

ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 13, 2025 – 9:00a.m./10:30a.m.

Palm Sunday

Theme: Reality

As We Gather

Jesus rides into Jerusalem on the back of a lowly donkey to the cries of “Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!” (*John 12*). He comes to the people in gentle humility, yet also as the King of Israel. His royal glory is faithful obedience and self-sacrificing service to the point of death, even death on a cross. God’s love is manifested in the cross and Passion of His Son for the salvation of sinners. Jesus willingly subjected Himself to all forms of mistreatment, yet in and through it all He trusted in His Father who raised Him from death and the grave and exalted the Lord to His right hand. This same Jesus now comes to us in gentle humility by means of His holy Word, where He cleanses and covers us with His sacrificial blood. May the blessing of His presence in our worship today fill us with joy, strength and peace as we follow His journey to the Cross and the empty tomb.

Lenten Observance

As part of our Lenten observance, we follow the old church custom of omitting the “Alleluias” from our worship, symbolizing our voluntary restraint of praise during the penitential season of Lent.

Prayer Before Worship

The King comes. In this strange mixture of triumph and impending tragedy, on this Sunday of the Palms, we see from the vantage of the passing years not what the shouting crowds supposed nor what the active agents of the Passion quite intended. But we discern what heaven wrought: the King comes to shouts and singing and acclaim: (Prayer) We wish, dear Lord, just once to let our inhibitions go and offer You our homage with happy abandon. A palm branch, a coat, anything that we can lay our hands on to strew before You in Your path, to spread before Your feet, and ourselves to kneel down in devotion and adore You, this is our purpose. For You are King of all the people. In royal beauty bright and in ugly, gory shame, You are the Sovereign who saves and leads His people. You are our Prince of peace. Your loyal followers walk in the train of one who conquers all our enemies and provides for all our needs. In Your Name we pray, Amen.

Mystery Prelude

Rick Helderop, organist

(Sponsored by David Mammel in dedication to all the old-time baseball fans who feel young again each spring)

(Please rise for the Opening Hymn and the Children’s palm procession!)

Opening Hymn

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna!

(Chancel Choir, Redeemer Brass, and Brian Buckmaster, timpani, with Congregation on verses 1 and 3)

- Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang;
through pillared court and temple the joyful anthem rang.
To Jesus, who had held them close folded to His breast,
the children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.

(Second verse, choir and instruments only)

- From Olivet they followed amid a joyful crowd,
The victor palm branch waving and chanting clear and loud;
The Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state,
Nor scorned that little children should on His bidding wait.

(Third verse, congregation sings again)

- ‘Hosanna in the highest!’ That ancient song we sing,
for Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heav’n our King.
Oh may we ever praise Him with heart and life and voice,
and in His blissful presence eternally rejoice!

Order of Service

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

C: Amen.

P: *Lift up your heads, you gates;*

C: be lifted up, you ancient doors,

P: *that the King of glory may come in.*

C: Who is this King of glory?

P: *The Lord strong and mighty,*

C: the Lord mighty in battle.

P: *Lift up your heads, you gates;*

C: lift them up, you ancient doors,

P: *that the King of glory may come in.*

C: Who is he, this King of glory?

P: *The Lord Almighty —*

C: He is the King of glory. (*Psalms 24:7-10*)

(Please be seated)

Children’s Message

Old Testament Reading

Zechariah 9:9-10

(The Coming of Zion’s King)

Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion! Shout, Daughter Jerusalem! See, your king comes to you, righteous and victorious, lowly and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. I will take away the chariots from Ephraim and the warhorses from Jerusalem, and the battle bow will be broken. He will proclaim peace to the nations. His rule will extend from sea to sea and from the River to the ends of the earth.

Verse

R: *Because the Sovereign Lord helps me, I will not be disgraced.*

C: Therefore have I set my face like flint, and I know I will not be put to shame. (*Isaiah 50:7*)

(Please rise for the Gospel Reading)

Gospel Announcement

Response: Glory be to Thee, O Lord!

