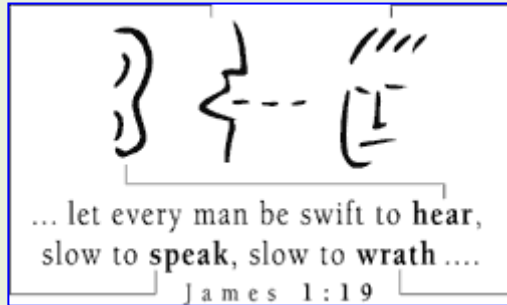


FRIENDSHIP THROUGH LISTENING

September 23 & September 24, 2017

The psalmist invites us to “seek the LORD and His strength; seek His presence continually” (Psalm 105:4). May you sense the Lord’s presence here and throughout your days. **Welcome.** 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 that the deadline for bulletin announcements is Wednesdays by noon. Thank you.**

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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			
Preacher Liturgist Organist Acolytes Sanctuary Stewards	SAT. 5:30 Pastor Allison Pastor Allison David Britton Volunteer Needed	SUN. 8:15 Pastor Allison Pastor Akers Florence Moeller Blake S Luke L	SUN. 10:45 Pastor Allison Pastor Akers Florence Moeller Jacob T Jonah T Kitty Davis Caroline Howard

LAST WEEK’S ATTENDANCE - SUNDAY’S MUSIC

Saturday-5:30 PM – **81** / Sunday – 8:15 AM –**90** / Sunday-10:45 AM – **147 = 318**
Prelude – “Holy God We Praise Thy Name” – Bish / **Choir** – “Brethren, We Have Met to Worship God” /
 “God, Make My Life a Shining Light” / **Offertory** – “Seek Ye First” – Lafferty / **Postlude** – “Lift High the Cross” - traditional

ALTAR FLOWERS

This weekend’s altar flowers are given by **Juanita Martin-Davis** with praise and thanksgiving to our Lord Jesus Christ for His many blessings, and in honor of son **Graham Martin’s** birthday.

CONGREGATION INVITATION

The congregation is invited to attend the wedding ceremony of **Pearl Gault** and **Gene Miller**, **this Sunday, Sept 24th**, at **4 PM** in the Sanctuary.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING, STRENGTH, PEACE AND COMFORT

We remember **Dick Bryan, Ian Miller, Cena Benziger, Mike Bridegroom, Caryl Lamb, Sharon Harruff, Will Carson, Doris Temme, Robert Molentine, Ralph Grotrian, Jayne Frey, Nancy Jones, Heather Hartman, Nancy Philips and Delia Overia.**

SHUT-INS OF THE WEEK – PAUL & ELEANOR STRAUCH

Paul & Eleanor Strauch are this week's honored shut-ins. Please direct cards and calls to the Strauchs.

HURRICANE RELIEF COLLECTIONS

Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer is joining in the relief efforts for those effected by Hurricanes Harvey and Irma. **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.

LADIES' BIBLE CLASS – THIS TUESDAY

Pastor Allison will begin Ladies Bible Class for the year, **this Tuesday, September 26, 2017 at 10:00 AM** in Mission Hall. Coffee and fellowship begin at **9:30**. The topic of study is **God's Word for Today – Philippians: Joy in Christ**. In this epistle, Paul characterizes the Christian life in this way: joy no matter what the circumstances; an eagerness to suffer for Christ; humility that follows Christ in putting others first; trust in Christ alone for righteousness.

TUESDAY EVENING BIBLE CLASS BEGINS THIS WEEK!

Pastor Allison's Tuesday evening Bible study begins this week, **September 26 from 6 – 7 PM** in Mission Hall. The class will be studying Mens' Network, "**A Man Named Martin - Part 3: The Movement**". From Luther's 95 Theses in 1517 to the Peace of Westphalia in 1648, God was at work in the Reformation. Fierce debates over Scripture, church doctrine, and late medieval church practice led to theological positions articulating salvation as God's grace in action, with man being left to add nothing to his own salvation. In **A Man Named Martin - Part 3: The Movement**, viewers will see how the Reformation transformed European society and, eventually, left a profound impression around the globe.

