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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

October 7, 2022

*Newsletter
of Redeemer
Lutheran Church*

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CARING FOR BODY AND SOUL IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST

Pastor Dave Miner

Help bring Christ's
love and mercy to
those affected by

**HURRICANE
IAN**

"⁹ This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him.¹⁰ This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.¹¹ Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.¹² No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is made complete in us." (1 John 4:9-12 NIV)

The devastation caused by Hurricane Ian calls for a strong response of love by the church. When the congregations of the LCMS respond, together we make an enormous difference.

Our brothers and sisters in Christ will be working for years to assist the people of their community in recovering from this event. In this assistance, we care for body and soul in the name of Jesus. We care for all in need.

Right now, we begin thinking of ways that we can mobilize to assist our brothers and sisters in Florida in recovery.

At this moment, the most important thing we can do is pray for all who are trying to understand where life is taking them. This is one of those moments when the power of God's hope and love can make a tremendous difference in the life of one who is feeling such loss in their life.

What can I do today?

You can track needs and updates at <https://flgadistrict.org/lert/>

You can send gifts directly to the FLGA District at **Florida-Georgia District, LCMS, 5850 T G Lee Blvd, Suite 500, Orlando FL 32822** or gifts may give on-line: [Click Here](#)

"The Lords Mercy Endures Forever: 40 Daily Devotions of God's Comfort" is a free devotional book from the LCMS which include a Scripture passage, a meditation, a prayer, and a hymn focused on bringing God's comfort and peace to those who are struggling after a disaster or other crisis. You can download your free devotional book at [PDF 40 Daily Devotions of Gods Comfort.pdf](#)

**WEEKLY DEVOTION
WITH
PASTOR DAVE MINER**

Devotion No. 60

Reading: Exodus 12 (Optional Reading: Exodus 13 - 17)

“²¹ Then Moses summoned all the elders of Israel and said to them, “Go at once and select the animals for your families and slaughter the Passover lamb.” (Exodus 12:21 NIV)

Imagine one day your dad comes home with a new pet. It is a little lamb. He says, “We are keeping the pet in the house for a few days.”

The lamb is cute, and you have fun with it. You teach it a trick or two. At night, it sleeps on your bed. During the day, you run around with the lamb and the lamb bleats, and gambols, and rolls over. It is the greatest fun you have ever had.

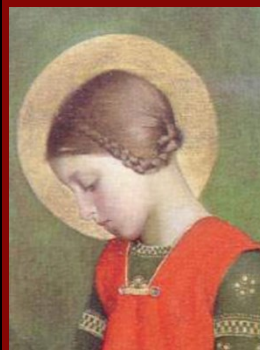
But on the last day of the week, something terrible happens. Your dad takes that lamb away. Later, he returns with a dead lamb and its blood in a bowl. He splashes the blood on each side of our front door.

Would you cry? Would you be angry?

God gave the Jews this very situation in the Passover. Jews kept the lamb and then put it to death so none of their own children would have to die.

Lord, it hurts to see innocent animals die. But I know it was your way of showing us how we should feel about innocent suffering and death of Jesus. Thank you for sending him for me. Amen.

• + + **Weekly Stewardship Message for Sunday 09 October A.D. 2022** + + +



With All the Saints

If the bread we share blossoms as a rose
and the word we speak sounds like a song,
then God has already built his house among us,
then he already dwells in our world.