Gospel Reading

Matt 21:1-11,14-17; Mark 11:1-11

Luke 19:29-44; John 12:12-19

Taken from <http://creation-science-prophecy.com/compositeBible/index.html> (Christ’s Triumphal Entry Into Jerusalem As The Messiah)

¹When they drew near to Jerusalem, and came to Bethsphage and Bethany, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, ²saying to them, “Go into the village that is opposite you, and immediately as you enter into it, you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them, and bring them to me. ³¹If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ you shall say, ‘The Lord needs them,’ and immediately he will send them.” ⁶(And) the disciples went, and did just as Jesus commanded them, ³²and

they found things just as he had told them. ³³As they were untying the donkey and colt, its owners said to them, “Why are you untying the donkey and colt?” ³⁴(And) they said, “The Lord needs it.” So they let them go. All this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken through the prophet, saying, ⁵“Don’t be afraid, tell the daughter of Zion, behold, your King comes to you, humble, and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.” ¹²A great multitude had come to the feast. When they heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem,¹³they took the branches of the palm trees, and went out to meet him, ⁸(and) a very great multitude spread their clothes on the road. Others cut branches from the trees, and spread them on the road. ³⁷And then, as he was now getting near, at the descent of the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples who went before him, and who followed began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works which they had seen, ⁹the multitudes were shouting, “Hosanna to the son of David! Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!” ¹⁰Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is coming in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!” ⁴¹When he drew near, he saw the city and wept over it, ⁴²saying, “If you, even you, had known today the things which belong to your peace! But now, they are hidden from your eyes. ⁴³For the days will come on you, when your enemies will throw up a barricade against you, surround you, hem you in on every side, ⁴⁴and will dash you and your children within you to the ground. They will not leave in you one stone on another, because you didn’t know the time of your visitation.” ¹⁰When Jesus had come into Jerusalem, all the city was stirred up, saying, “Who is this?” ¹¹The multitudes said, “This is the prophet, Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee.” ¹⁴The blind and the lame came to him in the temple, and he healed them. ¹⁵But when the chief priests and the scribes saw the wonderful things that he did, and the children who were crying in the temple and saying, “Hosanna to the son of David!” they were indignant, ¹⁶so, some of the Pharisees from the multitude said to him, “Teacher, rebuke your disciples!” “Do you hear what these are saying?” Jesus said to them, “Yes. Did you never read, ‘Out of the mouth of babes and nursing babies you have perfected praise? I tell you that if these were silent, the stones would cry out.’” ¹⁷He left them, and went out of the city to Bethany with the twelve, and lodged there. ¹⁶His disciples didn’t understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things were written about him, and that they had done these things to him. ¹⁷The multitude therefore that was with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb, and raised him from the dead, was testifying about it. ¹⁸For this cause also the multitude went and met him, because they heard that he had done this sign. ¹⁹The Pharisees therefore said among themselves, “See how you accomplish nothing. Behold, the world has gone after him.”

Response: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

(Please be seated)

Sermon Hymn 160

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

- All glory, laud, and honor to Thee, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.
Thou art the King of Israel, Thou David’s royal Son,
Who in the Lord’s name comest, The King and Blessed One.
- All glory, laud, and honor, to Thee, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.
The company of angels are praising Thee on high,
And mortal men and all things created make reply.
- All glory, laud, and honor, to Thee, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.
To Thee, before Thy Passion, they sang their hymns of praise;
To Thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise.

Sermon
Text: Matt 21:1-11,14-17; Mark 11:1-11
Luke 19:29-44; John 12:12-19
“Palms, Politics, Pontius Pilate and the Power of the Cross”
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.

(Please rise for the Doxology)

Doxology Hymn 441
We Give Thee But Thine Own
1. We give Thee but Thine own, what-e’er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from Thee.
2. May we Thy bounties thus, as stewards true receive
And gladly, as Thou blessest us, to Thee our first fruits give!

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 162
Ride On, Ride On, in Majesty
(Favorite hymn of Andrea Schlak)
1. Ride on, ride on, in majesty! Hark! All the tribes hosanna cry.
O Savior meek, pursue Thy road, with palms and scattered garments strowed.
2. Ride on, ride on, in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die.
O Christ, Thy triumphs now begin, O’er captive death and conquered sin.

- 3. Ride on, ride on, in majesty! The angel armies of the sky
Look down with sad and wond’ring eyes to see th’ approaching sacrifice.
- 4. Ride on, ride on, in majesty! Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh;
The Father on His sapphire throne, expects His own anointed Son.

Silent Prayer

Postlude
Redeemer Brass



Sanctuary altar flowers were placed by Lynda Nehan in memory of her father. The Sanctary lectern flowers were placed by Chris and Jamie Thompson. Chapel altar flowers were placed by Kathy Eley in honor of Tom’s birthday.