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

<u>CLASS</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>TEACHER[S]</u>
2's and under w/parents This class discusses the current Transforming Churches Bible Study.	Church Nursery	Jonathan & Breanna Guse
Pre-School, Pre-K, Kdg.	RLS Kindergarten Room	Ashley Schneider
1 st – 4 th Grades	RLS 4 th Grade Room	Sharon Mugg
5 th – 7 th Grades In Sunday School today, students learn the story of "Naaman and Elisha." The Word of God spoken by the prophet was in and with the water of the Jordan to restore the flesh of Naaman. The Word of God spoken by the pastor is in and with the water of Baptism to cleanse us of our sin and restore us as children of the heavenly Father. Consider discussing, "What was Elisha's unusual 'prescription' for Naaman's condition? How have you been healed with water?"	RLS 5 th / 6 th Grade Room	Stephanie Gross
8 th Grade Confirmation	RLS 7 th /8 th Grade Room	Pastor Allison
High School The High School youth continue their discussion over the series, "Can I Ask That"? 8 Hard Questions about God and Faith. This week's topic is "Does the Bible Contradict Itself"	Youth Room (top of stairs)	Zack Conner
Adult Bible Class Transforming Churches	Mission Hall	Pastor Akers

BIRTHDAY CARDS TO NORMA HITESHEW

Norma Hiteshew will turn **93** on **October 2**. We know Norma would love to get cards from her Redeemer family. Thank you.

TRUNK OR TREAT

The Board of Christian Outreach will be sponsoring a Trunk-or-Treat event at Redeemer on **Friday, October 20th**. How can you help, you ask? Well, there are plenty of ways! First, we will need people! If you love to decorate and fellowship with others, this is for you! We will also need candy! Do you love to help out, but aren't comfortable dressing up? You can donate candy for others to use! Don't have time to get to the store? Find a member of BOCO and you can give us the money. We will shop for you! Can't commit to the night of, commit to pray for us as we try to make an impact in our community! We are excited to venture into this unknown territory and welcome the community into our church home. If you would like to be a part of this outreach opportunity or would like more information about our Trunk-or-Treat, please come find us! Our members are **Becky Grawcock, Amy Shrack, Breanna Guse, and Pastor Akers**.

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are needed to staff the nursery for the **10:45 AM** worship service. If you are interested, please sign-up at the Welcome Center! Questions, see **Jonathan Guse**.

REFORMATION CELEBRATION!

You've probably heard the buzz about this year marking the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation! This year, we're going to mark the date with some special activities here at Redeemer! Join us on **October 15th/22nd** during the Sunday School hour for the Reformation Walk as we bring the Reformation to life! Then on **October 29th**, join us for a day filled with Reformation activities! **Kathy Tucker** will give her famous Luther presentation during the Sunday School hour. Then, following late service, we will have a lunch of grilled brats/hot dogs followed by a showing of the newly released film **Martin Luther: The Idea that Changed the World!** If you have any questions, see **Pastor Akers, Jonathan Guse, Beth Dinkel, Kitty Davis, Sheryl Hartman, or Debbie Street!**

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, Sept. 24 th	4-6 pm	6:30-8:30 pm
Friday, Sept. 29 th	---	9 pm-12 am
Sunday, Oct. 1 st	4-6 pm	6:30-8:30 pm
Sunday, Oct. 8 th	4-6 pm	6:30-8:30 pm
Sunday, Oct. 15 th	4-6 pm	6:30-8:30 pm
Sunday, Oct. 22 nd	4-6 pm	6:30-8:30 pm
Friday, Oct. 27 th	6-9 pm	---
Sunday, Oct. 29 th	Reformation Celebration - Lunch & Movie	

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!

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

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

GRANDPARENTS DAY:

We will celebrate Grandparents Day on **Friday, October 6**. If you would be willing to match up with a student who may not have a grandparent here that day, please contact the school office and we will get you partnered up with a student.

SCHOOL MUSICAL:

Mark your calendars for **Friday, November 3!** That is the day of our school musical about Martin Luther. This is the 500th anniversary so we will be performing, **“Echoes of the Hammer.”** We will be having two performances that day, one at **1:00 PM** and the evening performance at **7:00 PM**. More information will follow.

SUBSTITUTES:

Do you like working with little ones? We are in need of substitutes who would be willing to spend a day with our 4 year old class. We do have an aide in the classroom with Miss Gross, but occasionally, if need be, she is gone. We simply need a sub list to call upon. You would not be the teacher, you would be the aide in the classroom. Please contact the school office if you might be interested.

THE BIRDS ARE BACK!

