

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

January 28, 2024 – 9:00 a.m./10:30 a.m.

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

Theme: The Tongue

## As We Gather

The tongue has the power of life and death, and those who love it will eat its fruit. Like a maniac shooting flaming arrows of death. Like apples of gold in settings of silver is a ruling rightly given. Through patience a ruler can be persuaded, and a gentle tongue can break a bone. A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger. Sin is not ended by multiplying words, but the prudent hold their tongues. (*Proverbs 18:21; 26:18; 25:11; 25:15; 15:1; 10:19*)

## Prayer Before Worship

Father, put a guard over my mouth when I am about to say something I should not say. Whether it is a word that is untrue, a word that is negative, a word that is critical, or a word that discourages, Lord, stop the words before they come out of my mouth. Close the door of my lips and prevent the words from leaving my mouth. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

## Prelude

Rick Helderop, organist

(Please rise for the Opening Hymn)

## Opening Hymn 30

Oh, that I Had a Thousand Voices

1. Oh, that I had a thousand voices to praise my God with thousand tongues!  
My heart, which in the Lord rejoices, would then proclaim in grateful songs  
To all, wherever I might be, what great things God hath done for me.
2. O all ye pow'rs that He implanted, arise, and silence keep no more;  
Put forth the strength that He hath granted, our noblest work is to adore.  
O soul and body be ye meet with heart-felt praise your Lord to greet!
3. Ye forest leaves so green and tender, that dance for joy in summer air;  
Ye meadow grasses, bright and slender; Ye flow'rs, so wondrous sweet and fair;  
Ye live to show His praise alone, with me now make His glory known.

## Order of Service

P: *In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

C: **Amen.**

P: *Make haste, O God, to deliver me.*

C: **Make haste to help me, O Lord.**

P: *The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit.*

C: **A broken and contrite heart, O God, Thou wilt not despise. Glory be to the Father and to the + Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.**

(Please be seated)

## Children's Message

## Old Testament Reading

Numbers 14:20-24, 36-37

(*Spreading a false report*)

The Lord replied, "I have forgiven them, as you asked. Nevertheless, as surely as I live and as surely as the glory of the Lord fills the whole earth, not one of those who saw my glory and the signs I performed in Egypt and in the wilderness but who disobeyed me and tested me ten times — not one of them will ever see the land I promised on oath to their ancestors. No one who has treated me with contempt will ever see it. But because my servant Caleb has a different spirit and follows me wholeheartedly, I will bring him into the land he went to, and his descendants will inherit it." So the men Moses had sent to explore the land, who returned and made the whole community grumble against him by spreading a bad report about it — these men who were responsible for spreading the bad report about the land were struck down and died of a plague before the Lord.

## Epistle Reading

James 3:1-12

(*Taming the Tongue*)

Not many of you should become teachers, my fellow believers, because you know that we who teach will be judged more strictly. We all stumble in many ways. Anyone who is never at fault in what they say is perfect, able to keep their whole body in check. When we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we can turn the whole animal. Or take ships as an example. Although they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are steered by a very small rudder wherever the pilot wants to go. Likewise, the tongue is a small part of the body, but it makes great boasts. Consider what a great forest is set on fire by a small spark. The tongue also is a fire, a world of evil among the parts of the body. It corrupts the whole body, sets the whole course of one's life on fire, and is itself set on fire by hell. All kinds of animals, birds, reptiles and sea creatures are being tamed and have been tamed by mankind, but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With the tongue we praise our Lord and Father, and with it we curse human beings, who have been made in God's likeness. Out of the same mouth come praise and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this should not be. Can both fresh water and salt water flow from the same spring? My brothers and sisters, can a fig tree bear olives, or a grapevine bear figs? Neither can a salt spring produce fresh water.

