

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT
March 10 & March 11, 2018



“By grace you have been saved ... [as a] gift of God” (Ephesians 2:8). All are welcome here! Let us worship 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 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 & MUSIC			
Preacher Liturgist Organist Acolytes Sanctuary Stewards	<u>SAT. 5:30</u> Pastor Akers Pastor Akers Florence Moeller Volunteer Needed	<u>SUN. 8:15</u> Pastor Akers Pastor Allison Florence Moeller Volunteer Needed	<u>SUN. 10:45</u> Pastor Akers Pastor Allison Florence Moeller Rylee Ellen Benziger Teddi Heinzman

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE - BUDGET INFORMATION
 5:30 PM - 65 / 8:15 AM - 90 / 10:45 AM - 173 = 328 / Lent - 207
 Jubilate Bells - “Prelude on Ellacombe” / “Grazioso”

PRAYERS FOR HEALING, STRENGTH, PEACE AND COMFORT

We remember Barbara Amland, Jan Wiechmann, Mary Harper, Gary Lacy, Wilma Frank, Bill Mishler, Michel Peterson, Carl Swift, Joan Swift, Pam Youngdale, Heather Portman, Darlene Foesch, Sharon Lecher, Adalee Alexander, Ben Vandenburg, Cena Benziger, Doris Temme, Robert Molkentine, Jayne Frey, Nancy Jones, Heather Hartman, and Delia Overia.

HOLY BAPTISM

During Sunday's 10:45 AM service, Finnley Charles, son of Joshua & Rebekah [Miller] Eads will receive the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. Joining in the celebration of Finnley's baptism blessing are proud grandparents Jason & Sallie Miller.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Don & Ellen Benziger are donating flowers this weekend in memory of Ellen's father and mother, Henry & Emily Schmidt, and in thanksgiving to God for His many blessings.

SHUT-INS OF THE WEEK - PAUL & ELEANOR STRAUCH

Paul & Eleanor Strauch are this week's honored shut-ins.

LENT CONTINUES THIS WEDNESDAY AT 12 & 7 PM

The "I Am" Sayings of Jesus" Lenten series continues this Wednesday, March 14 at 12:00 noon and 7:00 PM. This week's topic and text are, "I Am the Way, the Truth and Life" from John 14:6. Remaining Lenten service times are Wednesdays at 12 noon and 7:00 PM.

REMAINING WEEKLY THEMES AND TEXTS ARE:

Lent 6 - March 21	"I Am Bread of Life"	John 6:35
Mauudy 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. Pasta bake, salad breadsticks and cake 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 DINNER 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>
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.

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

<u>CLASS</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>TEACHER[S]</u>
Pre-School, Pre-K, Kdg.	RLS Kindergarten Room	Ashley Schneider
1 st - 2 nd Grades	RLS 3 rd Grade Room	Elaine Ponder
3 rd - 4 th Grades	RLS 4 th Grade Room	Sharon Mugg
5 th - 7 th Grades	RLS 5 th / 6 th Grade Room	Jim & Gwenn Wasmuth

In Sunday School today, students learn the story "Jesus Calls Matthew." We sinners rejoice, for we, too, have been called from our own pigsty of sin to dine with Jesus around His table and to be a friend of the friend of sinners. Consider discussing, "How did Jesus call Matthew to be one of His followers? How and why does Jesus call us to follow Him?"

8 th Grade Confirmation	RLS Conference Room	Pastor Allison
High School	Youth Room (top of stairs)	Steve Gaunt

"The Easter Experience" with Kyle Idleman.

Adult Bible Class 1 Mission Hall Pastor Akers
"God's Word for Today: 1 & 2 Thessalonians". Today's discussion, Lesson 7, "Paul's Final Thoughts".

Adult Bible Class 2 RLS 7th/8th Grade Classroom Renee' Young
Ladies' class - "The Armor of God". This week, the ladies are viewing DVD #7 - "Sword of the Spirit" and discussing weeks 5 & 6.

Adult Bible Class 3 Fellowship Hall "20's & 30 Somethings"
"Forgotten God" from Francis Chan.

FROM GIDEON INTERNATIONAL REPRESENTATIVE BARNEY SHAYNE

"Dear Pastor Allison, Akers and Congregation. I do so appreciate the honor of speaking and worshipping with you last Saturday and Sunday. The Lord spoke some memorable things to me during your sermon from 1Corinthians, and I appreciate your testimony of victory on the battlefield of temptation. Thank you for your generous offering of **\$1673.50** which will purchase and distribute about **1340** copies of the New Testament to lost and needy souls. The Gideon ministry is only possible in partnership with local churches like yours. Bless each and all in your ministry and your walk with Christ! **Barney Shayne.**"

GUSE FAREWELL - NEXT SUNDAY

Please join us **next Sunday [March 18]** during the Sunday School hour (9:30 am) as we say farewell to **Jonathan, Breanna, & Timothy Guse**. Jonathan has accepted a call to serve as DCE of Bethel Lutheran Church in Morton, IL. Join us in Fellowship Hall for a yummy breakfast, a slide show, a time to reminisce, and to say thank you to the Guse family for their ministry.