Altar Guild
Laurie Krentz, Katie Moigis, Julie Nummer, Beth Lanthier, Sandy Pourcho, Cheryl Carr, Asia Maeder, Crissy Bienkowski, Erin Mortenson, Tracey Fish

Acolyte
10:30 - Landon Kerr, Tyler Bassett

Ushers
9:00 - Ken Baetz, captain; Paul Chesna, Cliff Clark, Ray Dobring, Bruce Helmke, Tom Boyce
10:30 - Bob Meyer, captain; Ron Curcio, Matt Pedersen, Jim Staargaard, Orion Pedersen, Brad Baldner, Ryan Teahan

Audio and Video Operators
9:00 - Jim Wingo
10:30 - Jim Endress and David Kiehle

Reader
10:30 - Sharon Tylenda

Greeter
9:00 & 10:30 - High School Mission Team

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Hosanna in the Highest
April 13, 2025
9:00 a.m./10:30 a.m.
Lutheran Church of the Redeemer
1800 W. Maple
Birmingham, Michigan 48009

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your community church

1800 West Maple Road Birmingham, Michigan 48009

Visit us at www.redeemberbirmingham.org for more detailed information.



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WEBSITE

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday, 9:00a.m. - 4:00p.m.
(248) 644-4010 / office@redeemberbirmingham.org

MISSION:
Bringing the love of Christ
to a searching world.

April 13, 2025



holy week

Maundy Thursday, April 17
1p - Chapel; *7p - Sanctuary
Holy Communion at both services

Good Friday, April 18
1p and *7p - Sanctuary
7p is the Tenebrae service

Easter Eve, April 19
5p - Sanctuary

Easter Sunday Services, April 20
7:30a with Holy Communion
9:00a and *10:30a
all Easter services in the Sanctuary

**Holy Week 7p Lenten services and the 10:30a Easter Service will be livestreamed*



Happening TODAY

WORSHIP SERVICES - 8:00, 9:00, and 10:30am

Palm Sunday

8a Redeemer Praise Rehearsal

8:30a Coffee Hour

10:30a Sunday School

10:30a Worship

11:30a Redeemer Brass Rehearsal

3p Langsford Choir Rehearsal

7p RYG

Coffee Hour Hosts:

**Youth Group
North Carolina
Mission Team**



JOIN US
for Fun and Fellowship!

Hallelujah Chorus
Easter morning during 9:00 and 10:30 worship!

We invite you to join the Chancel Choir in singing the 'Hallelujah Chorus' from Handel's Messiah! You will be provided with a copy of the music during the service, or a copy can be obtained in advance by contacting Steve SeGraves.

Easter Egg Hunt - Easter morning after the 10:30am worship Service

Hey Kids, don't forget your Easter Baskets!

Any questions of Children's events, contact Nicole Olds



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.

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 and click on VIMEO/LIVESTREAM.

MONDAY

7:00pm - Chapel

Communion - Monday that falls after 2nd, 4th, & 5th Sunday

REDEEMER NURSERY

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

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Scan the QR code & fill out the online attendance form.



A CLOSER LOOK AT WORSHIP



SPECIAL ATTENTION!

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



What is a Mystery
Prelude?
Scan the QR code to
sign-up!



WAYS TO SERVE

Scan the QR code to visit Redeemer's website.
Click on "WAYS TO SERVE" to explore volunteering
opportunities at church! You can also find sign-up
details on the Town Square bulletin board.



- Be A Reader!
- Be A Greeter!
- Host A Coffee Hour!
- Be An Acolyte Or Cross Bearer!
- Sponsor Altar Flowers!
- Family Ushering

HOST A COFFEE HOUR

Grab your family or friends and HOST a coffee hour in memory of your favorite loved one, or just HOST for FUN! We would love for you to help!!

We have clear instructions and someone who can help you through the process!

Signup on the *Coffee Hour signup* under the *Ways to Serve* option on the church website or on the Town Square Bulletin board.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Sign-up now for either Altar or Lectern flowers in the Sanctuary or the Chapel! Rates are as follows:

- Sanctuary: \$55
- Chapel: \$50
- Lectern: \$45

You can find the sign-up charts on the Town Square bulletin board or online under the "WAYS TO SERVE" box on the church website.

COUNSELING

Redeemer offers Christian Counseling services here at Redeemer. Call Dr. Sandy for more information.
Sandy Pourcho, Ph.D. - 248-568-6040

COMMUNION

If you wish to receive communion in your pew during the church service, **kindly inform one of the ushers before the service starts**, and they will be sure to accommodate your request.



Our Sanctuary has a Hearing Loop to assist those with hearing loss. Users should set their hearing aids to T-coil.

Please see an usher if you have questions or for additional information.

ITTY BITTY BUDDY BAGS!

Welcome to Redeemer, LITTLE ONES! Learn about Jesus while you sit in church with Mommy and Daddy with your very own Itty-Bitty Buddy Bag for tiny tots! Packed with snuggly toys, books, and fun stuff, you can join in, watch, and play during the service! **Don't forget to return the bags to Nicole Olds' office after the fun.** And if you're in the mood for some playtime, we've got a nursery waiting for you with tons of toys!

