

**HE 17TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
September 10 & September 11, 2016**

Welcome! On this 15th anniversary of the 9/11 attacks, our Lord reminds us He is the Prince of Peace. Let us strive for peace in our homes, our community and this church. 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.**

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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			
	SAT. 5:30	SUN. 8:15	SUN. 10:45
Preacher	Pastor Allison	Pastor Allison	Pastor Allison
Liturgist	Pastor Allison	Pastor Akers	Pastor Akers
Organist	Juanita Martin-Davis	Florence Moeller	Florence Moeller
Acolytes	Sam	Cora	Matt
		Selia	Luke
Sanctuary Stewards			Amy Shrack Anna Gaunt

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE - BUDGET INFORMATION - MUSIC
 Saturday-5:30 PM - 54 / Sunday-8:15 AM - 102 / Sunday-10:45 AM - 128 = 284

ALTAR FLOWERS

This weekend's altar flowers are given by **Ralph & Lois Grotrian** in celebration of 64 years of marriage, and in thankfulness to God for His grace and mercy, and His earthly gifts of a wonderful and supportive family. Also by **Vi Slifka** in memory of her husband, **Richard** and in thankfulness for the cards and flowers she received regarding her daughter's surgery.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING, STRENGTH, PEACE AND COMFORT

We remember Robert Braswell, Diane Braswell, Chris Wagner, Delia Overia, Paul Strauch, Joshua Burnett, Don Knight, Lois Reams, Suzanne Biddle, Marjorie Muhl, Rob Reason, Kristen Cain, Heather Hartman, Jack Garner, and Pam Richardson.

CHRISTIAN LOVE, PRAYERS, COMFORT & SUPPORT

Our Christian love, prayers, comfort and support go to **Dan Vandre and Family** at the death of their loved one, **Lee Vandre** this past week.

SHUT-IN OF THE WEEK - SHARON PACKARD

This weekend we are honoring Sharon Packard as shut-in of the week.

THANKS FOR YOUR LOVE!

Bonnie Whitton has this message to share with the congregation. "Dear Church Members. Thank you for all the cards, memorials, phone calls and especially your prayers for our family in support as we grieve at the passing of Bob. I also want to thank Pastor Allison and Pastor Akers for the beautiful and uplifting service. It was indeed a comfort and reassurance to our family and friends alike. Bonnie Whitton and Family." Betty Cowgill would like to share this message. "I want to thank my church family for the cards and notes I received when I went on the Veteran's Flight to Washington DC. The flight was enjoyable, to see the memorials and wall, the Arlington Cemetery gave me a stronger feeling for freedom. I thank God for our freedom and beautiful country. Betty Cowgill."

ADULT INFORMATION CLASS

We are forming a new adult membership class. It will start **Sunday, September 11th** at **9:30 AM** in the Adult Education Room. Whether you have questions about Christ or want to deepen your faith in Him, this class will explore what the Bible says about our God, and how His love gives direction and meaning to your life today and forever. This class is designed for those who are interested in learning or reviewing the foundations of the Christian faith. Attendance at the class may lead to membership in our church, but there are no obligations. Watch an introductory video at www.lhm.org/GodConnects.

BIBLE STUDIES IN SEPTEMBER

A NEW SEASON - HOW THE CHURCH OPENS DOORS TO THE COMMUNITY

Sunday - September 11, 2016 - 9:30 AM - Mission Hall.

This morning Pastor Allison is discussing Lesson 1 - Why Church?

GOD CONNECTS - A COURSE IN CHRISTIANITY

Sunday - September 11, 2016 - 9:30 AM - Adult Education Room

LADIES: ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

Tuesday - September 13, 2016 - 10:00 AM - Mission Hall

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST. LUKE

Tuesday - September 13, 2016 - 6 to 7 PM - Mission Hall

MEN'S: THE INTERSECTION OF CHURCH & STATE

Tuesdays - 7:00 AM - Mission Hall

LADIES' KOINONIA: FINDING FAITH IN THE DARK

Thursday - September 15 - 2016 - 9:30 AM - Mission Hall

THIS WEEK IN SUNDAY SCHOOL - 9:30-10:30 AM

Preschool (age 3) - Kindergarten children are invited to join **Ashley Schneider** in the Kindergarten classroom in the west hall. This week's lesson: **The Twelve Spies in Canaan.**

Children in 1st - 4th grade will meet in the 4th grade classroom with **Tracy Brandenburg**. This week's lesson: **The Twelve Spies in Canaan.**

Youth in grades 5th - 7th will meet in the 5/6 grade classroom with **Hugh Hunkeler** and will begin a new study, **Life's Big Questions, God's Big Answers** by **Brad Alles.**

8th grade students will begin their Confirmation class **today** in the 7/8 grade classroom.