**Response:** Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!

## Anthem

Dear Refuge of My Weary Soul – Merker. arr. Love  
Chancel Choir and Melody Wootton, violin

(Please rise for the Gospel Reading)

## Gospel Announcement

**Response:** Glory be to Thee, O Lord!

## Gospel Reading

Matthew 15:1-20

(*That which defiles*)

Then some Pharisees and teachers of the law came to Jesus from Jerusalem and asked, "Why do your disciples break the tradition of the elders? They don't wash their hands before they eat!" Jesus replied, "And why do you break the command of God for the sake of your tradition? For God said, 'Honor your father and mother' and 'Anyone who curses their father or mother is to be put to death.' But you say that if anyone declares that what might have been used to help their father or mother is 'devoted to God,' they are not to 'honor their father or mother' with it. Thus you nullify the word of God for the sake of your tradition. You hypocrites! Isaiah was

right when he prophesied about you: " 'These people honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me. They worship me in vain; their teachings are merely human rules.'" Jesus called the crowd to him and said, "Listen and understand. What goes into someone's mouth does not defile them, but what comes out of their mouth, that is what defiles them." Then the disciples came to him and asked, "Do you know that the Pharisees were offended when they heard this?" He replied, "Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be pulled up by the roots. Leave them; they are blind guides. If the blind lead the blind, both will fall into a pit." Peter said, "Explain the parable to us." "Are you still so dull?" Jesus asked them. "Don't you see that whatever enters the mouth goes into the stomach and then out of the body? But the things that come out of a person's mouth come from the heart, and these defile them. For out of the heart come evil thoughts — murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false testimony, slander. These are what defile a person; but eating with unwashed hands does not defile them."

**Response:** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

(Please be seated)

## Sermon Hymn 15

From All that Dwell Below the Skies

1. From all that dwell below the skies let the Creator's praise arise;  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Let the Redeemer's name be sung  
Thro' ev'ry land, by ev'ry tongue. Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
2. Eternal are Thy mercies, Lord; eternal truth attends Thy Word:  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore  
Till suns shall rise and set no more. Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

## Sermon

Text: James 3:1-12

"Pastor: Warning! Anything you say or do could be used in a sermon!"

Rev. Randall J. Schlak

(Please rise for the Offertory)

## Offertory

Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
And renew a right spirit within me.  
Cast me not away from Thy presence,  
And take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.  
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation;  
And uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

(Please be seated)

## Gathering of Offerings

At this time, please take a moment to record your attendance here with us today. There are two simple ways to do this:

1. Scan the QR code on the front page of the announcements and fill out the online attendance form.
2. Use the worship card found in your pew. You may drop it in the offering plate or simply leave it in your pew after you fill it out.

This is also an opportune time for personal prayer and meditation. For help, see the prayers beginning on page 102 of the pew hymnal and the Psalms beginning on page 123.

## Voluntary

Theme from Schindler's List – Williams

Melody Wootton, violin

Presented to commemorate International Holocaust Remembrance Day  
(Saturday January 27th) and in memory of all the victims of the Jewish Holocaust.

(Please rise for the Doxology)

## Doxology

Tune: hymn 15

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below; Hallelujah, hallelujah,  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost!  
Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah,  
Hallelujah, hallelujah.

## Prayer of the Church

### The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

**Benediction and Response:** Amen, Amen, Amen

## Closing Hymn 23

Hallelujah! Let Praises Ring

(favorite hymn of Cathy Hansen and David Pflieger)

- Hallelujah! Let praises ring! To God the Father let us bring  
Our songs of adoration. To Him thro' everlasting days  
Be worship, honor, pow'r, and praise, whose hand sustains creation.  
Singing, ringing: Holy, holy, God is holy -  
Spread the story of our God, the Lord of Glory.
- Hallelujah! Let praises ring! Unto the Lamb of God we sing,  
In whom we are elected. He bo't His Church with His own blood,  
He cleansed her in that blessed flood, and as His Bride selected.  
Holy, holy is our union and communion.  
His befriending gives us joy and peace unending.
- Hallelujah! Let praises ring! Unto the Holy Ghost we sing,  
For our regeneration. The saving faith in us He wrought  
And us unto the Bridegroom bro't, made us His chosen nation.  
Glory! Glory! Joy eternal, bliss supernal;  
There is manna and an endless, glad hosanna.

