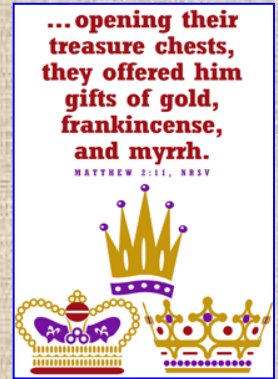


## THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

*January 7 & January 8, 2017*

Welcome to worship and fellowship at Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer. May God bless our time together. 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 **Wednesday by noon**.



<b>LUTHERAN CHURCH OF OUR REDEEMER / REDEEMER LUTHERAN SCHOOL</b> <b>705 SOUTHWAY BOULEVARD EAST, KOKOMO, INDIANA 46902</b>			
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<b>SATURDAY EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE: 5:30 PM</b> <b>SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES: 8:15 &amp; 10:45 AM</b> <b>CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP: 10:45 AM [1<sup>ST</sup> &amp; 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAYS]</b> <b>SUNDAY SCHOOL AND BIBLE CLASS: 9:30 AM</b>			
<b>Preacher</b> <b>Liturgist</b> <b>Organist</b> <b>Acolytes</b> <b>Sanctuary</b> <b>Stewards</b>	<b>SAT. 5:30</b> Pastor Allison Pastor Allison Juanita Martin-Davis Karson	<b>SUN. 8:15</b> Pastor Allison Pastor Akers Florence Moeller Caleb Rylee	<b>SUN. 10:45</b> Pastor Allison Pastor Akers Florence Moeller Daniel Lizzie Ellen Benziger Patsy Kirkendall

### LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE - BUDGET INFORMATION - MUSIC

*New Year's Eve - 131 / January 1 - 145*

*Prelude - "The Kings" / Choir - "Arise, Shine, For Your Light Has Come" / "We Have Come to Worship Him"*  
*Offertory - "How Beautiful the Sky" / Postlude - "Angels From the Realms of Glory"*

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

We remember **Ralph Grotrian, Heather Hartman, Opal Hartman, Ed Ponder, Barbara Moeller, Bonnie Ryder, Nancy Philips, Kori Wood, Delia Overia, Robert Braswell, Suzanne Biddle, Kristen Cain, and Pam Richardson.**

### ALTAR FLOWERS

*This week's altar flowers are given by **Kevin & Sarah Klepfer** in thankfulness to God for His many blessings.*

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

This week we are honoring **Violet Kile** as our shut-in of the week.

## HOLY BAPTISM

*During this Saturday's 5:30 PM service, adult Jeremy Weitzel will receive the Sacrament of Holy Baptism.*

## THANKS FOR YOUR LOVE!

*"The Luecke, Baird and Street families wish to thank the congregation, Pastor Allison and Pastor Akers for their outpouring of love, prayers, hugs, cards, and gifts of food and support due to the unexpected passing of our husband, father and grandfather, Woody Luecke. Your support has been invaluable and has eased our sorrow. We ask that if you have a memory or story about Woody that you are willing to share, please email or mail Evelyn. They would be greatly appreciated. Thank you and God's blessings!"*

## SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

*Join us this Sunday [today] at 9:30 AM in the Sanctuary as our children finally get to put on their Sunday School Christmas Program! We had to reschedule due to weather back in December and this Sunday is the day! There will be a cookie reception to follow! So come and support the kids as we learn about the "Symbols of Christmas!"*

### BOARDS MEETING IN JANUARY, 2017

**Board of Parish Life - Sunday - January 8 - 12:00 PM - Church Library**

**Board of Property - Monday - January 9 - 7:00 PM - Sitting Room**

**Board of RLS - Wednesday - January 11 - 4:30 PM - School Conference Room**

**Board of Deacons - Wednesday - January 11 - 5:30 PM - Mission Hall**

**Church Council - Wednesday - January 18 - 6:00 PM - Church Library**

**Voters' Assembly - Wednesday - January 25 - 7:00 PM - Mission Hall**

## 1 APPOINTED BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MEMBER NEEDED!

*We are in need of 1 person for the Board of Christian Education. This is a one [1] year appointment. Please prayerfully consider this important position. Don't let serving God, and your church family, be an inconvenience or imposition this year, or just expect someone else to do it. Please contact either Pastor or Steve Gaunt. God's blessings on your service to Him and to Him be the glory!*