High School students are encouraged to join **Zack Conner** in the Youth Room to continue a new study that takes an in-depth look at **Moses.**

*Lifetouch sent several of the recent directory pictures to the church. **If you received a call or message from Bev** during these past few weeks and unable to pick up your picture, they are at the Welcome Center. Thank you. ☺*

MISSION TRIP TO BATON ROUGE, LA

A possible mission trip to Baton Rouge, Louisiana to help with flood disaster relief may be formed. Anyone interested in serving on this team is asked to sign-up at the Welcome Center.

REMAINING SEPTEMBER BOARDS / OFFICERS MEETING SCHEDULE

Board of Property – Monday – September 12 – 7:00 PM - Sitting Room

Church Council – Wednesday – Sept. 14 – 6:00 PM – Church Library

Voters' Assembly – Wednesday – Sept. 21 – 7:00 PM - Mission Hall

WATCH - SEPTEMBER 30 TO OCTOBER 2

Here is what one of our former members felt about his Watch #4 Weekend. "I had been a member of Redeemer Lutheran for 17 years when I first attended Watch. I had been Baptized. I took Communion. I believed that Christ had died for my sins. I thought I was "doing" everything right. My problem, I was "doing". I took pleasure in Church services. I enjoyed going to the Communion Rail. I felt good about helping out whenever I could. Yet, something was missing. I was caught up in that "works" thing and didn't realize it. I didn't have a one to one relationship with my Savior. My problem, I believed in the Trinity, the HUMAN Trinity of me, myself, and I. For me, God opened my mind and heart to the Holy Trinity. FATHER, SON, AND HOLY SPIRIT. For the first time in my life, I felt the presence of God in my life. I have felt Him or seen evidence of Him in my life every day since. I don't know what you will get out of your Watch weekend, only God knows what you need. Trust Him, and hope to see you at Watch #5".---Bruce Hendrix.

BREATHE by RLS Principal Ruth Lavrenz

Let everything that has breath praise the LORD. Psalm 150:6

HOG ROAST:

Our annual Hog Roast is set for **September 23**. Mark your calendars for that date! Serving will begin at **5:45 PM**. This will be a free will offering which will go to the school scholarship fund.

(We will need people to help pull the hog that afternoon.)

BOOK FAIR:

Our annual book fair will run **September 19-23**. There will be hours posted for that week soon. On **Friday evening, the 23rd**, the book fair will be open from **5:30-8:00** in conjunction with the hog roast. The book fair is a great time to purchase books for our library, for a specific child's classroom, for Christmas presents. All sales benefit the school library.

CHAPEL OFFERINGS:

This quarter our chapel offerings are going to help **Jamielynn Tinkey**. Jamielynn is a missionary called to serve the Lord in the Dominican Republic. Jamielynn visited our school this past Wednesday and shared with the students and staff what she will be doing in her missionary role. Currently she is traveling around trying to raise money to help fund her trip. If you would have a desire to assist the school in helping her reach her goal, you can donate to the school office or send a check directly to *The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, PO Box 66861, St. Louis, MO 63166*. Please join us in praying for Jamielynn as she serves as a nurse in the Dominican Republic.

HANDS OF LOVE - BEGINS SEPT. 12

*It's been a hot summer here in Kokomo, so you may not have spent much time knitting and crocheting. Our start-up date is **September 12th, from 1 – 2:30 PM**. We will have our first meeting at Redeemer in the Sitting Room, and then make our decision about the location of our future weekly meetings. Diane Turner has several new books and magazines, which may inspire and motivate you to try something new. If you have any questions, please call **Diane** at **453-2810**. It will be great to be back together regularly.*

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER

DATE	TIME	TITLE / EVENT	LOCATION
Sat.	8 – 2	RLS Rummage Sale	Fellowship Hall
	5:30 PM	Traditional Communion	Sanctuary
Sun.	8:15 AM	Traditional Communion	Sanctuary
	9:30 AM	Bible Study – Sunday School	Mission Hall / RLS / Youth Room
	9:30 AM	Adult Information Class	Adult Education Room
	10:45 AM	Traditional Communion	Sanctuary
	6:00 PM	Member Function	Mission Hall
	6:30 PM	Grounds	Youth Room
Mon.	9:00 AM	Room Occupied	Mission Hall
	1 & 6:30 PM	Diabetes Class	Church Library
	1:00 PM	Hands of Love	Sitting Room
	6:30 PM	Cardio-Drumming	Fellowship Hall
	6:30 PM	Quilt Class	Mission Hall
	7:00 PM	Board of Property	Sitting Room
Tues.	7:00 AM	Men’s Bible Study	Mission Hall
	10:00 AM	Ladies’ Bible Study	Mission Hall
	1 & 6:30 PM	Diabetes Class	Church Library
	5:45 PM	Bell Choir	Choir Room
	6:00 PM	Cub / Boy Scouts	Fellowship Hall
	6:00 PM	Adult Bible Class	Mission Hall
	7:00 PM	Choir	Choir Room
Wed.	8:45 AM	RLS Chapel	Fellowship Hall
	1 & 6:30 PM	Diabetes Class	Church Library
	6:00 PM	Church Council	Church Library
	6:30 PM	Pathways	Youth Room / Fellowship Hall
Thurs.	9:30 AM	Quilting	Choir Room
	9:30 AM	Ladies’ Koinonia	Mission Hall
	6:00 PM	Deaf Bible Study	Church Library
Fri.	3 – 7 PM	Seminary Counsellor	Sitting Room
	7:00 PM	Duo Club – Bairds Hosting	Mission Hall
Sat.	5:30 PM	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:
Opal Hartman – Sept. 17
Jan Wiechmann – Sept. 18
Juanita Martin-Davis – Sept. 20
Marietta Adelsen – Sept. 21
Darlene Foesch – Sept. 21
Tom Baird – Sept. 23
Irene Hunter – Sept. 27

