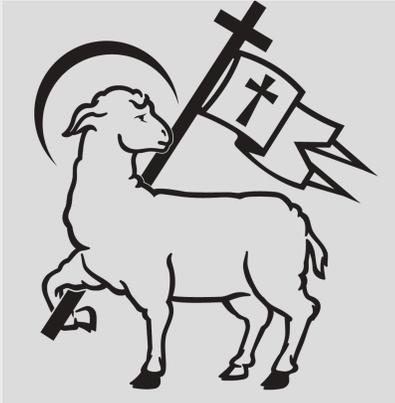


THE REDEEMER REMINDER

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Pastor's Message

by Pastor Michael C. Linderman, Ph. D.

Dear Redeemer community,

Blessings to you all as we begin our Lenten Journey this year! Lent is one of the two major preparatory seasons of the church year, along with Advent. It is a time for introspection, renewal, and putting our faith into action. You may be inspired to sacrifice something, as in something you enjoy, or adding a discipline to your normal routine, such as adding prayer time or reading the Bible. If you think a practice might help you become more mindful of God's grace in your life, you are encouraged to try it!

As we did last Advent, we have provided to members of the congregation a resource, "Abundant Mercy", by Claire McGarry. This booklet is a daily resource, with a page full of reflection pieces and a prayer for each day of Lent. Many of the reflections are easy to use with children, whether your own, or your grandchildren, nieces, nephews, etc. But adults can benefit from reading the reflections themselves and praying the prayer for each day. The action items are great for getting us to think about being more intentional and mindful of others this month.

In our region of the world, Lent is also about Spring and the anticipation of new growth. The pandemic has forced on all of us a perpetual growth in patience while we adapt to changing Covid restrictions and expectations. We are all tired of this constant change and adaptation. Also this Lent, the war in Ukraine will add another layer of anxiety and concern to the challenges we face together as humans in a world of sin. Please know that your prayers are always meaningful and appropriate, in all circumstances. In addition to prayer, there are also ways to reach out with faith active in love. Please see page 10 to learn more about how you can contribute to the relief efforts of **Lutheran Disaster Response in Ukraine**, and their latest focus on mitigating the suffering of people in that region. We pray for peace, and for the elimination of suffering, injury and death. And we pray for Christ's love to be made manifest in our hearts this season. PL+

Evangelism

by Carol Dunbar, Chair

The Evangelism Committee of Redeemer would like to extend our thanks to the congregation for your support of our new mission partners, Daudi and Kellen Msseemaa in East Africa.

Each year the Evangelism Committee makes a commitment to support an ELCA Missionary in the field for \$1000.

Twice a year we collect the money through special collections during both Lent and again during Advent at our church services.

We are asking for your support through a special collection during this special season of Lent.

We know how important it is to reach out beyond our church and community and to continue to show our support for the work the church does throughout the world.

Please consider making a donation to our commitment by mailing a check in to the attention of the Evangelism Committee at Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, 55 Wyckoff Avenue, Ramsey, NJ 07446.

Thank you all for your continued support.

Best wishes and blessings from the Evangelism Committee

Social Ministry

by Sharon Vogel, Chair

Special thanks to our Social Ministry volunteers who baked goodies for 12 shut-ins for Valentine's Day!



Social Ministry Monthly Envelope Designations 2022

- March ELCA World Hunger Relief
- April Ramsey Responds
- May Center For Food Action
- June Family Promise
- July Lutheran Social Ministry of NJ
- August Oasis - A Haven for Women and Children
- September Habitat for Humanity
- October St. Stephan's Grace Church
- November Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service
- December NJ Synod of the ELCA

Music Notes - Our Joy Be All with Music Crowned. . .

by Fran Morton, Music Director



Let's start with a question - what do these two pictures have in common? Give up? Or, are you smiling because you know already?

The answer - they are both pictures of exactly the same place. Yes, both are pictures of the chancel at Redeemer Lutheran. The one on the left is slightly closer up so you can't see the arch, and, it's taken 30+ years earlier. The inset on the upper left of that picture shows the Music Director at the organ console which was tucked behind the Pulpit just outside the Sacristy door.

