



October 29th Wear your  $\mathcal{RED}!!$ 



MARTIN LUTHER

Sola Gratia Grace Alone

Sola Fide

Faith Alone

Sola Scriptura Scripture Alone

"The whole being of any Christian is faith and love. Faith brings the person to God, love brings the person to people."

Martin Luther

Grow in LOVE - Serve with JOY LUTHERAN Alden, MN 56009 REDEEMER

Change Service Requested

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> God's work. Our hands.

### Calendar of Events for October 2023

| Sun. 10/1   | 8:30 am Worship Service w/Holy Communion & Baptism |  |  |  |  |
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|   | 9:30 am Fellowship                                 |  |  |  |  |
|   | 9:45 am Sunday School                              |  |  |  |  |
| Mon. 10/2   | 6:30 pm Bible Study—Session 3—Moses at Redeemer    |  |  |  |  |
| Tues. 10/3  | 4:00—6:00 pm Alden Food Shelf                      |  |  |  |  |
| Weds. 10/4  | 5:45 pm 7th/8th Gr Confirmation Class at Redeemer  |  |  |  |  |
|   | 7:30 pm 9th Gr. Confirmation Class at Redeemer     |  |  |  |  |
| Thur. 10/5  | 8:00 am—2:00 pm Pre-School Screening               |  |  |  |  |
|   | 1:30 pm Bible Study—Session 3—Moses at Concordia   |  |  |  |  |
| Sun. 10/8   | 8:30 am Worship service                            |  |  |  |  |
|   | 9:30 am Fellowship                                 |  |  |  |  |
|   | 9:45 am Sunday School                              |  |  |  |  |
| Pr Kristi at Fall Theological Conference Oct. 8 ( 2 pm) - Oct 10 (6 pm) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tues. 10/10   | 4:00—6:00 pm Alden Food Shelf                      |  |  |  |  |
| Wed. 10/11  | 5:45—7:15 pm 7th/8th Gr. Confirmation at Concordia |  |  |  |  |
| Pr. Kristi—Continuing Education Days Oct 12—15                          |  |  |  |  |  |
| <u>Sun. 10/15</u>   | 8:30 am Worship with Holy Communion & Kids Sing    |  |  |  |  |
|   | 9:30 am Fellowship                                 |  |  |  |  |
|   | 9:45 am Sunday School                              |  |  |  |  |
| Mon. 10/16  | 6:30 pm Bible Study—Session 4– Joshua at Redeemer  |  |  |  |  |
| Tues. 10/17   | 9:00 am Busy Fingers Quilting                      |  |  |  |  |
|   | 4:00—6:00 pm Alden Food Shelf                      |  |  |  |  |
| Wed. 10/18  | MEA Break—No Confirmation Classes                  |  |  |  |  |
|   | 7:30 Church Council Meeting                        |  |  |  |  |
| Thurs. 10/19  | 1:30 pm Bible Study—Session 4—Josuah at Concordia  |  |  |  |  |
| Sun. 10/22  | 8:30 am Worship service                            |  |  |  |  |
|   | 9:30 am Fellowship                                 |  |  |  |  |
|   | MEA Break—No Sunday School                         |  |  |  |  |
| Tues. 10/24   | 4:00—6:00 pm Alden Food Shelf                      |  |  |  |  |
| Wed. 9/27   | 5:45—7:15 pm 7th/8th Gr. Confirmation Class        |  |  |  |  |
|   | 7:30 pm Parish Council Meeting at Redeemer         |  |  |  |  |
| <u>Fri. 10/27</u>   | 6:30 pm Family Movie Night                         |  |  |  |  |
| <u>Sun. 10/29</u>   | Reformation Sunday—Wear Red                        |  |  |  |  |
|   | 8:30 am Worship Service with Holy Communion        |  |  |  |  |
|   | (calendar continued on next page)                  |  |  |  |  |

Youth – Next gathering is October 29 at Redeemer. Pastor & Kayla will be reaching out to kids about the ELCA Youth Gathering in July in New Orleans.

Missions & Outreach – no update Endowment – Met September 18.

Voted on another outreach for Spirit of Christmas.

<u>Property</u> — Met August 28. Joel completed replacing cartridge in personage shower and putting new aerators in church sinks.

Music & Worship— Thanksgiving
Eve Service Nov. 22 at 7:00 pm at
Redeemer with fellowship to follow.
Hanging of the Greens Service—
December 3rd. Christmas Eve Sunday,
Dec 24th 8:30 am (Redeemer) and
10:30 am (Concordia) services for

Advent 4 then Christmas Eve Services at 4 pm (Redeemer) 5:30 pm (Concordia) and 10:30 pm (Redeemer). Sunday, December 31st 9:00 am Joint Worship Service of Lessons and Carols at Concordia with fellowship.

