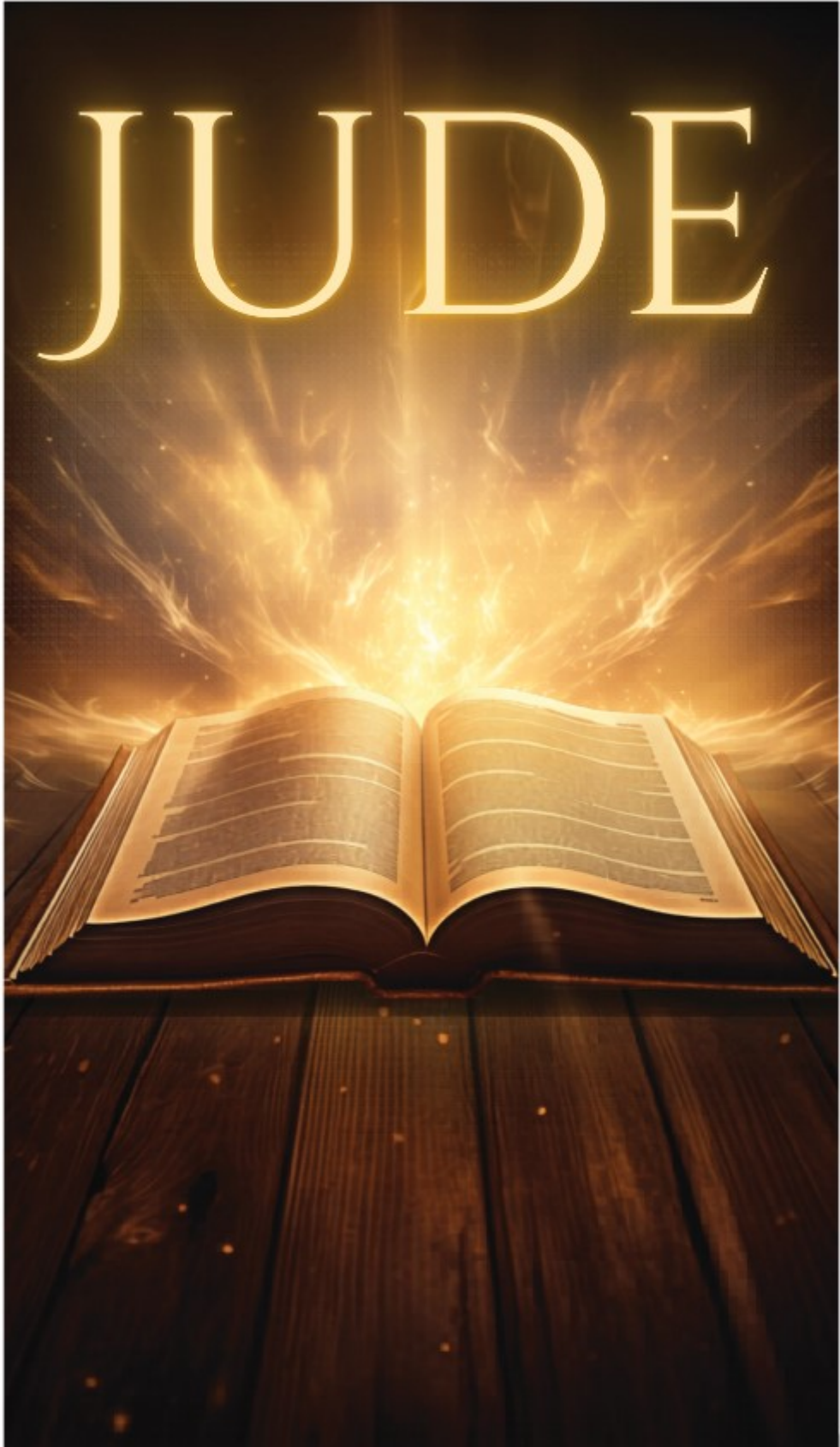


JUDE

An open book lies on a dark wooden floor. From the center of the open pages, a brilliant, golden-yellow light bursts forth, resembling a divine fire or a powerful spiritual illumination. The light spreads upwards and outwards, creating a dramatic, ethereal atmosphere. The pages of the book are visible, showing some text, though it is not legible. The overall scene is set against a dark, textured background, possibly a night sky or a dark interior.