Next question about that same picture - where are the organ pipes? The answer - there aren't any. It was an electronic organ. In fact, our birthday instrument,



the Peragallo, is Redeemer's first pipe organ.

Speaking as an organist, that decision to replace the electronic with a pipe organ was truly a wonderful leap of faith. The buying experience for pipe organs is totally different from electronics. For electronics it's more like buying a car or a new computer. You pick the brand, the model and the extras that company offers, put in your order, schedule the delivery and set-up. After the set-up, you plug it in and start playing. Buying a pipe organ is more like buying a custom-made kitchen or hand-tailored clothing.

There's lots of design, materials and sizing decisions upfront, a pretty long wait and then fittings, measurings

Music Notes - *continued* . . .

by Fran Morton, Music Director

followed by a prolonged installation and final tweaking before the organ is playable. For many churches that's just too many decisions and too much fuss, but not for Redeemer! Thank God!

On another topic, my wrist seems to be on the mend. It still hurts some, but I have a check-in with the surgeon early next week. Stay tuned. In the meantime, I'm planning what to play for Lent and Easter.

Fran

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Stewardship

by Judith Schaefer

Holy Week is approaching, and it is a wonderful opportunity to share your generosity with Redeemer to support our ministries. We encourage you to use your envelopes! God bless you all.



Remember man
that you are
dust and into
dust you shall
return.

Wednesday Night Lenten Prayer

Evening Prayer Service 7:30 p.m.

3/9, 3/16, 3/23, 3/30, 4/6

The theme for this year's series is "Turning toward God's Abundance: A Lenten Service of Word and Prayer". These services will help us focus our Lenten energy and strengthen the peace of the Lord in our hearts.

Christian Education News

by Heather Layng, Christian Education Chair

Sunday School Schedule for March:

3/13, 3/20 & 3/27, and then 4/10

9:15 AM

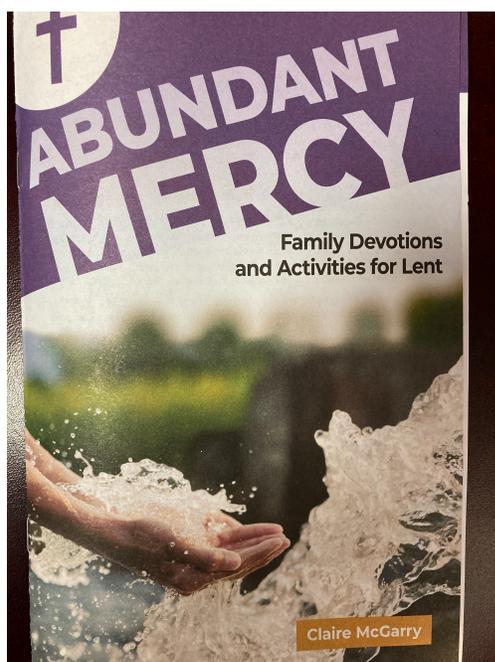
Toddler - 2nd Grade

3rd - 6th Grade

7th Grade Pre-Confirmation

Reminder - All 3rd - 6th grade students should bring their Good News Bibles each week to use in Sunday School.

Our Congregation-wide Lenten **devotional is the booklet, "Abundant Mercy"**. We invite you to use this daily resource throughout your Lenten journey. May you find blessings in this journey.



Confirmation News:

- Our Confirmation Program for 8th and 9th grade will conclude at Easter this year. Our 9th graders will Affirm their Baptism on Easter Sunday at our 10:15am service.
- Our remaining classes are March 6, 20 and April 3, at 4:30pm at the church.
- Make up class is Monday, March 21, 7pm. Final Mentor Conversation is based on the Worship service for March 13th. Look for an email with resources for this assignment.



