



PALM SUNDAY / SUNDAY OF THE PASSION

March 27 & March 28, 2021

Welcome to worship as we join a worldwide and timeless procession of the faithful shouting to Jesus, "Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!" (Mark 11:9, NIV).

LUTHERAN CHURCH OF OUR REDEEMER

REDEEMER LUTHERAN SCHOOL

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SATURDAY WORSHIP SERVICE: 5:30 PM / SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE: 9:30 AM

Saturday organist - David Britton / Sunday organist - Florence Moeller

Sanctuary Stewards - Amy Shrack & Ellen Benziger

Sunday's music - "Hosanna" & "Toccata"

ALTAR FLOWERS

This weekend's altar flowers are given by Gene Miller and family in gratitude to God for all of His many blessings and in memory of their loved one, Joyce.

SHUT-IN OF THE WEEK - CARLYN LAUBENSTEIN

Carlyn Laubenstein is this week's honored shut-in.

THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED THIS THURSDAY AND FRIDAY FOR HOLY WEEK.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING, STRENGTH, PEACE AND COMFORT

We remember in our prayers, Martha Leiter, Jan Wasmuth, Clar Coy, Ginny Hingst, Will Carson, Renee Howell, Diana Wray, Carlyn Laubenstein, Janie Malinowski, Sheila Bahler, Doris Temme, Diane Braswell, Tom Shutt, Wess Mechler, Bill Schmidt, and Janet Matyas.

GOD'S BLESSING OF A GRANDCHILD

Congratulations and blessings to Adam & Rachel Brubaker, at the birth of a baby girl, Megan Anne Brubaker on March 22, 2021. Joining in the celebration of Megan's birth are proud grandparents, Tim & Jane Brubaker.

THANKS FOR YOUR LOVE!

Liz Anders sends her heartfelt appreciation to the congregation for the many prayers, cards, words of encouragement, and other acts of Christian love at her recent surgery.

"TREASURY OF DAILY PRAYER" BOOKS FROM CPH

The first shipment of "Treasury of Daily Prayer" books has arrived, and are available at the Welcome Center. The following families may pick theirs up: Adelsen, Bagby, Benziger, Boyles, K. Davis, K. Huffman, R. Howard, Irwin, Keller, Kessler, Kincaid, Klepfer, Leininger, Lunsford, Marsh, S. Martin, McPike, Satterfield, Schneider, Shrack, Shutt, B. Spoon, Sullivan, Trout, Turner, Underly and Youngdale. Concordia Publishing House advises the next shipment of 50 should be available April 12. If you ordered and are not on the above list, please be patient, they're coming. We'll continue to take orders until everyone who wants a "Treasury of Daily Prayer", has the opportunity to purchase books. A sign-up sheet is at the Welcome Center. The price is \$40.00 each, bulk discounted from the original cost of \$50.00. Please make checks payable to LCOR. "Treasury of Daily Prayer" is one of Pastor Dreyer's favorite resources. He always wanted to cultivate a prayer life that all the congregation shares throughout the week by using the same daily Bible readings and prayers. Thank you.

REMAINING HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE
MAUNDY THURSDAY WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION

Thursday - April 1 - 12 Noon & 6:00 PM

GOOD FRIDAY - NON TENEBRAE

Friday - April 2 - 12:00 PM

GOOD FRIDAY TENEBRAE SERVICE

Friday - April 2 - 6:00 PM

EASTER VIGIL WITH HOLY COMMUNION

Saturday - April 3 - 7:00 PM

[please note this takes the place of the 5:30 service.]

EASTER WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION

Sunday - April 4 - 8:00 AM & 11:00 AM

OUR HOLY WEEK JOURNEY by Pastor Dreyer

We are having our traditional Holy Week services with an exception of a special service on Holy Saturday, the day before Easter. I thought I would explain how this unfolds during our Holy Week journey.

Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday as the service begins from the back of the church as we “witness” the process of Christ coming into the church and the members are waving their Palms. This service will be a familiar one here at Our Redeemer.

As we journey throughout the week, we arrive with our Lord at His table on Maundy Thursday. When all seems well, at the end of the service, the lights are dimmed and there is the stripping of the altar while we hear Psalm 22, “My God, My God why have You forsaken Me?” We leave the service with lights dimmed anticipating what happens with our Lord throughout the night through His passion.

We come into church with lights dimmed during Friday evening’s Tenebrae service. We enter the service with a contemplative spirit, knowing that our Lord has suffered and died upon the cross.

On Saturday evening, we enter the Church with candles during the Easter Vigil. The church represents the tomb our Lord. Other area LCMS pastors are invited to share in this Vigil as we gather around the baptismal font. The service ends as the lights go on as we realize Jesus is not in His tomb for He is arisen! We sing Easter hymns and conclude with the celebration of the Lord’s Supper.

On Easter the lights are on, and we celebrate with great joy that our Lord is arisen as we again celebrate the Lord’s Supper with joy!!

WORSHIP SCHEDULE BEGINNING APRIL 10/11

Beginning the weekend of April 10/11, the worship schedule will be:

Saturdays - 5:30 PM - Worship with Holy Communion

4:15 PM - Bible Study in the Sanctuary

Sundays - 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM - Worship with Holy Communion

Bible Study time and location will be announced at a later date. Thank you.

