more. You get to eat and RLS gets the money. Your donation would be at least that or more if you purchased a scrip card and went to the grocery. All in all both you and RLS reap the benefits. Go, see Michelle and see how you can help.

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.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Matthew 16:26 – *“For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his life?” He who dies with the most toys....is dead. But the one who trusts in the Lord, even though he dies, yet shall he live. We live out our trust in the Lord by faithfully fulfilling the roles God has given us to play in home, church, and society as loving, generous people. Those who don't know the Lord are afraid to be generous because they think that what they give away is lost to them. But we who know the Lord know that the things of this world become true blessings when they are used for God's Kingdom.*

YOUTH CENTRAL

PATHWAYS AND GROUNDS

MS & HS Youth Groups – No Youth Group meetings **today [Sunday]!**

	Pathways	Grounds
<i>Sunday, Sept. 3rd</i>	<i>Labor Day – Enjoy the long weekend!</i>	
<i>Sunday, Sept. 10th</i>	<i>Yes We Can</i>	<i>6:30-8:30 pm</i>
<i>Sunday, Sept. 17th</i>	<i>4-6 pm</i>	<i>6:30-8:30 pm</i>
<i>Sunday, Sept. 24th</i>	<i>4-6 pm</i>	<i>6:30-8:30 pm</i>
<i>Friday, Sept. 29th</i>	<i>---</i>	<i>9 pm-12 am</i>

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.

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.



HELPERS NEEDED – REFORMATION WALK

Your help is needed to travel back in time 500 years to the time of Martin Luther and the Reformation! During Bible Class hour on **Sunday, October 15** and **October 22**, we will walk in the footsteps of Martin Luther, experiencing the sights, sounds, and tastes of the Reformation. **Help is needed with: Site Leaders, Tour Guides, Costumes and Support Staff. Attend the meeting on September 14 at 7:00 PM or contact Beth Dinkel, Sheryl Hartman, Kitty Davis, or Debbie Street to join the team! A sign-up sheet is located at the Welcome Center.** Your help is greatly appreciated.

DID YOU KNOW?

*Did you know—that anyone high school age and up can be in our Adult Choir? We are always hoping to find new people to add to our worship experience. Questions? Contact **David Britton**.*

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

Dick Hardy – Sept. 12
Opal Hartman – Sept. 17
Jan Wiechmann – Sept. 18
Juanita Martin-Davis – Sept. 20
Marietta Adelsen – Sept. 21
Darlene Foesch – Sept. 21
Tom Baird – Sept. 23
Irene Hunter – Sept. 27

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER

DATE	TIME	TITLE / EVENT	LOCATION
Sat.	5:30 PM	Traditional Communion	Sanctuary
Sun.	8:15 AM	Traditional Communion	Sanctuary
	9:30 AM	Special Service Project Sunday	Fellowship Hall
	9:30 AM	Adult Bible Class	Mission Hall
	10:45 AM	Contemporary Worship	Sanctuary
Tues.	7:30 AM	Men's Bible Study	Mission Hall
	9:00 AM	Room Occupied	Mission Hall
	5:45 PM	Bell Choir	Choir Room
	6:00 PM	Cub / Boy Scouts	Sanctuary & Fellowship Hall
	7:00 PM	Choir	Choir Room
Wed.	8:45 AM	RLS Chapel	Fellowship Hall
	4:30 PM	Board of RLS	School Conference Room
	5:30 PM	Board of Deacons	Mission Hall
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	Cardio Drumming	Fellowship Hall
Fri.	10:00 AM	RLS Rummage Sale Setup	Fellowship Hall
Sat.	8 AM – 2 PM	RLS Rummage Sale	Fellowship Hall
	5:30 PM	Traditional Communion	Sanctuary