

The Evangel



On September 7th we will begin our worship service time of **8:30 AM**. Each Sunday worship will be at Redeemer with Holy Communion on the 1st and 3rd Sunday's of the month. **Sunday School will be at 9:45 am starting on Sunday, September 21st.**



Serengeti Trek ~ Rally Sunday ~ **September 14th -** **Church Service 8:30 a.m.**

Come back for another WILD time as we kick off the 2025-2026 Sunday School year! Cradle Roll Graduation, 3rd Grade Bibles presented, snacks, music, games, and more Serengeti Trek fun!

"I know the greatness of the Lord." Psalm 135:5

Blessing of Backpacks during service ~(Please bring your school backpacks to church!)



Cradle Roll Graduation--It's very exciting that our new preschoolers will begin Sunday School this year!

9:30 am Fellowship with Root Beer Floats served by the Endowment Committee



Following the church Service
on September 14th:

Sunday School Open House
Classroom Sign-up, fun activities and treats!

Calendar of Events for September 2025

<u>Mon. 9/1</u>	Labor Day - Office and Church Closed
<u>Tues. 9/2</u>	4:00-6:00 pm Alden Food Shelf
<u>Wed. 9/3</u>	6:30 pm 7th, 8th & 9th Grade Confirmation Orientation at Redeemer
<u>Sun. 9/7</u>	8:30 am Worship Service with Holy Communion 9:30 am Fellowship 6:30 pm Acolyte Training
<u>Mon. 9/8</u>	6:30 pm Bible Study Session 1 at Redeemer
<u>Tues. 9/9</u>	9:00 am Busy Fingers Quilting 4:00—6:00 pm Alden Food Shelf
<u>Wed. 9/10</u>	5:45—7:15 pm 7th/8th Gr. Confirmation at Concordia
<u>Thurs. 9/11</u>	2:00 pm Bible Study Session 1 at Concordia
<u>Sun. 9/14</u>	RALLY SUNDAY 8:30 am Worship service 9:30 am Fellowship 9:45 am Sunday School Open House and activities 1:00 pm Youth Group leaves from Redeemer
<u>Mon. 9/15</u>	6:30 pm Bible Study Session 2 at Redeemer
<u>Tues. 9/16</u>	4:00-6:00 pm Alden Food Shelf
<u>Wed. 9/17</u>	5:45—7:15 pm 7th/8th Gr. Confirmation Class at Redeemer 7:30 pm Church Council Meeting
<u>Thurs. 9/18</u>	2:00 pm Bible Study Session 2 at Concordia
<u>Sun. 9/21</u>	8:30 am Worship with Holy Communion 9:30 am Fellowship 9:45 am Sunday School
<u>Mon. 9/22</u>	6:30 pm Bible Study Session 3 at Redeemer
<u>Tues. 9/23</u>	9:00 am Busy Fingers Quilting 4:00—6:00 pm Alden Food Shelf
<u>Wed. 9/24</u>	5:45—7:15 pm 7th/8th Gr. Confirmation at Redeemer
<u>Thurs. 9/25</u>	2:00 pm Bible Study Session 3 at Concordia
<u>Sun. 9/28</u>	8:30 am Worship service 9:30 am Fellowship 9:45 am Sunday School
<u>Mon. 9/29</u>	6:30 pm Bible Study Session 4 at Redeemer
<u>Tues. 9/30</u>	4:00—6:00 pm Alden Food Shelf

Interested in getting a reminder?

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! Contact Anna Sorensen to sign-up.



Nikki will talk with Joel and see what he recommends. Joel also recommended at some point we get Heath to install another outlet for the 2nd sump pump. Will bring back costs for battery backup to next council meeting. -Damage to shingles – shingles are missing after recent storm, was a larger section on roof ridge missing shingles & Brian replaced. Thank you Brian!

Committee Reports

Christian Education— Rally Day Sept. 14th. Confirmation Orientation on Wed. Sept 3rd at 6:30 pm. Acolyte training on Sun., Sept. 7th at 6:30 pm. Bouncy house ordered for Rally Day and they would like it set up on the yard. Tonya applied for Thrivent card to cover costs. Tonya will confirm the size. Endowment committee will be serving root beer floats for Rally Sunday.

Youth—Youth Group on Sept. 14th at 1:00 pm, leave from Redeemer.

Missions & Outreach – Twins

Game went well. Lots of community folks attended.

Endowment— Met on July 24.

Property— Met on July 28.

Music & Worship— Worship service returns to 8:30 on Sunday, Sept. 7th.