St. Elizabeth of Hungary – *If the Bread we Share*

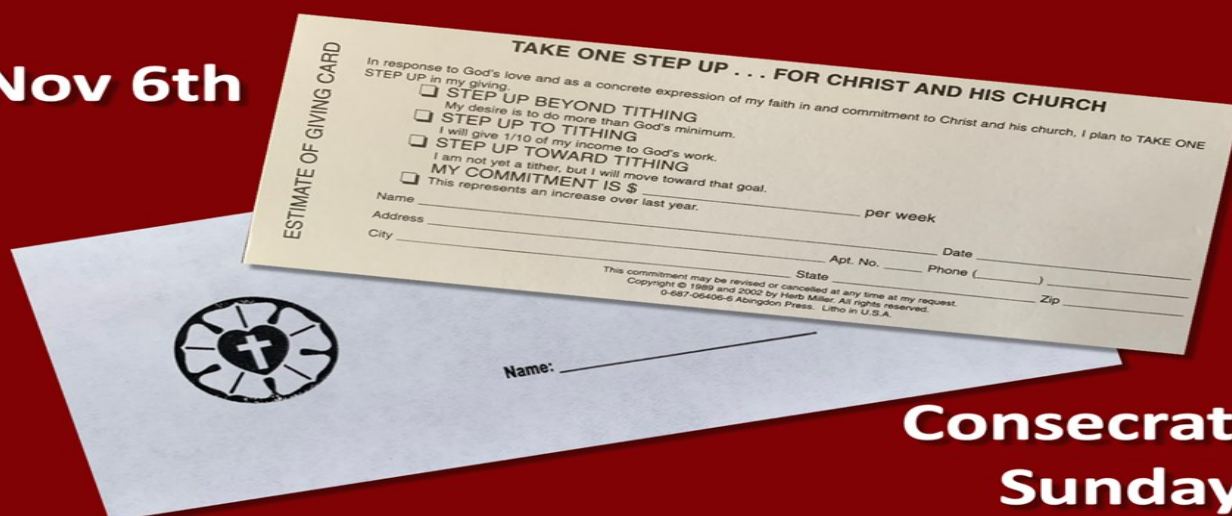
Sunday November 6th

**CONSECRATION
SUNDAY**

Commitments for financial support of our mission and vision

Do not be far from me, my God; come quickly, God, to help me. Psalm 71:10

Nov 6th



Consecration Sunday

Consecration Sunday – November 6th

Check your mailboxes to recover and review
your commitments from last year
(and the year before).

We'll consecrate our new financial commitments on Sunday Nov 6th. Estimate of Giving cards for 2023 and envelopes will be available in our mailboxes by October 15th.

This Sunday is LWML Sunday!

This Sunday, October 9, has been designated as Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) Sunday at Redeemer Lutheran.

The women of the LWML invite the entire congregation to celebrate together as the Body of Christ under the theme, "For Us and With Us." Join us at either service and learn how the Lord has worked through the LWML to bring many into fellowship with Him through mission and ministry.

Remember, if you are a woman and a member of Redeemer you are part of LWML! Celebrate with us!

Our ladies will be ushers and readers and will be providing treats in the Fellowship Hall after the first service. Also, stop by the table upstairs for additional info on LWML and a new Mite box!

Monthly Meeting

Finally, our monthly meeting will be held this Saturday, October 8 at 8:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall, so please join us!





BOWLING LEAGUE

Joanbeth Segal

Would you be interested in participating in a bowling league? Please see a sign-up sheet in the narthax to determine members' interest and preferred days and times. After sign-up is complete, I will contact the AMC of Fredericksburg, located off of Route 3.

Questions? Please contact Joanbeth Segal at 856-296-5044.

Quilters' Meeting

Saturday, October 15 | 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

Come help us assemble and tie quilts. Fabric and squares ready to sew are available in quilt room off of the fellowship hall. Join us!

If you have any questions, please contact Anna Jennings:

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



Life Thoughts

October 9 – Pentecost XVIII

Naomi insisted Ruth abandon her because of her age and infirmity (Ruth 1:11-12). But Ruth instead trusted in the God who shares in suffering (2 Timothy 2:3). Likewise, the ten lepers were left for dead, but Jesus reaches even into our severest afflictions with presence and compassion. And He invites and encourages us also to accompany and assist rather than settling for physician-assisted suicide.



Panda Pantry

Helping to Feed Local Students

Barbara Buck, Outreach Committee



Please consider being part of this ministry that helps to feed children in our communities, at home, after school, and over the weekends, by sharing our blessings. 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.

ALL SOULS

Sunday, November 6, 2022

Day

8:00 and 11:00 Services

November 1 is set aside each year in the Christian Church as All Saints' Day. On that day, we recall those saints who died BECAUSE of their faith (Martyred). November 2 is set on the Christian calendar as "The Commemoration of the Faithful Departed" or "All Souls Day". This day recalls those who died IN the faith.

If you have had a Christian friend or loved one who has died since November 2021 and come into the nearer presence of the Lord, we would like to join you in remembering those loved ones this year on **Sunday, November 6, 2022.**

We ask that you send to the church the following information to arrive no later than Monday, October 31. You may place the completed the form below in the offering plate or turn it into the office by October 31. You may also complete the form on-line by clicking [HERE](#).

We will read the names of those submitted at worship on Sunday, November 6. As much as we would love to remember all our loved ones from time past, we ask that you limit the submissions to those we have lost since November 1, 2021.

Name of the Christian who died: _____

Date of Death (since November 1, 2021): _____

Your Name: _____

Your phone no. and email address: _____

The deceased's relation to you: _____

Every reasonable effort will be made to include each submitted name.
We appreciate your honoring the Monday, October 31 deadline for submission.