## INSTALLATION OF NEW OFFICERS / BOARD MEMBERS

*Newly elected / appointed church officers and board members will be installed into office next Sunday, January 15, 2017 in the 8:15 AM service.*

## GREETERS

*It is the responsibility of the Board of Deacons to provide Greeters for our Saturday 5:30 pm, Sunday 8:15 am and the 10:45 am Services. The primary duty of a Greeter is to make all members and visitors feel welcome at Our Redeemer. Being a Greeter provides you an excellent opportunity to meet and greet the various members of Our Redeemer. If you are interested in serving as a Greeter, please contact Tom Baird. If you are a current Greeter and do not want to serve in 2017 or would prefer a different month or time, please contact Tom so he can make change to the Greeter's schedule.*

## LADIES BIBLE CLASS & TUESDAY EVENING ADULT BIBLE CLASS

*Please note that Pastor Allison's Ladies' Bible Class, and Tuesday Evening Bible Class resumes this week, January 10. The ladies morning class is studying the "Book of Acts", the evening class is studying the "Book of Luke".*

## LWIS - TUESDAY - JAN. 17<sup>TH</sup>

*Lutheran Women in Service will meet on Tuesday, January 17<sup>th</sup>, for their regular meeting in Mission Hall. We will enjoy Bible Study with Vivian Heronemus and have a short business meeting following. Come join us gals at 12:30 pm for fellowship and the Bible Study at 1 pm. All our women are invited. Let's begin the New Year with the Lord and hear what he tells us. For more information, call Caroline Howard or Jill Lowden.*



## **HANDS OF LOVE**

Our meeting schedule for January will be our regular meeting time of 1 - 2:30 PM, on the 9<sup>th</sup>. There will be winter break until February 6<sup>th</sup>. Please continue working on your projects. If you have any questions or problems and need help, contact Diane Turner before January 15<sup>th</sup>.

***“REDEEMER REPORTER” DEADLINE IS THIS THURSDAY!***

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL - BEGINNING NEXT SUNDAY**

*Still in need of a New Year's Resolution? May we offer a suggestion? Why not resolve to attend Sunday school/Bible class every week. Join us each Sunday morning from 9:30-10:30 am.*

*Preschool (age 3) - Kindergarten will meet in the Kindergarten classroom. Next week, the class will be learning about David becoming a king.*

*Grades 1-4 will meet in the 4<sup>th</sup> grade classroom and take a closer look at David and how he came to be king.*

*Grades 5-7 can join Hugh Hunkeler in the 5/6 grade classroom to continue their study of Life's Big Questions, God's Big Answers by Brad Alles.*

*8<sup>th</sup> grade students continue their preparation for Confirmation in the 7/8 grade classroom.*

*High School students are encouraged to meet for class upstairs in the Youth Room.*

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## **LWML WIDOW'S MITE - 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY WEEKEND COLLECTION**

Saturday and Sunday, January 28 and 29 is our next 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday loose change collection. All loose change in the offering plates will be donated to the LWML as mites to fund current missions. So, check your pockets and purses and add those coins to the offering plate. [This does not take the place of the ongoing contributions placed in the new Mite Box in the Narthex.]

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## **BREATHE by RLS Principal Ruth Lavrenz**

***“Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!” Psalm 150:6***

### **HAPPY NEW YEAR:**

*Happy New Year! We are back in session and in full swing already. We returned from break welcoming three new students to our school, Angelyse, Katherine, and Corin. What a joy it is to welcome them and their families to our Redeemer Lutheran School family. We also said goodbye to Lennon. Our enrollment stands at 120.*

### **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY:**

We are currently looking for someone to be an extended care aide. This is a part time position. Anyone 18 or older may apply. Please see Michelle in the school office or look on our website under the Information tab and then the Employment tab for an application. Applications are open until the position is filled. Interviews will be set up when the application is turned in.

### **SCHOOL MAKE UP DAY:**

*We will be making up a day of school on Monday, January 16 due to closing for the water main trouble earlier this year.*

### **LUTHERAN SCHOOLS' WEEK:**

We will celebrate Lutheran Schools' Week at the end of this month. Each day that week, we will celebrate our Lutheran School with special activities and dress up days. Check our school website for pictures of the events. The Monday of LSW (1/23/17), we will have a special concert by AriSon. The concert will be in the sanctuary at 8:45 AM. We invite the members of the congregation to join us for that special LSW kick off concert.