June 7, 2026
9:00am / 10:30am

Lutheran Church of the Redeemer
1800 West Maple
Birmingham, Michigan 48009

ORDER OF WORSHIP
June 7, 2026 – 9:00am and 10:30am
Second Sunday After Pentecost
Theme: Contending for the Faith

As We Gather

This letter was written by Jude, or more accurately “Judah,” according to the pronunciation of his name in Greek (Loudas) and Hebrew (Yehudah). He was one of Jesus’ four brothers named in the gospel accounts (Matt. 13:55; Mark 6:3). None of them followed Jesus as the Messiah before his death (John 7:5), but they all became his disciples once they saw him risen from the dead (1 Corinthians 15:7). All of these brothers became leaders in the first Jewish Christian communities, with Judah acting as a traveling teacher and missionary (1 Corinthians 9:5).

Prayer Before Worship

Lord, if anyone in our lives doesn’t know You as a Savior, we ask that You send Your Spirit to draw them to the Father. We are vessels – use us for Your service, grant us the words to say, the courage to boldly proclaim the Gospel, and grace and mercy for those who mock or persecute us. Give us discernment to distinguish Your Truth from those who engage in lies. May we easily recognize those sent to deceive and cause doubt and confusion among the people. Forgive us when we fall short. Help us to be more like You today, show love to all, and extend grace and mercy. In Jesus’ Name, Amen.

If you wish to join us at the Lord’s Table, please read this Communion information. If you share our beliefs regarding the Lord’s Supper, we welcome you to our altar.

- + I believe that Jesus Christ is my only Lord and Savior from all sin, Satan and death.**
- + I believe that Christ is really present in the Sacrament and that with the bread and wine I receive His true Body and Blood.**
- + I resolve to dedicate my life to my Lord and Savior in His Body, the Church, by regular worship and devoted Christian service and living.**

Prelude

Rick Helderop, *Organist*

Opening Hymn 262 - 9:00am

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

1. A mighty Fortress is our God, a trusty Shield and Weapon;
He helps us free from ev’ry need that hath us now o’ertaken.
The old evil Foe now means deadly woe;
Deep guile and great might are his dread arms in fight;
On earth is not his equal.
2. With might of ours can naught be done, soon were our loss effected;
But for us fights the Valiant One, whom God himself elected.
Ask ye, Who is this? Jesus Christ it is,
Of Sabaoth Lord, and there’s none other God;
He holds the field forever.

3. Tho' devils all the world should fill, all eager to devour us,
We tremble not, we fear no ill, they shall not overpow'r us.
This world's prince may still scowl fierce as he will,
He can harm us none, He's judged; the deed is done;
One little word can fell him.

Song of Praise! - 10:30am

Great is Thy Faithfulness/Beginning to End

1. Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.
2. Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above,
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Chorus:

*Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided –
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

Refrain:

*Beginning to end, my life in Your hands. Great! Great is Your faithfulness.
You never let go. This one thing I know. Great! Great is Your faithfulness.*

3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! ***Chorus***

Repeat Refrain and Chorus

Order of Service for Holy Communion

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

C: ***Amen.***

P: *Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord.*

C: ***Who made heaven and earth.***

P: *I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.*

C: ***And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.***

P&C: ***O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto Thee all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended Thee and justly deserved Thy temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray Thee of Thy boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.***

P: Upon this your confession, I, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Children's Message

Old Testament Reading

Numbers 16:28-34

(Korah)

Then Moses said, "This is how you will know that the Lord has sent me to do all these things and that it was not my idea: If these men die a natural death and suffer the fate of all mankind, then the Lord has not sent me. But if the Lord brings about something totally new, and the earth opens its mouth and swallows them, with everything that belongs to them, and they go down alive into the realm of the dead, then you will know that these men have treated the Lord with contempt." As soon as he finished saying all this, the ground under them split apart and the earth opened its mouth and swallowed them and their households, and all those associated with Korah, together with their possessions. They went down alive into the realm of the dead, with everything they owned; the earth closed over them, and they perished and were gone from the community. At their cries, all the Israelites around them fled, shouting, "The earth is going to swallow us too!"

Epistle Reading

Jude

Jude, a servant of Jesus Christ and a brother of James, To those who have been called, who are loved in God the Father and kept for Jesus Christ: Mercy, peace and love be yours in abundance. Dear friends, although I was very eager to write to you about the salvation we share, I felt compelled to write and urge you to contend for the faith that was once for all entrusted to God's holy people. For certain individuals whose condemnation was written about long ago have secretly slipped in among you. They are ungodly people, who pervert the grace of our God into a license for immorality and deny Jesus Christ our only Sovereign and Lord. Though you already know all this, I want to remind you that the Lord at one time delivered his people out of Egypt, but later destroyed those who did not believe. And the angels who did not keep their positions of authority but abandoned their proper dwelling – these he has kept in darkness, bound with everlasting chains for judgment on the great Day. In a similar way, Sodom and Gomorrah and the surrounding towns gave themselves up to sexual immorality and perversion. They serve as an example of those who suffer the punishment of eternal fire. In the very same way, on the strength of their dreams these ungodly people pollute their own bodies, reject authority and heap abuse on celestial beings. But even the archangel Michael, when he was disputing with the devil about the body of Moses, did not himself dare to condemn him for slander but said, "The Lord rebuke you!" Yet these people slander whatever they do not understand, and the very things they do understand by instinct – as irrational animals do – will destroy them. Woe to them! They have taken the way of Cain; they have rushed for profit into Balaam's error; they have been destroyed in Korah's rebellion. These people are blemishes at your love feasts, eating with you without the slightest qualm –