Our seventh and eighth graders have purchased a large flock of baby pink flamingoes. They are adorable and available to land in any yard of your choice!! They will be here until the end of May. All monies raised will go towards our class trip at the end of this school year. If you would like to ‘flock’ someone for a special occasion or just for fun, you can talk to any **seventh or eighth grade student, Mrs. Miller, or Mrs. Tucker**. We also have “Flock Insurance” that you can purchase for \$25 that will protect your property from an invasion. Birds are available for **\$10 for a flock of six; \$20 for a full dozen; or larger groups up to 30 for negotiable prices**. You can pick up a PINK order form at the Welcome Center in church, in Mrs. Tucker’s office at school, or from one of the students or teachers. We do like to have at least two-days-notice before a delivery. If you have any questions, call the school or talk to Mrs. Miller or Mrs. Tucker.

BUDDY BAG PACKING TO RESUME SEPTEMBER 25

Redeemer volunteers will be packing Buddy Bags for Kokomo Urban Outreach again this school year. We pack weekend food bags for Pettit Park, Elwood Haynes, Darrough Chapel and Sycamore schools. Our first packing date is **Monday, September 25 at 5:30 pm**. The address of the warehouse is **720 N. Webster**. All are welcome! Contact **Cindy Sewell** for questions or directions.

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!!

We have begun rehearsals for the Christmas Cantata "Night of the Father's Love", which will be presented on **December 16 and 17** at the regular worship services. This is a joyful and compelling musical which we did several years ago. **We need more singers, including children.** If you are interested in joining us, please contact **David Britton**.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Matthew 20:9 – “And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius.” Behold the generosity of God! He gives out of His grace, not what we deserve to receive. Living a godly life means living in imitation of God – and surely one of the foundations of God’s being is His generosity.

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	Sunday School / 8 th Grade Confirmation	Nursery / RLS / Youth Room
	9:30 AM	Adult Bible Class	Mission Hall
	10:45 AM	Traditional Communion	Sanctuary
	4:00 PM	Gault – Miller Wedding	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
	5:30 PM	Buddy Bag Packing	720 N. Webster
	6:30 PM	Quilt Class	Mission Hall
	6:30 PM	Cardio Drumming	Fellowship Hall
	6:30 PM	Adult Evening Bible Study	Sitting Room
Tues.	7:30 AM	Men’s Bible Study	Mission Hall
	8 AM – 4 PM	Church Library Staff	Church Library
	10:00 AM	Ladies Bible Class	Mission Hall
	5:45 PM	Bell Choir	Choir Room
	6:00 PM	Tuesday Evening Bible Class	Mission Hall
	6:00 PM	Cub / Boy Scouts	Sanctuary & Fellowship Hall
	7:00 PM	Choir	Choir Room
Wed.	8:45 AM	RLS Chapel	Fellowship Hall
	5:00 PM	RLS Function	Fellowship Hall
Thurs.	9:30 AM	Quilting	Choir Room
	9:30 AM	Ladies’ Koinonia	Mission Hall
Fri.	9:00 PM	Grounds	Youth Room / Fellowship Hall
Sat.	5:30 PM	Traditional Communion	Sanctuary

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

Elizabeth Anders – Oct. 1
Norma Hiteshew – Oct. 2
Bev Miller – Oct. 2
Art Peirce – Oct. 7

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.



SEMINARY FOOD BANK

Our seminary food bank shelves need replenished. 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**.

**Celebrate the 500th Anniversary of
the Reformation
with these Upcoming Activities!!**



Reformation Walk

Bible Class Hour for All Ages – October 15 & October 22

Step back in time as you travel the road of the Reformation

- 10 informative stops (5 each Sunday)
 - From Luther's Birthplace to his Print Shop

Join the fun - watch for pre-registration in the church narthex!!!

Luther Presentation

Bible Class Hour for All Ages – October 29

Come and listen as our very own Kathy Tucker shares her knowledge of Martin Luther and the Reformation

Congregational Dinner

12:30 PM – October 29 – Fellowship Hall

Share in this very special occasion at a congregational dinner with a German flavor – grilled bratwurst and hot dogs will be served along with other tasty dishes

Newly Released – Luther Movie

2:00 PM – October 29 – Fellowship Hall

No need for a movie theater – we will be showing the newly released Luther Movie in Fellowship Hall – complete with popcorn!