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!!!



CHURCH EXTENSION FUND

CEF is a long-trusted ministry partner of churches and schools in the Michigan District since 1901 where individuals and congregations can invest their money.

Why Should I Invest at Church Extension Fund?

When an individual or congregation invests at CEF, they help to build churches and schools across Michigan. The invested money is used to make construction or renovation loans to churches, like the CEF loan Redeemer has, that made Sacred Space 2 possible. The interest paid back on those loans helps pay the interest on your investments. Your investment at CEF will build a church, school, or other ministry. When you invest at a bank, you will build another bank building. Your investment at CEF runs into eternity! It's a win-win for everyone! **For more information call Curtis Burstein at 248.320.5100, our Redeemer Representative.**

Updated Interest Rate sheets for April are available around the building.

BIBLE STUDIES

SUNDAYS

New Member Class - Laura Vowell
(Annually in the Fall) - Great Room

Children's Sunday School - Nicole Olds
10:30am - Lower-Level classrooms

RYG (High School) - Gia & Eric
7:00pm - Youth Room

TUESDAYS

Adult Bible Study - Pastor Jimmy - Heroes of the Bible
9:30am - Great Room

Women's Bible Study - Kitty Sweitzer
6:30pm - Great Room (*4th Tuesday starts at 6:00pm)

WEDNESDAYS

Men's Bible Study - Gary Priskorn - Acts
All-Year 6:45-7:30am - Great Room (*Zoom Available)

Positive Parenting - Victoria Ilitch & Kristin Thompson
9:15-10:45am - Great Room

Confirmation Classes - Laura Vowell
6:00-8:00pm - Various Rooms

Core Group (RYG - High School) - Gia Scheidt
6:00-8:00pm - Youth Room

THURSDAYS

Young Adults - Michael Banerian's (3217 Maplewood, RO)
6:30-8:00pm - 1st Thursday of Every Month

Community Bible Study - Andrea Schlak
begins again in Fall 2025
9:30-11:00am - Great Room

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

If you'd like to take a journey and read the Bible, see the Lamp or the back of these announcements for a Bible reading plan.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Men of all ages are invited to join us on Wednesday mornings 6:45-7:30am in the Great Room or via Zoom, as we continue to study the book of Acts. The emphasis of this important book is literally the fulfillment of the Great Commission, describing the founding of the Christian Church and the spread of its message to the Roman Empire. Contact **Gary Priskorn** for further information.

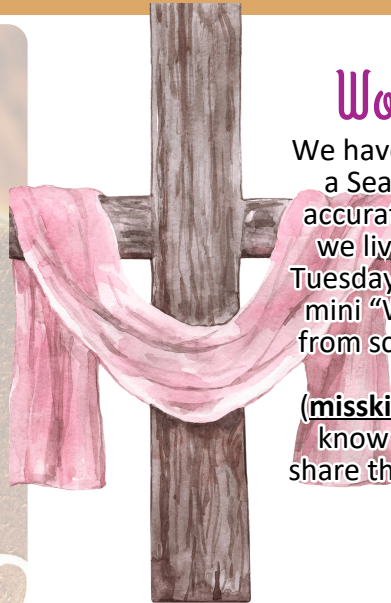
young
adults

BIBLE STUDY: First Thursday of Every Month

MONTHLY SOCIALS AND OUTINGS

CHURCH LUNCHES: Once a Month after Church

TEXT MICHAEL BANERIAN TO LEARN MORE AND GET INVOLVED! (248) 925-7125



Women's Bible Study

We have finished "Don't Give the Enemy a Seat at Your Table".....how timely, accurate and appropriate for the times we live in. Join us for Bible Study this Tuesday, April 15th at 6:30. We will do a mini "Walk to the Cross" with readings from scripture of the last days of Jesus.

Please let Kitty (misskitty@redeemberirmingham.org) know if you would like to attend and share this journey with us. We will save a place for you.

POSITIVE PARENTING

Join us on Wednesday mornings from 9:15-10:45am in the Great Room! We are a group of moms that discuss topics relating to family-life, parenting, and motherhood. We explore a wide-range of books and ideas throughout the year and enjoy conversation, prayer, and community. Nursery care is provided and available on a drop-in basis for younger children. Each session stands alone - we look forward to having you!

Please reach out to Kristin Thompson or Victoria Ilitch with any questions.

Join us in April as we begin to prepare our hearts and homes for summer!

