

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

February 10 & February 11, 2018



God told the disciples: "This is My Son. ... Listen to Him" (Mark 9:7). **Welcome to worship**, where we pause intentionally to listen to Jesus. 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.**

LUTHERAN CHURCH OF OUR REDEEMER / REDEEMER LUTHERAN SCHOOL 705 SOUTHWAY BOULEVARD EAST, KOKOMO, INDIANA 46902	
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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 Allison	Pastor Allison
Organist	Juanita Martin-Davis	Florence Moeller	Florence Moeller
Acolytes	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed
Sanctuary Stewards			Jane Sipe Kitty Davis

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE - BUDGET INFORMATION - MUSIC

Saturday-5:30 PM - 96 / Sunday-8:15 AM - 78 / Sunday-10:45 AM - 150 = 324

Our Redeemer Bells: "Open My Eyes" / "A Joyful Ring" / Organ Offertory - "Shine, Jesus, Shine!"

ALTAR FLOWERS

This weekend's altar flowers are given in memory of Art Hartman's February 7th birthday from his wife, Opal, and daughters Marge Bunn and Linda Alley.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING, STRENGTH, PEACE AND COMFORT

We remember Gary Lacy, Wilma Frank, Bill Mishler, Michel Peterson, Carl Swift, Joan Swift, Richard Hixon, Pam Youngdale, Heather Portman, Darlene Foesch, Opal Hartman, Sharon Lecher, Adalee Alexander, Ben Vandeburg, Dick Bryan, Cena Benziger, Doris Temme, Robert Molkentine, Jayne Frey, Nancy Jones, Heather Hartman, and Delia Overia.

THANKS TO YOUR GENEROSITY - \$805.00 WAS COLLECTED FOR "SOUPER BOWL" SUNDAY TO BENEFIT THE KOKOMO RESCUE MISSION. THE YOUTH'S SUB SANDWICH SALE BROUGHT IN \$652.00. BLESS YOU.

BECAUSE OF THE SPECIAL WORSHIP SERVICE PLANNED FOR 10:30 AM NEXT SUNDAY, THERE WILL BE NO SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES.

RENEW – MARCH 10TH

How does one prepare for Easter? We of course buy candy for Easter baskets, and special meal items for our family Easter dinner. But how do we prepare SPIRITUALLY for the most Holy day of our church year? How about a retreat? The RENEW one day retreat, scheduled for **March 10th**, would be a fantastic way to prepare for our celebration of the Resurrection of our Lord! A signup sheet for this special event is available **TODAY** on the east side of the Welcome Center. **SIGN UP TODAY!**

SHUT-IN OF THE WEEK – VIOLET KILE

Violet Kile is this week's honored shut-in.

ORDER YOUR EASTER LILIES NOW

There is a sign-up sheet at the Welcome Center to order **lilies** for Easter weekend. Lilies are **\$17.50** each this year. Please pick up an envelope next to the sign-up sheet and make your payment to the church with a memo saying "Easter Lilies". Please place your payment into the white box at the Welcome Center. **The last day to order will be February 25.**

GUSE FAREWELL

*If you would like to help with the farewell for our **DCE Jonathan Guse and family**, please talk to **Pastor Akers** or contact the church office, **453-0969**.*

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, LUTHERAN CHURCH OF OUR REDEEMER!

Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer will celebrate its **100th** anniversary **next Sunday, February 18** with a special service at **10:30 AM**. Please note there is **just one service that weekend.** Help with set up and take down is appreciated! Sign up at the Welcome Center if you are able to assist in this way. Thanks!

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

Pre-School, Pre-K, Kdg. - RLS Kindergarten Room - Ashley Schneider

1st - 2nd Grades - RLS 3rd Grade Room - Elaine Ponder / Kelly McPike

3rd - 4th Grades - RLS 4th Grade Room - Sharon Mugg

5th - 7th Grades - RLS 5th / 6th Grade Room - Jim & Gwenn Wasmuth

Today in Sunday School, the lesson is, "Jesus Calls Disciples." Jesus preached, taught, and healed, and He called His first disciples to do the same. The children learn that Jesus chose ordinary, sinful men to follow Him and be His disciples. In Baptism, Jesus chooses us to be His children. In Jesus' forgiveness we find peace and favor with God, whose Word testifies repeatedly and consistently that Jesus is His Son and our Savior. Ask your children, "Through whom does Jesus continue His saving work where His Word is preached, and His Sacraments are administered today?"

