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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

August 11, 2023

Redeemer Lutheran Church | 5120 Harrison Road | Fredericksburg, VA 22408 Church Office: 540-898-4748 | Email: info@redeemerfxbg.org

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS August 13th | 8:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Services

Don't Forget To Bring Your Backpack To Worship Service For a Blessing!

Have a Blessed School Year!

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Newsletter

AUGUST SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE for Redeemer Lutheran Church Preschool



The Outreach Committee would like to supply our preschool with the following items:

- Clorox Wipes
- Paper Towels
- Tissues

If you are able to help, please drop off your donations in the designated box in the narthex.

Thank you!

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Laura Ross, DCE

RALLY DAY & START OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL YEAR

Redeemer is so excited to be starting another school year of Christian Education! Rally Day, the official start to the Sunday School year, is Sunday, August 13.

SCHEDULE

• <u>9:45 AM</u>

Join us during the Sunday School hour (9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.) for fellowship, a presentation on this year's educational opportunities, a chance to meet our Sunday school teachers, and take a visit to student classrooms, and more!

AFTER THE 11:00 AM SERVICE

Join us after the 11 o'clock worship service for a picnic and waterslide playtime! Don't forget to bring swimsuits and towels for your kiddos!

REGISTRATION

 To register your child (nursery through High School) for Sunday School this year, please click on the link below.

VBSMate.com — Your online VBS registration tool

- All students must be registered for security purposes.
- Please contact Laura Ross at <u>dce@redeemerfxbg.org</u> with any questions or concerns.



<u>Reading: Judges 5</u> Optional Reading: Judges 6 - 8

"³ Hear this, you kings! Listen, you rulers! I, even I, will sing to the LORD; I will praise the LORD, the God of Israel, in song." (Judges 5:3 NIV)

God loves music. Church music. Contemporary music. Rock music. Rap. Classical. You name it, God loves it – if it shows strong values and moral truth. God does not like music with cuss words, music that glorifies violence or hatred, or music that tells us to do evil things. Be he does like any music that promotes goodness, love, and truth, especially when it is his goodness and love and truth that is being sung about.

Do you ever sing to the Lord? Do you ever simply let it rip in the woods, or in the shower, alone in your car as you drive down the road, or in your room? Do you sing out strong and clear in church? God loves people to sing to him. He enjoys the voices (even my voice), and he hears the hearts. Make a joyful noise to the Lord. Today. Tomorrow. Every day. God will be pleased.

God of music, fill my heart with your music, so that I am always singing for you. Amen.

QUILTERS MEETING

Saturday, August 19 | 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Please join us! No experience is necessary.

We can always use gently used flat cotton and poly/cotton sheets.

If you have any questions, please contact Anna Jennings.

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

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

presents



GRACIA BURNHAM Held captive in the Philippines



ANITA SMITH



HELEN BERHANE Imprisoned in Eritrea



SUSANNA KOH Husband abducted in Malaysia

Join us for this special evening!

The Voice of the Martyrs presents Hearts of Fire – a virtual event where you'll meet four courageous women who showed incredible commitment to Christ in the face of opposition. Hear these inspiring testimonies of costly faith, plus worship music from Michael W. Smith.

Popcorn and Drinks will be served.

Please see Anita Diederen if you have questions or call her at 540-455-5058.

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UPDATE

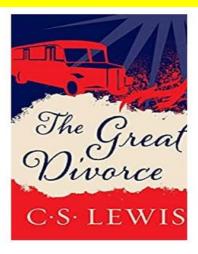
PASTOR DAVE'S SUMMER BIBLE STUDY BEGAN WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9TH!



SUMMER 2023 AUGUST 9, 2023

PASTOR DAVE'S MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY

- Book: The Great Divorce by C. S. Lewis
- Donation: \$15.00 to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund



Where do you like to go on vacation? You might enjoy the mountains next to a lake, or like me, a trip to the beach for peace and relaxation.

What about a vacation from hell? This idea is presented by C.S. Lewis in *The Great Divorce* called "refrigerium." The concept is about souls taking a vacation from Hell to visit other places, namely Heaven. They are allowed to go, check it out, and see whether they want to stay. This concept is not based on Scripture, but it is interesting to draw upon important biblical principles through this genre of fiction.

You must commit. To truly experience the benefits of a beach vacation, you would not stay in your room and watch the beach from the balcony. You would get out on the beach and immerse yourself in your surroundings and the joy of being there. Likewise, faith in God is not something that you can just be checking out. You must commit. Jesus tells us that if we have faith in God, we can move mountains. I am not talking about "naming it and claiming it" I am talking about possessing a small mustard seed sized faith that trusts in the provision and power of the living God. What mountains in your life do you need to move?

It is time to get out on the beach and experience all that God has for you. Stop checking out the view from the balcony and embrace a genuine faith in God. Join us as we explore *The Great Divorce* by C.S. Lewis.

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+ + + Weekly Stewardship Message for Sunday 13 Aug A.D. 2023 + + +



Helping Hands

The Bible tells us about the power of healing. Even if you just talk to someone who needs a friend.



...to another the gifts of healing by the same Spirit... 1 Cor 12:9

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE AND BIBLE STUDY Sunday Worship 8:00 a.m. (Traditional) and 11:00 a.m. (Blended) Sunday School Pastor's Bible Study will meet at 9:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall and on and Bible Study Zoom. Livestreaming is available on our website at www.redeemerfxbg.org. Scroll Livestreaming over "Media" on the top right of the page and click on "Watch Live" from the drop-down menu. **QR Codes for SUNDAY WORHSIP Use the QR Codes Below or "CLICK HERE"** SUNDAY, 8:00 A.M. SERVICE SUNDAY, 11:00 A.M. SERVICE **CLICK HERE CLICK HERE MEN'S BREAKFAST**

The Men's Breakfast will not meet in August.

We will resume meeting on September 16.

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