STREAMING TEAM

The Streaming Team is looking for some outstanding volunteers (youth and adults) to help with our weekly service. Anna Gaunt will hold a training session after we get the new volunteers and be available at services until you feel comfortable. The service that will be livestreamed when we return to two services will be the early service. We are hoping to have four teams in place so that we can take turns and still have the opportunity to worship with our church family on the days we are not responsible for streaming. We presently have two teams and are looking for two more teams. We are also looking for anyone who might be available to run PowerPoint, soundboard, etc. on both Saturday evening and Sunday late church services. This is our most urgent need, but we would welcome volunteers for the Sunday early service as well. If you are interested, please contact **Anna Gaunt**. Please prayerfully consider joining us; we look forward to expanding our streaming team.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion is served weekly, at both Saturday and Sunday services. Pastor Dreyer is available to make appointments for those needing to schedule private communion. Please call the Church Office, 453-0969, email pastordreyer@redeemerkokomo.org.in.



Kokomo Zone

Spring

Fellowship

April 25, 2021

2:00 - 2:30 Registration

2:30 Meeting

Hosted by: Emanuel Lutheran Church
Tipton, IN

Speaker: Brady Gurganious

History and Mission of
Lutheran Child & Family Services

SVP: Carolyn Day 765-675-2776

Church Office 765-675-4090

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation
The old has passed away; behold, the new has come"
2 Corinthians 5:17



IN PERSON BIBLE CLASSES

In person Bible Classes are offered at 4:15 PM on **Saturdays**, and **after service** on **Sundays** in the Sanctuary. Please sit in the pew where you sat during Bible class or service. Families are welcomed. Pastor Dreyer will talk to the kids as well during class. The classes will be on the six chief parts of the catechism. **Please bring your Bible to class. If you have the latest Catechism with Explanation, please bring it along with you.**

REDEEMER LUTHERAN SCHOOL NOTES

By Principal Eric Frisco

*Redeemer Lutheran School has resumed volunteers and mentors! If you are interested in volunteering in any capacity or mentoring one of the school kids, please call the school office at 765-864-6466 so we can find a place for you. ILEARN tests are taking place in April. Redeemer Lutheran School is on spring break. In person classes resume on **Wednesday - April 7th**. There will be no students in the building.*

NURSERY / SITTING ROOM

The **Nursery** in the west wing of the church is now open for parents and young children. The **Sitting Room** [in the east wing] is also available. Worship services may be heard at both locations. Speaker volume controls are on the side or bottom. Please note the west wing is open only to access the Nursery. Thank you.

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER

DATE	TIME	TITLE / EVENT	LOCATION
Sat.	4:15 PM	In Person Bible Class	Sanctuary
	5:30 PM	Palm Sunday Communion Worship	Sanctuary
Sun.	9:30 AM	Palm Sunday Communion Worship	Sanctuary / Mission Hall
	<i>After service</i>	In Person Bible Class	Sanctuary
Mon.	9:00 AM	Room Occupied	Mission Hall
	1:00 PM	Hands of Love	Turner's Home
Tues.	10:00 AM	Funeral Dinner Committee	Mission Hall
	7:00 PM	Choir	Choir Room
Thurs.	8:30 AM	Men's Bible Study	Mission Hall
	9:30 AM	Quilting	Choir Room
	12:00 PM	Maundy Thursday Communion Worship	Sanctuary
	6:00 PM	Maundy Thursday Communion Worship	Sanctuary
Fri.	12:00 PM	Good Friday Non-Tenebrae Service	Sanctuary
	6:00 PM	Good Friday Tenebrae Service	Sanctuary
Sat.	7:00 PM	Easter Vigil with Holy Communion	Sanctuary

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

Mary Hingst - April 2

Martha Fecher - April 7

Karlina Huffman - April 10

April's Kokomo Rescue Mission Birthday Guests

Jim, Isaiah, Kimberly, David, Tracy, Taylor

Requests have been made to post printed, weekend worship services on the church website, prior to Sunday's live streamed, recorded service. The link is:

https://www.lcorkokomo.org/weekend_communion_services

KIDS IN THE DIVINE SERVICE

Why do we celebrate "Palm Sunday"?

The Sunday before Jesus was crucified by the people, they honored and adored Him as their Lord and king with palm branches. We remember this as the beginning of Christ's bitter walk to the cross.



PRAISE HIM!

CRUCIFY HIM!

Why did the people honor and adore Jesus on Palm Sunday and then kill Him on Good Friday?

When Jesus rode into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, the people began to praise and honor Him as their king. They believed Him to be a powerful leader who would overthrow the Roman government and restore Israel. When Jesus did not do this, the people wanted Him crucified. You and I know what kind of a king He is. He's a king who came to die for the sins of His people. Wow! What a king!



Parents: Remind your children that it was important that Jesus did die for their sins. That is exactly what He came to earth to do. He came to pay the price that we could never pay. Direct your children to the symbols in the church that reflect Christ's death. Remind them that we will hear of His victory over death next Sunday on Easter!!!



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Why do we have a week called "Holy Week"?

Why would we refer to a week as being holy? The word "holy" means that it is from God. That's why we call the Bible "holy." It isn't just any book. It is God's living Word given to us for our salvation! The same goes for Holy Week. This is "God's Week." This is the week in the Church Year when Jesus actually paid for our sins and won our salvation!



Which days are in Holy Week?

There are particular days during Holy Week that are extra special. During Holy Week we celebrate **Palm Sunday**, when Jesus went to Jerusalem and people celebrated His arrival; **Maundy Thursday**, when Jesus instituted the Lord's Supper; **Good Friday**, when Jesus died on the cross; and **Holy Saturday**, when we await His resurrection on Easter Sunday!



Parents:

During worship, help your children to look for other things in the church that are considered holy (i.e. God's Word, the Sacraments, etc.). Ask them: "How does God use these things to give us His forgiveness?"



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