8th Grade Confirmation - RLS Conference Room - Pastor Akers

High School - Youth Room (top of stairs) - Steve Gaunt

This topic of study is the video series, "Shaken" with Tim Tebow.

"God's Word for Today: 1 & 2 Thessalonians" - Mission Hall - Pastor Allison

This week's topic is "Christ's Second Coming, Part 1".

Ladies' class - "The Armor of God" - RLS 7th / 8th Grade Classroom - Renee Young.

This week the ladies are discussing weeks #3 and #4.

"20's & 30 Somethings" - Fellowship Hall - Various Right Now Media studies.

LADIES BIBLE CLASS / TUESDAY EVENING BIBLE CLASS

Ladies' Bible Class meets **this Tuesday, February 13** at **10:00 AM** in Mission Hall. Pastor Allison's Tuesday evening Bible Class, **God's Word for Today, Romans: Alive in Christ**, meets this week from **6 - 7 PM** in Mission Hall. **"No Condemnation"** from **Romans 8** are the topic and text.

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.

LENT BEGINS FEBRUARY 14, 2018

This Wednesday, February 14, we begin the Season of Lent with our Ash Wednesday service. Two services will be held on **Ash Wednesday, 12 noon** and **7:00 PM**. Both services will offer Holy Communion, and the imposition of ashes. The other remaining Lenten services will be held at **12 noon** and **7:00 PM**. Our theme this year is the **"I Am" Sayings of Jesus**.

THE WEEKLY THEMES AND TEXTS ARE:

Ash Wednesday, February 14	"I Am"	Exodus 3:1-15
Lent 2 - February 21	"I Am the Light of the World"	John 8:12
Lent 3 - February 28	"I Am the Door [Gate] for the Sheep	John 10:7
Lent 4 - March 7	"I Am the True Vine"	John 15:1
Lent 5 - March 14	"I Am the Way, the Truth and Life"	John 14:6
Lent 6 - March 21	"I Am Bread of Life"	John 6:35
Maundy Thursday - March 29	"I Am the Living Bread"	John 6:51-59
Good Friday - March 30 - 12 PM	"I Am the Good Shepherd Lay Down Life "	John 10:11-14
Good Friday - March 30 - 7 PM	Tenebrae Service	
Easter - March 31 & April 1	"I Am the Resurrection and the Life"	John 11:25

COME TO DINNER

*Dinner will be served **this Wednesday**, from **5:45 - 6:15 PM** in Fellowship Hall. **Chicken & noodles, mashed potatoes, green beans, rolls and cookies** are on the menu. Please register for dinner by completing the lavender reservation insert in your bulletin and return it to an usher or the white box in the Narthex.*

REMAINING LENTEN DINNERS 2018

Lenten Dinners will be served **each Wednesday during Lent**, from **5:45-6:15 PM** in Fellowship Hall. The cost of the meals is **\$3.00** (age 13 - adults), **Free** (age 12 - under).

<u>DATE</u>	<u>CO-CHAIRPERSON</u>	<u>DEACON AREAS</u>	<u>MENU</u>
Feb. 21	LWIS Vivian Heronemus Caroline Howard	Tom Baird - #8 Randy McPike - #11	Meatloaf Tater Tots Green Beans Cake
Feb. 28	WATCH Jill Lowden	Gene Miller - #14 Tom Manship - #5 Larry Sullivan - #2	Breakfast Casseroles Seasoned Potato Wedges Sausage Links Fruit Salad Pastries
March 7	YOUTH Jonathan Guse	Tim Brubaker - #15 John Hubbert - #16 Robert Martin - #10	Pulled Pork Sandwiches Veggie Tray Chips Cake
March 14	Mission Possible Sarah Klepfer Anna Gaunt	Bob Hingst - #4 Chris James - #7 Mark Pearson #6	Pasta Bake Salad Breadsticks Cake
March 21	RLS PTO Juanita Conyers	Mark Dunkin - #1 Bob Frey - #12	Chili PB & J Sandwiches Fruit Tray Cookies