BLUE STAR MOTHERS FREDERICKSBURG CHAPTER CARE PACKAGING DRIVE

Cindy Kohl

During October, items for care packages are collected for the Blue Star Mothers, Fredericksburg Chapter, at Redeemer. Over 700 care packages will be mailed to our Troops in combat zones in other countries, including to remote areas that lack access to basic hygiene items, such as a bar of soap, toothpaste, or shampoo. Every care package sent from "home" is a reminder to our Troops they are not forgotten and we hope will also serve as a boost in their morale. Each package is sealed with a prayer and a kiss.

CARE PACKING EVENT | NOVEMBER 19, 2022 | 9:00 A.M.

Come help pack and send some love to our heroes at the Berea Fire Station, 20 Sebring Drive, Fredericksburg, VA 22406. The CARE PACKING EVENT begins at 9:00 AM!

CARE PACKAGE ITEMS NEEDED

HYDRATION (INDIVIDUAL SERVING SIZE)

Powdered Drink Mixes (Crystal Light, Propel, etc.)

PROTEINS (INDIVIDUAL SERVING SIZE)

Tuna or Chicken, foil pouches or pull top cans

Beef Jerky/Slim Jims

Protein Bars/Peanut Butter Mini Cups

SNACKS

Oatmeal/Hot Chocolate/Cider

Top Ramen Noodles in cups

Microwave Popcorn –Crackers (individually wrapped)

SPECIALTY ITEMS

Cough Drops

Vitamins (chewable)

Zip Lock Brand Bags (all sizes, especially Gallon Size)

Hand Warmers

HYGIENE PRODUCTS

Shampoo/Conditioner (travel size)

Chap Stick/Lip Balm

Feminine Hygiene Items for Females

Hand/Body Lotion

Toothpaste/Toothbrushes/Dental floss

Body Wash/Soap

Q-Tips - Tissues

Foot/Body Powder – Disposable Razors

Deodorant (stick only)

Nail Clipper – Nail File

ENTERTAINMENT

Playing Cards

Crossword Puzzles-Sudoku

CARDS & LETTERS TO OUR TROOPS

Please not forget encouraging letters, cards and postcards from home/schools, they love to receive them!!!!

Small, Individual, and Travel Sizes Please

NOTE: WE CANNOT RECEIVE: Mouthwash or Hand Sanitizers because of the alcohol content.

MONETARY DONATIONS

We also accept monetary donations to assist in the postage costs (mail your check payable to Blue Star Mothers of Fredericksburg to the address below & put "care packages" in your memo line on your check.) For more information please contact: Teri Reece, Chair. carepackages.va4@gmail.com, 540-760-5705.

Please contact Cindy Kohl with any questions, (540) 373-3132, cindy@hotkohls.com

Save the Date

All Lutheran
Women's Retreat



*Bloom Where You Are Planted -
Thriving in Times of Change*

November 3-5, 2022
Natural Bridge Hotel and Conference Center
Natural Bridge, Virginia

[All Lutheran Women's Retreat \(google.com\)](https://sites.google.com/view/alwretreat/home?authuser=0)

Judy Devey

The All Lutheran Women's Retreat will be held at the Natural Bridge Hotel and Conference Center located in Natural Bridge, Virginia, on November 3-5, 2022. The theme is "Bloom Where You Are Planted—Thriving in Times of Change."

By popular demand, returning as our retreat leader, is Donna Marie Todd, motivational speaker, master storyteller, and singer. Donna Marie Todd has expressed her excitement to be with us again and has an exciting retreat program planned with many surprises.

Below is the link to the All Lutheran Women's Retreat web page for more information, as follows:

<https://sites.google.com/view/alwretreat/home?authuser=0>

**Registration forms may be found in the kiosk in the narthex of the church.
Don't worry about the registration deadline being October 4.**

If you have any questions, please see Judy Devey or contact her at 301-752-2935 or at jdevey22@gmail.com.

We are excited to gather with you this fall at the retreat!

SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP

While food is not the reason our members attend Bible study and Sunday school, great snacks and coffee go along way with everyone.

If you are able to help defray costs among volunteers by contributing snacks (about 144 cookies, pastries, etc.) or help with making coffee, setting-up, and cleaning-up on Sundays, it's an opportunity for you to share this benefit with everyone.

Please use the Sign-Up Sheet on the Kitchen door to help us plan, and please indicate if you can also make coffee.

If you have any questions, please see Anita Diederer, or contact her at 540-455-5058. Thank you!

Redeemer Lutheran Church Parking Lot (Rain or Shine)



Friday, October 28, 2022

6:30 p.m. 9:30 p.m.

Josie Douglas

Please join us for an Evening of Family Fun!

- If you plan to decorate your vehicle to hand out candy, please arrive by 6:00 p.m.
- Pizza and snacks will be provided.
- There will also be a costume contest, car decorating contest, and so much more fun.
- We will finish the night with a movie under the stars (weather permitting).