4th Grade: First Holy Communion

Classes occur during Sunday School March 13, 20, and 27

We celebrate our 4th graders' First Holy Communion on April 3, in church, at the 10:15 am service. Please pray for our 4th graders as they prepare for this special event.

Bible Study Wednesdays at 10am

socially distanced in the Lounge and on Zoom



LENTEN CALENDAR

Every Sunday with Holy Communion Service at 10:15 a.m.

Ash Wednesday

March 2, at 12 noon and 7:30 p.m. Service of Holy Communion and Ashes

Sunday School in Lent

at 9:15 a.m. 3/13, 3/20, 3/27, and 4/10

Wednesday Night Lenten Prayer

Evening Prayer Service at 7:30 p.m. 3/9, 3/16, 3/23, 3/30, 4/6

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Sunday of the Passion/Palm Sunday

April 10 at 10:15 a.m. Festival Service of Holy Communion

Maundy Thursday

April 14, at 12 noon and 7:30 p.m. Service of Holy Communion

Good Friday

April 15, at 12 noon and 7:30 p.m. Service of Prayer and Meditation

Easter Vigil

April 16, at 7:30pm

Resurrection of Our Lord

Sunday, April 17

Sunrise Service at Redeemer Cemetery at 6:30 a.m. 90 Chapel Road, Mahwah
Service of Holy Communion at 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
at The Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, Ramsey

Support Redeemer, Give Online

by Judith Schaefer, Stewardship Committee

We're excited to share that we've launched online giving at the Lutheran Church of the Redeemer through "Tithe.ly", a safe and secure giving platform that allows you to give one-time or recurring gifts! You can get started by using one of the following options:

OPTION A. The Tithe.ly Giving App:

Download the Tithe.ly App from the [App Store](#) (iPhone) or [Google Play Store](#) (Android). Once you've downloaded the app select your church and follow the same steps as above.

- Since this is your first time giving with [Tithe.ly](#) you will be prompted to create an account that you can use for all future gifts.
- The first time you will also need to add your credit/debit card or ACH/banking info.
- Once your account has been created you won't need to enter your personal or payment information. Just enter your PIN and give!
- A reminder you have the ability to set up your gift as recurring.

OPTION B. Redeemer Website Giving:

Go to www.RedemerRamsey.org and go to the "Give" menu to give through the church website. It's a safe and easy way to give any time.

OPTION C. The Tithe.ly Website

Set up giving on the Tithe.ly website to give any time using your computer's internet connection. All transactions are safe and secure. Go to Tithe.ly to sign up at get.tithe.ly.

- When the Tithe.ly screen opens, click on SIGN UP FREE >
- Then select GIVE TO YOUR CHURCH
- Then select the GIVE ONLINE button
- Click the Create Account button and complete the information requested You need to this only the first time. You will just need to sign in after completing this screen.
- Follow the screen instructions to make your contribution.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to email me back and we'd be happy to assist you further! Go to the Tithe.ly website for articles that you may find useful.

Thank you for your generosity and partnering with us to carry out Christ's mission in these difficult and challenging times.

See you on Sunday (online)! - Judith

A Busy Month...

We've enjoyed a winter full of blessings! Clockwise from top left: Debbie and Bob Riedel were back for a visit. Chase Toader was baptized (Chase's mother is Taylor Gurney); Redeemer blessed community members at the Ramsey Train Station on Ash Wednesday; Sunday school students decorated the "Alleluia" Banner, which will be hid away until we return to using the word "Alleluia" in worship on Easter Sunday!