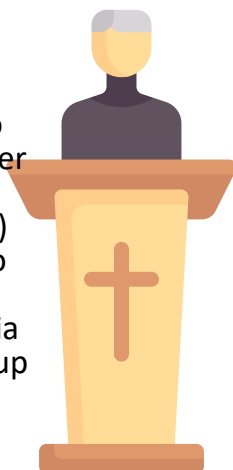
- **April 16th:** NO CLASS - Spring Break
- **April 23rd:** NO CLASS - Spring Break
- **April 30th:** Cook for FOG (Meet in the Kitchen)



New Member Sermon Series!

Redeemer's Spring New Member Session is going to be a little bit different this time... instead of traditional classes with teachers in a classroom, we will have a special sermon series that will review the Lutheran doctrine! All you have to do is let us know you'd like to become an official member of Redeemer (by emailing Gary Priskorn - gpriskorn@redeemberirmingham.org) and then come to church and listen to the sermons. If you miss coming to church, you can watch the recording via Vimeo on the church website to make up the day and learn that doctrine.

Dates are: April 27, May 4, 18, 25, June 8, 15



FAMILY OF GOD

Redeemer cooks and serves at Family of God Soup Kitchen - join us in helping others!

April 14th - RYG cooks and serves

April 30th - Positive Parenting

May 12th - RYG cooks and serves

FEED THE HOMELESS!

Redeemer partners with **Family of God (FOG)**, a **Lutheran Church in southwest Detroit**, that provides meals to those in need 6 days a week! **YOU** can help provide these meals in MANY different ways:

- make bagged lunches,
- prepare frozen meals,
- deliver/serve a meal,
- and shop for items.



You can also donate funds to be used to purchase supplies for the meals with the FOG Sponsorship.

Sign-up to help on the church website under the "Ways to Serve" box or on the Town Square bulletin board.

NOTE: If you are signing up on our website, there is a separate sign up to sponsor a meal (\$100) than there is to plan, shop, cook or serve the meal.

If you are enrolling your child for the first time at Our Shepherd Lutheran School or Lutheran High Northwest and you'd like to find out more about sponsorship, you must make an appointment by mid-April to speak with **Pastor Randy**. Be sure to schedule your appointment as soon as possible!

Parents re-enrolling your children at either Our Shepherd or LHNW for the 2025-2026 school year, please inform **Carrie Morris in the Church Office** as soon as possible.

Thank You
TO MARK LEONETTI
FOR PAINTING THE
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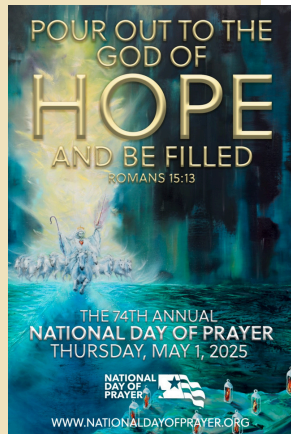


national day of prayer

**POUR OUT TO THE
GOD OF HOPE AND
BE FILLED**

"Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you will abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." Romans 15:13

The annual National Day of Prayer will be held on **Thursday, May 1st**, inviting people to pray for the nation.



**JOIN US in the Chapel at 11:30am
to PRAY with the Nation.**

family night

Join us for a night of fun, entertainment, and baseball!

**FAITH NIGHT UNICORNS VS. MAMMOTHS - FRIDAY, JULY 18TH
FIRST PITCH 7:05PM - GATES OPEN 6:00PM**

LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER SUMMER PICNIC

Group Perks Include:

- Game seating in party patio area
- Group photo on the field
- Welcome message on the scoreboard
- Kids Run the Bases after the game
- Meet JJ the Field General, the bat dog
- Meet & Greet with a team mascot
- Free Parking

Enjoy an All American BBQ!

Premium Hot Dogs, Slow Roasted BBQ Pulled Chicken, Fresh Pasta Salad, Coleslaw, Baked Beans, Potato Chips, and Cookies. *Food is served starting when the gates open for 90 minutes.* Each guest will receive unlimited soft drinks, lemonade, iced tea, and water.

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**Purchase your tickets today!
Contact Nicole
Olds with any questions!**

MUSIC

100th Anniversary Concert Series!
stay tuned for additional concerts throughout the year!

- **Saturday, April 26th** - 7:00pm: Cabaret Dinner, Show, and Silent Auction with the Farmington Chorus (directed by Steve SeGraves - Redeemer Gym)
- **Saturday, May 10th** - 7:00pm: Tim Zimmerman and the Kings Brass Concert (Redeemer Sanctuary)
- **Saturday May 17th** - 7:00pm: Men's Choral Concert featuring the Langsford Men's Chorus (conducted by Steve SeGraves - Redeemer Sanctuary)

★ CABARET DINNER

Saturday, April 26th at 7:00pm Come for a great show and enjoy a delicious Italian-themed dinner, silent auction!

