

THE 16TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
September 3 & September 4, 2016



Welcome to worship this Labor Day weekend. May God bless the work of our hands to His glory, this week and always. 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 [1ST & 3RD 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>
Preacher	Pastor Akers	Pastor Akers	Pastor Akers
Liturgist	Pastor Akers	Pastor Akers	Pastor Akers
Organist	Beth Kuhlman	Florence Moeller	
Acolytes	Megan Conner	Carly W Jackson W	Natalie S
Sanctuary Stewards			Patsy Kirkenkendall Debby Durr

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE - MUSIC

Saturday-5:30 PM - 67 / Sunday-8:15 AM - 97 / Sunday-10:45 AM - 181 = 345

ALTAR FLOWERS

Joyce Irish is placing flowers on the altar this weekend in honor of her grandson, **Samuel's 5th birthday**, and in thankfulness for all God's blessings.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING, STRENGTH, PEACE AND COMFORT

We remember Robert Braswell, Diane Braswell, Chris Wagner, Delia Overia, Paul Strauch, Joshua Burnett, Don Knight, Lois Reams, Suzanne Biddle, Marjorie Muhl, Rob Reason, Kristen Cain, Heather Hartman, Jack Garner, and Pam Richardson.

CHRISTIAN LOVE, PRAYERS, COMFORT & SUPPORT

Our Christian love, prayers, comfort and support go to **Hazel Ingels and Family** at the death of their loved one, **Richard Ingels** this past Wednesday morning.

HOLY BAPTISM

During **Sunday's 10:45 AM** service, **Henry Lee Shrack**, son of **David & Shenna Shrack** will receive the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. Joining in the celebration of Henry's baptism is proud grandparents, **Henry & Amy Shrack**.

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

TORNADO RELIEF UPDATE

Thanks to your love and generosity with the **Financial Aid and 2 truckloads** of donated items were received to aid in tornado relief last weekend. In addition, **70+ servants from Our Redeemer and RLS** gathered last weekend and throughout the week to help tornado victims. Please note that **Greg Kuhlman** has volunteered to organize and lead a group to help **this weekend** with the continued relief effort. Please contact **Greg Kuhlman** if you would like to help and for more information.

THANKS AND BLESS YOU ALL!

LIFETOUGH PICTURES

Lifetouch sent several of the recent directory pictures to the church. If you received a message from Bev during these past few weeks and unable to pick up your picture, they are at the Welcome Center during the weekend and church office weekdays. Thank you. ☺

SEPTEMBER BOARDS / OFFICERS MEETING SCHEDULE

Board of RLS - Wednesday - Sept. 7 - 5:30 PM - School Conference Room

Board of Deacons - Wednesday - Sept. 7 - 5:30 PM - Mission Hall

Board of Property - Monday - September 12 - 7:00 PM - Sitting Room

Church Council - Wednesday - Sept. 14 - 6:00 PM - Church Library

Voters' Assembly - Wednesday - Sept. 21 - 7:00 PM - Mission Hall

WATCH

Usually it's real easy to receive forgiveness from God. But forgiveness between other people is another story. Do you have trouble forgiving someone? Are you carrying that burden every day? Forgiveness is your decision to be obedient to the Word of God. Come to our Watch retreat, **September 30 - October 2**. Applications are in the narthex. Please place completed applications in the box at the Welcome Center. If you have any questions, see **Vivian Heronemus**. If you would have trouble coming up with the money for the Retreat, we have scholarship monies for this purpose. See **Pastor Akers** for confidential entry. We take anyone 18 and over. (More over is good here too! LOL)