### **SGO CREDITS:**

*SGO credits are gone for this school year. If you are thinking of making a donation to the SGO (remember you get a great tax break), you will not be able to make that donation now until July 1, 2017. Thank you so much for taking the time to learn about the SGO and how it benefits you, but more importantly, how it benefits the students who are able to attend RLS because of your donations. If you would like to know more about the SGO, please visit the website ([www.lutheransgo.org](http://www.lutheransgo.org)) or contact the school office at 864-6466.*

## SCRIP

SCRIP SALES ARE BACK!! We hope your Christmas was merry and your New Year's celebrations were filled with joy. Be sure to come to the Extended Care Room between 9-10:30 on Sunday mornings to shop SCRIP inventory and place orders that will be available for pick up the next week. SCRIP is here to support LCOR's mission of RLS. Whether you have a child that attends RLS or not, your card purchases help to support our school.

<u>THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER</u>			
<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>TITLE / EVENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Sat.	5:30 PM	Traditional Communion Service	Sanctuary
Sun.	8:15 AM	Traditional Communion Service	Sanctuary
	9:30 AM	Sunday School Christmas Program	Sanctuary
	10:45 AM	Traditional Communion Service	Sanctuary
	12:00 PM	Board of Parish Life	Church Library
	6:30 PM	Grounds	Youth Room / Fellowship Hall
Mon.	1:00 PM	Hands of Love	Turner's Home
	1 & 6:30 PM	Diabetes Class	Church Library
	3:30 PM	RLS Girls' Basketball	Fellowship Hall
	4:45 PM	RLS Boys' Basketball	Fellowship Hall
	6:30 PM	Cardio Drumming	Fellowship Hall
	6:30 PM	Quilt Class	Mission Hall
	7:00 PM	Board of Property	Sitting Room
Tues.	8:00 AM	Men's Bible Study	Mission Hall
	10:00 AM	Ladies' Bible Class	Mission Hall
	1 & 6:30 PM	Diabetes Class	Church Library
	5:45 PM	Bell Choir	Choir Room
	6:00 PM	Cub - Boy Scouts	Fellowship Hall
	6:00 PM	Tuesday Evening Bible Class	Mission Hall
	7:00 PM	Choir	Choir Room
Wed.	8:45 AM	RLS Chapel	Sanctuary
	1 & 6:30 PM	Diabetes Class	Church Library
	3:30 PM	RLS Girls' Basketball	Fellowship Hall
	4:30 PM	Board of RLS	School Conference Room
	5:30 PM	Board of Deacons	Mission Hall
	6:00 PM	RLS Boys' Basketball vs. Lewis Cass	Fellowship Hall
	6:30 PM	Pathways	Youth Room
Thurs.	9:30 AM	Ladies' Koinonia	Mission Hall
	9:30 AM	Quilting	Choir Room
	6:30 PM	Cardio Drumming	Fellowship Hall
Fri.	3:30 PM	RLS Girls' Basketball	Fellowship Hall
	5:30 PM	RLS Boys' Basketball vs. Emanuel - Wabash	Fellowship Hall
Sat.	1:00 PM	Member Function	Mission Hall
	5:30 PM	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:**  
***Marvin Schindel - Jan. 12***  
***Jerry Smith - Jan. 12***  
***Betty VanOgden - Jan 12***  
***Barbara Gibson - Jan. 15***  
***Cindy Wheeler - Jan. 31***



**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.



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## Walk a Mile 2017

On Saturday February 11, 2017 from 8:00 AM to 10:30 AM, we will hold our 16th annual **Walk a Mile in My Shoes** Event. Team Packets are now available at the Mission Office. Please consider forming a team as a church, small group or youth group. We look forward to seeing you on February 11!



## Warming Center

Here at the Kokomo Rescue Mission we know the cold Indiana temperatures can really take a toll on the people in our community. This is why we open our dining room from 9am-5pm on days temperatures get in the single digits. Men, women, and children are welcome to come in and get warm.

## 5th Sunday Focus "Re-Stock" Sunday is Sunday January 29th

Throughout the year the Mission uses many kinds of items in its ministry. Restock Sunday will help get us through the winter months. Items needed are: Bleach, Liquid Hand Soap, Powdered Laundry Detergent, Toilet Tissue, Paper Towels, Facial Tissue and Disinfectant Spray. Food items are: Ravioli or Spaghetti-O's with meat and soup.