A minimum donation of \$25.00 per-person is requested or reserve a full table (8 people maximum) for a minimum donation of \$250.00. Reserved seating tickets may be purchased in advance by contacting **Sally Flayer (248.613-2623 saflayer@comcast.net)**. Reserved seats will be sold on a first come first served basis. If the event sells out, there will not be at-the-door sales.

Please order your tickets early - we hope you'll join us!
When making your reservation, please indicate any special dietary requirements.

Mother's Day Men's Choir



If you are a man at Redeemer and you can sing, please plan to join in with several other men in our annual Mother's Day Men's Choir, as we honor our wives and mothers, and all mothers when we sing together on Sunday, May 12th. Rehearsals are from 7:30pm – 8pm every Wednesday night. See Lamp for more details.



Come join the
Redeemer Brass Band

to celebrate **Frühlingsfest**
(Spring Oktoberfest) in May at Kuhnhehn,
5919 Chicago Rd, Warren.
See Pastor Jimmy for dates, times and questions.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY



Our Chicks with Sticks love to knit and share their expertise with others so if you would like to make a scarf, hat, blanket or other item for the less fortunate, homeless or infant in need please plan on joining us every first and third Thursday of the month. Our next date is **April 24, May 8, 22 at 1:00 in the library.** See you there!

WOMEN'S BOOK GROUP



"A Thousand Tomorrows" by Karen Kingsbury is our choice for a good read and an even better discussion - join us on Tuesday, April 22nd at 7:30pm in the Town Square! Cody Gunner and Ali Daniels both ride in the Pro Rodeo Tour hiding a secret. Cody, a bull rider, is trying to rid himself of the anger he feels toward his father for leaving their family because his brother, Carl Joseph, has

Down syndrome. Ali, a barrel racer with cystic fibrosis, wants to live life to the fullest since the death of her sister, also from cystic fibrosis, even though it means shortening hers. One evening, after her run, Cody finds Ali struggling to catch her breath and he ministers to her. Out of that moment comes a friendship which soon turns to love and the sacrifice it brings. Karen Kingsbury has a unique writing style - the words flow easily, with no mistakes in editing. Join us for a good discussion and even better fellowship!

PRIME TIME MINISTRY

MOUNT EVEREST TRAGEDY - A TIME TO LIVE...A TIME TO DIE

Everyone is encouraged to mark your calendar for the next Primer Timer event, scheduled **Sunday, May 4th at 6:00pm**. Please join us for a very special and moving presentation in our Sanctuary by **Redeemer member and renowned mountain climber, Lou Kasischke**. Lou was part of a Mount Everest climbing expedition in 1996, one which turned out to be the worst tragedy in Mount Everest's history. His intriguing and inspirational story is one you won't want to miss!

A question/answer session will follow Lou's presentation, along with refreshments in the Town Square. More details to come in April's Lamp!

WEDNESDAY LUNCH AND WORSHIP

All are invited to join us as we resume "Wednesday Lunch & Worship" on May 21, our 3rd Wednesday of the month gathering at 12 noon in the Great Room. We'll be serving a delicious meal. After the meal we'll move to the chapel at 1:00 p.m. for a brief worship service with Holy Communion. Please call the church office (248-644-4010) if you plan to join us for lunch. Also, if you are in need of transportation, let the office know and we'll do our best to assist. Questions?

Contact Gary
Priskorn at the number above, ext. 123.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Scamper Camps 2025!

Programming is open to children who are 2-years old (as of January 1st, 2025) through 5-years old. Once kids have gone off to kindergarten, they are too old to come back. Contact Nicole Olds with any questions!



Vacation Bible School is back for 2025 and is taking place June 16-20!



Magnified! Discovering the BIGNESS of God in the SMALLEST of things!

REGISTER NOW!

Use the QR code to Register.
ALREADY 200 KIDS REGISTERED!



CALLING ALL BAKERS!

VBS provides snacks for the kiddos attending, but the teens and adults that volunteer their time love a little something, too!

Please consider providing a snack (bagels, baked goods, chips/pretzels, fruit/veggies, etc.) for our hard workers. Please sign-up online via the church's Sign-Up Genius to volunteer to bring something in. Thank you for your help!



WE NEED YOU!

