

12TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – THE HOW OF OUR VISION

August 26 & August 27, 2017



*“The earth has yielded its increase” (Psalm 67:6). In late summer days, as gardens and fields ripen, we gather to praise our generous God! **Welcome.** 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.

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			
	<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	David Britton	Florence Moeller	Florence Moeller
Acolytes	Rylee	Luke Conner	
Sanctuary Stewards			Patti Stout Debby Durr

LAST WEEK’S ATTENDANCE – BUDGET INFORMATION

Saturday-5:30 PM – 75 / Sunday – 8:15 AM –93 / Sunday-10:45 AM – 128 = 296

PRAYERS FOR HEALING, STRENGTH, PEACE AND COMFORT

*We remember **Cena Benziger, Anita Corradi, Patsy Shephard, Caryl Lamb, Sharon Harruff, Will Carson, Doris Temme, Robert Molkentine, Ralph Grotrian, Jayne Frey, Nancy Jones, Heather Hartman, Nancy Philips and Delia Overia.***

ALTAR FLOWERS

Altar flowers this weekend are given by two families. **Pearl Gault** in loving memory of her husband, **David Gault** for his birthday. Also by **Johnson** and **Carol Nordman** in celebration of 50 years of marriage and thankfulness for God’s many blessings.

SHUT-IN OF THE WEEK – MARJORIE MUHL

Marjorie Muhl is this week’s honored shut-in.

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

CLASS	LOCATION	TEACHER[S]
2's and under w/parents <i>This new class will discuss the current Transforming Churches Bible Study.</i>	Church Nursery	Jonathan & Breanna Guse
Pre-School, Pre-K, Kdg.	RLS Kindergarten Room	Ashley Schneider
1 st – 4 th Grades	RLS 4 th Grade Room	Sharon Mugg
5 th – 7 th Grades	RLS 5 th / 6 th Grade Room	Stephanie Gross
<i>This Sunday, the Sunday School lesson (for grades Preschool thru 7) "God Provides for Elijah." Just as God provided food and life for Elijah, the widow, and her son, so He provides food, forgiveness, and life eternal for us in Christ. Consider asking your children, "How did God provide food for Elijah? In what ways does God provide for us today?"</i>		
8 th Grade Confirmation	RLS 7 th /8 th Grade Room	Pastor Allison
High School <i>"Surrender" Bible Study by Francis Chan---This week's topic is "Surrender Sin"</i>	Youth Room (top of stairs)	Zack Conner
Adult Bible Class- "Transforming Churches"	Mission Hall	Pastor Akers

SPECIAL SUNDAY SCHOOL- LABOR DAY WEEKEND

Preschool through high school classes will meet in the gym/fellowship hall for a special SERVICE SUNDAY. All are welcome to join us for a special service project!

WATCH REUNION

*A WATCH reunion gathering is planned for **TODAY, Sunday, August 27, at 12:00 PM noon** in Fellowship Hall. Please bring a covered dish to share. This is a social time to reconnect with each other and learn the latest about WATCH #13. All family members are invited to attend.*

HANDS OF LOVE

Hands of Love begins **their new season** on **Monday, September 11, 2017** from **1:00 – 2:30 PM** at **Diane Turner's home**. New people are welcome. We can teach knitting and crocheting to anyone who wants to learn. If you have any questions, please call **Diane Turner**.

SEMINARY FOOD BANK

*Our seminary food bank shelves are empty. Thanks to the Turners for delivery to the Fort Wayne Seminary. Now let's fill those shelves. Remember those coupons, or buy one, get one free. Donate to the food bank, fill the green bins in the Narthex. Items such as canned veggies, fruit, cereal, condiments, paper products and personal hygiene items are needed. There are also families with children, so baby and children's items are also needed. Let's help the students and families. For more information, please contact **Caroline Howard**.*

YES WE CAN FOOD COLLECTION

Grocery bags will be handed out this weekend to help with the YES WE CAN collection. Please fill them up with canned goods, non-perishable items and return them to the Narthex prior to **September 10**. Thank you.

WEEKDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

“MORMONS, WHO THEY ARE, WHAT THEY BELIEVE”

Tuesday morning Men’s Bible Study is discussing, The Mormon Church (aka The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints) means different things to different people. From its feel-good, family-oriented TV commercials to its Grammy- and Emmy-winning Mormon Tabernacle Choir to its bicycling missionaries, the Mormon Church is high profile all the way. Founded in the early 19th century, this religious movement boasts more than 15 million members and 85,000 missionaries, ranking it in the top five of "Christian denominations" in the U.S., according to the National Council of Churches. This Men’s Bible Study meets **Tuesdays at 7:30 in Mission Hall**. If you have any questions, please contact **Wess Mechler**.

