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Our Vision Statement

To be a family of faith that has the courage to be good neighbors, by reaching out to meet the personal and spiritual needs in our community.

THE MESSENGER

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WEEKLY DEVOTION WITH PASTOR DAVE MINER Devotion No. 66

**"8 Taste and see that the
LORD is good;
blessed is the one
who takes refuge in him."
(Psalms 34:8 NIV)**

A plaque hanging on a hospital wall said it well.

Cancer is so limited...

*It cannot cripple love.
It cannot shatter hope.
It cannot corrode faith
[or] ... destroy peace
[or]... kill friendships.
It cannot suppress memories
[or] ... silence courage
[or]... invade the soul.
It cannot steal eternal life.
It cannot conquer the Spirit.*

I knew it was coming. It was only a matter of time. My father had prostate cancer, survived the surgery, and lived another two decades before passing from a brain tumor. My father sometimes was discouraged from the lingering side effects, but he kept walking, keeping his eyes on Jesus.

He was a believer in Jesus Christ since childhood, raised in a Baptist church. After his retirement from the government, God's Spirit was evident in his life as illustrated in the poem. He displayed love, hope, faith, peace, friendship, courage, and a conquering spirit. He did not waste time on questions like "Why is this happening to me?" Instead, he would say, "I know who holds my tomorrows, and I know who holds my hand today! I praise God for the wonderful peace He gives me deep inside and for His wonderful people who walk along side and encourage me!"

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WEEKLY DEVOTION WITH PASTOR DAVE MINER

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Like my father, I know that my cancer is just a shadow, because the reality of the living Christ is with me, and His joy is my strength. I thank God that my cancer was discovered early, and the prognosis is very good. I can also say, "I know who holds my tomorrows, and I know who holds my hand today!"

My surgery has been scheduled for January 3rd. During this time, the best way you can support me is your continued prayers for Marjorie, my family, and of course me.

If you have any questions, please let me know (preferably not in the exit line as you leave the church).

Lord, I pray that you would motivate each person to "taste and see that the Lord is good." Amen.



Panda Pantry Helping to Feed Local Students Barbara Buck, Outreach Committee



Please help feed local students, who are at risk of hunger at home, especially after school and on the weekends. The Outreach Committee collects the food products listed below, which are delivered to our local schools, and then sent home with students in need.

The following items are needed in single servings/small sizes:

Applesauce

Cheese-Its

Chef Boyardee Cups

Fruit Cups

Granola Bars

Juice Boxes

Mac & Cheese Cups

Oatmeal

Peanut Butter/Cheese Crackers

Popcorn

Pop-Tarts

Pretzels

Rice Krispie Treats

Ramen Noodles

A box has been placed in the Narthex for donations.

If you have any questions, please contact Barbara Buck by email at blb.and.me@gmail.com, Thank you for sharing your blessings.

MENS' BREAKFAST

Saturday | November 19 | 8:00 a.m.

DEVOTION: "One Thing Lacking"

**Jimmy the Greek Restaurant
3401 Lafayette Boulevard, Fredericksburg, VA**

John Overbey



Redeemer Men,

Just a reminder that the Men's Breakfast will meet on Saturday, November 19, at 8:00 a.m., at Jimmy the Greek Restaurant.

The subject of our devotion will be "One Thing Lacking".

If you have not been with us lately, come join us for breakfast and fellowship. If you have never been with us, all are welcome.

The wives are also invited to join Grumpy Sue for breakfast.

Hope to see you Saturday morning.

SGT. MAC FOUNDATION

17th Annual Wreath Placement at Quantico National Cemetery

December 3, 2022 | 10:00 a.m.

Mike Evenson



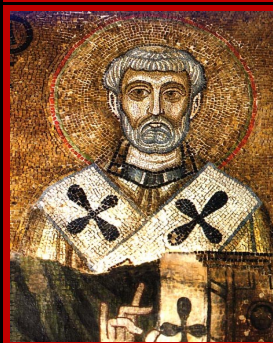
On Saturday, December 3, the annual placement of Christmas wreaths will take place at the Quantico National Cemetery, coordinated by the Sgt. Mac Foundation.