PLEASE NOTE BIBLE CLASS AND SUNDAY SCHOOL WILL NOT BE MEETING NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 18, SO EVERYONE CAN ATTEND THE FAREWELL TO JONATHAN, BREANNA AND TIMOTHY GUSE. SUNDAY, MARCH 25 AT 9:30 AM IN FELLOWSHIP HALL IS OUR NEXT INTERGENERATIONAL BIBLE CLASS.

LADIES BIBLE CLASS / TUESDAY EVENING BIBLE CLASS

Ladies' Bible Class meets **this Tuesday, March 13 at 10:00 AM** in Mission Hall. Pastor Allison and the ladies are discussing, **"A Longer Look At The Lessons"**. 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. **"The Remnant and All Israel"** from Romans 11.

LWIS MEETING - MARCH 20

Our next Lutheran Women in Service [LWIS] meeting will be held on **Tuesday, March 20 at 1:00 PM** in Mission Hall. Social time starts at **12:30**. We look forward to seeing you there.

REMAINING MARCH'S BOARDS / OFFICERS MEETING

Church Council - Monday - March 12 - 6:00 PM - Church Library

Voters' Assembly - Monday - March 19 - 7:00 PM - Mission Hall

ARTHUR HARTMAN MEMORIAL EUCHRE PARTY

Please join us **this Saturday, March 17th at 2:00 PM** for the euchre party in memory of **Arthur Hartman**. We will have a fun afternoon, great snacks, and fellowship plus raise money for the Lutheran television show "Worship Anew". You don't need a partner with you for the event but just a willingness for Christian fellowship. Puzzles and coloring will also be available for those non euchre players. If you aren't able to join us for the card party but would like to donate, please make checks out to **"Worship Anew"** and send them to **Opal Hartman**. We hope to deal you in this year at the Mission Hall at **2:00**.

A BIG "THANK YOU" TO ALL WHO FILLED PLASTIC EGGS WITH CANDY FOR EASTER EGGVENTURE ON MARCH 18! IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE RETURN THE FILLED EGGS TO THE EASTER "BASKET" IN THE NARTHEX BY NEXT SUNDAY, EASTER EGGVENTURE DAY.

WE NEED YOU! - EASTER EGG HUNT

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**. Thanks so much!

HELP WANTED! TREATS NEEDED FOR THE "CAKE WALK" AT THE EASTER EGG HUNT

Here's another way you can help with our Easter Egg Hunt on **Sunday, March 18**. We need baked goods (cookies, cupcakes, mini bread loaves, etc.), treats and snacks (homemade or store bought) that will be given as prizes for the "Cake Walk." If you would like to help, sign up at the big Easter basket in the narthex or **call/text/email Debbie Street or Kaila Akers**. Donations can be dropped off at the Easter basket **Wednesday, March 14 or Sunday, March 18**. Thank you for your help with this community outreach event!

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Ephesians 2:10 - "For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them." Even the good we do in this world is a gift from God, prepared beforehand for us to do. And this too is a gift! For isn't doing good also a good thing for the one who does it? So from first to last, from the Lord's free salvation given to us to the good works He's prepared for us to walk in, it is all a gift of God's grace.

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.

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 March, we will collect toothbrushes, toothpaste, and deodorant.** 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.

LOOKING AHEAD TO HOLY WEEK

PALM SUNDAY

Saturday - March 24 - 5:30 PM / Sunday - March 25 - 8:15 & 10:45 AM

MAUNDY THURSDAY WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION

Thursday - March 29 - Noon & 7:00 PM

GOOD FRIDAY - NON TENEBRAE

Friday - March 30 - 12:00 PM

GOOD FRIDAY TENEBRAE SERVICE

Friday - March 30 - 7:00 PM

EASTER WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION

Saturday - March 31 - 5:30 PM / Sunday - April 1 - 8:15 & 10:45 AM

Easter Breakfast - 9:15 to 10:15 AM

RLS GIVING EXTRAVAGANZA 2018- DONATIONS NEEDED

*We are now accepting donations for products, hand-crafted items, services or unique experiences. Please consider if you have any special talents or items to donate. If you own or work for a company that would like to place a sponsorship ad in the auction materials, or would like to donate items or services, please contact **Melanie Waggoner** or **Sue Allison**. We appreciate all donations contributed to this event! All proceeds from this event will go toward the RLS playground renovation and playground security.*

RLS GIVING EXTRAVAGANZA 2018 - SAVE THE DATE - RESERVE YOUR TICKETS!

