

A N N O U N C E M E N T S

This Week at Redeemer

Upcoming Events



Youth Ministry

Fundraiser for World Vision Next Sunday

Next Sunday, February 5th, the youth will have a fundraiser to support World Vision, sponsor of the 30-hour famine. In honor of Super Bowl Sunday, you **will have the opportunity to "vote" for whichever team you want to win the Super Bowl** following each service. You can vote by dropping off canned food (each can worth \$1 towards a vote) or cash into the bowl for your team. We will let you know which team won the most Redeemer votes the following Sunday! Canned goods will be given to SHARE, and the money given will go to World Vision. Come and support your team!

Registration Forms Needed by 2/6 for Shekinah Junior High Synod Retreat March 16-18th

All 7th and 8th graders are invited! The theme is **"Image of God."** The youth attending will explore what it means to have been created as the image, the likeness, of God. Cost is \$125 per youth and includes 2 nights at 4H Retreat Center in Front Royal, Va., meals, and transportation from Redeemer to the Retreat Center in Front Royal. To confirm that your student will attend, and any questions, please contact Kim Wenk at KBWenk@verizon.net or 703-356-6537.

Open Gym for February for 6th-8th graders

We will continue open gym on 7:00-8:30 pm on the following Fridays in February: February 3, February 17, and February 24. Contact Terri Markwart at ltmarkwart@gmail.com if you have any questions.

Friday, February 10th 6:30 pm - Saturday, February 11th 9:00 am Junior High Lock-in

All 7th and 8th graders, YOU are invited to come have dinner, play floor hockey, watch skits performed by Langley theater department students, get to know Pastor Kessinger, munch on popcorn and warm cookies and much more with all of your confirmation classmates. We will also participate in a service project for N Street Village, make sandwiches and muffins. We will finish off the Lock-In with breakfast on Saturday morning. For more information, contact Terri Markwart at ltmarkwart@gmail.com.



More Youth News!....

Shrove Tuesday, February 21st Pancake Dinner at 6:00 pm

The youth will be helping with the Shrove Tuesday pancake supper this year. All are invited to join us for dinner! The dinner will raise funds to help our ELCA Youth Gathering group go to New Orleans this summer. Youth, to sign up to help at one of three shifts: 4:30-6:00 pm, 5:45-7:30 pm, or 7-8 pm please email Roxanne Englund at englunds@verizon.net.

Mini-Famine February 25th 9 am-7 pm

All 8th-12th graders are invited to join us for a day of collecting canned food for SHARE, playing games, and learning about the hungry in our world. We will conclude with dinner. Fundraising packets have been distributed. If you plan to attend or have any questions, please email Roxanne Englund at englunds@verizon.net.



Faith and Life Forum

January 29 - Luther - On the Babylonian Captivity of the Church

Harold Hofstad will lead us through a look at the second of Luther's famous trilogy of early Reformation-period theological treatises. With widespread publishing made possible by the invention of the printing press, these writings captured the attention of people all across Northern Europe, fanning the spark that had been started with the posting of the 95 theses into the blaze of the Reformation. In *On the Babylonian Captivity of the Church*, Luther expresses his ideas about the sacraments and how the then-current medieval system and practice of the Church had Christians in a kind of spiritual bondage - which is ostensibly why the title of the treatise draws a parallel with exile-period Israel. We'll see if we can find a spiritual comparison illustrating the mighty acts of God, delivering the people of God to freedom.

Feb. 5 Update on the Economy

Ron Kutscher will again share with us his regular quarterly update on the economy, including a look at how trends are likely to affect us, as well as perhaps some of the plans for adjusting the federal budget for the future while anticipating long-term trends in demographics and other factors.

Sun	1/29	8:30a 9:00a 9:45a 9:45a 11:00a 3:00p 4:50p	Traditional Worship By Law Amendment Discussion Contemporary Worship Faith and Life Forum Traditional Worship Wolf Den Meeting SSOF	Nave Prayer&Care Nave Fellowship Hall Nave Classroom Fellowship Hall
Mon	1/30	6:30p 7:00p 7:30p 8:30p	Great Falls Sharks Softball AA Aerobics Youth Open Gym	Parents Hall Music Suite A Parents Hall Parents Hall
Tue	1/31	12:00p 6:45p 7:00p 7:00p	Rotary Dominion Christian School Boy Scout Troop 1916 Stoneleigh Association	Fellowship Hall Parents Hall Fellowship Hall Conference Room
Wed	1/01	9:30a 6:30p 7:30p	Quilting Group Oakcrest Basketball McLean Youth Basketball	Fellowship Hall Parents Hall Parents Hall
Thu	2/02	1:30p 7:00p 7:45p 8:00p	Prayer Shawl Ministry Bell Choir Traditional Choir Men's Basketball	Library Music Suite A Music Suite B Parents Hall
Fri	2/03	7:00p	Youth Open Gym	Parents Hall
Sat	2/04		<i>Pastor Kessinger Installation</i>	



- 2/04 Pastor Kessinger Installation
- 2/05 Annual Congregational Meeting
- 2/05 Souper Bowl Sunday
- 2/10 Junior High Lock-in
- 2/12 Social Concerns Fair
- 2/12 ELCA Youth Gathering Meeting
- 2/17 Family Friday Pizza Night
- 2/17 Youth Open Gym
- 2/21 Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper
- 2/22 Ash Wednesday
- 2/22 Lenten Dinner
- 2/25 Youth Ministry Mini Famine
- 2/26 Confirmation Workshop
- 2/29 Lenten Dinner
- 2/29 Lenten Worship



Redeemer members,
Please call Redeemer's office to let us know when you are in the hospital or if you know of a member who is in the hospital. We want to provide all members with a pastoral presence and prayer in times of need. Also, please let us know if a member is homebound, so that we can visit and provide Holy Communion. Thank you for your partnership in our caring ministry.