## Silent Prayer

## Postlude

Rick Helderop, organist



Sanctuary altar flowers were placed by the Hollis Family in celebration of Fred's 95th birthday. We miss you and we love you! Sanctuary lectern flowers and Chapel altar flowers were placed by the Orava and Nealt families in loving memory of Jack Orava.

### Altar Guild

Beth Greenwalt, Karen Pridmore, Theresa Schulz, Stacie Millichamp,  
Marilyn Staargaard, Colleen Tafel, Laurie Krentz, Joanne Greenwalt

### Ushers

9:00 - Jim Grove, captain; Jim Endress, Peter Pridmore,  
Cindy Grove, David Hamada, Ryan Jones  
10:30 - Steve Ortale, captain; Carter Ortale, Paul Quasarano,  
Tim Fithian, John Leonard, Don Jackson, Albert Madlangbayan, Blake Burstein

### Audio/Video Operators

9:00 - Bruce Helmke  
10:30 - Jim Endress and David Kiehle

### Acolytes

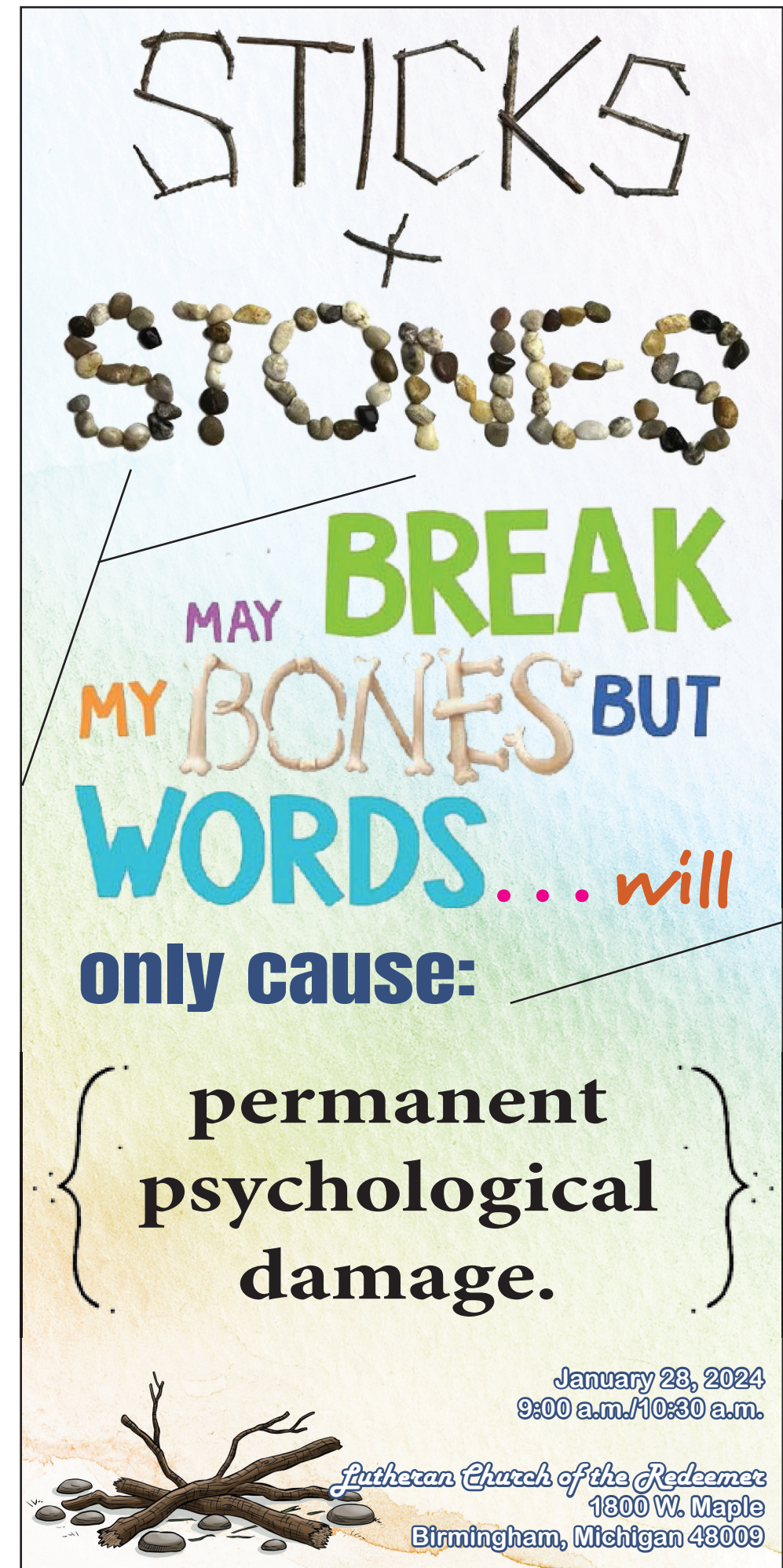
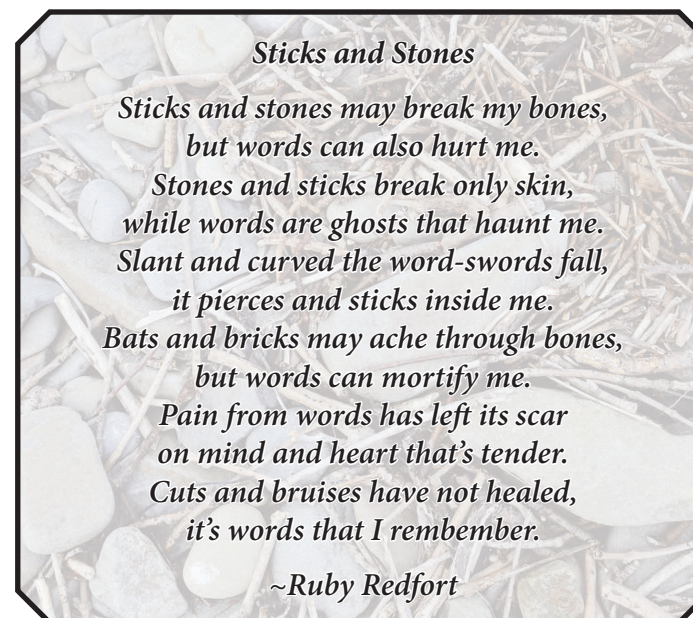
9:00 - Brady and Meara SeGraves  
10:30 - Luca Zuliani and Caleb Hurst