The 2018 RLS Giving Extravaganza will be on **Saturday May 5th** at the new UAW on Hoffer Street, catered by Main Occasions! Our theme this year is 007! **RESERVE YOUR TICKETS NOW** by contacting **Melanie Waggoner** or **Sue Allison**. It will be a great time! The evening will feature: live auction, silent auction, DJ and dancing! Tickets are **\$35.00!** All proceeds from this event will go toward the RLS playground renovation and playground security.

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.



SHHH...BY RLS PRINCIPAL RUTH LAVRENZ
“Be still and know that I am God...” Psalm 46:10

HALF MOON - REDEEMER LUTHERAN SCHOOL DINE TO DONATE - MARCH 12TH

This Monday, March 12, 2018 is RLS Dine to Donate at Half Moon Restaurant. Enclosed in your bulletin are vouchers **that need to be taken and presented at Half Moon on dine to donate day**. More details are printed on the vouchers, or talk to **Kathy Tucker** for more information.

THIS WEEK:

We have another busy week of testing at Redeemer. Our third graders will be taking the IREAD tests this week. We have parent teacher conferences on Wednesday and Thursday evenings and our Royal Readers banquet on Friday.

NEXT WEEK:

Our new family open house is next week, **March 22**, from **5:00-7:00 PM**. If you know of anyone looking for a school, please send them our way that evening. We will give tours, meet our admission counselor, our staff and we will have a light meal for them.

SPRING BREAK:

*We will be on spring break from **March 26** through **Monday, April 2**.*

STUDENT COUNCIL- *COMMUNITY SNACK BASKETS*

It's that time of the year again- March Madness! Time to get fired up! During the week of **March 12-16**, Student Council will be collecting boxes of individually wrapped snacks. These snacks will be sorted and packed into "snack baskets" that will be delivered to places that make our community a better place to be. Last year we were able to deliver 24 HUGE baskets! Some ideas are things like **peanut butter crackers, popcorn, trail mix, Hostess snacks, chips, Little Debbie Snacks, granola bars, oreos, cookies, Nutter Butter Cookies, cheese crackers, and pretzels** or anything that comes individually packaged. Snacks can be dropped off in the school office. Let's show our community how much Redeemer appreciates them and all that they do!

SCRIP

Heading out to lunch after Church? Stop in the Extended Care room and buy a SCRIP card. Just by paying with a gift card you can give back to our school. Getting ready to get your lawn in order? Stop in the Extended Care room and buy your Lowes or Menards card. Are you worried about your credit card being skimmed at the gas station? Stop in the Extended Care room and get a Speedway, Walmart or Meijer scrip card. When you use a SCRIP card you are protected from skimmers. Just buy using a SCRIP card you help our school raise much needed extra funds. Come in the Extended Care room and talk to Michelle Engelder about how you can help.

YOUTH CENTRAL

PATHWAYS AND GROUNDS- MS & HS YOUTH GROUPS

Both groups meet **today [Sunday]** for Bible study and games! Hope to see you there!

	PATHWAYS	GROUNDS
<i>Sunday, Mar. 11th</i>	<i>4-6 pm</i>	<i>6:30-8:30 pm</i>
<i>Sunday, Mar. 18th</i>	<i>4-6 pm</i>	<i>6:30-8:30 pm</i>
<i>Friday, Mar. 23rd</i>	<i>---</i>	<i>9 pm-12 am</i>
<i>Sunday, Mar. 25th</i>	SPRING BREAK!	

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 Pastor Akers or Tami Brooks.

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER

DATE	TIME	TITLE / EVENT	LOCATION
Sat.	9 AM - 4 PM	RENEW	Fellowship 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
	11 AM - 4 PM	Member Function	Fellowship Hall
	4:00 PM	Pathways	Youth Room / Fellowship Hall
	6:30 PM	Grounds	Youth Room / Fellowship Hall
Mon.	9:00 AM	Room Occupied	Mission Hall
	11 AM - Close	Half Moon Dine to Donate	Half Moon Restaurant
	1:00 PM	Hands of Love	Turner's Home
	6:00 PM	Church Council	Church Library
	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	Cub - Boy Scouts	Fellowship Hall
	6:00 PM	Tuesday Evening Bible Class	Mission Hall
	7:00 PM	Choir	Choir Room
Wed.	12:00 PM	Lenten Worship	Sanctuary
	5:45 PM	Lenten Dinner	Fellowship Hall
	7:00 PM	Lenten Worship	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.	2 - 4 PM	Art Hartman Memorial Euchre Party	Mission Hall
	5:30 PM	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary