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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 18, 2023

Redeemer Lutheran Church Newsletter

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Reading: Judges 10

Optional Reading: Judges 9, 11, 12

"6 Again the Israelites did evil in the eyes of the LORD. They served the Baals and the Ashtoreths, and the gods of Aram, the gods of Sidon, the gods of Moab, the gods of the Ammonites and the gods of the Philistines. And because the Israelites forsook the LORD and no longer served him, 7 he became angry with them. He sold them into the hands of the Philistines and the Ammonites," (Judges 10:6-7 NIV)

God gets angry. About sin. About hatred. About the bad things people do or say to each other. About lying and stealing. About people who break the Ten Commandments. About cursing, swearing, and saying nasty things.

Does God like these things? No. Does God forgive us for these things? Yes, when we confess them and stop doing them.

In the book of Judges, we see Israel doing all kinds of evil things. They stole from each other. They put down and hated people for being good. Sometimes they even murdered innocent people, worshiped idols, and sacrificed their children to those gods.

God warned Israel again, and again, and again that if they did not change their ways, terrible things would happen to them. Despite God's warnings, they turned their backs on him and resisted everything God stands for.

God controlled his anger against Israel until it was clear they had rejected him and would not change. He punished them because he is holy and just and he always does what he says.

Father, let me be one person who follows your rules. Amen.

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH presents

The Voice of the Martyrs

Hearts 4 Fire

VIRTUAL EVENT

Friday, August 18 | 6:30-8:30 pm | Fellowship Hall



GRACIA BURNHAMHeld 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.

Board of Outreach



With the start of a new school year, Panda Pantry is collecting food donations to help feed local students who are at risk of hunger.

The generosity of our church members has made Panda Pantry a successful ministry. We look forward to another year of fruitful giving!

The following items are needed in single/small sizes:

Applesauce	Oatmeal	Pop-Tarts
Cheese-Its,	Peanut Butter/Cheese Crackers	Pretzels
Chef Boyardee Cups	Popcorn	Rice Krispie Treats
Fruit Cups	Juice Boxes,	Ramen Noodles
Granola Bars	Mac and Cheese Cups	Ravioli, Soup

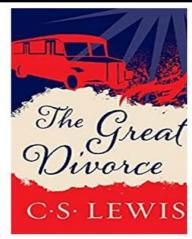
A box is in the Narthex for donations. Thank you for your generosity!

Please see Barbara Buck if you have any questions.



PASTOR DAVE'S MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY

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



Please see Pastor Dave Miner if you have any questions.

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

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!

+ + + Weekly Stewardship Message for Sunday 20 Aug A.D. 2023 + + +



Helping Hands

The Bible talks about Christ and all that he did and how he acted. We can all help by trying our best to do as Jesus did, in all we do.



...so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ. 2 Thess 1:12

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE AND BIBLE STUDY

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.
Livestreaming	Livestreaming is available on our website at www.redeemerfxbg.org . Scroll 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"

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MEN'S BREAKFAST

The Men's Breakfast will not meet in August.

We will resume meeting on September 16.

Birthday & Anniversary Blessings August 18-24, 2023

Birthdays

August 18	Sophie	Douglas	August 21	Jeffrey	Pittano
August 18	Kirkland	Fehrman	August 21	Scarlett	Smith
August 19	Reyann	Bowden	August 23	Anita	Diederen
August 19	Keli	Gasperoni	August 23	Michael	Stewart
August 20	Linda	Petermann	August 24	Matthew	Fiery
August 20	Mary	Pittman	August 24	Kathryne	Martinek
August 21	Eliza	Glusing			

Anniversaries

August 18 Mathew & Kaily Crabtree
August 18 Frank & Diana Misemer
August 23 Daniel & Carrie Frank

If your birthday or anniversary is missing, please contact the church office at info@redeemerfxbg.org

Church Flowers

Church flowers are given this week by the Miners and by Rev. Diane Wheatley in praise to God for Pastor Dave's healing

Lutherans for Life - Life Thoughts

August 20 - Pentecost XII

He who made and still sustains nature and all creatures has no anxieties about overpopulation. The Lord our God delights in adding another human life (Isaiah 56:8) and wrapping the next neighbor in magnificent mercy (Romans 15:32). Let the peoples praise You, O God, in ever increasing number (Psalm 67:5-6) – the unborn one, the impaired one, and even our Gospel-motivated voices For Life!

Worship Attendance and Contributions

	Attendance Total	Average Attendance	General Offerings	Year-to-Date General Offerings
August 13, 2023	262	264	\$15,269	\$460,831
Last Year	253	255	\$15,516	\$451,582