### Reader

9:00 & 10:30 - Kristen Rolf

## Helpful, Uplifting Bible Verses to Manage Self-Talk

Matthew 6:33-34	Romans 8:28
Matthew 18:20	1 Corinthians 3:16
Mark 10:45	Galatians 5:22-23
Mark 12:30-31	Philippians 4:8
Luke 12:15	Psalms 56:3
John 1:12	Psalms 100
John 3:16	Proverbs 3:5-6
Romans 5:1	Psalms 23
Romans 5:8	



# Lutheran Church of the Redeemer

your community church



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Scan for website

## CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday, 9:00a.m. - 4:00p.m.

(248) 644-4010 / [office@redeemberbirmingham.org](mailto:office@redeemberbirmingham.org)

### MISSION:

Bringing the love of Christ to a searching world.

Announcements for the week of  
**January 28, 2024**

*Out of respect, please do not bring food or drinks into the Sanctuary or Chapel. (i.e. coffee, water bottles, etc.) Also, please turn cell phones off or to silent. Thank you for your cooperation. ~Redeemer Board of Elders and Pastors*



### COMMUNION NEWS:

If you would like communion to be brought to you, please let an usher know before the service begins and they will be sure that you are accommodated.

**Kids Against Hunger.**

A Division of FREEDOM FOODS

### THANK YOU!



We had 250+ volunteers come this past Wednesday, Jan. 24th to pack over 38,000 meals that will provide fully nutritious food to impoverished children & families around the world...and around the corner.