shepherds who feed only themselves. They are clouds without rain, blown along by the wind; autumn trees, without fruit and uprooted – twice dead. They are wild waves of the sea, foaming up their shame; wandering stars, for whom blackest darkness has been reserved forever. Enoch, the seventh from Adam, prophesied about them: “See, the Lord is coming with thousands upon thousands of his holy ones to judge everyone, and to convict all of them of all the ungodly acts they have committed in their ungodliness, and of all the defiant words ungodly sinners have spoken against him.” These people are grumblers and faultfinders; they follow their own evil desires; they boast about themselves and flatter others for their own advantage. But, dear friends, remember what the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ foretold. They said to you, “In the last times there will be scoffers who will follow their own ungodly desires.” These are the people who divide you, who follow mere natural instincts and do not have the Spirit. But you, dear friends, by building yourselves up in your most holy faith and praying in the Holy Spirit, keep yourselves in God’s love as you wait for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ to bring you to eternal life. Be merciful to those who doubt; save others by snatching them from the fire; to others show mercy, mixed with fear – hating even the clothing stained by corrupted flesh. To him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you before his glorious presence without fault and with great joy – to the only God our Savior be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and forevermore! Amen.

Response: Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!

Gospel Announcement

Response: Glory be to Thee, O Lord!

Gospel Reading

Mark 3:20-22

(Jesus’ Family Does Not Believe Him)

Then Jesus entered a house, and again a crowd gathered, so that he and his disciples were not even able to eat. When his family heard about this, they went to take charge of him, for they said, “He is out of his mind.” And the teachers of the law who came down from Jerusalem said, “He is possessed by Beelzebul! By the prince of demons he is driving out demons.”

Response: Praise be to Thee, O Christ!

Sermon Hymn 370

My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

1. My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus’ blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, But wholly lean on Jesus’ name.
On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand.
2. When darkness veils His lovely face, I rest on His unchanging grace;
In ev’ry high and stormy gale My anchor holds within the veil.
On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand.

“Hey Jude – Don’t Let Me Down!”
Rev. Randall J. Schlak

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.

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 Red Hymnal and the Psalms beginning on page 123.

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

Communion Liturgy

The Lord’s Prayer

P: *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;*
C: **For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

The Words of Institution (spoken by the Pastor)

The Pax Domini

P: *The peace of the Lord be with you always!*
C: **Amen.**

The Agnus Dei

O Christ Thou Lamb of God,
that takest away the sin of the world,
have mercy upon us.
O Christ Thou Lamb of God,
that takest away the sin of the world,
have mercy upon us.
O Christ Thou Lamb of God,
that takest away the sin of the world,
grant us Thy peace. Amen.

The Distribution of Holy Communion

*For prayers before and after receiving the Sacrament, see pages 118-119 in the Red Hymnal. Communion wine is dark in color, grape juice is light. It is in the individual cup trays in the glass cups allowing for each member to grab their own wine cup. **If you would like to receive a gluten-free wafer or desire the common cup, at the appropriate time, raise your pointer finger.***

Communion Anthem

9:00am

Mike Lapinski, *Saxophone*

Amazing Grace

10:30am

Redeemer Praise

King of Kings – Hillsong

The Nunc Dimittis

Red Hymnal – Page 29

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word,
For mine eyes have seen Thy salvation:
Which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people,
A Light to lighten the Gentiles and the Glory of Thy people Israel.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and every shall be,
World without end, Amen.

Benediction and Response: Amen! Amen! Amen!

Closing Hymn 123

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

(Favorite Hymn of Paul Chesna and Greg Merryman)

1. Our God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast, And our eternal home!
2. Under the shadow of Thy throne Thy saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is Thine arm alone, And our defense is sure.
3. Before the hills in order stood Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting Thou art God, to endless years the same.

Silent Prayer

Postlude

Rick Helderop, *Organist*

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Sanctuary Altar, Lectern, and Chapel Altar Flowers are all placed by Kathy Shohfi in loving memory of her beloved husband and dear family members.