All our welcome! We will gather at 10:00 a.m., at the circle on Rappahannock Place, in front of section 10. The goal this year is to place 16,000 wreaths.

Please join us for this memorable and rewarding event!

For more information, please call or text Mike Evenson at 540-220-8938.

+ + + Weekly Stewardship Message for Sunday 20 November A.D. 2022 + + +



With All the Saints

He who made us and fashioned us, having prepared His bountiful gifts for us before we were born, introduced us into His world. Since, therefore, we receive all these things from Him, we ought for everything to give Him thanks; to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

St. Clement to the Corinthians, Chapter 38



Everything created by God is good, and nothing is to be rejected if it is received with thanksgiving, for it is made holy by the word of God and prayer. 1 Timothy 4:4-5

QUILTERS MEETING

Saturday, November 19 | 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Fellowship Hall

Come tie with us. No experience is necessary!

If you have any questions, please contact Anna Jennings:

Home: 540-412-5373 | Message: 540-842-7920

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*Advent, Christmas
and New Year
Worship Services
and Events*

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

It is now time for Advent and a new liturgical year. The word Advent means “coming toward” or “approaching.” As we approach the seasons of Advent and Christmas, I wanted to share key dates for worship to place on your calendars.

Pastor Dave Miner

DATE	WORSHIP SERVICE	TIME
November 27	First Sunday in Advent	8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
November 30	First Advent Midweek Service (Wednesday)	12:30 p.m. (Sanctuary) 7:00 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)
December 4	Second Sunday in Advent	8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
December 7	Second Advent Midweek Service (Wednesday)	12:30 p.m. (Sanctuary) 7:00 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)
December 10	Advent by Candlelight	4:00 p.m. (Sanctuary)
December 11	Third Sunday in Advent	8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
December 14	Third Advent Midweek Service	12:30 p.m. (Sanctuary) 7:00 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)
December 18	Fourth Sunday in Advent	8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
December 24	Christmas Eve Services	3:30 p.m., 6:00 p.m. (Children), and 8:30 p.m.
December 25	Christmas Day Service	10:00 a.m.
December 31	New Years Eve Service	7:00 p.m.
January 1	New Year's Day Service and Christmas Cookie Fellowship During Sunday School Hour	8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.



THANKSGIVING

Potluck

At the Home of Pastor Dave and Marjorie Miner

November 24 | 2 PM | RSVP by November 15

Alone on Thanksgiving? Looking to hang out with family? If yes, you are invited to the home of Pastor Dave and Marjorie Miner on Thanksgiving Day, November 24 at 2:00 p.m.

We ask that you bring a side dish or dessert, we will bake the turkey and provide everything else!

Please R.S.V.P. by November 15 to Marjorie Miner at littleotter@cox.net or (540) 621-8496.



Spotsylvania Courthouse Luminary



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2022
4:45PM
MARSHALL CENTER FRONT LAWN

Redeemer Lutheran Church Seeks Singers!

Let's Sing to the Glory of God
and Give Witness to our Faith

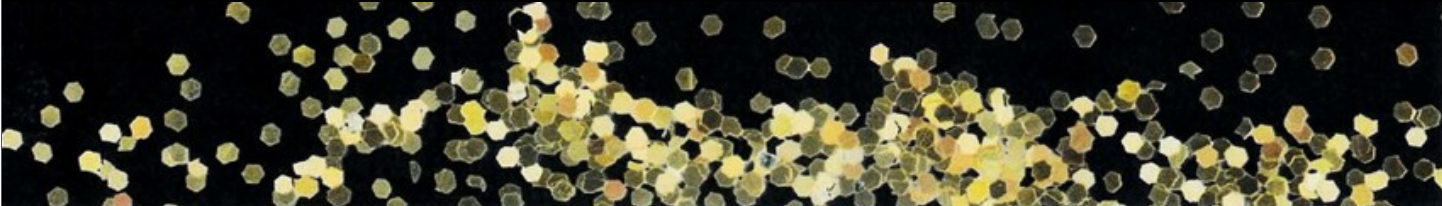
*R*edeemer has been invited to sing at the annual Spotsylvania Courthouse Luminary on December 4 at 4:45 p.m. Other local churches will also participate in this yearly event. Two Christmas songs will be sung by each group.