Other Items - None

Motion made to adjourn, seconded, and passed. Meeting closed with the Lord’s Prayer at 7:40 pm.

Next meeting is Wednesday, September 17 at 7:30 pm.

Council Duties: For September — someone needed.

Respectfully submitted by
Nikki Weber-Knutson,
Secretary

July Financial Report

Income \$ 12,098.04
Expenses \$11,897.34

Council Minutes August 2025



- JOSH SORENSEN, PRESIDENT
- GRANT PETERSEN, VICE PRESIDENT
- NIKKI WEBER-KNUTSON, SECRETARY
- BRADY GOODEN, TREASURER
- DEREK PETERSON
- TONYA HANSEN
- STEPHANIE SOOST
- TARA ROBERTS

Redeemer Lutheran Church Unapproved Church Council Minutes August 20, 2025

President Josh Sorensen called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm. Opening devotions given by Pastor Kristi.

In attendance were Pastor Kristi Mitchell, Brady Gooden, Tonya Hansen, Grant Petersen, Derek Peterson, Tara Roberts, Stephanie Soost, Josh Sorensen, and Nikki Weber-Knutson. Absent: None

Reviewed Secretary's Report, meeting minutes from June 18 (no July meeting). Motion to accept, seconded, and motion passed.

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

Pastor's Report –

-Baptism on August 31, 2025
Myles Prchal son of McKayla (Wachlin) and Brian Prchal – need council representative to assist

-Vacation August 24-30, Pastor Carol Mapa will serve as pulpit supply at Concordia Aug 24th
-Bible Study starts on Sept. 8th at Redeemer and 11th at Concordia

-Receiving a new member—
Amber VanRyswyk. Welcome Amber!

-Continuing Education days
September 25th—30th

Old Business –

-Tree removal for the Ash trees on church property – Derek met with Bernie, it will be a little larger job than Bernie initially thought. May be able to save some costs if Freeborn Mower helps with some branches that are over the power lines. Derek & Glen have already offered to help as well. Anticipated work will be completed soon depending on Bernie's schedule. Motion to approve up to \$4,900 for tree removal, seconded, and motion passed.

New Business -

-Generator for parsonage sump pump – suggest doing battery backup for the one sump pump.



Megan Burris	9/2	Corey Cummings	9/14
Ron Jensen	9/2	Dave Rasmussen	9/16
Phillip Stadheim	9/2	Eli Hallman	9/17
Christopher Steene	9/2	Lori Miller	9/17
Diane Sorensen	9/3	Gina Turnau	9/18
Shawn Linn	9/4	Aurora VanRyswyk	9/20
Val Jensen	9/5	Ashley Newman	9/22
Joel Knutson	9/5	Drew Gooden	9/25
Linda Korman	9/5	Barb Bakken	9/26
Kelly Skov	9/5	Bob Dolton	9/26
Barb Carlson	9/6	Toby Soost	9/26
Cody Korman	9/6	Janelle Bush	9/28
Amy Newman	9/6	Jane Haukoos	9/28
Krista Johnson	9/8	Brock Whelan	9/28
Ebenezer Howe III	9/9	Joshua Sousa	9/29
Halane Besser	9/11	Makalynn Weigel	9/30
Zack Roberts	9/13		



Cradle Roll Graduation

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How exciting to welcome to Sunday School our children who are graduating from the Cradle Roll! We will be honoring them on Rally Day Sunday, September 14th in our 8:30 am Worship Service.

Congratulations—Laklyn Besser and Brooks Williams

Exploring Your Bible! The 3rd Grade students and families are invited to a Faith Milestone class related to Exploring Your Bible! Students will receive their new Bibles at our Rally Day Worship Service on Sunday, September 14th at 8:30 am. Pastor Kristi is offering the Exploring Your Bible! session as a way to learn about their new Bible, share in hands-on activities related to the Bible, create Bible crafts, and understand some Bible basics. **Join her on Sunday, October 5th from 3:00-5:00 pm at Redeemer Lutheran Church.** Contact Pastor Kristi with your questions or to confirm you will be attending. (Cell #-507-360-1224, Office # 874 -3343, email pastor@redeemeralden.com)





We are ready for our 2025-2026 Sunday School Year to begin! Please join us for fellowship and an open house on a special *Serengeti Trek Rally* Sunday, **September 14th**, following our 8:30 a.m. worship service. Check out your child's classroom, have fun in the bouncy house, and enjoy root beer floats! There will be forms and sign-up sheets available in each classroom, please let us know if you are interested in volunteering. We cannot have a successful year without volunteers & donations!