Altar Guild

Kaki Mammel, Corinne Chesna, Jane Zehnder, Kris Ortale,
Jamie Burstein, Ann Marie Violante, Susan Laramie, Rosemary Scheidt,
Linda Hauschulz, Sandy Springer, Crissy Bienkowski

Audio and Video Operators

9:00am - Jim Endress
10:30am - David Hardoin and Mike Lapinski

Elders Assisting with Communion

9:00am - Matt Pedersen and Eric Stein
10:30am - Carter Ortale, Matt Pedersen, and Eric Stein

Greeters

9:00am - Ryan Miller, and The SeGraves Family
10:30am - The Rettray Family, and The Vowell Family

Reader

9:00am & 10:30am - Pam Dundas

Ushers

9:00am - Ken Baetz, *Captain*; Tom Boyce, Paul Chesna,
Cliff Clark, Ray Dobring, Bruce Helmke
10:30am - Karl Bushuiakovish, *Captain*; Greg Bloom, Jacob Imhoff,
Ben Kamm, Scott Kamm, Brian May, John Mills

Lutheran Church of the Redeemer

your community church

1800 West Maple Road Birmingham, Michigan 48009

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

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday, 9:00am - 4:00pm

(248) 644-4010 / office@redeemberbirmingham.org

June 7, 2026



**SCAN FOR
WEBSITE**

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

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 - The Chapel of Mary
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 - The Chapel of Mary
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 and 10:30am Sunday worship services. You are welcome to bring your infant/child to the nursery at any time during the service.



SUNDAY FAMILY PLAYTIME!

Looking for a simple way to connect with other families at church? **Join us in the Gym each Sunday from 10:00-10:25am for open play and fellowship.** Kids can burn off some energy while parents connect and visit. We'd love to see you there for a little extra Sunday morning fun!

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

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



ATTENTION PLEASE!

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 during worship.

Thank you for your cooperation.
Redeemer Board of Elders and Pastors

MONDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP IS BACK!

Join us this summer on Monday evenings for fellowship!

Fellowship includes light dinner, dessert, and refreshments.

Meet at 6:30pm outside the Chapel, and stay for worship at 7:00pm. We hope to see you there!

Laura Vowell and Family Life and Outreach Ministry is hosting on Monday, June 15th.

Join us for a Hot Dog Picnic!
Grilled Hot Dogs - French Fries
Summer Salad - Watermelon - Dessert



DAD'S AND GRAD'S SUNDAY!

All 2026 high school and college graduates are invited to receive a blessing at our "Dads & Grads" celebration on **Father's Day - Sunday, June 21st** during the 10:30am worship service. If you can attend, please email or text **Gia Scheidt** (gscheidt@gmail.com or 248-520-6407).



ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING!

Be sure to join us for our annual Congregational Meeting, scheduled for **NEXT SUNDAY, JUNE 14TH** immediately following 10:30am worship - meet in the Sanctuary!



JOIN REDEEMER AT THE BALLPARK!

FAITH NIGHT AT UWM FIELD
(formerly Jimmy John's Field)

Friday, July 17th
(gates open at 6pm)

TICKETS INCLUDE:

- BBQ dinner
- unlimited soft drinks
- seating in patio area
- parking
- fireworks
- kids run the bases
- meet & greet team mascots
- meet JJ the bat dog

\$40 PER TICKET
*ages 3 & under are FREE!

Redeemer is heading to a ball game this summer - join us at UWM Field on Friday, July 17th! Enjoy an All American BBQ before the game, plus fun activities for the whole family - tickets including the meal are \$40/person.

Contact Nicole Olds with questions, or sign-up using the QR Code!



HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT CHURCH...

8 MON	9 TUES	10 WED	11 THURS	12 FRI
VBS PREP WEEK				
5p RYG Serves at ROG 6:30p Monday Night Fellowship 7p Worship 7:30p Al Anon 7:30p Love of Life		6:45a Men's Bible 11a Pathways 6p RYG Core Group 7:15p Leadership Team Meeting 8p The Patriarch Study Group	6:30a BNI 7p VBS Teen Meeting	
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A CLOSER LOOK AT WORSHIP

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 we will be sure to accommodate your request.

ALL paper sign-up sheets in the Town Square are located behind the coffee hour station in the hallway near the coatroom! Come see how you can get involved!

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



*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!
- Acolyte or Cross Bear!
- Sponsor Altar Flowers!
- Family Ushering



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.

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!!!

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 have clear instructions and someone who can help you through the process! Sign-up on the Coffee Hour Sign-Up under the Ways to Serve option on the church website or on the Town Square Bulletin board.