Other Items – Parish Council meeting September 27 at 7:30 pm at Redeemer

Motion made to adjourn, seconded, and passed. Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer at 8:46 pm.

Next meeting is Wednesday, October 18 at 7:30 pm

Respectfully submitted by Nikki Weber-Knutson, Secretary



# SAVE THE DATE! November 12, 2023—3-5 pm The Church Council would like to invite you to

The Church Council would like to invite you to participate in a *Pie and Ice Cream Social Fundraiser* on Sunday, November 12, from 3-5 pm (following the Alden Conger School Play). There will also be a Silent Auction during the Social.

We are seeking a few volunteers to help cut and serve the pie and ice cream. All the pies will be fresh made by Dawn from Jake's Pizza in Wells, MN. If you are able to help serve please contact Pastor Kristi.

We are also inviting folks to consider donating a themed basket, gift certificates, art, etc. for the Silent Auction. If you would like to donate such an item please contact Pastor Kristi or Kurt in the Church Office.

This fundraiser is to help provide for the sanctuary AC fund.

### **August Financial Report**

Income \$ 13,850.94 Expenses \$16,236.68

## Council Minutes September 2023



- JOSH SORENSEN, PRESIDENT
- GRANT PETERSEN, VICE PRESIDENT
- NIKKI WEBER-KNUTSON, SECRETARY
- JERRY REYERSON, TREASURER
- CURT GUENTHER
- TONYA HANSEN
- JANELLE JACOBS
- TARA ROBERTS
- BRADY GOODEN

Redeemer Lutheran Church

Unapproved

Church Council Minutes

September 20, 2023

President Josh Sorensen called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. Opening devotions given by Curt Guenther.

In attendance were Nikki Weber-Knutson, Josh Sorensen, Curt Guenther, Grant Petersen, Pastor Kristi Mitchell, Tonya Hansen, and Tara Roberts.

Absent: Janelle Jacobs, Jerry Reyerson, and Brady Gooden Reviewed Secretary's Report, meeting minutes from August 23. Motion to accept, seconded, and motion passed.

Treasurer's Report – Motion to accept, seconded, and motion passed.

Pastor's Report – Request for removal of membership received from Josh, Emily & Macksen Wills. Request for removal of membership received from Rachel, Isabelle, & Betsy Bakken. Request for removal of membership received from Linda Nelson, Katya Fredrickson, and Jason Thompson. Pastor will attend the Fall Theological

Conference Oct 8-10 in Okoboji and have continuing education Oct 11-15. Pastor Daphne Hamborg will serve as pulpit supply. Upcoming vacation November 24-30 and December 26-31.

### Old Business –

-Plan for A/C replacement fundraising. Discussed pulled pork meal in the spring. Potentially do pie & ice cream social with silent auction 3-5pm on Sunday, November 12. Pastor will see if pie maker is available.

-Handrail for altar area – Curt spoke with new owner at B&D and hoping to hear back in the next month. Long delay was due to change in ownership.
-Building security doorbell information – Motion to accept, seconded, and motion passed to move forward with the Ring video cameras for the 3 church entrance doors, paying from Faith In Action.
-Portico Health Care coverage choice – Motion to accept, seconded, and motion passed to select Gold Plus Health Care level for pastor's health insurance.

-Fire department is going to let us know if they want a key to our building or to use a fire box outside. Waiting to hear back from them.
-Church parking lot usage by Alden-Conger school staff – being used minimally since approved, no other feedback.

### New Business -

-Sidewalk by east and main entrances are uneven – Jack Korman looked at and said he would take care of it.

### Committee Reports

<u>Christian Education</u> — Successful Rally Day. Confirmation has begun.

Calendar Cont.

