

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST / RLS 8TH GRADE GRADUATION

May 28 & May 29, 2016



In the name of our creating, redeeming and empowering God, **welcome** to worship. 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 **Wednesdays by noon.**

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 & MUSIC

	<u>SAT. 5:30</u>	<u>SUN. 8:15</u>	<u>SUN. 10:45</u>
Preacher	Pastor Akers	Pastor Akers	Pastor Akers
Liturgist	Pastor Akers	Pastor Allison	Pastor Allison
Organist	Beth Kuhlman	Florence Moeller	Florence Moeller
Acolytes	David	Cora Selia	Rylee Natalie
Sanctuary Stewards			Patsy Kirkendall Kitty Davis

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE - BUDGET INFORMATION / MUSIC

Saturday-5:30 PM - 91 / Sunday-8:15 AM - 118 / Sunday-10:45 AM - 169 = 343

LWML WIDOW'S MITE 5TH SUNDAY COLLECTION - THIS WEEKEND

This weekend, May 28 & May 29 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.]

ALTAR FLOWERS

This weekend's altar flowers are given by **Phil & Judy Wehmeyer** in honor of their 52nd wedding anniversary.

THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED THIS MONDAY FOR MEMORIAL DAY!

PRAYERS FOR HEALING, STRENGTH, PEACE AND COMFORT

We remember Sonja Gotshall, Vivian Heronemus, Marjorie Muhl, Mike & Tracy Spinner, Betty Cowgill, Rob Reason, Lori Seaman, Kristen Cain, Susan Hermes, Dick Dunkin, Heather Hartman, Jack Garner, Pam Richardson, and Marilou Reason.

PUBLIC RECOGNITION OF HOLY BAPTISM

On April 22nd Timothy Adrian, the son of Jonathan & Breanna G, was baptized by Pastor Akers at Community Howard Regional Health. Today we have the opportunity to celebrate and recognize Timothy's rebirth by the water and the Word in our 10:45 AM worship service. Join us in thanking God for Timothy's health and life in Christ.

SHUT-INS OF THE WEEK - WILBUR & LIBBY HUFFMAN

Wilbur & Libby Huffman are this week's honored shut-ins. Please direct cards to Wilbur & Libby at their new address of Magnolia Springs, 14901 Carey Road, Apartment 143, Carmel, IN 46033.

→ → → → SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL PROGRAM ← ← ← ←

We are excited to kick off our Summer Sunday School program on June 5 with a little magic! Pastor Rob Roloff will be here to amaze and entertain us with his performance of magic and slight of hand. Your kids won't want to miss this show! **This will be the 1st Sunday of our 7 Sundays in Summer Challenge.** Children and youth that attend Sunday School 7 times between June 5 and July 31 will have 2 games of bowling free, our treat, August 21 from 2-4:30 at Heritage Lanes. More details of our Summer program to come.

SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASSES / SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES - 9:30 AM

YOUNG ADULTS BIBLE CLASS

Young Adults Bible Class continues **this Sunday**. Our study is "**One God, many gods: A Study of World Religions**". Christianity and fourteen other religious faiths are examined and compared, with a goal of identifying the central teachings of each and providing some tools for Christians who encounter people of other faiths in their daily lives. Please join us in the Church Library starting at 9:30 AM.

A LONGER LOOK AT THE LESSONS

This morning in Fellowship Hall, Pastor Akers leads a class called, "A Longer Look At the Lessons". Each week we will take a look at the 3 Scripture readings that are assigned for each Sunday. This week we will take a look at the readings assigned for "Proper 4".

LIVING BEYOND YOURSELF - EXPLORING THE FRUITS OF THE SPIRIT

To all the ladies who took part in the study on the fruit of the Spirit by Beth Moore, job well done! It was a long unit. Today will be the showing of the final DVD. We apologize that this last session falls during a busy, extended weekend. Please use your own discretion if you had to miss today and you wish to view it. If you check out the DVD, please return it promptly! A set of audio CDs of the lessons is also available. Just look on that counter in Mission Hall and sign the sheet so we know where things are. Again, thank-you for all who participated.

FAITHWEAVER NOW: PRE-K & K

All Toddlers through Kindergarten-aged children are invited to join Mrs. Melanie Waggoner in the Preschool room across from the Nursery.

FAITHWEAVER NOW: ELEMENTARY

Students in grades 1-4 are welcome to join Mrs. Ashley Schneider in the 3rd/4th grade classroom to experience the Word of God.

FIRM FOUNDATION: MIDDLE SCHOOL

All 5th-7th grade students are invited to join Mr. John Hubbert in the 7th/8th grade classroom as we continue to look at the Bible as one big narrative (story). The Bible is the greatest story ever told and you are invited to take part in it! For all students looking toward 8th grade Confirmation, this is the place to start!