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!

SUPPORT OUR SPECIAL SEASON OF GIVING

The success of our Sacred Space project has created a strong foundation for Redeemer's ministry, community, and spiritual growth, positively impacting us in many ways. We are blessed that 85% of Sacred Space expenses were accomplished through this congregation's generosity, with the remaining costs covered by a \$1.2M loan due in May 2027. We ask that you prayerfully consider helping us pay-off this loan through lump-sum gifts or increased weekly giving during a year-long special season of giving. We extend a heartfelt thank you in advance to all who feel called and able to support this initiative. Let's ensure that our next century of ministry can be focused on a sharing of our faith, not our debt.

Ways to Give



- Give online via the church website under Church Giving and select the Sacred Space Fund for your donation.
- Checks: Please submit in a separate envelope from weekly giving and identify the envelope and/or check as Sacred Space.
- Scan the QR Code and select the Sacred Space Fund.



NEW
UPDATE

PATHWAYS: GRIEF AND LOSS SUPPORT GROUP

Pathways, Redeemer's grief and loss support group, will continue to meet through early June. Come join us to learn skills and acquire loving comfort and support while adjusting to your life change and the new journey God has set before you. Bring a friend, all are welcome!

Our final meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 10th before we break for the summer - please join us in the Library at 11:00am.

Any questions, feel free to call Dr. Sandy Pourcho (248-568-6040), Redeemer's Resident Counselor.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Tiffany Florist provides beautiful flowers to the church each week for worship, sponsored by congregation members. Rates are as follows:

**Sanctuary: \$75 - Chapel: \$55
Lectern: \$35**

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

***NOTE: Sanctuary and Lectern flowers can be taken home after 10:30am worship on Sunday, and Chapel flowers after Monday night worship. Arrangements that are not claimed by Wednesday of each week will be donated to a local nursing home.**



SECURITY UPDATE!



In our on-going effort to ensure the safety of our people at Redeemer, please note the following security updates for Sunday worship:

- Following the 8:00am worship service, the Chapel and Westmaple doors will be locked.
- To access the church for 9:00am and 10:30am worship, please use the Town Square and Narthex doors (front of church in circle drive).

We know this will be an inconvenience for some, but our goal is to make our building more secure for the safety of those coming to worship.

COUNSELING SERVICES

Redeemer offers Christian Counseling services here at Redeemer. Call Dr. Sandy for more information.

Sandy Pourcho, Ph.D. - 248-568-6040

CHURCH LEADERSHIP

LEADERSHIP TEAM MEETINGS

June 10
July 8

BOARD OF ELDERS MEETINGS

July 22

MISSIONS AND OUTREACH

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.



JOIN CAMP RESTORE DETROIT ON THE THIRD SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH FOR A SERVICE DAY!

People of all ages are welcome - individuals, families, and groups - come alone or gather your loved ones!

Some things to know beforehand...

- Volunteers will serve from 9:30am-3:00pm.
- Bring a sack lunch and a refillable water bottle.
- Dress for the work and the weather. Some projects may be outside.

For more information, contact Tanya Karn at tanya@camprestore.org or 313-636-4422 ex.1.

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

Stay tuned for upcoming opportunities to cook and serve!



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.

JOIN US FOR PRAYER!

JOIN REDEEMER'S NEW PRAYER GROUP!
We meet the 1st and 3rd Friday of each month, 12:00-1:00pm in the Church Library or via Zoom.

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING UPDATES TO OUR SUMMER MEETING SCHEDULE

- Friday, June 19th - Zoom Only (VBS Week at Church)
- Friday, July 3rd - NO MEETING - Happy 4th of July!
- Friday, July 17th - Meet in-person in the Library OR via Zoom

Need more information or have additional questions?
Please contact Cheryl Carr (cherylcarr1222@yahoo.com) or Sue Helderop (sue.helderop@gmail.com).

LCMS DISTRICT JOB OPENING

The English District of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod is seeking a full-time Administrative Assistant to the District President/Bishop. This position is available immediately in the Farmington office. ***A full job description can be found on the Town Square bulletin board.*** Anyone interested in learning more about this position can contact the English District office: 1-248-476-0039 or submit resume and cover letter to info@englishdistrict.org

Qualifications: Experienced Administrative Assistant with a strong knowledge of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod structure and operations, excellent computer and organizational skills, and ability to manage competing priorities and deadlines. Must be self-motivated, well-organized, detail-focused, and team-oriented.

CURRENT BIBLE STUDIES

SUNDAYS

New Member Class - Laura Vowell
9:00-10:00am - Great Room - **Starting next fall!**

Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study - Kyle Chuhran
10:00am (after 9:00am worship) - Scheidt Room
Currently on break!