**Peanut butter and jelly sandwiches will be available at all of the dinners.
Vivian Heronemus Lenten Dinner Chairperson.**

LADIES KOINONIA

Join us Thursday mornings from 9:30-11:00 AM in Mission Hall for "An 8-Day Revolution – A Lenten Study." Over the next few weeks we are going to examine a few of Jesus' final days. A handful of scriptural snapshots reveal to us Jesus' revolutionary actions and teachings as He willingly embraces His trajectory to the cross. The four Gospels teach us that Jesus officially begins His preparation for burial on the Friday He enters Bethany and claims His work finished the following Friday in Jerusalem while dying on the cross. These eight days are worthy of our utmost attention and reflection, for in this brief period of time (from Friday to Friday), Jesus revolutionized the world in eternally significant ways.

RESCUE MISSION BIRTHDAY PARTY GIFTS

Every year in June, the Kokomo Rescue Mission throw's a birthday party for its dining room guests. Knowing some guests don't have the means to celebrate their birthdays each year, the annual event gives them a chance to celebrate all on one day for those who don't have family to spend it with or don't celebrate at all. Every other year LCOR provides the gifts and assists in hosting this party. This is our year and we need your help!! Our goal is to provide gifts for **100 women, 150 men and at least 30 children**. There will be a table in the Narthex with a list of items we need to collect and examples of the sizes needed (not jumbo, but not travel or sample sizes). We will focus on collecting different items each month. **For the month of February, we will collect combs, Men's shaving cream, Men's shampoo and Women's shampoo and conditioner.** Monetary donations would also be very much appreciated. **Make checks payable to the church with RM Party Gifts in the memo please.** (Each gift costs approximately \$20.) Thank you in advance for your generosity.

SHHH...by RLS Principal Ruth Lavrenz

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

ENROLLMENT:

We have begun enrollment and re-enrollment for the **2018-2019** school year. If you know of anyone who might be searching for a new school, please direct them to our school website or have them give us a call at **765-864-6466**.

SGO:

There are still funds left in the SGO for 2017-2018 donations. If you would like to get your 2018 SGO donation taken care of already, go ahead and submit it to the Lutheran SGO of Indiana now. Once the funds for matching donations run out, you will need to wait until July 1, 2018, to submit your donation. If you have any questions about how the SGO works, contact **Miss Lavrenz** or **Mrs. Tucker** at school, **765-864-6466**.

TRASH BAGS:

We will begin selling trash bags **NEXT weekend, February 17, 18**. The cost is still **\$10.00** per roll. There will be someone in the extended care room after each service to show samples and take orders. They must be paid for when ordered. Any checks must be made out to RLS.

YOUTH CENTRAL

PATHWAYS AND GROUNDS- MS & HS YOUTH GROUPS

Both groups meet this evening [Sunday] for Bible Study and Games! Hope to see you there!

	<u>PATHWAYS</u>	<u>GROUNDS</u>
Sunday, Feb. 11 th	4-6 pm	6:30-8:30 pm
Sunday, Feb. 18 th	<i>100th Anniversary Celebration</i>	
Sunday, Feb. 25 th	4-6 pm	6:30-8:30 pm

CIY MOVE and MISSION POSSIBLE XIII

Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board across from the Adult Education Room! All students currently in 8th grade through high school are invited to sign up!

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

FIRST FRIDAY – MARCH 2ND

Can you smile? Do you like meeting new people? Would you like to be a friendly face representing Our Redeemer? Sign up at the Welcome Center to help be a part of our church's booth for downtown Kokomo's First Friday on **March 2nd**. Set up begins at **5:30 PM** and clean up ends at **9:00 PM**. Volunteers are needed to help make & pass out free popcorn, play games with kids, and share information on our Easter EGGventure and Easter worship services. Talk to **Amy Shrack** or **Pastor Akers** for more information.