“THE GREAT DECEIVER”

Is Satan a real being, or is he just an outdated representation of evil? The Bible speaks of him as a rebel angel leading his minions against God, the holy angels, and all God’s children. But recent surveys suggest a majority of Christians in the United States don’t believe Satan really exists. **Monday evenings** a Bible study will be examining what the Bible has to say about the Great Deceiver, Satan. All are welcomed. **Monday August 28th at 7:00 PM** in the Sitting Room will be our next encounter with the Word. If you have any questions please contact **Wess Mechler**.

LADIES’ KOINONIA BEGINS THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7TH

*Ladies Koinonia meets **Thursdays at 9:30 AM** with Pastor Akers in Mission Hall. The startup date is **Thursday, September 7th** with the topic "**Quiet Heroes of the Faith**." In a time of great challenge, **Quiet Heroes of the Faith** highlights men and women in the Bible who overcame extraordinary difficulties. Their stories show that God chooses ordinary people – people like you - to do His extraordinary work. These lessons will introduce you to the cultural setting and life story of a biblical character, examine the joys and challenges that person faced, and show how God forgave, sustained, and empowered that person to serve Him. Concluding activities will lead you in reviewing God's blessings in your own life.*

PASTOR ALLISON’S WEEKDAY BIBLE STUDY START UP DATES

Tuesday Evening Bible Study begins on **Tuesday, September 19** from **6 – 7 PM** in Mission Hall. Class topic to be determined.

***Ladies Bible Class** will meet for the first time this year on **Tuesday, September 26 at 10:00 AM** in Mission Hall. Please watch future bulletins for more information on class discussion.*

EYEGLASS COLLECTION

For many years, Our Redeemer's congregation has generously provided used eyeglasses to assist with MOST Ministries mission trips. Transporting the eyeglasses to Ann Arbor, Michigan has become difficult, and mailing is the best option, however, expensive. We thank you for the many years of support, but at this time we will **no longer collect eyeglasses**. Bless you all. ☺

SHHH...by RLS Principal Ruth Lavrenz

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



Redeemer Lutheran School
705 Southway Boulevard East, Kokomo, IN

**HUGE SEMI-ANNUAL
RUMMAGE & BAKE
SALE**

**Saturday, Sept. 9th
8:00-2:00 p.m.**

Proceeds Benefit The
R.L.S. 7th-8th Grade
2018 Class Trip Participants!

Home
baked
goodies,
clothes-all
sizes,
households,
electronics,
books, toys,
furniture,
sports
memorabilia,
and more!

PLEASE
JOIN US!

NLSA ACCREDITATION

Just received word that Redeemer Lutheran School is official! Our accreditation has been granted through the National Lutheran Schools' office in St. Louis. Our accreditation is good for five years. After months of hard work by several committees, and the steering committee, we can now celebrate! Praise the Lord!

CURRENT ENROLLMENT

Our enrollment currently stands at 122. We have two new students joining us in September when they move here from Texas.

SUBSTITUTES:

We are in great need of substitute teachers. If you have a teaching license or a sub license and would be willing to be on our list for subs, that would be wonderful. Also, if you would ever be willing to help as an aide in our preschool room or the school office, please call the school office and let us know. We can give you more details at that time.

SCRIP

*Scrip is here for your every shopping and dining need. Stop by the Extended Care Room and see **Michelle Engelder**. If you are going out to breakfast or lunch after church, stop in and buy a scrip card to pay for your meal. If you do that once a week for a year you would be helping RLS by raising \$50 or more. You get to eat and RLS gets the money. Your donation would be at least that or more if you purchased a scrip card and went to the grocery. All in all both you and RLS reap the benefits. Go, see Michelle and see how you can help.*

HOG ROAST & BOOK FAIR

Coming up on **Friday, September 22**, we are having our annual hog roast/book fair. The hog roast is a free will donation which will benefit our scholarship program. The book fair will benefit our school library. Please mark this date on your calendar. More information will follow.

RLS RUMMAGE SALE BAKE SALE EVENT!