BIBLE STUDIES IN SEPTEMBER

A NEW SEASON - HOW THE CHURCH OPENS DOORS TO THE COMMUNITY

Sunday - September 11, 2016 - 9:30 AM - Mission Hall

GOD CONNECTS - A COURSE IN CHRISTIANITY

Sunday - September 11, 2016 - 9:30 AM - Adult Education Room

YOUNG ADULTS: ONE GOD, MANY GODS - A STUDY OF WORLD RELIGION

Sunday - September 11, 2016 - 9:30 AM - Church Library

LADIES: ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

Tuesday - September 13, 2016 - 10:00 AM - Mission Hall

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST. LUKE

Tuesday - September 13, 2016 - 6 to 7 PM - Mission Hall

MEN'S: THE INTERSECTION OF CHURCH & STATE

Tuesdays - 7:00 AM - Mission Hall

LADIES' KOINONIA: FINDING FAITH IN THE DARK

Thursday - September 8 - 2016 - 9:30 AM - Mission Hall

ADULT INFORMATION CLASS

We are forming a new adult membership class. It will start **Sunday, September 11th** at **9:30 AM** in the Adult Education Room. Whether you have questions about Christ or want to deepen your faith in Him, this class will explore what the Bible says about our God, and how His love gives direction and meaning to your life today and forever. This class is designed for those who are interested in learning or reviewing the foundations of the Christian faith. Attendance at the class may lead to membership in our church, but there are no obligations. Watch an introductory video at www.lhm.org/GodConnects.

BIRTHDAY CARD SHOWER

A suggestion has been made to shower **Ida Loppnow** with cards in celebration of her **September 11th** birthday. Ida's new address is **3133 Rainbow Dr., Grand Prairie, Texas 75052**.

"REDEEMER REPORTER" DEADLINE IS THIS THURSDAY! ☺

THIS WEEK IN BIBLE CLASS / SUNDAY SCHOOL - 9:30-10:30 AM

A LONGER LOOK AT THE LESSONS - MISSION HALL

This morning in Mission Hall, Pastor Akers 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.

Preschool (age 3) - Kindergarten children are invited to join **Ashley Schneider** in the Kindergarten classroom in the west hall. This week's topic: **Paul Describes Genuine Love.**

Children in 1st - 4th grade will meet in the **4th grade classroom** with **Tracy Brandenburg**. This week's topic: **Paul Describes Genuine Love.**

Youth in grades 5th - 8th will meet in the **5/6 grade classroom** with **Hugh Hunkeler**. Students will be studying, "Why Jesus?" a Right Now Media study that will answer some of the toughest questions about our Savior. This series will finish on **September 4**. On **September 11**, **5th - 7th grade students** will continue with a study of the book, **Life's Big Questions, God's Big Answers** by **Brad Alles**.

8th grade students will begin their Confirmation class next week, **Sept. 11**, in the **7/8 grade classroom**.

High School students are encouraged to join **Zack Conner** in the **Youth Room** to continue a new study that will take an in-depth look at **Moses**.

BREATHE by RLS Principal Ruth Lavrenz

Let everything that has breath praise the LORD. Psalm 150:6

RLS RUMMAGE AND BAKE SALE FUNDRAISER

Join us **Saturday September 10** from **8 AM - 2 PM** for a rummage and bake sale! What treasures will you find?! This sale will raise funds for the trip to Cincinnati next year! Hope to see everyone there! We are still accepting any available donations you might have-just bring them to the school!

SGO:

Are you aware of the SGO scholarships that are made available to our students here at Redeemer? You can make a personal donation to the SGO or your business can make a donation and get a 50% tax credit. The money you send to the SGO goes directly to students who wish to attend Redeemer Lutheran School. You can help a child attend our school, and at the same time, get some income tax relief. For more information, contact the school office, **Mrs. Tucker** or **Gordon Claucherty**.

HOG ROAST:

Mark your calendars for **Friday, September 23**. That is our annual Book Fair and Hog Roast. The hog roast will be a free will offering and the proceeds will go to the RLS scholarship fund. More information will follow. This share the date allows you to get it on those calendars!