Who doesn't LOVE VBS?! We are looking for adults of all ages to help with this incredible week of fun! Teachers, classroom helpers, craft workers, and kitchen sous-chefs are all needed - please consider volunteering!

Please sign-up online via the church's Sign-Up Genius to volunteer in the kitchen or craft area. Interested in teaching? Please reach out to Nicole Olds.

Thank you for making this week possible for our kiddos!

MEN'S MINISTRY

WHO WANTS TO BOCCE?!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Our 15th annual "Fred Hollis Memorial Bocce Ball Tournament" will be on **Wednesday, May 14th!**



Guys of all ages are cordially invited to join us for some great fellowship starting at **6:00pm on Wednesday, May 14th!** Thank you to the Hollis Ladies for - again! - hosting at the Hollis' Home. A meal of chicken shawarma and side dishes will be served from 6:00-6:45pm with bocce ball to follow. There will also be a Bean Bag Toss (Cornhole) "course" set-up for individual competition while waiting for your next round of Bocce!

There is no charge for the evening - a freewill donation will be received. Please sign-up by May 11th on the Town Square bulletin board. Questions? Contact Gary Priskorn.



Redeemer KAMP 2025

Kampers will ARRIVE on **SUNDAY, AUGUST 3RD** and LEAVE Kamp on **SATURDAY, AUGUST 9TH!**

Redeemer Summer Kamp is a week-long sleepaway camp for kids entering 3rd-9th grade. Please visit our website to read more about our Kamp mission, camp facilities, and staff.

• Registration is open to everyone!

If you have any questions about Kamp, please review our Registration Page and Kamp FAQs on the church website. If you still have questions, please send us an email (redeemerkamp@gmail.com).



CONFIRMATION DATES TO REMEMBER

YEAR 3

Saturday, May 3rd at 10am: Confirmation Day
Be sure to check out May's Lamp for all of our Confirmand bios!

RYG-HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH

"redeemer_y00th"

ALWAYS CHECK INSTAGRAM FOR ANY SCHEDULE CHANGES



Sunday, April 13th:

9:00am: Mission-Team Sponsored Coffee Hour

Meet in the Kitchen

7:00-9:00pm: Youth Group

Meet in the Youth Room

Monday, April 14th: FOG, 5:00-8:00pm

Meet in the Kitchen

Wednesday, April 16th: Core Group, 6:00-8:00pm

Meet in the Youth Room

Sunday, April 20th: *NO MEETING - HAPPY EASTER!*

Sunday, April 27th:

10:30am: RYG Ushers for Worship Service

Meet in the Sanctuary

7:00-9:00pm: Youth Group

Meet in the Youth Room

HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT CHURCH...

14 MON

5p RYG Family of God (FOG)
7p Worship
8p Al Anon
8p Love of Life

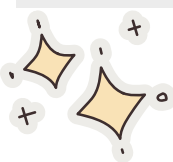


15 TUES

9:30a Tuesday Morning Bible Study
6:30p Redeemer Pickup Basketball
6:30p Women's Bible Study

16 WED

9a Westmaple Easter Party
6p RYG Core Group



17 THURS

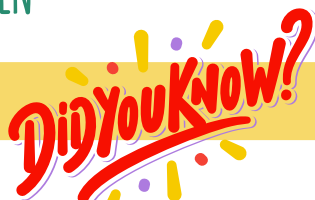
1p Maundy Thursday Worship
7p Maundy Thursday Worship

18 FRI

1p Good Friday Worship
7p Good Friday Worship

19 SAT

5p Easter Eye Service



100TH ANNIVERSARY

THIS MONTH WE ARE CELEBRATING YOUTH MINISTRIES

In 1977, Kid Kat Kamp had 44 campers. The program budget was \$5,013, with 81% of the cost going directly to Camp Skyline. The budget also included one campership (scholarship), \$10 for curriculum material, \$100 for safety training and supplies, and \$400 total for salaries for four administrative staff and ten counselors. Program costs were partially covered by a fundraiser selling garbage bags, which raised \$359



**YOU'RE
INVITED**

100th Anniversary
of Faith and
Family

On June 1, 2025 following the 10:30 service we will celebrate our 100th anniversary of faith and family at Redeemer. A delicious brunch will be served catered by Nino Salvaggio which guarantees a delicious meal for all ages. Included is a kid-friendly side menu and table activities for the little ones! A free will donation is deeply appreciated and a ticket (free) is essential to ensure a seat at the table and enough everything for all. Stop by the Town Square during coffee hour to pick up your tickets, register your seats. In the event you have to cancel you can return your tickets to Redeemer for some one else to use. Email/call Kitty and she will put tickets for you and yours in the box outside her office door. "Generation to Generation" – that's us! Looking forward to sharing the time with you!