Sunday	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
		1	2 12P/7:30P Ash Wed Services	3	4	5
6 9:15A NO Sunday School 10:15A Svc of Holy Communion 4:30P Confirmation Class	7 1:30P Quilting Ministry	8 7:30P Council Meeting	9 10:00A Bible Study 7:30P Prayer Service	10	11	12
13 9:15A Sunday School 10:15A Svc of Holy Communion	14 1:30P Quilting Ministry	15	16 10:00A Bible Study 7:30P Prayer Service	17	18	19
20 9:15A Sunday School 10:15A Svc of Holy Communion 4:30P Confirmation Class	21 1:30P Quilting Ministry 7P Confirmation MakeUp	22	23 10:00A Bible Study 7:30P Prayer Service	24 RR Articles Due	25	26
27 9:15A Sunday School 10:15A Svc of Holy Communion	28	29	30 10:00A Bible Study 7:30P Prayer Service	31		

****Virtual Worship Services are Live on Facebook @ The Lutheran Church of the Redeemer Ramsey, NJ. and on YouTube Channel "Lamb and Flag Ministries"**

Join us for a virtual Fellowship / Coffee Hour every Sunday following 10:15am Worship.

To join this Zoom Meeting, go to:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/345715195?pwd=NVFrbTZTUU96SWRnbUgvRWZEM2tUZz09>

Meeting ID: 345 715 195, Password: 147185

LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE EASTERN EUROPE CRISIS RESPONSE

MARCH 2022

ELCA.org/disaster

On Feb. 24, Russian forces invaded Ukraine, launching land, sea and air attacks. Airports are now shut, and few railway lines are operational. Civilians fleeing the violence are heading toward Ukraine’s western districts and such neighboring countries as Poland, Moldova, Slovakia, Romania and Hungary. Hundreds of thousands of people are seeking refuge in neighboring countries. There are major humanitarian concerns for both internally displaced people and refugees. Many of these Ukrainians fleeing their homes need shelter, basic necessities and pastoral care.

Lutheran Disaster Response is accompanying our companions in Ukraine, Hungary, Poland and Slovakia, as well as such ecumenical partners as Lutheran World Federation and Church World Service, in their humanitarian responses to the crisis. These partners provide refugees with immediate support and supplies such as food, blankets, water and hygiene kits.

Your gifts designated for “Eastern Europe Crisis Response” will be used entirely (100%) to provide support for people impacted by conflict in the region.

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Yes, I want to help!

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Lutheran Disaster Response: Where needed most \$ _____ DDG0010

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Email address _____

Give through your congregation or make your check out to
Lutheran Disaster Response and send to:

**Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, ELCA Gifts Processing Center,
P.O. Box 1809, Merrifield, VA 22116-8009** and write “Eastern Europe Crisis
Response” or “Where needed most” on your check’s memo line.



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God's work. Our hands.

May God Bless You on Your Birthday

- 3/1 Mike McKeown
- 3/3 Braeleigh Peterson
- 3/4 Lynsey Bradley
- 3/8 Carol Dunbar, Meredith Dykstra, Molly Miller, Jakob Oliver, Sean Royle
- 3/9 Fred Damiano
- 3/10 Laura Chernick
- 3/11 Dianne Knichel, Chad Thompson
- 3/12 Ashley Knichel
- 3/13 Margaret Lee
- 3/14 Murphy Makely
- 3/16 Adler Buerkle
- 3/17 Philip Godwin
- 3/19 Robert Dykstra, Bruce Whitaker
- 3/20 Tina Eide
- 3/22 Hailey Schliecher
- 3/23 Jennifer Hommez
- 3/25 Nate Buettner
- 3/26 Donald Rigg
- 3/28 Diane Sundermann
- 3/30 Janette Daehnke



Wedding Anniversaries

- 3/17 Mary and Robert Wortmann
- 3/21 Kathryn and John Redin
- 3/27 Tanya and Michael Shields



Baptismal Anniversaries

- 3/1 Connor Behrmann
- 3/7 Kristen Kunz
- 3/13 Chloe Austin
- 3/14 Ariel McKeown, Chris Wilson
- 3/21 Ian McKeown
- 3/25 Jessica Cozine Vaught
- 3/28 Zachary Pacenza
- 3/30 Ryan Layng, Josephine Schultz, Ted Ufferfilge
- 3/31 Colette Mulhall, Lily Mulhall

Redeemer Reminder articles for the month of April are due Thursday, March 24th.

Please submit to office@redeemerramsey.org or denise.bogatch@hotmail.com.