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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

March 3, 2023

*Redeemer
Lutheran Church
Newsletter*

WEEKLY DEVOTION
WITH
PASTOR DAVE MINER
Devotion No. 79



Reading: Numbers 21

(Optional Reading: Numbers 22, 23)

¹⁶From there they (Israelites) continued to Beer, the well where the LORD said to Moses, "Gather the people together and I will give them water." (Numbers 21:16 NIV)

Jeff sat at the table as his dad folded his hands to pray. "We have got a serious need," his father said. Jeff's family listened in silence as his dad told them he was being laid off from his job and it would be hard to find a new one. It scared Jeff deeply. Where would they live? What about their house? How long would his dad be unemployed?

Nothing much changed in Jeff's life over the next few weeks, except his father stayed home all the time. Jeff decided to pray about the situation every day. Then one night, Jeff's father had another announcement before dinner. "I am starting my own business as a consultant," he said. "It will be tough, but I think that is what God's leading me to do. Pray now that God would give me some clients."

Again, Jeff prayed. His dad found four solid clients over the next month, and more were coming. In Sunday school one morning, Jeff talked about how God had answered his prayer. "I guess God really does provide," he said. The joy in him felt like a little shooting star. God does provide. He meets needs. Keep trusting, and God will answer.

Lord, help me to always put my trust in you
during times of trouble. Amen.

PROMISED TREASURES

2023

Lenten Season

Join Us
on the Journey

Pastor Dave Miner

PREACHING & WORSHIP

This year as we journey together toward Easter, the Pastor's Wednesday Bible Study and Midweek Lenten Services will underscore hearing the Gospel, while accentuating how the Gospel is conveyed through physical senses of sight, smell, and touch. You will see, touch, smell, and feel each week of Lent: ashes, salt, water, light, bread, and palms. Then, during Holy Week, the focus shifts toward the elements: water and blood (wine), wood, fragrant oil, and finally, milk and honey.

Season of Lent

Redeemer Lutheran Church



LENTEN SCHEDULE MIDWEEK SERVICES, MEALS, and FAMILY ACTIVITIES

WEDNESDAYS

(March 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29)

- **Worship Services**
12:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.
- **Lenten Dinners**
5:30 p.m.
- **Family Activities**
6:15 p.m.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER

Maundy Thursday, April 6

12:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Good Friday, April 7

12:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Saturday Easter Vigil, April 8

3:30 p.m.

Easter Sunday, April 9

6:30 a.m.—Sunrise Service

Old Mill Park | **Shelter No. 2**

Please bring your own chair
and an umbrella if it rains.

7:30 a.m.—Breakfast

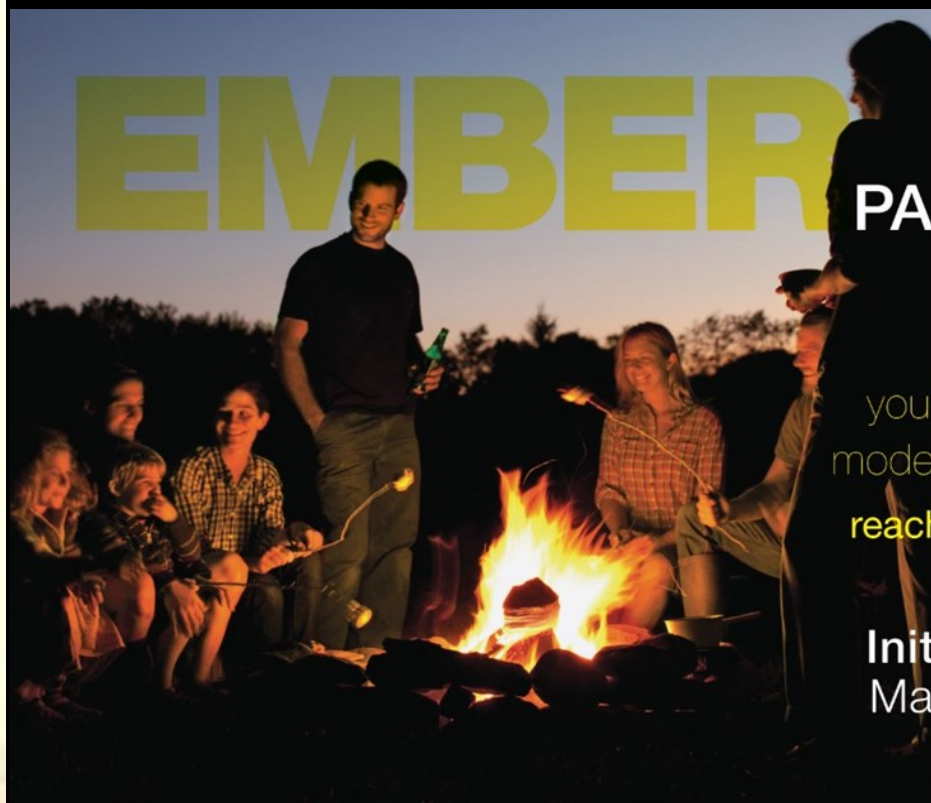
Redeemer Fellowship Hall

9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.—Easter Services

Redeemer Sanctuary

(No Sunday school or Bible study on Easter.)

New Small Group Opportunity for Parents
with Children Grades K-12



PARENTS SMALL GROUP

fellowship | mentoring
young families | relationships
modern culture | k-12 children
reach out to Mat & Julie Smith
for more info

Initial stand-up
March 10, 2023



To sign up, use the QR Code above or click on this link:
[Small Group: Parent Small Group Attendance \(signupgenius.com\)](https://signupgenius.com)

Redeemer is hiring!
Position:

Preschool Director

20 hours a week
Starting Summer 2023

For more information please contact Rebecca Richey or
Laura Ross at dce@redeemerfxbg.org

+ + + Weekly Stewardship Message for Sunday 05 March A.D. 2023 + + +



Watch and Pray TOGETHER

"...I cried unto Him who delighted to hear the prayers of a poor sinner; and all of a sudden, my dungeon shook, my chains flew off, and glory to God, I cried. My soul was filled. I cried, enough for me -- the Saviour died."

Rev. Richard Allen



Blessed is the one whose sin the Lord does not take into account... Psalm 32

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.**

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE, SUNDAY SCHOOL, 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.
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 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

March 2-9, 2023

Birthdays

March 2	John	Scanlan	March 4	Nancy	Minnich
March 2	Jonathan	Zimmerman	March 5	Waverly	Alley, III
March 3	Carrie	Pittano	March 7	Angela	Pinkas
March 3	Aidan	Tennstedt	March 8	Demale	Douglas
March 4	Tony	Antonelli	March 9	Tim	Oesterheld
March 4	Carrie	Frank			

Anniversaries

March 3	Lester & Kristan	Jedlicka
March 3	Moe & Elena	Long
March 5	Wes & Sherry	Coleman

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

Church Flowers

There is no dedication for church flowers this week.

Lutherans for Life - Life Thoughts

March 5 - Lent II

Father Abraham was justified (Romans 4:2-3); that is, he had a reason for coming into being and continuing to live. Abraham was not justified by works, that is; this reason arose from elsewhere than his own origin, appearance, or ability. Abraham was justified by grace; that is, God's creating, redeeming, and calling defined his identity. The Gospel proclaims the sanctity of life to all Abraham's offspring (Romans 4:16)!

Worship Attendance and Contributions

	Attendance Total	Average Attendance	General Offerings	Year-to-Date General Offerings
February 22 & 26	408	251	\$18,940	\$124,777
Last Year	243	229	\$8,638	\$125,689