**Sun. 10/29** 9:30 am Fellowship

9:45 am Sunday School

5:00-7:00 pm Youth Group Event at Redeemer

Tues. 10/31 Happy Halloween

4:00-6:00 pm Alden Food Shelf

6:00-7:30 pm ACES Halloween Food Shelf Drive



| Kim Soost        | 10/1  | Brixtyn Rhiner    | 10/18 |
|------------------|-------|-------------------|-------|
| Roger Pestorious | 10/2  | Lori Guenther     | 10/20 |
| Jacque Sorensen  | 10/2  | Ryan Hansen       | 10/21 |
| Kory Newman      | 10/3  | Char Peterson     | 10/21 |
| McKayla Wachlin  | 10/3  | Steph Hallman     | 10/22 |
| Debbie Hayes     | 10/5  | Janelle Jacobs    | 10/22 |
| Terri Huper      | 10/5  | Andrew Petersen   | 10/22 |
| Jeannette Abbe   | 10/6  | Helen Steene      | 10/22 |
| Janelle Fischer  | 10/6  | Jason Christensen | 10/23 |
| Kelsey Newman    | 10/6  | Dorothy Johnson   | 10/23 |
| Paige Diekmann   | 10/8  | Marci Newman      | 10/23 |
| Rachel Guenther  | 10/8  | Matt Troska       | 10/24 |
| Dani Jensen      | 10/8  | Ashley Peterson   | 10/25 |
| Josephine Clark  | 10/12 | Amy Purdy         | 10/26 |
| Bobby Geesman    | 10/12 | Sue Allen         | 10/27 |
| Carson Kluender  | 10/12 | Kayla Roberts     | 10/27 |
| Al Knutson       | 10/14 | Elena Schewe      | 10/27 |
| Jessica Nesje    | 10/14 | Addison Mattson   | 10/28 |
| Carolina Steene  | 10/14 | Brooks Williams   | 10/30 |
| Wesley Diekmann  | 10/15 | Pat Larson        | 10/31 |
| Gaylan Wachlin   | 10/15 | Ben Purdy         | 10/31 |
| Caleb Mattson    | 10/18 |                   |       |



\*Sunday School follows the 8:30 a.m. Worship Service each Sunday, starting at 9:45 a.m. and dismisses at 10:30 a.m.\*

### **Sunday School Happenings:**

Sun. Oct. 1st— Lesson "The Chief Priests"
Sun. Oct. 8th—Lesson "Parable of the Vineyard"
Sun. Oct. 15th—(\*Kids Sing in Church!) Lesson "The Wedding Banquet" Christian Coin Store
Sun. Oct. 93th No Sunday School (MEA Weekend)

Sun. Oct. 22th—No Sunday School (MEA Weekend)
 Fri. Oct. 27th—Faithful Friday—Family Movie Night at 6:30 pm
 Sun. Oct. 29th—Lesson "The Greatest Commandment"

Please note weekly lessons are included in Pastor Kristi's weekly e-news. October 1st and October 8th, 4-6th Grade will be focusing on "The Fruits of the Spirit".

Sunday School updates and reminders are sent out through "Remind" and Facebook. Make sure you are signed up so you can receive reminders and changes in the regular schedule.

### **To Receive Sunday School Remind Messages:**

On your smartphone...
Use your web browser to navigate to **rmd.at/redeemersu** 

For text messages...
Text the message @redeemersu to the number 81010

On your computer...
Go to **rmd.at/redeemersu** 

### \*NEW THIS YEAR\*



On the week of your birthday, celebrate with us during fellowship time following our worship service. Bring a silver coin for each year you turn and help fill our birthday cake!

For example, if you are turning <u>8</u>, bring 8 silver coins of your choice and place them in our special birthday cake. All are welcome to participate!



### **Electronic Giving Options at Redeemer Lutheran Church**

Through our Vanco Financial Giving Service we offer eGiving options. The eGiving program options offer you the possibility of one-time gifts or recurring donations.

\* Text Giving (NEW OPTION)

Enter the following GivePlus Text number 844-669-5755 and the amount you wish to donate, then press send. Register your contact and payment info. Tap "Process." Receive your verification text that your gift was received.

\*Online

Visit www.redeemeralden.org and click on the Online Giving tab on the front page of our website to set up a one-time or recurring donation.

\*Mobile App

Download the Vanco Mobile app from your app store to set up a one-time or recurring donation. Search Alden and then choose Redeemer Lutheran Church . This Vanco Mobile app is available on <a href="#">Apple</a> and <a href="#">Android</a> devices.

Thank you for your continued financial support of the ministry of Redeemer Lutheran Church.

If at anytime you have questions about these options please contact Pastor Kristi or Kurt in our Church Office. We hope you will tryout one of our convenient and safe eGiving options.



### **SAVE THE DATE - Faithful Friday Family Event!**

Join us Friday, October 27 at 6:30 p.m. for snacks and a family movie. Please bring a blanket and/or lawn chair for seating. Popcorn provided!

RLC Theatre Now Playing . . .