## LENTEN MEALS!

**Lent starts on Wednesday, February 14th and we need YOUR help!** Grab your family or some friends and sign up to host a Lenten lunch or dinner! You can sign up via the church website or on the Town Square bulletin board. Contact Kim Davis (248-613-4200) with questions or for more information. If you don't feel comfortable planning a whole meal, you can sign up to be a helper!

## Donation Information

If you would like to donate, you can scan this QR Code using your phone's camera, or you can use one of the offering envelopes found in the pew. If you choose to give online, we have cards in the pew for you to place in the offering basket indicating you have donated online. **THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!!**



## February 2024 Relationship Workshop

### DATE CHANGE: Saturday Feb. 3 & Saturday Feb. 10

Make your relationships even MORE powerful with the tools that Pastor Ron Farah will share with you on **Saturday Feb. 3 and 10 from 9-12 noon.** The cost is \$50.00, due at the first session. (Cash or checks payable to Redeemer) **CHILDCARE PROVIDED FOR ALL AGES.** This is a once in a lifetime opportunity to glean from Pastor Farah all of his counseling and pastoral wisdom not to mention his own successful journey as a husband! Signup appreciated for food planning (but NOT required - showing up last minute is just fine, we would LOVE to have you!) on Town Square bulletin board or the Redeemer website. Questions? Contact Pastor Farah 248-642-3137 or Dr. Sandy Pourcho at 248-568-6040.

*"Even to your old age and gray hairs I am he, I am he who will sustain you." ~Isaiah 46:4*



Faithful Friends

Enrichment Event February 11 – Planning a Funeral

Save the Date for our next Enrichment Talk sponsored by Faithful Friends! All are invited! Pastor Randy will be speaking on "Planning a Christian Funeral". It's on **February 11th in the Great Room immediately following the 10:30am service for an hour.** For further information speak with Gary Priskorn [gpriskorn@redeemberbirmingham.org](mailto:gpriskorn@redeemberbirmingham.org) / 248-644-4010 x123 or a committee member.

## WELCOME TO REDEEMER!

No matter your past or present...Your current family or marital status...Your past or current religious affiliation...Your personal history, age, background, or ethnicity...You are invited, accepted, and most welcomed here. May all who walk through our door know that God loves them. We are pleased to have you worship with us. We pray you will return and share God's Word with us again. For information on membership, contact Laura Vowell at (248) 644-4010 x121.

## WORSHIP/ COMMUNION SCHEDULE

### Sunday

8:00am - Chapel

Communion 2nd, 4th, 5th Sunday

9:00/\*10:30am - Sanctuary

Communion 1st & 3rd Sunday

\*10:30am livestreamed service

Go to [www.redeemberbirmingham.com](http://www.redeemberbirmingham.com) and click on VIMEO/LIVESTREAM.

### Monday

7:00pm - Chapel

Communion after 2nd, 4th, & 5th Sunday

## REDEEMER NURSERY

Infants and children are always welcome in church, but if you choose, our nursery is available during 9:00 & 10:30am Sunday worship services for children 3 and under. You are welcome to bring your child to the nursery at any time during the service.

## WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Scan this QR code and fill out the online attendance form.





### Teaser and trivia for Family Life Ministry

Who remembers Bill Meinert? His contributions to Family Life at Redeemer were remarkable. He left a successful career at Ford Tractor to lead our families to Christ. Learn more in January of 2025

### Associate Pastor Position



The Call Committee has completed the review process of the prospective candidates and narrowed it down to one candidate. An interview took place last Saturday.

## DADDIES AND DAUGHTERS

# SAVE THE DATE!

## Daddy Daughter Dance!

**Saturday, February 10th: 5-7pm**

Fathers, grandfathers, uncles, or that special fellow in a little girl's life are all invited for an evening of dinner & dancing! All are welcome, so feel free to invite friends! Signup on the church website or town square bulletin board. Contact Laura Vowell (laura@redeemberirmingham.org) for more information.