STRONG TOWER: HIGH SCHOOL

Join Mr. Kyle Street and Mr. Curt Welke during the Bible Study hour in the youth room upstairs for a closer look at the teachings of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>TITLE / EVENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Sat.	10:00 AM	Board of Christian Outreach Neighborhood Flower Planting	
	5:30 PM	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary
Sun.	8:15 AM	Traditional Worship / RLS 8 th Grade Graduation	Sanctuary
	9:30 AM	Adult Bible Classes	Church Library / Mission Hall / Fellowship Hall
	9:30 AM	Elementary / Jr. High - High Sunday School	RLS / Youth Rooms
	10:45 AM	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary
	2 - 4 PM	Sue Johnson Retirement Celebration	Fellowship Hall
Tues.	7:00 AM	Men's Bible Study	Mission Hall
	10:00 AM	Ladies' Bible Class	Mission Hall
	1:00 PM	Church Directory Meeting	Church Library
	6:00 PM	Cub / Boy Scouts	Fellowship Hall
Wed.	6:30 PM	Pathways	Youth Room / Fellowship Hall
	7:00 PM	Staff Appreciation Luncheon Setup	Mission Hall
Thurs.	9:30 AM	Quilting	Choir Room
	12:00 PM	Staff Appreciation Luncheon	Mission Hall
	6:00 PM	Deaf Bible Study	Church Library
Sat.	5:30 PM	Traditional Communion	Sanctuary

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

Ed Gullion - June 1 - 3277 Almquist Ln., Kokomo, IN 46902

Joyce Irish - June 1 - 1041 S. Buckeye St., Kokomo, IN 46902

Mary Teter - June 3 - 3611 Alameda Blvd., Kokomo, IN 46902

Carol Nordman - June 3 - 737 Cassville Dr., Kokomo, IN 46901

Ruth Allison - June 4 - 316 S. Dixon Rd., Kokomo, IN 46901

Jane Kincaid - June 5 - 1015 W. Jefferson St., Kokomo, IN 46901

Sky Townsend - June 5 - 1600 S. Washington St., Kokomo, IN 46902

Bill Spoon - June 6 - 2105 S. 300 W., Kokomo, IN 46902

Wally Fahling - June 7 - 4216 Brookside Dr., Kokomo, IN 46902

Bob Hoch - June 8 - 4005 Pleasant Dr., Kokomo, IN 46902

SIMPLY GIVING - A NEW 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.



LADIES' BIBLE CLASS / TUESDAY EVENING BIBLE CLASS - THIS WEEK

*Ladies Bible Class meets this Tuesday, May 31 at 10:00 AM in Mission Hall. Pastor Allison and the ladies are continuing their study on **The Book of Acts**. Please note that Pastor Allison's Tuesday Evening Bible Class **will not** be meeting this week. Pastor Allison will be at a call meeting at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Huntington.*

PRAYER PARTNERS NEEDED

Prayer partners are needed for the English Second Language MOST Ministries team serving in Guatemala, July 2 - July 9. Prayer partners provide 2 cards/notes to the team member they are assigned and pray for that person prior to and throughout the week. A sign-up sheet is at the Welcome Center. Thank you. ☺

RESCUE MISSION BIRTHDAY PARTY

Thank you to all who filled a bag or bags for the Rescue Mission! Your generosity is very much appreciated. Would you like the opportunity to help distribute these gifts and help serve at the Birthday Party on June 8? If so, please arrive at the mission by 11 AM. We also need help transporting all of the bags to the mission - we will meet at church at 9:30 AM to load up. Please contact Cindy Sewell or sign up at the Welcome Center if you can help.

RETIREMENT OPEN HOUSE FOR SUE JOHNSON - MAY 29 / 2 - 4 PM

Come celebrate the teaching career of Mrs. Johnson! On Sunday, May 29th, 2016 there will be an open house from 2:00-4:00 pm in Fellowship Hall to honor her. There will be refreshments and her favorite food- desserts! ☺ All are welcome to come and enjoy!

RLS SCRIP

It is time to stock up for summer travel and fun. Rhonda and Michelle will be at LCOR on Sundays through June 26th. Come visit us in the Extended Care room from 9-10:30 am to shop inventory or place card orders. RLS card orders will restart the first Monday of the 2016-17 school year, August 15th.

YOU ARE INVITED

Emily B, along with her family, invite the congregation to join in celebrating Emily's high school graduation and academic achievements at an Open House on Saturday, June 11th from 2 - 5 PM at their home on 1722 Osage Dr. "It takes a village...", and you have been our village with your support of Redeemer Lutheran School and Church. Thank you!"

STAFF APPRECIATION LUNCHEON

The annual Staff Appreciation Luncheon, hosted by LWIS, is scheduled for Thursday, June 2, 2016 at 12:00 Noon in Mission Hall.

THANKS FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

Thanks to your generosity, \$700.00 was raised for Our Redeemer Youth on May 16 for Half Moon Give Back Day. Bless you. ☺

WANTED GENTLY USED BASKET BALLS AND SOCCER BALLS

The ESL Mission Team going to Guatemala in early July asked the school administrators if there was a gift we could bring the children. They have responded yes, used basket balls and soccer balls. With nearly 300 students they think big. Any number will help but they could use 30 basket balls and 15 soccer balls. If you have any laying around your house your donation will be put to good use. Please drop them off in the Adult Education Room. Thank you.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Galatians 1:6 "I am astonished that you are so quickly deserting him who called you in the grace of Christ and are turning to a different gospel." The Bible uses the image of "turning" to another gospel, or to another god, to show us the seriousness of sin. When we are tempted to follow some sinful course of action, we are being told to turn our backs on God. But the Lord calls upon us to turn away from sin and turn toward Him - where we will find a Father's smiling face and loving embrace. In our stewardship, let us not turn toward greed in fear, but toward our Lord in humility and faith.