This is a great opportunity for members of Redeemer to witness to the community.

If you are interested in singing in this event, please call Lea Wiltenmuth at 540-834-7932, before November 17, for more information.

About this County Event

Come and support Redeemer's singers at this family-fun event! Spotsylvania County invites you to enjoy this outdoor celebration, as the candles and trees are lit at dusk and area choirs begin to sing. When you arrive, decorate an ornament, and place it on the tree of your choosing! Bring your blanket and your warm gloves, and let the spirit of the holidays warm your heart. For more information, visit www.spotsylvania.va.us/parksandrec or call (540) 507-7529.



Prayer for Call Committee and New Pastor

CALL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

**Johanna Champney, Dave Cogley, Marian Dawgert,
Allison DeGraaf, Judy Devey, Mike Eastman, Linda
Gagion, Todd Miller, Mat Smith, and Carey Schwenzer**

The importance of prayer for the Call Committee and the process of calling a Pastor for Redeemer cannot be over-emphasized. The Call Committee is seeking prayer from the congregation, as follows:

- Prayer for wisdom and discernment for the Call Committee in recognizing God's appointed Pastor for Redeemer.
- Prayer that the Call Committee and the Congregation will be unified in its prayers for a Godly Pastor who will serve and feed the flock in accordance with God's will. (Psalms 133:1)
- Prayer for a Pastor who has been called by God to lead us and guide us according to the whole counsel of God.
- Pray that God's will be done in this Call, and while we wait, that Pastor Dave Miner be covered in prayer as he holds up the staff and stands in the gap. May we hold up his arms as a congregation. (Exodus 17:9-12)
- Please also pray for Marjorie, Pastor Miner's helpmate, in her very important role as the Pastor's wife.

"¹⁵ And I will give you pastors according to mine heart, which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding." — Jeremiah 3:15 KJV



"¹¹ He shall feed his flock like a shepherd: he shall gather the lambs with his arm, and carry them in his bosom, and shall gently lead those that are with young." — Isaiah 40:11 KJV

**Please see any of our committee members if you have any thoughts
or questions about the call process.**

SATURDAY & SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE and BIBLE STUDY SCHEDULE

Sunday Worship	8:00 a.m. (Traditional) and 11:00 a.m. (Blended)
Sunday School and Bible Study	Pastor's Bible Study will meet at 9:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall and on Zoom.

QR Codes Replaced Paper Bulletins for Worship Services Use the QR Codes Below or "CLICK HERE" Below for Each Service

Sunday 8:00 a.m. Service CLICK HERE	Sunday 11:00 am Service CLICK HERE
	

Birthday & Anniversary Blessings

November 18 to November 24, 2022

Birthdays

November 19	Kaylee	Pinkas
November 20	Julia	Schwenzer
November 21	Cheryl	Gibson
November 21	Steve	Schwenzer
November 23	Harriet	Schumann
November 24	Craig	Ashby



Anniversaries

November 18	Rich & Michelle	Gasperoni
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If your birthday or anniversary is missing, please contact the church office at info@redeemerfxbg.



Church Flowers

Flowers are given to the glory of God by Cindy Kohl in celebration of the birthday of her son, Howard Kohl.



Life

November 20—Last Sunday after Pentecost

Using death as a solution offers us dominion to spare ourselves from pain. But real kings and queens exercise majesty by saving their people instead (Luke 23:37-39). God's forgiveness and salvation have made us royalty so that we may do the same (Colossians 1:13). Let our silence miscommunicate arrogance as blessedness, let us give voice to the sacred remembrance that He holds every human life as His own treasured possession (Malachi 3:15-17).

Worship Attendance and Contributions

November 13, 2022

	Attendance Total	Average Attendance	General Offerings	Year-to-Date General Offerings
November 13	218	247	\$15,612	\$622,620
Last Year	240	228	\$12,484	\$604,430