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.



COLLEGE STUDENTS AND MILITARY MEMBERS

A member of LCOR would like to be a prayer warrior for you during the year. We understand that life is a challenge at this stage and we would like to be there for you.

Your prayer partner will be available by your agreed upon method of communication for prayer requests and encouragement. If you would like to be paired with one of our warriors, please sign up at the Welcome Center or in the Young Adult Bible Study taking place during Sunday School hours in the church library. If you have questions, please contact **Evelyn Baird**.

*Have you ever considered becoming a pastor or deaconess? If so, Rev. Bill Wrede from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis would like to meet with you at Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer on **Friday, September 16, 2016** from **3 - 7 PM** in the Sitting Room. Rev. Wrede is interested in meeting with prospective students of all ages --- elementary school age through adults. Appointments are individual, informal, and family / friends are welcome to come with you. Appointments are not necessary, but encouraged. If you are interested in scheduling a specific time, please contact **Rev. Wrede**.*

YOUTH CENTRAL

GROUNDS - HS YOUTH GROUP

When we were last together, we started "Be Near" and agreed that our closeness with God never happens by accident. **Tonight [Sunday]**, we're going to talk about what it means to draw near to others by drawing close to God. Join us for study and fellowship tonight, from **6:30-8:30 pm**, in the youth room! If you have any questions, see **Jonathan Guse**.

PATHWAYS - MS YOUTH GROUP

We meet this **Wednesday, September 14th** from **8:30-8:30 pm**. Join us as we continue to "Redefine Normal" as we talk about a faith that crackles, sizzles, and drips with excitement and anticipation. If you have any questions, see **Jonathan Guse**.

INDIANA DISTRICT YOUTH GATHERING

All high school students are invited to attend the District Youth Gathering taking place the weekend of **November 11th**. This year, we have two options: Friday/Saturday or Friday-Sunday. Event registration is **\$50** regardless of our choice, plus our hotel stay. The theme this year is "**ONE: Lord, Faith, Baptism.**" Please sign-up on the bulletin board and list your preference. If you have any questions, please see **Jonathan Guse**.

YES WE CAN!

Mark your calendars for Sunday, September 18th from 12-5 pm! It's time to head out into the neighborhoods to stock the shelves our 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.**

☺ **Be willing to correct your child during the service** - Often young children will take advantage of a public situation to test their parents. It is comforting to know that the same thing has happened to other families in the church. When your child will not sit still, it is important for a parent to remove the child from the sanctuary for correction. After you have regained control of your child, return to the service. Except under special circumstances, it is important not to leave the service permanently, since that will only encourage your child to act up the following Sunday so they can get out of the service.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Luke 15:2 And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, "This man receives sinners and eats with them." Thanks be to God: Jesus receives us sinners! What the Pharisees can't understand, we praise with all our being: the grace of God. We live by that grace and the more of it we receive, the more we will want to conform ourselves to the image of our generous and gracious Lord. Knowing the Lord and trusting Him come first...and the desire to imitate Him can't help but follow!

CARDIO DRUMMING STARTS ON MONDAY!

*We had a good turn-out for our trial of Cardio Drumming the other week. We are ready to get our first session going! If you haven't tried this workout yet, we would love for you to join us. Our first class will be **this Monday** from **6:30-7:30 PM** in the Fellowship Hall. Classes will typically be every Monday and Thursday at that same time. Please contact **Erin Ponder** if you want to come try it out, to ensure there will be enough equipment available for everyone. Your first class is free! Hope to see you there!*

ADULT CHOIR

Our Adult Choir currently has some vacancies in each voice range. If you have the gift of singing, why not use it to glorify God? Our rehearsals are on **Tuesday nights** at **7:00**. We'd love to see you there!