In recognition of International Holocaust Remembrance Day, Redeemer is sending \$1,000 to

Samaritan's Purse from our Missions Fund to support the work they're doing to meet the physical and spiritual needs of people on both sides of the Israel-Hamas war. If you would like to contribute as well, please put your donation in the offering plate today and note that it is for this cause.



## SAVE THE DATE: RUMMAGE SALE

**March 8-10th, 2024**

### SAVE YOUR TREASURES!

**Intake Day: March 2nd, 2024**



### Bags & Hangers Needed!

Save your bags (paper/plastic grocery bags, big shopping bags, etc.) and hangers for use at the Rummage Sale! If you have any that you'd like to donate, please put them outside Laura Vowell's office.

More detailed information coming in the February Lamp!



Save Your Items for Our Rummage Sale



## Chicks with Sticks



We hope you will find time to come to the library at Redeemer and share your talent or new interest in knitting or crocheting hats and scarves for the people of Detroit Street Mission. **Join us in February at 1pm in the Library on: Thursday, Feb. 8th / Friday, Feb. 16th / Thursday, Feb. 22nd.**

## WAYS TO SERVE REDEEMER

# PARTICIPATE IN WORSHIP!



**BE A READER!**

**BE A GREETER!**

**HOST A COFFEE HOUR!**

**BE AN ACOLYTE OR CROSS BEARER!**

**SPONSOR ALTAR FLOWERS!**



\*Sign-up on the Town Square bulletin board, the front page of the church website by clicking on the "ways to serve" box or call the church office!

## 2024 FLOWER SIGN UPS AVAILABLE!!!

Sign up now for either Altar or Lectern flowers in the Sanctuary or the Chapel. (Sanctuary/\$55; Chapel/\$50; Lectern/\$45) (Please leave the flower liners behind for the next week's flowers!!!) The sign-up charts are up on the Town Square bulletin board and are also available online via sign-up genius (links found on the front page of the website [www.redeemberirmingham.org](http://www.redeemberirmingham.org) by clicking the "Ways to Serve" box then the "Altar and Lectern Flower Signup" box). Once you sign-up, you will be mailed a dedication/payment form a month before your date OR you can fill out your dedication form and pay online. If you need assistance, please contact the front office at 248-644-4010 or [office@redeemberirmingham.org](mailto:office@redeemberirmingham.org) and we would be happy to assist you!

## FAMILY OF GOD Sponsorships are back!



Starting in February, we are looking for 6 families to sign up for a \$100 sponsorship for the meals we cook and bring down to FOG. Signup sheets will be on the Town Square bulletin board as well as online. Thank you in advance for your support!

## SERVE AT FAMILY OF GOD!

Grab some friends or your family for this awesome way to serve locally! The meal will already be prepared and packed up, so you'll just need to drive it down to Detroit and serve it! This is also a GREAT way to get kids involved with serving others! Signup on the website! Contact Laura Vowell (laura@redeemberirmingham.org) for more information.



Your 2023 Contribution Statements were EMAILED to all families on file January 24. If we did NOT have an email in Shelby, you were mailed a physical copy. PLEASE NOTE: You can log in to your ShelbyNext account at ANY time and download your

contribution statement by clicking 'My Giving' on the left tool bar, clicking the 'down arrow' next to statement in the middle of the screen at the top of the page, then select 'previous calendar year' and finally hit 'download PDF'. Please contact our accountant Laura Jones at [ljones@redeemberirmingham.org](mailto:ljones@redeemberirmingham.org) or 248-644-4010 ext. 110 if you would like a copy mailed to you or if you have any questions.

## PRAYER & PRAISE LIST

### For those grieving the loss of loved ones:

✦ For the family and friends of Grace Holland, David Kiehle's mother who was called to her heavenly home. Her memorial service will be held at Redeemer on Friday, March 22nd at 11am. 10am visitation in the Town Square.

