

# THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

Redeemer Reader · February 2025

# ..... A Note from Pastor Matt .....

Grace and peace to you, my sisters and brothers!

As we enter February – and wasn't that a quick start to the year? – I find myself reflecting on how we can strengthen our community at Redeemer. How can we support one another, celebrate each other, and recognize God's work in and through us as we serve the world?

One of the best ways to build up our community is by being present for one another – showing up to support the activities, interests, and gifts of our members. When we know what each other is doing, the ways we're active in the community, and the talents we're sharing, we create stronger connections and a deeper sense of belonging.

This often starts with our youth and children. They're involved in so many wonderful activities – sports teams, ensembles, dance groups, art projects, robotics competitions, and more. It's such a gift to show up for them, cheer them on (respectfully, of course – I've been told enthusiastic hollering at art galleries is frowned upon!), and walk with them in their journey. If your child is involved in something they'd love the Redeemer community to celebrate, let the church office know so we can help spread the word!

But supporting our community isn't just about our youth. Many in our congregation share incredible gifts as adults, whether through art, music, competitions, or other passions. If you're working on a project, hosting an event, or participating in something you'd love others to join or cheer you on in, please share that with us. We'd love to include it in the newsletter and invite our Redeemer family to support you.

When we show up for one another, we not only strengthen our community but also make ministry more joyful and collaborative. We learn to listen deeply to the causes that matter to others and find new ways to show God's love through our hands and feet in the world.

So, as the year gets rolling, where can we support one another and share our gifts? Send those dates and events to the church office so we can celebrate and encourage one another throughout the year.

God's peace, y'all!



**Volunteer Opportunities** are all around us here at Redeemer. If you feel called to serve on one of the several committees, would like to assist with worship on Sunday mornings, or are willing to help tidy up the sanctuary after services let any one of the Congregation Council members know or call/email Haley in the church office or fill out the form below and return it to the church at your convenience!

Children and Youth Ministry Committee • Evangelism Ministry
Faith Formation Committee • Fellowship Committee • Finance Committee
Social Ministry • Property Committee • Stewardship Committee
Worship and Music Committee

Other ways to serve:

Worship Assistant · Acolyte · Crucifer · Communion Prep · Offering Teller Usher · Pew Crew

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Name:	Other ways to serve:				
Phone Number:	Worship Assistant Acolyte				
I feel called to serve on the following	Crucifer				
committee(s) (circle all that apply):	Communion Prep				
<b>Children &amp; Youth Ministry Committee</b>	Offering Teller				
<b>Evangelism Ministry</b>	Usher Pew Crew				
<b>Faith Formation Committee</b>					
Fellowship Committee	If you do not wish to serve on a committee but you are willing to help in a different				
Finance Committee	capacity, comment your interests below:				
Social Ministry					
<b>Property Committee</b>					
Stewardship Committee					
Worship and Music Committee					



This month's featured committee focuses on our Stewardship Committee.

The Stewardship Committee helps to promote the overall giving program for our church both in financial resources and personal time and talent resources. They share information about ministries of the congregation and synod, and encourage giving for the Lord's work. Over the last few years, the Stewardship Committee has led a stewardship drive for Redeemer to help increase knowledge of our programming and to encourage increased overall giving to better support our ministries.

If you want to sign up to be a part of one of the ministries of Redeemer, please utilize the sign up sheets in the narthex or in your weekly bulletin. If you want more information about contributing financially to support our ministries, please contact the church office or click on the "GIVE" tab on our website.



VABOUTUS VMINISTRIES VRESOURCES CALENDAR STREAM

GIVE

# ----- February

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed		Thu	Fri	Sat
Property Comm 2 9am SS - 9:30am Worship - 10:30am WELCA - 3:45pm SC Faith @ Summer Mem 5pm	FLC Reserved	Historical Comm - 6pm Endowment Committee Meeting -6pm FLC Reserved Library Reserved Prayer Shawl - 11 10am		5 12	FLC Reserved	7 FLC Reserved	15
Worship - 10:30am Confirmation Class @ Summer Mem - 4pm FLC Reserved	Prayer & Care Card Making - 9:30am FLC Reserved	Finance Committee Meeting - 6pm Library Reserved - 6pm FLC Reserved - LMM	Handbell Choir Rehearsal - 6pm Senior Choir Rehearsal - 7pm		FLC Reserved		GAAP @ O'Neal St UMC - 10am
16 SS - 9:30am Worship - 10:30am	Cong Council Mtg - 6pm	Library Reserved - 6pm	Handbell Choir Rehearsal - 6pm Senior Choir Rehearsal - 7pm	19	Newsletter Information Deadline	21	22
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#### ······ Announcements ····

**Heartland Conference Confirmation Schedule -** Classes will be held at Summer Memorial Lutheran Church at 4pm.

Winter/Spring 2025

February 9 - Claiming My Calling

February 23 - Living Among God's Faithful People

March 9 - Hear God's Word and Share God's Supper

March 23 - Proclaim the Good News in Word and Deed

April 6 - Serve All People, Following the Example of Jesus

May 18 - Strive for Justice & Peace in the World

**The Redeemer Lutheran Men in Mission -** will meet on Tuesday, February 11 at 7:00 pm in the Family Life Center. Walter Jacobs is the head chef.