*Redeemer Lutheran School's 7 & 8 Grade Classes are hosting a Rummage Sale and Bake Sale in the Fellowship Hall on **Saturday, September 9th, 2017** from **8 AM to 2 PM**. Donations of gently used and clean items **are now being accepted** in the Fellowship Hall. Items may be dropped off at the stage in Fellowship Hall, or in the front hallway of the school and will be moved by the students. Please note that set up assistance is needed as well, on **Friday, September 8 at 10:00 AM** in the gym. Please contact **Lynn Cleaver** if you need any further information. Thank you for your support.*

LIGHTS, CAMERA, SOUND? (OR) AUDIO-VISUAL MINISTRY

We're looking for people (teens and older) who are willing to work with sound or video equipment for special church services. If you have an interest in this part of our ministry, please contact **David Britton**.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

***Matthew 16:27** "For the Son of Man is going to come with His angels in the glory of His Father, and then He will repay each person according to what he has done." St Paul talks about rewards on the Last Day in 1 Cor. 3, and Jesus says more about this "repaying" in Matt 19:27-30. Bottom line: your good works can't buy you heaven, but in Christ your good works do matter, they're pleasing your Heavenly Father, and they will be rewarded. In other words: your sacrifices for the Lord's Kingdom are not in vain, they are not unnoticed by your Father. This should encourage you in your faithfulness.*

YOUTH CENTRAL

PATHWAYS AND GROUNDS- MS & HS YOUTH GROUPS

Looking forward to seeing everyone **tonight!** Both groups meet for Bible study, fellowship, and games!

	Pathways	Grounds
Sunday, Aug. 27 th	4-6 pm	6:30-8:30 pm
<i>Sunday, Sept. 3rd</i>	<i>Labor Day - Enjoy the long weekend!</i>	
Sunday, Sept. 10 th	<i>Yes We Can</i>	6:30-8:30 pm
Sunday, Sept. 17 th	4-6 pm	6:30-8:30 pm
Sunday, Sept. 24 th	4-6 pm	6:30-8:30 pm
<i>Friday, Sept. 29th</i>	---	<i>9 pm-12 am</i>

JR. HIGH RALLY!

All 7th and 8th grade students are invited to sign-up for the 2017 Indiana District Jr. High Rally! This rally will take place at **Camp Lakeview, September 15th and 16th**! The cost is **\$50** and **you must be signed up no later than Sunday, August 27th!** This is an overnight full of games, fun, food, and Bible study that you don't want to miss!

IDYG - HIGH SCHOOL GATHERING

All high school students are invited to sign-up for the 2017 Indiana District Youth Gathering! This event will be hosted at **Holy Cross Lutheran Church** in Indianapolis the weekend of **November 10th-12th**. We have the choice of staying one or two nights, so please indicate your preference on the sign-up sheet. The cost is **\$50 + lodging**. **Sign-up by October 1st!** This is a weekend of games, study, and service projects in the city! Make sure you don't miss out!

YES WE CAN!

Mark your calendars for **Sunday, September 10th** from **12-5 pm!** It's time to head out into the neighborhoods to stock the shelves of the Rescue Mission! All **students of any age** are welcome to sign-up at the bulletin board across from the Adult Education Room! **Parents will be needed as drivers** - sign-up at the same location! If you have questions, please see **Jonathan Guse or Pastor Akers**.

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

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.



<u>THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER</u>			
<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>TITLE / EVENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Sat.	5:30 PM	Traditional Communion	Sanctuary
Sun.	8:15 AM	Traditional Communion	Sanctuary
	9:30 AM	Sunday School / 8 th Grade Confirmation	Nursery / RLS / Youth Room
	9:30 AM	Adult Bible Class	Mission Hall
	10:45 AM	Traditional Communion	Sanctuary
	12:00 PM	WATCH Reunion	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
	6:30 PM	Cardio Drumming	Fellowship Hall
	7:00 PM	Adult Evening Bible Study	Sitting Room
Tues.	7:30 AM	Men's Bible Study	Mission Hall

	6:00 PM	Cub / Boy Scouts	Sanctuary & Fellowship Hall
Wed.	8:45 AM	RLS Chapel	Fellowship Hall
Thurs.	9:30 AM	Quilting	Choir Room
	6:30 PM	Cardio Drumming	Fellowship Hall
Sat.	5:30 PM	Traditional Communion	Sanctuary

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

Patsy Kirkendall - September 3

Sharon Brown - Sept. 4

Lynda Batt - Sept. 5

Ida Loppnow - Sept. 11