### For those facing health concerns:

- ✦ Rev. Bill Wrede
- ✦ Frank Rosenzweig
- ✦ Alexander, brother of Ellie Gause
- ✦ Jackie, friend of Leslie Whitfield
- ✦ James, Marnie Lewbel's uncle
- ✦ Betty, friend of the Eley's
- ✦ Lynda Christensen
- ✦ John Wargelin
- ✦ Michael, friend of the Calvaneso's
- ✦ Ken Sugg, brother of Leanna Bushuiakovish
- ✦ Kira Martini
- ✦ Ted, a friend of Bonnie Ernewein's grandson
- ✦ Sharon Frey
- ✦ Jim Casper
- ✦ Patricia Hunsinger
- ✦ Baby Kendall
- ✦ Richard Bergstrom
- ✦ Keith Murphy
- ✦ Carol Romeo, mother of Laura Romeo
- ✦ Joe Lagoe, father of Chris Lagoe
- ✦ Evelyn Springstead
- ✦ Greg Merryman
- ✦ Maryann, friend of Bonnie Ernewein
- ✦ Myrna Orava
- ✦ Beth Hamada
- ✦ Dr. Dale Robinson
- ✦ Ron Ging

### For those in Hospice Care:

✦ Etta Unruh

### Special Petitions:

- ✦ Please watch over the many people in Israel in this time of war.
- ✦ All those who are serving in the military, police & fire-fighters.
- ✦ President Biden and all world leaders, to be receptive to Godly counsel.
- ✦ For all those suffering from health concerns and for their caregivers devoting themselves to helping everyone who is sick.

### Prayers of Thanksgiving:

- For those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries.

*Anyone in need of long-term prayers (more than 3 weeks) will be included in our daily prayer chain email distribution and rotated on our Sunday prayer list once a month.*



**Our Sanctuary has a hearing loop to assist those with hearing loss. Please see an usher if you have questions or for additional information.**

## Leadership Meetings

### Leadership Team Meetings

February 14 (after worship)

March 13 (after worship)

### Board of Elders Meetings

March 27



*\*should you have a discussion topic for consideration, please direct it to Deb Vanderhoef at [dknovan@gmail.com](mailto:dknovan@gmail.com) and grant some time for a response.*

## STAFF CONTACT INFORMATION

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### Pastor Emeritus

Rev. Ronald Farah



**While Westmaple and Mom's Day Out is in session, ONLY the TOWN SQUARE (WEST ENTRANCE) DOORS will be open. All other doors will be locked from 9:20am-11:30am.**

## DID YOU KNOW?



### MDO Net Income for 2023

Revenue	\$44,000
Approx. Expenses	28,500
	\$15,500

MDO (Mother's Day Out) allows moms to take a morning break and have MDO lovingly care for their children from one year old and up. Toddlers sing, make crafts, enjoy free play, go outside and have Bible stories and snacks. Babies are sung to, played with, taken for rides in our stroller and gently nurtured. All caregivers are screened and CPR-certified. Our youngest children need to be one by December first of the school year. Contact the church for days and times. MDO runs during the school year from September until mid-May. Call Nicole Olds X124 for more information!

# Redeemer Youth Group HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH

**CORE GROUP: Wednesdays - Youth Room (6-8pm)**  
**RYG: Sundays: Youth Room (7-9pm):**  
**Today, Sunday, January 28 - Bible Study**  
**Sunday, Feb. 4th - Meet in Youth Room**  
**(Mission Trip Orientation Meeting - 4-7pm on 2/4)**  
**Winter Retreat - Feb. 9-10 (no RYG 2/11)**

Questions? Contact Gia or Eric \*Make sure to follow RYG on Instagram for event updates and photos @redeemer\_y00th

## Jamaica Mission Trip 2024

Have you heard!? The high school mission team is traveling to Jamaica to serve over spring break (March 23-29, 2024). We would love for your student to sign up! The application is outside Eric and Gia's office. If you're even slightly interested, please don't hesitate to reach out to them with any questions. Applications are due TODAY, Sunday, January 28th.