*A free will donation shared now or at the brunch
is deeply appreciated!*

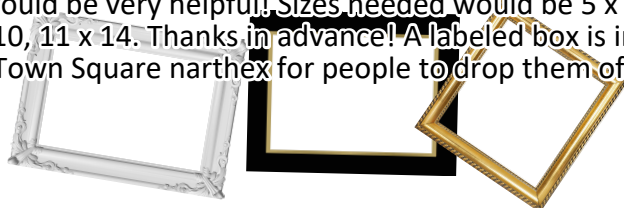
"GENERATION TO GENERATION"

HOLY HISTORY DISPLAY PANELS located in the Town Square!

We hope you enjoy the Holy History display panels as they change each month to highlight each ministry of Redeemer. This month we are celebrating Youth Ministries.

REQUEST FROM THE HOLY HISTORY COMMITTEE:

If anyone has Black, Silver or Gold picture frames that they would like to donate to the history committee it would be very helpful! Sizes needed would be 5 x 7, 8 x 10, 11 x 14. Thanks in advance! A labeled box is in the Town Square narthex for people to drop them off.



ASK ME ABOUT...

During our anniversary year, you will see our church staff and volunteers wearing buttons that invite you to ask them about our vast array of ministries here at Redeemer.

*Please ask them questions -
they are very excited to share!*



GLEN EDEN MEMORIAL PARK - Redeemer Columbarium

You should have received a letter in the mail highlighting the Glen Eden Memorial Park - Redeemer Columbarium. If you would like more information on Redeemer's Columbarium, you will find brochures located around the building. You can also call Glen Eden directly at 248.477.4460.

PRAYER & PRAISE LIST

For those grieving the loss of a loved one:

- For the family and friends of Helga Compagnia, who was called to her heavenly home.

For those with health concerns:

- Jason Sizeland, David Bastian's nephew
- Adam Camden
- Sam Kennedy, brother of Tim Kennedy
- Hugh Livingston, friend of Tom Boyce
- Midge Elkins
- Anita Manino
- Terry Roberts
- Missy Mazur, friend of the congregation
- Ron Pflieger
- Sue Sack
- Norm and Barb Morrell
- Amy Wargelin
- Pastor Ron Farah
- Myrna Orava
- Carol Wargelin

for those in Hospice Care:

- Etta Unruh

Special Petitions:

- For all those who are serving in the military, police & firefighters.
- President Trump 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.
- A man going through legal and medical problems.

Prayers of Thanksgiving:

- For those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries
- For the baptism of Zachary Darvin Bowers and Molly Jean Bowers, daughter of Zachary and Stephanie (Schlak) Bowers who were baptized yesterday.

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.

PLEASE NOTE: If you would like to be notified when a Congregation member is called to their heavenly home, please email the church office at office@redeemberirmingham.org and we will add you to our email list.

Baptism



In honor of the baptism of **Molly Jean Bowers**, a \$50 donation in her name has been made to Care Net Pregnancy Center of Berkley. Care Net Pregnancy Center exists to present the Gospel of Jesus Christ and communicate Biblical truth regarding sexuality and the sanctity of human life. To find out more about Care Net and the ministry they provide and ways you can help, call (248) 545-6411 or carenetberkley.com. Also, by the generous donation in memory of Rosa Stauffer, a few drops of water from the Jordan River have been added to the baptismal water.

CHURCH LEADERSHIP

BOARD OF ELDERS MEETINGS

May 28
July 23

LEADERSHIP TEAM MEETINGS

May 14
June 11

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THIS WEEK'S BIBLE READINGS FROM "READING THE BIBLE IN A YEAR"

April 13

Joshua 7:16-9:2
Luke 16:1-18
Psalm 82:1-8
Proverbs 13:2-3

April 14

Joshua 9:3-10:43
Luke 16:19-17:10
Psalm 83:1-18
Proverbs 13:4

April 15

Joshua 11:1-12:24
Luke 17:11-37
Psalm 84:1-12
Proverbs 13:5-6

April 16

Joshua 13:1-14:15
Luke 18:1-17
Psalm 85:1-13
Proverbs 13:7-8

April 17

Joshua 15:1-63
Luke 18:18-43
Psalm 86:1-17
Proverbs 13:9-10

April 18

Joshua 16:1-18:28
Luke 19:1-27
Psalm 87:1-7
Proverbs 13:11

April 19

Joshua 19:1-20:9
Luke 19:28-48
Psalm 88:1-18
Proverbs 13:12-14