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

Redeemer Youth Group (RYG - High School)
Gia Scheidt and Eric Wisniewski
7:00-9:00pm - Youth Room

MONDAYS

Moms in the Word - Crissy Bienkowski
9:15-10:45am - Library

TUESDAYS

Adult Bible Study - Pastor Jimmy
9:30am - Great Room (**Zoom Available**)
Currently on break!

Women's Bible Study - Kitty Sweitzer
6:30pm - Great Room - **Currently on break!**

WEDNESDAYS

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

Positive Parenting - Victoria Ilitch
9:15-10:45am - Great Room
Childcare Available* - *Currently on break!

Confirmation Classes (6th, 7th, 8th Grade) -
Laura Vowell - 6:00-8:00pm
Various Rooms - **Currently on break!**

Young Adults
Ryan Teahan (248-977-8015) - Library
6:30-8:00pm - First Wednesday of Every Month

RYG Core Group (High School)
Gia Scheidt and Eric Wisniewski
7:00-9:00pm - Youth Room

The Patriarchs
Brandon Movitz (248-421-9226)
8:00-9:00pm - Great Room
Life Group/Study Group - Alternating Weeks

THURSDAYS

Community Bible Study - Andrea Schlak
9:30-11:00am - Great Room - **Currently on break!**

If you'd like to take a journey and read the Bible, see the Lamp or the weekly announcements for a Bible reading plan. For more information on a particular study, contact the Church Office!

SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDIES!

In-home gatherings are people committed to growing together spiritually, caring for and ministering to one another, reaching others with the love of Jesus and, ultimately, sharing life victories and challenges.

Talk to Pastor Randy if you are interested in joining or starting a Small Group!

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Men of all ages are invited to join us on Wednesday mornings from 6:45-7:30am in the Great Room or via Zoom. As we move into spring, we will continue to study the book of Genesis. In addition to our study and great fellowship among the guys, we enjoy some delicious goodies, juice, and coffee. Contact Gary Priskorn with any questions or for the Zoom information. We hope you'll join us!

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Blessings and love to the Women's Tuesday Night Bible Class! We have wrapped up our studies for the year and will be on break until the fall, but keep an eye on announcements - we may have the opportunity for a few "pop-up studies" throughout the summer!

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Thank you to everyone who joined Pastor Jimmy's Tuesday morning Bible study this year! We are now on break for the summer - stay tuned to August's announcements to learn more about our fall study! Have a wonderful summer!

MOMS IN THE WORD STUDY

Moms in the Word will continue to meet during the summer, **but we will be taking the next two weeks off - no meeting on June 8th or 15th!** We will reconvene for our summer series, "The Prophets," on June 22nd - we hope you'll join us! See you in a few weeks at 9:15am in the Library!

POSITIVE PARENTING!

Thank you to all of the wonderful participants who helped make Positive Parenting such a success this year! We will be breaking for the summer months, but hope you have a wonderful summer with your families and kiddos - we'll see you in September!

THE PATRIARCHS

We are a group of husbands, fathers of school-aged children, and soon-to-be dads with a goal of growing in our faith, building a strong community of Christian men, and discussing how we can better lead our families in faith with strength and humility. The Patriarchs now offer two groups, providing an opportunity to meet each week:

Patriarchs Life Group: Focused on applying faith in everyday life and building community with other Christian husbands and fathers of young children.

MEETS: JUNE 10, 24; JULY 8

Patriarchs Study Group: An opportunity to grow in faith through Scripture and Christian books, learning and deepening understanding together.

MEETS: JUNE 17; JULY 1, 15

Come when you can, drop-ins welcome! Questions? Contact **Brandon Movitz** (248-421-9226).

COMMUNITY BIBLE STUDY

Thank you to everyone who attended Community Bible Study this winter, and to everyone who came out for our special one-off study with Rabbi Jerry! We had a great turnout and learned a lot about the temple in the Old and New Testaments!

Community Bible Study will be on break through the summer. Enjoy the warmer months, and please stay tuned to updates in August when we'll announce next fall's topic!

REDEEMER YOUNG ADULTS

MONTHLY CHURCH LUNCHES
SOCIALS AND OUTINGS! Once a Month after Church
Contact Ryan Teahan (248-977-8015)
to learn more and get involved!



SUMMER IN THE SPIRIT!

Come grow in God's Word, build friendships, and enjoy the summer season in a welcoming outdoor setting. Join us for Summer in the Spirit on the church playground!

Families and children are invited to gather for a morning of faith, fun, and fellowship. All ages are welcome! We will have two Bible studies - one geared toward littles and one for the bigger kids.