All men and boys are invited to attend!

AMEN FOR LUTHERAN MEN!!





#### Redeemer WELCA News -

WELCA will meet Sunday, February 2nd in the church library for its business meeting at 3:45pm; planning will continue for BOLD Women's Sunday and Valentine's will be signed for our shut-ins. At 4:00, we will be discussing the chapter on Jesus and John - "Friends for Eternity" in our <u>Love Stories of the Bible</u> book.

All women and friends of the congregation are invited to attend!

# ······Faith Formation ······

Nursery - Room 133 · Children & Youth - Rooms 134 & 135 - 9:30-10:15am
The Gathering - Room 141 - 9:30-10am - Currently studying <u>Luther the Reformer:</u>
The Story of the Man and His Career by James Kittelson and Hans Wiersma
The Men's Bible Class - Room 142 - 9:30-10am

**Prayer & Care Card Making -** Meets on the 2nd & 4th Mondays of the month at 9:30am in room 212

**Prayer Shawl Ministry** - Meets on the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays of the month at 10am in the library

# **Epiphany**

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# WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

09 - Ray & Misty Cooper 15 - Billy & Patty Davis

11 - Andy Senn

21 - Rob & Becky Livingston IV

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

11 - Andrew West	19 - Bryson Mack
	19 - Sabin West
	20 - Chad Cary
12 - Nick Layman	20 - Brian Pitts
13 - Kerri Moose	21 - Lee Davis
14 - Pat Kelly	21 - Laurel Keen
16 - John Hammond Jr.	23 - Kristin Caughman
16 - DeeDee Westwood	23 - Lawson Cooper
17 - Jared Abrams	24 - Rey Lominack Jr.
17 - Robert Kneece Jr.	27 - Stewart Layman
17 - Cynthia Lominack	27 - Jeff Spotts
18 - Ben Bowers	27 - Elizabeth Willingham
18 - Matthew Bowers	J
	13 - Kerri Moose 14 - Pat Kelly 16 - John Hammond Jr. 16 - DeeDee Westwood 17 - Jared Abrams 17 - Robert Kneece Jr. 17 - Cynthia Lominack 18 - Ben Bowers

<sup>\*\*</sup>These dates are according to our church records. If there are any errors or omissions, please notify the church office via telephone (803) 276-2003 or email info@redeemernewberry.org.

19 - Molly Fortune

# ······ The Numbers ······

Attendance	Sunday School	10:30 am	Online Views	Total Worship Attendance	Offerings Received
January 05	16	81	188	269	\$6,684.67
January 12	22	83	88	171	\$8,522.64
January 19	18	74	155	229	\$7,460.15
January 26	14	72	142	214	\$5,796.87
Average	17	77	143	220	\$7,116.08

#### TREASURER'S REPORT FOR JAN 2025

Summary Treasurer's report for January 2025

To meet the monthly Ministry Spending Plan we need: \$30,794.00

Income: \$ 21,648.57
General expenses: \$ 30,941.00
Income is less than expenses by: \$ 9,292.88

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ONLINE CHURCH OFFERING OPTION: WWW.REDEEMERNEWBERRY.ORG/GIVE

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1st Sunday - Chad Cary, Norris Long, Zeb Reid, Dennis Caughman

2nd Sunday - Susan Thomasson, Walter Jacobs, Justin Guy, Dennis Caughman

3rd Sunday - Tommy Fellers, Joey Nicosia, Aubrey Guyton, Dennis Caughman

4th Sunday – Elmer Long, Mack Garner, Robert Kneece, Dennis Caughman

5th Sunday – Kathy Riggin, Nikki Chapman, Doggett Whitaker, Dennis Caughman

#### Altar Flowers

February 02 - available

February 09 - available

February 16 - Polly & Lee Davis

February 23 - Caughman Family

## Communion Prep

February 02 - Kitty Summer

February 09 - Lynn Cary

February 16 - Ann Jacobs &

Susan Thomasson

February 23 - Erin Titus

## Worship Assistant

February 02 - Lisa Senn

February 09 - Derryll Satterwhite

February 16 - Johnny Lindsay

February 23 - Eve Kneece

## Acolyte and Crucifer

February 02 - Levi Richardson/Jacob Chapman

February 09 - Lawson Bannister/Olivia West

February 16 - Griffin Long/Ellie Nguyen

February 23 - Ashleigh Titus/Miriam Titus

# ······ Readings ······

February 02 - Psalm 92; Luke 6:1-16 February 09 - Psalm 119:105-107; Luke 7:1-17

February 16 - Psalm 146:5-10; Luke 7:18-35

February 23 - Psalm 103:3-6; Luke 7:36-50

## ······· The Redeemer Directory ······

The Rev. Matthew Titus, Pastor, pastor@redeemernewberry.org
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All Members: Ministers in Worship and Daily Life Jeffrey Truscott, Missionary - Japan

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#### Church Staff

The Rev. Matthew Titus, Pastor Dr. Huger Caughman, Jr., Music Director and Organist Nicholas Shumate, Choir Dir. Aubrey Guyton, Youth Director Haley Stuhr, Office Assistant



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