

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

December 29 & December 30, 2018

Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer exists to: **Welcome** people to faith in Jesus Christ;
Equip His followers with a maturing faith through Word and Sacrament;
 and **Serve** in the world as Jesus served us.



Welcome! “Praise the LORD... young men and women, old people and children” (Psalm 148:7, 12, NCV). Please introduce yourself to **Pastor Allison**, and complete the information in the Rite of Fellowship pad located on the pew. **Large print services** and **bulletins** are available from the ushers. 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	SAT. 5:30 Pastor Allison Pastor Allison Juanita Martin-Davis	SUN. 8:15 Pastor Allison Pastor Allison Florence Moeller Jacob T Jonoah T	SUN. 10:45 Pastor Allison Pastor Allison Florence Moeller Logan C
	Sanctuary Stewards Nursery		Caroline Howard Marietta Adelsen Jesse Hornstein

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE – MUSIC

Advent 12-19 = **96** / Sat. 5:30 PM – **98** / 8:15 AM – **72** / 10:45 AM – **159** = **329**

Christmas Eve – **340 + 293 = 633** / Christmas Day = **111**

Prelude – “O God, Our Help in Ages Past” – arr. C. Callahan / **Offertory** – “Of the Father’s Love Begotten” – arr. Paul Manz / **Postlude** – “Praise Ye the Lord of Hosts” – C. Saint Saens

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY, LOVE & PRAYERS

Our Christian love, sympathy and prayers go to **Susan & Dick Ardrey and Family** at the death of Susan’s brother, **Gene Ralstin** on Christmas Day.

CHURCH OFFICE NEW YEAR'S SCHEDULE

Monday and Tuesday – closed / Wednesday - 8 AM – 2 PM

The Staff and Faculty of Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer and Redeemer Lutheran School thank everyone for your love and support at Christmas and always.

ALTAR FLOWERS

This weekend's altar flowers are given by **Pastor Barry & Kaila Akers** in thankfulness to God as they celebrate their **first** wedding anniversary.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING, STRENGTH, PEACE AND COMFORT

We remember Lois Grotrian, Ron Dowden, Mary Rusch, Mike Bridegroom, Imogene Canan, Jim Glover, Samantha Creason, Tai Duong, Janet Matyas, Jean Moon, Sharon & David McPike, Steve Olson, Delia Overia, Bob Braswell, Al Sparling, Betty Pohlman, Mary Harper, Michel Peterson, Carl & Joan Swift, Heather Portman, and Sharon Lecher.

THANKS FOR YOUR LOVE!

Betty Pohlman has this message to share with the congregation. "I want to thank all of my Christian friends for phone calls, cards, and most of all prayers. God has blessed me and I want to praise Him for His guidance and love through both surgeries. **Betty Pohlman.**"

SHUT-IN OF THE WEEK – RUTH ALLISON

Ruth Allison is this week's honored shut-in.

SUNDAY SCHOOL / ADULT BIBLE CLASS INFORMATION

No Sunday School or Adult Bible Class today, December 30th. On **Sunday, January 6**, all students (*preschool-high school*), **EXCEPT 8th grade confirmation**, will meet in Fellowship Hall for an Epiphany lesson and then a movie in one of the classrooms. Regular Sunday School classes will resume in the normal classrooms on **Sunday, January 13**. Adult Bible Class will meet with Pastor Allison on **Sunday, January 6th at 9:30 AM** in Mission Hall. "

DISCERNING THE VOICE OF GOD BIBLE STUDY – BEGINS JANUARY 13

Sunday Ladies Bible Study starts January 13th at 9:30 AM, "Discerning the Voice of God" by Pricilla Shirer. We will alternate watching the videos and having group discussion of yes, "homework". This study series will conclude by Easter. You may sign up / pick up a book in the church office with Bev. I [Renee] am looking forward to some more serious personal examination with my sisters in Christ. [Please watch the bulletin for room location.]

HANDS OF LOVE

Hands of Love will meet at the regular time, 1:00 PM on December 31st.

LWML WIDOW'S MITE 5TH SUNDAY COLLECTION WEEKEND OF DECEMBER 29 & 30!

This weekend, December 29 & 30 is our next 5th 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.]

ANNUAL NEW YEAR'S PARTY

*Come, join friends for the annual New Year's Eve get-together, **Sunday, December 31st, from 7:00 PM – 12:15 AM** in Mission Hall at Our Redeemer. Please bring a snack and a game. Contact **Juanita Martin-Davis.***

JANUARY 2019 OFFICERS / BOARDS MEETING

Board of Property – Monday – January 7 – 7:00 PM – Church Library

Board of Parish Life – Tuesday – January 8 – 4:45 PM – Church Library

Board of RLS – Wednesday – January 9 – 4:30 PM – School Conference Room

Board of Deacons – Wednesday – January 9 – 5:30 PM – Mission Hall

Church Council – Wednesday – January 16 – 6:00 PM – Church Library

Voters' Assembly – Wednesday – January 23 – 7:00 PM – Mission Hall

**2019 CALENDARS AND OFFERING ENVELOPES MAY BE
PICKED UP IN THE EAST WING HALLWAY. THANK YOU. 😊**

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Luke 2:38 – “And coming up at that very hour she began to give thanks to God and to speak of Him to all who were waiting for the redemption of Jerusalem.” Notice here how giving thanks to God leads to good works (speaking about Jesus, in this case). Thankfulness toward God for all He has done for us is the foundation of a Christian life lived in godliness. For if we know all that the Lord has done for us, how can we not strive to honor Him with what we think, say, and do?

2019 FLOWER CHART

There are many open dates for 2019 altar flower offerings. Please see the chart in the Narthex for available weekends, sign your name and include your phone number. Each bouquet is \$30.00 each, or \$60.00 for the weekend. For any questions, please contact the Church Office at 453-0969.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

Wess Mechler – January 7

Patricia Mundell – January 9

Beth Seawell – January 9

Connie McIntosh – January 10

LUTHERAN WOMEN IN SERVICE - BIRTHDAY PARTY AT KOKOMO RESCUE MISSION

Please pray for these people during their birthday month of January:

Justin, Brian, Savannah, Debbie, Tony, Kevin, Frankie

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.



THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER

DATE	TIME	TITLE / EVENT	LOCATION
Sat.	5:30 PM	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary
Sun.	8:15 AM	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary
	10:45 AM	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary
Mon.	1:00 PM	Hands of Love	Turner's Home
	7:00 PM	New Year's Eve Party	Mission Hall
Wed.	9:00 AM	Room Occupied	Mission Hall
Thurs.	9:30 AM	Quilting	Choir Room
Sat.	5:30 PM	Traditional Communion	Sanctuary