Summer in the Spirit will meet on Fridays from 9:30-11:00am on the following dates:

June 26

July 10, July 17

August 7, August 21

We look forward to spending the summer with you! Reach out to **Victoria Ilitch** with any questions (victoria.ilitch@gmail.com) - hope to see you there!

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

June 7

1 Kings 2:1-3:2
Acts 5:1-42
Psalm 125:1-5
Proverbs 16:25

June 8

1 Kings 3:3-4:34
Acts 6:1-15
Psalm 126:1-6
Proverbs 16:26-27

June 9

1 Kings 5:1-6:38
Acts 7:1-29
Psalm 127:1-5
Proverbs 16:28-30

June 10

1 Kings 7:1-50
Acts 7:30-50
Psalm 128:1-6
Proverbs 16:31-33

June 11

1 Kings 8:1-66
Acts 7:51-8:13
Psalm 129:1-8
Proverbs 17:1

June 12

1 Kings 9:1-10:29
Acts 8:14-40
Psalm 130:1-8
Proverbs 17:2-3

June 13

1 Kings 11:1-12:19
Acts 9:1-25
Psalm 131:1-3
Proverbs 17:4-5



WOMEN'S MINISTRY

CHICKS WITH STICKS

What a joy it was to come together this past year in fun and fellowship, and to work on various projects to help support our surrounding community! We will be on break for the summer, but stay tuned to August's announcements so you're sure to know when we'll kick-off our fall gatherings!



WOMEN'S BOOK GROUP

Women's Book Group will meet **Tuesday, June 23rd at 7:00pm** in the **Town Square** to discuss, critique, and enjoy comments about **'The Art Thief: A True Story of Love, Crime, and a Dangerous Obsession'** by **Michael Finkel**. In this masterful true crime account, Finkel traces the fascinating exploits of Stéphane Breitwieser, a French art thief who stole more than 200 artworks turning his mother's attic into a glittering trove of oil paintings, silver vessels, and antique weaponry... Drawing on art theory and Breitwieser's psychology reports, Finkel speculates on his subject's addiction to beauty. It's a riveting ride - we hope you'll join us!

REDEEMER SUMMER KAMP

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 NOW OPEN TO REDEEMER MEMBERS, RETURNING KAMP FAMILIES, AND EVERYONE ELSE!

Kampers will ARRIVE on SUNDAY, AUGUST 2ND and LEAVE Kamp on SATURDAY, AUGUST 8TH!

If you have any questions about Kamp, please review our Registration Page and Kamp FAQs on the Church Website.

You can also view past year's video slideshows! Visit the church website - go to Ministries-Redeemer Summer Kamp, and give them a watch!

If you still have questions, please send us an email (redeemerkamp@gmail.com).

REDEEMER YOUTH GROUP

SUMMER CORE GROUP



Our Sunday RYG gatherings have wrapped for the school year, but plan to join us for Core Group! Come hang out on Wednesday evenings throughout the summer from 6:00-8:00pm!

Incoming freshmen, outgoing seniors, and college kids are welcome!



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ALWAYS CHECK INSTAGRAM FOR ANY SCHEDULE CHANGES

JAMS

WHERE FAITH GETS LOUD

SUMMER JAMS!

WEDNESDAYS | 6PM - 8PM

June 24th | Come join us!

July 1st | NO MEETING
4th of July Week

July 8th | Come join us!

July 15th | Come join us!

July 22nd | Come join us!

July 29th | Come join us!

Aug. 5th | NO MEETING
Redeemer Summer Kamp!

Aug. 12th | NO MEETING
Cedar Point Trip!

Aug. 19th | Come join us!

Aug. 26th | Come join us!

Kids entering grades 6-8 are invited to our weekly evening activities **ALL SUMMER LONG!**

Meet outside on the playground for a pizza dinner! Then, we'll have open gym and play lots of games - dodgeball, Aliens in the Church, + **MORE!**

There's **NO COST** and **friends are always welcome!**



Want more info about JAMS? **SCAN HERE!**

JAMS
WHERE FAITH GETS LOUD

JAMS

LOCK-IN!

FOR KIDS ENTERING GRADES 6-8

Register HERE!

FRIDAY JUNE 19TH

6:30pm - 9am the next morning!

ONLY \$20
(in advance)
\$25 at the door!

LET'S STAY UP LATE
eating pizza & ice cream
sundaes, playing games,
learning about God,
+ MORE!

Questions? Contact Laura Vowell
laura@redeemerbirmingham.org

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2026!