Collect and donate items individually, or join with your church and bring these items to the Mission office at 321 W. Mulberry in Kokomo at your convenience.

Every item helps. Many of our neighbors are still struggling during these tough economic times. They are counting on you!

## Christmas 2016

Our Red Ribbon Christmas Outreach was a busy time. We served 651 families, for 1,931 individuals which includes 902 children. We could not do any of this without our wonderful volunteers. Thank you!



*Thank you for caring about the homeless, hungry, and hurting in our community*

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Buy 1 item and get 1 item of equal or lesser value FREE

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## STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

**Matthew 3:15** But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." The reason God sent His Son into the world is to fulfill all righteousness for us, to do what we could not do. So here Jesus plunges Himself into our sins and soaks them up in His baptism, so that in our baptism we might be cleansed and renewed. The whole of Jesus' life, everything He did and said, was one great offering to the Father in our stead to fulfill all righteousness for us.

## MISSION POSSIBLE XII HOUSING

We are looking for beds for the participants in Mission Possible XII this summer. Host families are responsible for breakfast, delivering participants to church and picking them up in the evening. If you are willing to house servants, please complete the form in this bulletin and give it to Joan Hoch or drop it in the white box at the Welcome Center. If you have questions, contact Joan Hoch at 452-9379 or [jhoch@iuk.edu](mailto:jhoch@iuk.edu).

## YOUTH CENTRAL

### GROUNDNS - HS YOUTH GROUP

Join us tonight [Sunday] from 6:30-8:30 PM for our first meeting of the New Year! Hope you all had a wonderful, restful break and you're ready to get back in the Word!

### PATHWAYS - MS YOUTH GROUP

Join us this Wednesday, January 11<sup>th</sup>, from 6:30-8:30 pm as we begin the New Year with a new study!

## SUMMER HIGH SCHOOL EVENTS

All students currently 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to sign-up for **Mission Possible** and/or **CIY: MOVE!** For more information on these events, please see our website or the bulletin board across from the Adult Education Room. Sign-up sheets are at the same bulletin board. We will have an informational/organizational meeting SUNDAY, JANUARY 29<sup>TH</sup> after late service.

## PARENT'S NIGHT OUT @ HALFMOON!

Especially for parents of 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students! Hopefully you received an invitation by mail last week sometime. If not, please consider yourself invited to join us at **Halfmoon** on **Friday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6 pm** for a night of chatting, laughing, and a touch of youth ministry! The best part is, we're



paying (excluding alcohol)! *If you plan to join us, please RSVP to Jonathan Guse by January 15<sup>th</sup>!*

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

☺ The word “epiphany” (pronounced ee-PIF-uh-nee) comes from a Greek word meaning “manifestation” or “being made known.” In other words, Jesus was “made known” to all people simply by being born. Today we remember the visit of the Wise Men, who were guided to Jesus by a special star.

## **MISSION POSSIBLE XII HOUSING**

*July 2 - 8, 2017*

*We are looking for beds for the participants in Mission Possible XII this summer. Host families are responsible for breakfast, delivering participants to church and picking them up in the evening. If you are willing to house servants, please complete the form below and give it to Joan Hoch or drop it in the white box at the Welcome Center. If you have questions, contact Joan Hoch at 452-9379 or [jhoch@iuk.edu](mailto:jhoch@iuk.edu).*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Number of servants you are willing to take \_\_\_\_\_

Check one: Boys \_\_\_\_\_ Girls \_\_\_\_\_  
Adults \_\_\_\_\_ No preference \_\_\_\_\_

Pets in home - please specify \_\_\_\_\_

If you would like to house servants but transportation is a problem let Joan know. We will try to work it out. \_\_\_\_\_

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## **MISSION POSSIBLE XII**

*JULY 2 - 8, 2017*

*We are looking for willing servants for our Mission Possible XII Servant Event July 2 - 8, 2017. Please indicate below how you would be willing to serve. If you are able to help in more than one area, that would be great. Please return the form to the church office or put it in the white box at the Welcome Center.*

\_\_\_\_\_ BAKE COOKIES

\_\_\_\_\_ BE A PRAYER PARTNER

\_\_\_\_\_ DELIVER SNACKS TO THE WORKSITE

\_\_\_\_\_ HELP IN SOME OTHER WAY:

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NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_