Sign Up

There will be two sign up sheets in the narthex: one sign up sheet is for those who plan on decorating a car, and the other sign up sheet is for those who plan on coming for the fun, so that we can get a head count for ordering the pizza.

If you have any questions, please contact Josie Douglas at 540-834-3979 or boldengirl@aol.com.



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

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| 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 |
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STAY CONNECTED

| DAY | TIME | TOPIC | ZOOM LOGIN |
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| SUN | 9:45 am | Sunday Bible Study Meeting ID: 894 0301 0091 Password: 512022408 | Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89403010091?pwd=TVZBS2dXb1YwWVJdG5OTTJxUUFWQT09 |
| SUN | 9:45 am | Women's Bible Study Meeting ID: 837 5561 2880 Passcode: 94Kvb6 | Join Zoom Meeting https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83755612880?pwd=YVJmUmlGc2tZS1FDeXIPNjZiZU5NQQT09 Contact Jennifer Koehler: (540) 603-6496 |
| MON | 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm (1st and 3rd of Monday of each month) | Visual Faith Women's Bible Study | In-person meeting at the Verbosky's home. Contact Donna Verbosky at (540) 538-2204 or by email at djverbosky@aol.com |
| MON | 07:00 pm - 8:00 pm | Monday Night Bible Study Journey Through the Bible Meeting ID: 828 7232 2552 Password: 514704 | In-person meeting in Double Classroom or join via Zoom (Contact: Rick Moseley 703-201-6037) https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82872322552?pwd=YkFGdzd3RE1YaTZnY2w0VGVmNFhiUT09 |
| TUES | 10:30 a.m. (1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month) | Ladies Bible Study | In-Person Meeting in Fellowship Hall Contact: Linda Gagon at 914-522-9107 or by email at ligagion@gmail.com . |
| WED | 10:30 am - 12:00 pm | Pastor's Bible Study Meeting ID: 883 8132 1403 Password: 512022408 | Join In-person in the Fellowship Hall or by Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88381321403?pwd=QWtMM2hVV01yQmc4NU5paUVUL3BuZz09 |

REDEEMER GIVING - WAYS TO GIVE

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| ONLINE / WEBSITE | Use Redeemer's secure web link below to our WebPay donation page: Donation (eservicepayments.com) |
| TEXT | Text amount to 540-779-1759 |
| APPS | Use the App Store (Apple) or Google Play • Find "Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement" to download for FREE, and follow the easy instructions. |
| AMAZON SMILE | Did you know that if you order from Amazon, you can sign up for Amazon Smile. Then select Redeemer as a charity, and Amazon will give 5% of your order back to Redeemer. Please click on this link to sign up: Amazon.com. Spend less. Smile more. |
| IN-PERSON | Tithes and offerings are collected during worship services. |
| MAIL | Mail your check to: Redeemer Lutheran Church 5120 Harrison Road Fredericksburg, VA 22408 (No cash please) |

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Pastoral Service: Call the church office for assistance.

Prayer Chain: Email: ligagion@gmail.com

Website: <https://www.embracebyhim.org>

Facebook: Redeemer Lutheran Church and Preschool

Remind Text Application: <https://www.remind.com/join/rlcms>

Church News and Updates: Call the church office to receive **30 Second Updates** and church newsletter.

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**Online Directory
Staff and Council Members**

[https://embracedbyhim.org/
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-summary/](https://embracedbyhim.org/redeemer-lutheran-church-email-summary/)

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Church Office Hours

Monday-Friday
9:30 a.m.—1:30 p.m.

Birthday & Anniversary Blessings
October 7 - 13, 2022
Birthdays

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| October 6 | Matthew | Hymes |
| October 7 | Barbara | Buck |
| October 7 | Donna | Roberts |
| October 7 | Linda | Bye |
| October 10 | John | Waltman, Jr. |
| October 10 | Susan | Biscamp |
| October 10 | Kaily | Crabtree |
| October 10 | Maeve | Montgomery |
| October 12 | Bjorn | Thorpe |
| October 12 | Robert | Gregor |
| October 13 | Susan | Smith |
| October 13 | Jameson | Bartel |


Anniversaries

**There are no anniversaries
to report this week.**

**If your birthday or anniversary
Is missing, please contact the church
office at info@embracedbyhim.org**


Church Flowers

**Flowers this week
are given to the glory of God
in celebration
of Linda Bye's birthday.**


**Worship Attendance and Contributions
October 2, 2022**

| | Attendance Total | Average Attendance | General Offerings | Year-to-Date General Offerings |
|-----------|---------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------------|
| October 2 | 205 | 250 | \$20,737 | \$547,295 |
| Last Year | 235 | 226 | \$13,221 | \$524,863 |