Come Shop at Our Redeemer "Christmas Treasures" Fundraiser

You will find all kinds of Christmas treasures, including wall-hangings, trees, wreaths, ornaments, lights, garland, kitchen decorations, and so much more. Many items are brand new or gently used. Everything is available for a "free-will donation" (cash or check) with all donations going to the Redeemer Lutheran Church Sanctuary Air Conditioner Replacement Fund.

Shop at anytime the church is open -8:00 am

to 5:00 pm Monday - Friday and Sunday mornings.

Located in the Northeast Entrance area and basement of the church. Thank you to Betty Steele, Barb Carlson & Candy Johnson for their donations and hard work in setting up all the "Christmas Treasures". Contact the Church Office is you have any questions.

### Personnel

- Pastor Kristi Mitchell
- Kurt Mylenbusch,
   Admin. Assistant & Custodian
- Shirley Newman, Financial Secretary
- Shirley Newman, Ann Purdy
   & Helen Steene, Organists

### **Contact Information**

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- Facebook: Redeemer Lutheran Church

### Worship and Fellowship Opportunities

# **Leolytes**

### **October Worship Services**

- 1: Luke Gooden & Andrew Petersen
- 8: Cael Boldt & Ethan Bendickson
- 15: Addison Mattson & Preston Hendrickson
- 22: Rylin Troska & Jade Huper
- 29: Aspen Soost & KyAnna Besser

### **October**

Neil Pierce & Nikki Knutson

Ushers

# **Coffee Fellowship October Servers**

- 1: Sunday School
- 8: Dan & Sue Reindal
- 15: Someone needed
- 22: Dean & Myrna Sorensen
- 29: Jacobs Family





### October

- 1: Carolyn Martinson
- 8: Roger Pestorious
- 15: Mike Bute
- 22: Someone needed
- 29: Radley Miller



### **October**

Candy Johnson

Halane Besser

"I have held many things in my hands, and I have lost them all; but whatever I have placed in God's hands, that I still possess."

Martin Luther

### WEDNESDAY CONFIRMATION CLASS SCHEDULE:



- Oct. 4 5:45-7:15 pm 7th/8th Grade Class at Redeemer
- Oct. 4 7:30-8:30 pm 9th Grade Class at Redeemer
- Oct. 11 5:45-7:15 pm 7th/8th Grade Class at Concordia
- Oct. 18 No Classes—MEA Break
- Oct. 25 5:45—7:15 pm 7th/8th Grade Class at Redeemer

Please contact Pastor Kristi (507-360-1224) if you have any questions about Confirmation.

### Concordia and Redeemer Youth Group

Pumpkin Bowling, Pumpkin Decorating, Roasting Pumpkin Seeds, Birthday Bag Mission Project, and More!!



Join us on Sunday, October 29th for our *All Hallows Eve* Youth Event. Wear your Halloween costume if you like! Invite a friend! Join us at 5 pm. At Redeemer. We will share in outdoor pumpkin games, a meal, a mission project and lots of fun. Prizes for best costume and best pumpkin decorating. Contact Pastor Kristi (507-360-1224) or Kayla Roberts (507-402-9790), our Youth Group Assistant, if you have any questions about our Youth Group event. Hope you can join us!!



A reminder that Daylight Saving Time ends on Sunday, November 5th, 2023. Set your clocks back 1 hour!

### **Quilting at Redeemer!**

The Busy Fingers Quilters gather on the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the month at 9:00 am in Luther Hall. No special requirements are needed to participate.

Next Quilting Dates Are: October 3rd and 17th

If you have any used mattress pads or blankets you would like to donate, the quilters can use them for fillers.

### You Are Invited to Adult Bible Exploration!



Come and join in a time of exploration of the Bible and some of the People of Faith. We continue our series A Lamenter, A Dreamer, and Two Pretty Good Leaders learning about Moses, and Joshua. Pastor

Kristi will lead these sessions on the following dates.

Oct. 2 6:30 pm at Redeemer—Session 3:Moses-A Pretty Good Leader Oct. 5 1:30 pm at Concordia—Session 3:Moses-A Pretty Good Leader Oct. 16 6:30 pm at Redeemer—Session 4:Joshua-A Pretty Good Leader Oct. 19 1:30 pm at Concordia—Session 4: Joshua-A Pretty Good Leader



All Saints Sunday will be November 5th, 2023. Please join us for our worship service at 8:30 am as we remember those saints who have died in the past year and those who have been baptized since our last All Saints Sunday.

"'Thank you' is the best prayer that anyone could say."

**Martin Luther** 



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