## Women's Book Group

Due to our unpredictable (and most of the time, lovely) Michigan weather we are combining our Jan. and Feb. book group meetings to review West with Giraffes by Lynda Rutledge and Modoc: The True Story of the Greatest Elephant that Ever Lived by Ralph Helfer. We will discuss both at our **Tuesday, Feb. 27 meeting at 7:30pm in the Town Square** by the cozy fireplace. In the meantime, cozy up with our March read Women of the Bible Speak by Shannon Bream. No better place to go than into a good book!!

Our Woman of the Year, Kathy Eley, will be honored at a luncheon on Tuesday, March 19 in Clinton Township, sponsored by The Council of Lutheran Women. If you wish to attend tickets are \$38.00 (cash or payable to Redeemer) and must be ordered before February 1. Tables are limited to 10 people so please text, email or call Kitty to save your spot. We do not purchase extra tickets so please let me know quickly if you will be joining us to honor Kathy and the other women from the metro Detroit area.

**Women's Ministry: BUNCO!** Yes, you read that right! BUNCO is coming to Redeemer on Friday, February 9 at 6:00pm for appetizers, dessert and the game everybody can play that requires no skill – just luck! And because we are reading a story for book group about elephants, we would like you to bring a white one (a white elephant gift, that is.) Wrap it and we will fight over it! Bunco Night is just for fun and we hope you will take us up on the invitation. Signup on the Town Square bulletin board and bring one of the suggested items. Jan Kanka will be your hostess and she really wants you to come!



# BIBLE STUDIES

**Sunday Morning Bible Study** - Rev. Ronald Farah

*Romans - meets all year long*  
*Sundays, after 9am service (Scheidt Room)*

**Children's Sunday School** - Nicole Olds  
*Sundays, 10:30am (lower-level classrooms)*

**Adult Bible Study** - Pastor Jimmy

*Romans*  
*Tuesdays, 9:30am (Great Room)*

**Women's Bible Study** - Kitty Sweitzer

*Killin it by Andy Stanley - 3 session study on Pride*  
*Tuesdays, 6:30pm (Great Room) - begins January 9th*

**Men's Bible Study** - Gary Priskorn

*Isaiah \*Zoom available*  
*Wednesdays, 6:45-7:30am - all year long (Great Room)*

**Positive Parenting** - Victoria Ilitch & Kristin Thompson

*Wednesdays, 9:15-10:45am (Great Room)*

**Confirmation Classes** - Laura Vowell

*Wednesdays, 6-8pm (various rooms)*

**Core Group (RYG - High School)** - Gia Scheidt

*Wednesdays, 6-8pm (Youth Room)*

**Young Adult Bible Study** - Michael Banerian

*First Thursday of every Month - 6:30pm (Michael's house)*

**Redeemer Youth Group (High School)** - Gia Scheidt & Eric Wisniewski

*Sundays, 7pm (Youth Room) \*check Intsagram for updated info*

For more information on a particular study, contact the names indicated or call the church office at 248-644-4010.

## LENTEN MID-WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE

### "The Red Letters of Jesus"

#### Wednesday Worship Services

**February 14, Ash Wednesday** - Building on Christ

**February 21** - Being with Christ

**February 28** - Forgiving with Christ

**March 6** - Serving Christ

**March 13** - Generosity

**March 20** - Going for Christ

**1:00pm - Chapel; 7:00pm - Sanctuary**

**Each worship service is preceded by a meal: 12:00 noon and 6:00pm (5:30pm confirmands)**

## HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SERVICES

**Maundy Thursday, March 28** - Dining with Christ

**(1:00pm - Chapel; 7:00pm - Sanctuary**

**Holy Communion at both services)**

**Good Friday, March 29** - Dwelling with Christ

**1:00pm and 7:00pm - Sanctuary**

**Easter Eve, March 30** - 5:00pm

**Easter Sunday Services, March 31**

**7:30am with Holy Communion;**

**9:00am and 10:30am**

**Easter Egg Hunt to follow Easter Sunday**

**10:30am service. Bring your Easter Basket!!**

*\*all 7pm services & 10:30am Easter Service will be livestreamed*