The excitement is building! The core committee for VBS is hard at work planning this year's VBS program, running June 15-19, and we are excited for our theme: **Rainforest Falls – Exploring the Nature of God!**

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL!

Summer Sunday School will start June 21st. We meet every Sunday during the summer. The teachers who teach during the school year take a break during the summer so I am inviting YOU to help out and teach. It can be one week or more, whatever works into your schedule. I am happy to walk you through the lesson which I provide. We have a lesson and then head to the playground for fellowship and popsicles. Contact **Nicole Olds** with any questions or sign-up to help using the QR code.



HELP WITH VBS PREP WEEK!

Helping hands are needed to decorate Redeemer during VBS prep week! **Join us for as much or as little time as you're able to offer - volunteers are needed June 9th-12th from 9:00am-3:00pm.** We appreciate all the help!

VOLUNTEER AT VBS!

We have record registration this year, and still in need of people of all ages to help with this incredible week of fun. Teachers, classroom helpers, craft leaders, and kitchen sous-chefs are all needed. Please consider volunteering!



CALLING ALL BAKERS!

Calling all bakers or anyone who loves to feed people! VBS provides a snack for the children attending... But the volunteers love a little treat, too!

Please consider providing a snack (bagels, baked goods, chips/pretzels, fruit/veggies, etc.) for our hardworking volunteers. Thanks for all your help!



SOCIAL MINISTRY

SUMMER IS UPON US, AND REDEEMER HAS A VARIETY OF EVENTS IN THE WORKS! SAVE THESE DATES ON YOUR CALENDARS, AND STAY TUNED FOR MORE INFORMATION COMING SOON!

On the Road with Pastor Jimmy!

WALKING TOUR OF KIRK IN THE HILLS

THURSDAY, JUNE 18 - 1:00PM

*Meet at the Kirk for a guided tour!
No Cost! Sign-up on the Town Square bulletin board!*

SAVE THE DATE!

ANNUAL GOLF OUTING AND BBQ

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19 - 3:00PM

*Golf at Lincoln Hills
BBQ at Beverly Park Pavilion
More details coming soon!*

UPDATED TRAVEL ANNOUNCEMENT!

43 GUESTS HAVE REGISTERED TO TRAVEL WITH US TO BEAUTIFUL LANCASTER & GETTYSBURG PENNSYLVANIA ON AUGUST 11-14, 2026!

This summer's tour will take us to the Landis Valley in Lancaster, PA, and we'll also visit the historic Gettysburg National Park with a guided battlefield tour. The trip will also be highlighted with the magnificent premier production of "JOSHUA" at the Sight and Sound Millennium Theatre.

There we will experience one of the Bible's most incredible stories live on stage! The story of "JOSHUA" will come alive with spectacular special effects and captivating music. Chosen by God, Joshua is called to face the mighty fortress and armies of Jericho! But those walls are wide and impenetrable. Despite the odds, Joshua had a "fortress of faith!" Joshua's obedience and his unwavering trust in God allowed him and His chosen people to prevail. Families, friends, and young and "young at heart" are welcome!

Additionally, as America celebrates its 250th Birthday, this tour will grant us the opportunity to reflect upon the blessed freedoms that we enjoy in our country that came with a heavy cost. There certainly will be moments of thanks and gratitude for all of God's grace and blessings upon this nation and her people.

THIS YEAR'S TRIP HAS REACHED FULL CAPACITY, BUT NAMES CAN BE ADDED TO A WAITLIST! IF INTERESTED IN JOINING, CONTACT LESLIE WHITFIELD AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!

Details are posted on the Town Square bulletin board with sign-up sheet, and informational posters can be found around Redeemer. Itineraries are located at both the Chapel and West Entrances. **The bus has limited capacity - registration and deposit are required to hold your spot! Contact Leslie Whitfield (248-330-8685) with questions.**



PRAYER & PRAISE LIST

For those grieving the loss of loved ones.

For those with health concerns:

- Terry Roberts
- Tim, friend of Bonnie Ernewein
- The Merz Family
- Marjorie
- Bill W., cousin of the Bergstrom family
- Ron Pfliger
- Lorri SeGraves
- Ruth Newman
- Maggie VanCamp
- Krista Falk
- Pat Nehls
- Bill Vanderhoef
- Ron Ging
- Barb Morrell

For those in hospice care:

- Jackie
- Sharon McCaffrey

Special petitions:

- For all those who are serving in the military, police, and firefighters.
- For 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.

Prayers of thanksgiving:

- For those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries.
- For Meghan Savel and Benjamin Jones, who were united in holy matrimony yesterday.
- For Rachel Riggs and Ethan Walsh, daughter of Cheryl and Pat Carr, who were united in holy matrimony 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.

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