HANDS OF LOVE - BEGINS SEPT. 12

It's been a hot summer here in Kokomo, so you may not have spent much time knitting and crocheting. Our start-up date is **September 12th, from 1 - 2:30 PM**. We will have our first meeting at Redeemer in the Sitting Room, and then make our decision about the location of our future weekly meetings. Diane Turner has several new books and magazines, which may inspire and motivate you to try something new. If you have any questions, please contact **Diane**. It will be great to be back together regularly.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Luke 14:33 "So therefore, any one of you who does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple." None of what we have is ours - it all belongs to God. That is the foundation of Christian stewardship. What we have been given is to be used for God's purposes according to our callings in home, Church, and society. As we learn to leave generously in these callings, we renounce our ownership of our wealth. It's not "ours," it's His; God owns, we manage for the furtherance of His goals.

Have you ever considered becoming a pastor or deaconess? If so, Rev. Bill Wrede from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis would like to meet with you at Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer on **Friday, September 16, 2016** from **3 - 7 PM** in the Sitting Room. Rev. Wrede is interested in meeting with prospective students of all ages --- elementary school age through adults. Appointments are individual, informal, and family / friends are welcome to come with you. Appointments are not necessary, but encouraged. If you are interested in scheduling a specific time, please contact **Rev. Wrede** at **314-505-7221** or wredew@csl.edu.

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	Bible Study - Sunday School	Mission Hall / RLS / Youth Room
	10:45 AM	Contemporary Worship	Sanctuary
Tues.	7:00 AM	Men's Bible Study	Mission Hall
	9:00 AM	Room Occupied	Church Library
	4 - 7 PM	Ingels' Viewing	Mission Hall
	5:45 PM	Bell Choir	Choir Room
	6:00 PM	Cub / Boy Scouts	Fellowship Hall
	7:00 PM	Choir	Choir Room
Wed.	8:45 AM	RLS Chapel	Fellowship Hall
	10:00 AM	Ingels' Funeral [1 hour viewing prior]	Sanctuary
	5:30 PM	Board of RLS	School Conference Room
	5:30 PM	Board of Deacons	Mission Hall
	6:30 PM	Pathways	Youth Room / Fellowship Hall
Thurs.	9:30 AM	Quilting	Choir Room
	9:30 AM	Ladies' Koinonia	Mission Hall
	6:00 PM	Member Function	Fellowship Hall
	6:00 PM	WATCH	Mission Hall
Fri.	3:00 PM	RLS Rummage Sale Setup	Fellowship Hall
Sat.	8 AM - 2 PM	RLS Rummage Sale	Fellowship Hall
	5:30 PM	Traditional Communion	Sanctuary

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:
Dick Hardy - Sept. 12
Woody Luecke - Sept. 16
YOUTH CENTRAL

NO GROUNDS THIS WEEK DUE TO THE HOLIDAY WEEKEND.

PATHWAYS

We meet this Wednesday, September 7th from 6:30-8:30 pm! Talk to Jonathan Guse, Tami Brooks, or Kori Wood for more details!

INDIANA DISTRICT YOUTH GATHERING

All high school students are invited to attend the District Youth Gathering taking place the weekend of **November 11th**. This year, we have two options: Friday/Saturday or Friday-Sunday. Event registration is \$50 regardless of our choice, plus our hotel stay. The theme this year is **"ONE: Lord, Faith, Baptism."** Please sign-up on the bulletin board and list your preference. If you have any questions, please see **Jonathan Guse**.

YES WE CAN!

Mark your calendars for Sunday, September 18th from 12-5 pm! It's time to head out into the neighborhoods to stock the shelves for 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**.

A member of LCOR would like to be a prayer warrior for you during the year. We understand that life is a challenge at this stage and we would like to be there for you. Your prayer partner will be available by your agreed upon method of communication for prayer requests and encouragement. If you would like to be paired with one of our warriors, please sign up at the Welcome Center or in the Young Adult Bible Study taking place during Sunday School hours in the church library. If you have questions, please contact **Evelyn Baird**.

SIMPLY GIVING - A NEW 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.