EASTER "EGG"VENTURE IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER!

*There may be snow covering the ground now, but in just a little over a month we hope to have candy-filled Easter eggs covering the grounds of LCOR... and we need your help! The Board of Parish Life needs your help filling plastic eggs for the Easter egg hunt that will be held on **Sunday, March 18, at 2:00 PM**. Please pick up a bag or two of plastic eggs from the table in the narthex and fill each egg with one piece of pre-packaged, individually wrapped candy (please no peanut butter or peanut products.). Return your bag(s) of filled eggs to the Easter basket that will be in the narthex. Your help is greatly appreciated!*

HELPERS NEEDED – EASTER "EGG"venture

The Board of Parish Life is seeking adult and high school age volunteers to assist with the Easter egg hunt that will be held on **Sunday, March 18, at 2:00 PM**. Areas for assistance are Set-up, Welcome Staff, Parking Lot and Hunt Area Monitors, Games and Snacks. If you are interested in helping, please sign up on the sign-up sheet at the Welcome Center or contact **Sheryl Hartman**. Your help is greatly appreciated.

TCN PLANNING

*The Transforming Churches Planning Committee meets **today (Sunday)** at **noon** in the church library to discuss our small group ministry and mentoring program.*

We have a number of duplicate books and books that need to be retired. If you would like any of these for your own library, they are located on a table outside of the church library. Every week there are more books that are added to the collection. Thank you.

MENTORING A RLS STUDENT

*If you could change the life of a student by giving just 30 minutes of your time in a week, would you do it? That is just the opportunity given to you right now. We are beginning a mentoring program with RLS, starting in **February 2018**, where you can guide, enrich, and share God's love with a student chosen for you. You can share lunch, play a game, or just sit and talk to learn more about this student, at a 30 minute time convenient to you. Please don't let this chance pass by to share the love of our God with someone. There is a **sign-up sheet** at the **Welcome Center**, or see **Cindy Sewell** or **Steve Gaunt** for questions.*

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER

DATE	TIME	TITLE / EVENT	LOCATION
Sat.	1 - 4 PM	Renew Meeting	Mission Hall
	5:30 PM	Traditional Communion	Sanctuary
Sun.	8:15 AM	Traditional Communion	Sanctuary
	9:30 AM	Sunday School / Bible Class / 8 th Grade Confirmation	Various Rooms
	10:45 AM	Traditional Communion	Sanctuary
	12:00 PM	TCN Planning Meeting	Church Library
	4:00 PM	Pathways	Youth Room / Fellowship Hall
	6:30 PM	Grounds	Youth Room / Fellowship Hall
Mon.	9:00 AM	Room Occupied	Mission Hall
	6:30 PM	Quilt Class	Mission Hall
	6:30 PM	Cardio Drumming	Fellowship Hall
Tues.	7:30 AM	Men's Bible Study	Mission Hall
	8:00 AM	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 Study	Mission Hall
	6:00 PM	Cub - Boy Scouts	Fellowship Hall
	7:00 PM	Choir	Choir Room
Wed.	12:00 PM	Ash Wednesday Communion Service	Sanctuary
	5:45 PM	Lenten Dinner	Fellowship Hall
	7:00 PM	Ash Wednesday Communion Service	Sanctuary
Thurs.	9:30 AM	Ladies' Koinonia	Mission Hall
	9:30 AM	Quilting	Choir Room
	6:00 PM	Deaf Bible Study	Church Library
	6:30 PM	Cardio Drumming	Fellowship Hall
Fri.	7:00 PM	Duo Club	Mission Hall
Sat.	All Day	100 th Anniversary Celebration Setup	Church Wide
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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.



STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Mark 9:6 - "For he did not know what to say, for they were terrified." Soon enough, the disciples' terror turned into joy for when Jesus is with us, there is no need to fear. He loves us and cares for us and will never abandon us. That assurance is the basis of all generosity - for only those who are set free from worry can learn the joy of giving.