YOUTH CENTRAL

GROUNDS – HS YOUTH GROUP

Happy Memorial Day! No Grounds this evening! Enjoy your long weekend! We'll see you all next Sunday! 8th graders – we would love to see you there!

PATHWAYS – MS YOUTH GROUP

Join us this Wednesday, June 1st from 6:30-8:30 pm! 5th graders – we would love to see you there! If you have any questions, see Jonathan Guse, Tami Brooks, or Kori Wood.

BUBBLE SOCCER!!!

All 8th-12th grade students are invited to join us on June 26th for Bubble Soccer at Darrough Chapel Park! This event will take place from 3-7pm and the cost is \$10! You must sign up for this event! When you sign up, there is a link to a waiver that must be turned in as well! Please turn that into Jonathan Guse! Parents are welcome to come as well! There will be a cookout while everyone is playing! If you have any questions, please see Jonathan Guse. Visit <http://tinyurl.com/zfhm2lu> to sign-up today or follow this QR code!



© Did you note that the color of the altar paraments and the pastors' stoles changed this week? The paraments and stoles change as the seasons of the church year change. Green is the one color we see the most, as it is used during the Sundays after Pentecost when we focus on growing stronger in our love for Jesus. Green reminds us of the green plants and trees growing outdoors during this season.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AT OUR REDEEMER - JUNE 12 – 16, 2016 / 6:00 – 8:30 PM.

VBS is quickly approaching! Mark your calendars for June 12-16, 2016, from 6:00-8:30 pm. Children aged 3-5th grade (as of this past school year) are welcome to attend as participants, while children who have finished 6th grade-adults are needed as station leaders, station helpers, and crew leaders. Registration forms are located at the Welcome Center in the Narthex. If you are willing to help with VBS in any capacity, you may also sign up at the Welcome Center. We hope to see you there! Questions? Contact Kaila Claucherty at kaila.claucherty@yahoo.com.

LCOR PRAYER CHAIN COORDINATOR NEEDED

Our Redeemer's Prayer Chain, led by Norma Hiteshew and Ida Loppnow for several years, is in need of a new coordinator to oversee the chain. Prayer requests are received by telephone and/or email and passed down the line to each servant on the chain. The majority of prayer chain participants are on email, so someone with a computer and internet access would be helpful. If you are interested, please call the church office at 453-0969. Norma has agreed to talk with the new chain leader as to the process to pass on prayer requests. Thank you to Norma and Ida for leading this important ministry tool over the years.

PATHWAYS AND GROUNDS YOUTH GROUPS

Thank You! Thank You! The Guatemala ESL Team has just learned that between your two groups you made 380 Beaded Witness Bracelets for our use with students and staff at the Guatemala School we will visit this summer. What a blessing to have helping hands amongst us. Thank You.

MISSION U – SUNDAY JUNE 5

Our Redeemer is hosting a Mission U workshop from Lutheran Hour Ministries on the afternoon of Sunday, June 5th from noon until 5:00 pm. Following a light lunch, Equipping to Share: A Culture of Outreach will be led by Pastor Akers' sister Deb Erdmann. We will examine the secular culture that defines present-day North America and how the church is often perceived as irrelevant. We will identify specific ways our congregation can build a culture of outreach that identifies and address the needs in our community, and explore ways to turn conversations to the gospel. Finally, we will explore ways Our Redeemer can encourage worship and discipleship inside and outside of the church building. Please sign up at the Welcome Center. There will be a free will offering to cover the lunch expenses.

2016 GRADUATES - HIGH SCHOOL / 8TH GRADE GRADUATES

EASTERN HIGH SCHOOL - GRADUATION DATE - JUNE 5, 2016

Emily Baird
Emily Harvath

HAMILTON HEIGHTS HIGH SCHOOL - GRADUATION DATE - JUNE 4, 2016

Sarah Sipe

KOKOMO HIGH SCHOOL - GRADUATION DATE - JUNE 3, 2016

Kirsten Frey

NORTHWESTERN HIGH SCHOOL - JUNE 4, 2016

Michelle Hunkeler
Miranda Rood
Dillon Waggoner

TAYLOR HIGH SCHOOL - JUNE 3, 2016

Jason Barton
Brandon Connerton

WESTERN HIGH SCHOOL - JUNE 3, 2016

Stephanie Benziger
Sara Cleary
Avery Hill
Clairanne Lechner
Abby Renken
Paige Schneider
Stephen Schneider
Cali Shepherd

REDEEMER LUTHERAN SCHOOL - MAY 29, 2016

Karlie Burkhart
Abigail Carman
Jacob Cunningham
Kendall Dunkin
Garrett Engelder
Grace Kuhlman
Ruth Martin
Dylan Maynard
David Price
John Wasmuth