Regular Sunday School lessons begin on **September 21st** following the 8:30 a.m. worship service (9:45-10:30). Make sure to grab our annual Sunday School magnet with upcoming important dates. *****Sunday school will begin promptly at 9:45 a.m. in the Sanctuary with music and opening activities.***** Students will then transition to their individual classrooms for a story/lesson. Please note weekly lessons are included in Redeemer's weekly e-news.

MONTHLY BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

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



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



To register your children for Sunday School, please find the Sunday School Registration Form online through the Redeemer Weekly E-News or our website.
Hard copies are available at the Church Office.

SAVE THE DATE - Faithful Friday Movie Event!



Join us Friday, October 24 at 6:30 p.m. for snacks and a movie. ALL are welcome!! Please bring a blanket and/or lawn chair for seating. Popcorn provided!

**RLC Theatre: Movie Title
Coming Soon!**

Electronic Giving Options at Redeemer Lutheran Church

Through our Vanco Financial Giving Service we can offer eGiving options that are convenient alternatives to cash and checks. The eGiving program options offer you the possibility of one-time gifts or recurring donations.



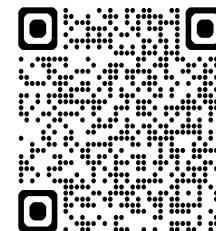
* Text Giving

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. Use this QR Code to take you to our website for online giving.



*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 Apple and Android devices.

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

Answer: Praise the Lord!



Confirmation Orientation—September 3rd at 6:30 pm at Redeemer Lutheran for 7th & 8th & 9th Grade Students of both Concordia Lutheran and Redeemer Lutheran Churches. Parents and students will receive information to help them begin the confirmation year. Please contact Pastor Kristi (507-360-1224) if you have any questions about Confirmation.

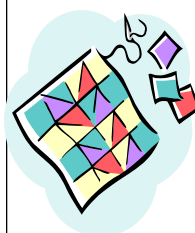
WEDNESDAY CONFIRMATION CLASS SCHEDULE:

Sept. 10 5:45-7:15 pm 7th/8th Grade Class at Concordia
 Sept. 17 5:45-7:15 pm 7th/8th Grade Class at Redeemer
 Sept. 24 5:45-7:15 pm 7th/8th Grade Class at Redeemer
 Oct. 1 5:45-7:15 pm 7th/8th Grade Class at Redeemer
 Oct. 1 7:30-8:30 pm 9th Grade Class at Redeemer



Concordia and Redeemer Youth Group Join Us for Mini Golf Event!!

Our first Youth Group event for the year will be Sunday, September 14th —1 to 5 pm. All 4th through 12th grade students from both congregations are invited to participate. You are also welcome to bring a friend. We will leave from Redeemer Lutheran Church at 1:00 pm. Cost is \$10 per student. Youth Group funds will pay for the treats following our golf time. We plan to return around 5 pm. Please contact Pastor Kristi (507-360-1224) by September 10th to make reservations to attend. Can't wait to see you for the beginning of our Youth Group gatherings!!



Quilting at Redeemer!

The Busy Fingers Quilters will begin gathering on **Tuesday, September 9th at 9:00 am in Luther Hall.** No special requirements are needed to participate. During September they will come together again on **Tuesday, September 23rd.**

In October they will begin their usual gathering time of the **1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month.**

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

September Bible Study—*The Witness of Paul: His Life, His*

Bible Study



Missionary Journeys, and The Gospel. All are invited to join in the Bible exploration of the Apostle Paul. We will discuss his missionary journeys, watch a video on the Apostle Paul led by Rick Steves, a well known Lutheran , who is an American travel writer and producer, and explore scriptures related to Paul's life as a

witness to the Gospel.

Each session of the Bible Study will be offered 2 times, once at Redeemer and once at Concordia. You are welcome to come to one or all of the sessions. No previous Bible knowledge is necessary to join in the learning.

Our sessions are:

Monday, September 8th at 6:30 pm—Session 1 at Redeemer
Thursday, September 11th at 2:00 pm—Session 1 at Concordia
Monday, September 15th at 6:30 pm—Session 2 at Redeemer
Thursday, September 18th at 2:00 pm — Session 2 at Concordia
Monday, September 22nd at 6:30 pm—Session 3 at Redeemer
Thursday, September 25th at 2:00 pm—Session 3 at Concordia
Monday, September 29th at 6:30 pm—Session 4 at Redeemer
Thursday, October 2nd at 2:00 pm—Session 4 at Concordia

Please feel free to contact Pastor Kristi if you have any questions about upcoming Bible studies. Hope you can join us!!