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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

**May 12. 2023** 

Redeemer Lutheran Church

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**Reading: Deuteronomy 25** (Optional Reading: Deuteronomy 26 - 28)

"15 You must have accurate and honest weights and measures, so that you may live long in the land the LORD your God is giving you." (Deuteronomy 25:15 NIV)

Give me your money and I will buy the movie CD for you," Dean said to his friend Roberto. "I can get it tomorrow." Roberto gave his friend Carl \$20.00.

Roberto had recently moved to the U.S. from Brazil. He did not know much English, and he was not use to American stores. Dean planned to purchase the CD from a discount store instead of the music store and keep the change that was left over from the purchase ... you know ... service fee.

Do you think that is fair, or right, or even Christian?

Certainly not, Roberto obviously trusted his new friend, but Dean was not much of a friend. He wanted to cheat Roberto.

The example above is a very simple illustration, but there are a million ways to cheat each other today from keeping incorrect change given back to us from the clerk, to maybe not being fully honest when we do our taxes.

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But in the old days of Israel, one way to cheat people was common. We see it in Deuteronomy 25:15. Some people kept two sets of weights used to parcel out grain, bread, milk, and other goods. Merchants used the lighter weights when they intended to give the buyer less than he really paid for.

God hates such practices, small or big. Cheating others is a very bad thing in God eyes. It hurts the people who paid good money for your help, and it angers God.

Lord, help me beware of ever cheating anyone at work, in school, at the local store, or anywhere else. Amen.

## REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH MINISTRY FAIR

LEARN ABOUT THE MINISTRIES IN OUR COMMUNITY OF FAITH

DISCOVER WHERE GOD IS CALLING YOU TO SHARE YOUR TALENT

Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup> | 9:00 a.m.
Stop by the ministry tables in between worship services as you go to your car.

Please contact Judy Devey with questions.

Deople Helping People



FREE EVENT! Friday, May 12th | 4:30 pm to 9 pm

# PARENTS PROBLEM BOS DEF

Register with Laura Ross, DCE dce@embracedbyhim.org

- ★ Free Child Care will be provided at Redeemer Lutheran Church!
- ★ Children will enjoy an evening of supervised fun, dinner, and Jesus time, while parents spend some well-deserved time by themselves.
- ★ Drop-off and pick-up any time between 4:30 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. depending on your needs.
- ★ **Register** with Laura Ross, DCE at <u>dce@embracedbyhim.org</u> with the name of each child you will be bringing and whether they will be eating dinner at church.



#### Sunday, May 14th

A successful year of Youth Sunday School for PreK through High School students ends on May 14th.

Eniov your summer!



#### Sunday, May 21st is Confirmation Sunday

Laura Ross, DCE

We are blessed to be confirming seven young men and women during the 11 o'clock service. If you would like to write them notes of encouragements or give them a small gift, their names have been listed below.



#### Confirmands

Michael Biscamp Evan Abigail Champney Olivia Isaiah Kinchen

Evan Schwenzer Olivia Smith Scarlett Smith
Aidan Tennstedt



#### HAPPY MOTHERS' DAY!

Strength and honour are her clothing; and she shall rejoice in time to come.

Proverbs 31:25 KT





2023 Poker Run

May 20, 2023 | 9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Randy Mayer

Looking for Redeemer motorcycle riders who would be interested in riding as a group at the Fredericksburg Habitat for Humanity annual Poker Run. The run will be held on Saturday, May 20, starting at 9:00 a.m. and ending around 1:00 p.m.

The entry fee helps promote and fund the various Habitat projects in our area.

If you are interested or have questions, please contact Randy Mayer at randymayerva@gmail.com.

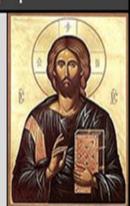
+ + + Weekly Stewardship Message for Sunday 14 May A.D. 2023 + + +



#### Watch and Pray TOGETHER

Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me.

John 15



This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.

#### **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

#### for Preschool through 5th Grade Students

Laura Ross, DCE



#### Register today for the best week of your summer!

Redeemer Lutheran Church is delighted to invite you to our Twists & Turns Vacation Bible School from June 26 through 30, 2023!

Twists and Turns Vacation Bible School is a fantastical celebration of how following Jesus changes the game. Jesus walks with us through all of life's twists and turns, and we look forward to celebrating His saving love in an awesome game-filled theme.



To register, click on the link below.

MyVBS | Redeemer Lutheran Church



#### **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

Laura Ross, DCE

Redeemer is hiring!
Position:

#### Preschool Teacher's Aide

16-20 hours a week Starting 2023-24 School Year \$13 per hour

For more information or to state your interest in the position, please contact Laura Ross at

Redeemer is hiring!
Position:

#### Day Camp Program Director

40 hours a week May - August 2023

Facilitate and manage the day-to-day operations of Redeemer Lutheran's Student Station Day Camp program. \$14 per hour

For more information or to state your interest in the position, please contact Laura Ross at dce@redeemerfxbg.org

## Summer Day Camp

Student Station Summer Session
Redeemer Lutheran Church
5120 Harrison Road Fredericksburg, VA 22408

## SUMMER FUN IN A LOVING & SAFE CHRISTIAN ENVIRONMENT

Students entering Kindergarten through 8th grade

8:30 - 4:30 Monday - Friday Extended hours available

\$135 per camper per week \$155 for extended hours Scholarship applications available

Weekly registration June 5 - August 7

EMAIL DCE@REDEEMERFXBG.ORG NOW FOR MORE INFO AND REGISTRATION!



#### **COUNCIL SECRETARY OPENING**

The Redeemer Lutheran Church Council is seeking a council secretary to help maintain records of council and congregational meetings.

If you can volunteer to help, please contact Randy Mayer at randymayerva@gmail.com or Marcus Woollard at marcuswoollard@yahoo.com.

REGULAR 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 <a href="www.redeemerfxbg.org">www.redeemerfxbg.org</a> . 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"

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





### Birthday & Anniversary Blessings May 12—18, 2023

#### Birthdays

May 13	Bonnie	Wagner	May 16	Jacob	Woollard
May 13	Tommy	Tutchings	May 17	Tiffany	Brown
May 14	Bob	Koehler	May 17	Rosemary	Gregor
May 15	Bettye	Garner	May 18	Anna	Jennings
May 15	Daniel	Frank	May 18	Jay	Chamberlain
May 15	Caleb	Ross	May 18	Abigail	Champney
May 15	Δrianna	Havden			

#### Anniversaries

#### May 16 Rick & Barb Moseley

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

#### Church Flowers

Flowers are given to the glory of God in celebration of Dave & Dee Allen's 46<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

#### Lutherans for Life - Life Thoughts

#### May 14 - Easter VI Mother's Day

The reason for the hope that is in us rests upon the Lord's creating, redeeming, and calling of every human being. The reason for the hope that is in us does not rely on anyone else's age, appearance, or ability. Advocating for the sanctity of life gives the reason for the hope that is in us, and we declare and demonstrate it with a mother's tenderness and tenacity (1 Peter 3:15).

#### Worship Attendance and Contributions

	Attendance Total	Average Attendance	General Offerings	Year-to-Date General Offerings
May 6-7, 2023	248	301	\$ 13,480	\$266,577
Last Year	234	282	\$16,850	\$272,544