Life at Redeemer

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Remember to pray ...

For all who are seeking employment

For Healing:

- Bill Beck
- Mary Betts, mother of Kirk Betts
- Bob Brennan
- Cathy Brown
- Olivia Cogswell
- Emmanuel Debeauvais
- Doris
- Kenneth Erickson
- Miriam Gates
- Kyle Hahne
- Haley
- Rosi Hedterich
- Kate Jones
- Lisa Kuschke
- Matt Kutscher
- Kellee Lanza
- Mother of Marina Lari
- Fred Lippert
- Lois Luke
- Jacob Osman, friend of Emily and Tommy Adams
- Barbara Ramsey
- Mark Russell
- Kathleen Schmidt
- Chris Shipley
- Madeline Seiferman
- Bob Smout
- Beth Telford
- Roger Ubben, father of Doug Ubben
- Michele Utz, sister of Gerri Swarm
- Eyeleen Vance
- Ann Vlairsavljevich
- Irene Ward
- Doris Waser
- Bryan Wilson, brother of Carolyn Ubben

For Guidance:

For Gayle Ostensoe, mother in law of Barbara Jacoby

For Comfort in Death:

- The family and friends of Robert Davies
- The family and friends of Wilbur Lund
- The family and friends of Nancy McCoy
- The family and friends of Hazel and Warren Skon

For Comfort and Strength:

- Cathy Bermann
- Kate Davis
- Merle Sanders

For Comfort and Peace:

- Naomi Fernandez
- Dorothy Pancoast
- Jim Shattuck, Sr.
- Virginia Tucker

For Safety:

- All service men and women in Afghanistan
- Jordan Burgess, in Afghanistan
- Tony Cho, in Pakistan
- Joe Goldfrank, in the Pacific
- Dana Malec, in Yemen
- Tim Reese, in Iraq
- Jon Walsh
- Ryan Wing

For Thanksgiving:

For the presence of Pastors Paul and Geri
at Redeemer and life's work

OUR MISSION: SHARING CHRIST'S LOVE WITH THE GREATEST NUMBER OF PEOPLE



Come greet Pastor Kessinger!

In celebration of Pastor Kessinger joining our Redeemer family, please join us in Crossroads after every service for cookies and socializing. There will also be a special cookie and punch reception in the Keillor Wing (close to the Sunday School classrooms) after the 9:45 service.



SAVE THE DATE!

On Saturday, February 4th, Pastor Kessinger will be installed as the Senior Pastor of Redeemer Lutheran Church. Why Saturday? It allows friends, pastors and colleagues in ministry, representatives of area Lutheran churches and other nearby churches, and colleagues from Southwestern Pennsylvania attend and welcome her. Why an installation? Installation is the final act of the call process when she becomes our senior pastor and when her membership is transferred to Redeemer and she becomes one of us in mission and ministry. Do plan on being a part of this colorful and joy filled welcome!



Proposed By-Law Amendments

The annual congregational meeting will consider a set of By-Law amendments proposed by the Council. These amendments would codify, and in some cases modify, the organizational structure of our ministry. The proposed By-Laws have been published and copies are available in the Narthex. Karin Kutscher and George Hall, members of the Council and its Organizational Task Force, will be in the Prayer and Care Room in the Crossroads after each service today, January 29 to discuss the amendments. Please join them and share your comments, suggestions, insights and questions.



A Note of Thanks!

THANK YOU ... for the **incredibly warm welcome** that I have received this past week! The greetings cards from the Sunday School children (and their hands on my wall) were only the beginning as I received other notes from members, gift cards, flowers, meals to take home, chocolate and other healthy treats! The Call Committee members left me a basket full of joy and enough cannot be said about the dedicated staff who worked long and hard to get my office ready for my first day here. As a congregation you are A++! May God so richly bless us as we begin our ministry together.



Do We Have Your Nametag??

Help us have a nametag for you every week of **February, "Nametag Month"**. We want to be sure that you and your family members each have a full page of name tags with your name printed as you like it. So, stop by the nametag file, locate your nametags, and if you need more or a different spelling, please fill out the sheet on the clipboard. We want to have a full page of nametags for everyone! Thank you!



Partner for Surgery

In January, we sent 62 post-op gift bags to Guatemala and in February we will be sending 32 more! If you would like to contribute items to the children in Guatemala (ages 1-18) undergoing surgery, you will find our collection box outside the Fellowship Hall at the entrance to the Education Wing. Right now we really need Travel Size Shampoo! Other items that we would appreciate receiving include: Coloring Books, 8x10 Spiral Notebooks, Markers, Small Toys for Girls (ages 1-11) and Baseball-type Caps for Boys (ages 12-18.) Thank you for your support.

Prayer List Note:
 To add names to this list, use the Prayer Request box located on your Welcome form. You may also email or telephone the church office. We will forward your request to the telephone prayer chain and to the email prayer chain. We want all our prayers to be appropriate—so please keep us up to date on those whom you have added to our prayer list. With the exception of safety prayers for our military, we will remove names after two weeks unless we hear from you. We are prepared to pray indefinitely.