

this week

Pack the Pantry

Sunday, September 24th, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at Aldi on Allen Road
Do some shopping and help support Redeemer's food pantry. Grocery bags are distributed to those in need every Monday afternoon and Friday morning here at Redeemer. Let's pack the pantry as we head into the fall months! Thank you for your generosity.

Acolytes

8:15 - Jonathan Bye & Sam Frederking
10:45 - Emma Paustian & Carson Paustian

Baptism James William Niekirk *child of Veronica Williams & Jonathan Niekirk*

PACK THE PANTRY

Food drive benefiting Care Ministry



9-1 at Aldi (Allen Road)

**Sunday
September 24**

staff

Contact each staff person using this format:
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today's worship

WELCOME

HYMN "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" 809 vs. 1-2

INVOCATION

CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMN "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" 809 vs. 3

RESPONSIVE PSALM

PRAYER OF THE DAY

FIRST READING Isaiah 55:6-9

SECOND READING Philippians 1:12-14, 20-28

SONG "Children of the Heav'nly Father"

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

GOSPEL READING Matthew 20:1-16

APOSTLES' CREED

HYMN "For Me to Live is Jesus" 742

SERMON

OFFERING

HYMN "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" 770

PRAYERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BLESSING

HYMN "Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer" 918

SHORT TERM PRAYER LIST

Pam Beterbide, Mary Beth, Jeanne Davis, Steve Jensen, Ward Lenz, Ed Levene, Paul & Valerie Litten, Larry Locher, James Maughan, Heather McCarthy, Macky Pangburn, Nina Reinders, Hannah Rice, John Ricks, Debbie Rodriguez, Ken Taylor, Tim Schutt, Bruce Simpson, Charlie Thompson, Wells Wylie, Easton, Arlan Wehnes, Kristin Weinhold.

LONG TERM PRAYER LIST

Phil, Cathy Behrll, Elaine Carr, Kayllene Clymer, Dayden Coose, Kaye Dean, Phoebe Dooley, Beverly Franklin, Kathy Giesen, Katherine Graves, Veronica Graves, Ben Hackett, Jennifer Halleen, Jaxson Harper, Dave Haught, Rene Hayashi, Tim Heller, Bobby Hinderliter, Joyce Hinderliter, Ian Hucke, Juliana Kaminski, Joe Keating, Terry Kelly, Jayme Knapp, Andy Loyd, Vicki Garner, Clarence "Sonny" Mack, Angie Maughan, Ken Orwig, Ara Peterson, **Mike Richardson**, Dottie Rhodes, Don Seckler, Cheryl Smith-Ellis, Dave Storlie, Wendy Wirth, Diane Wolf.



September 23, 2017

5:30 pm

welcome

We are glad that you chose to worship with us today!

Guests and visitors are invited to stop by the Welcome Center for more information about Redeemer. The nursery is available for children ages three years and younger during worship services and Bible study hour.

Coffee and refreshments will be served in the lobby and reception areas after both services on Sunday morning. Please linger to meet and greet one another. Join us for conversation over a cup of coffee as we grow together.

Join us for Bible study at 9:40 a.m.

- **Adult Bible Study:** David Life Center
- **Discover Redeemer:** Miller Hall
- **Speaking Hope into Long-Term Illness:** Conference Room
- **Promises Fulfilled:** Chapel

Sunday School also meets at 9:40 a.m.

- Ages 2 - 5th Grade: Preschool Wing
- Junior High: Basement Lounge
- High School: Youth Room (off of the Life Center)

announcements

CONCORDIA GOLF OUTING

Monday, October 9th, at the Country Club of Peoria

Golfers needed! Registration fee is \$450.00 per foursome and includes greens fees, cart, event shirt, and on-course beverages and dinner.

Registration begins at 11:30 a.m. If you don't golf, you are still welcome to join us for dinner for only \$30.00. Sponsors are also needed to help out financially. Contact Chris Craine at 309-242-4535 or christopher.craine@yahoo.com.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Begins Friday, September 29th, at 9:30 a.m. in Room 760

Ladies, join together for Priscilla Shirer's Bible study: "He Speaks to Me; Preparing to Hear from God." See how God spoke to Samuel in 1 Samuel 3 and how he speaks to Christians today. Bring your Bible and friends. All are welcome. Cost is \$15.00. RSVP to Cindy Thompson at cindy4819@yahoo.com or 309-339-0952.

16TH ANNUAL WOR EVENT

Tuesday, September 26th, at 6:30 p.m. in the Life Center

Please join us! Many, many women have stepped up to decorate and hostess a table at this event. We have plenty of seating for you and a friend. Cost is \$5.00 per person. Reservations are strongly encouraged.

Text Lisa Mack at (309) 360-2669 or call (309) 243-5859. Homemade pies will be served for dessert. Come and enjoy an evening of Christian fellowship, music, prayer, and encouragement.

HURRICANE RELIEF AT RESURRECTION

Pastor Benson spoke with Concordia students via the internet on September 7th and shared what he and his family have experienced and will continue to experience in the aftermath of Hurricane Harvey.

Concordia is partnering with Resurrection Lutheran Church and throughout September will be collecting monetary donations and chapel offerings for those impacted by the hurricane. All donations and offerings collected through our school community will be sent to Resurrection. Pastor Benson and Resurrection will distribute these funds directly to families that have been devastated by Hurricane Harvey. If you would like to send a donation for Hurricane relief, please make checks payable to Concordia, put Hurricane or Harvey in the memo line, and we will send a single check for the total to Resurrection Lutheran Church in Spring, TX.

For the love of Christ controls us, because we have concluded this: that one has died for all, therefore all have died; and he died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised. 2 Corinthians 5:14-15

COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES

Drop off donations by October 29th

Each fall Redeemer sends care packages to our college students to let them know we are praying for them and to remind them of God's love. This year we plan to send the packages around November 1. In order to do this we need your help! Please email the name and address for college students to Lisa Scheffert at lstrong715@aol.com by October 16th. Even if you have provided the name/address in the past, we need you to send it again, since addresses typically change.

There will be a box in the lobby of the church to collect donations. We typically send 40-45 care packages. Items that we have collected/sent in the past include: ramen noodles, granola bars, Post-It notes, candy bars, gum/mints, trail mix, McDonald's gift certificates, and pens/highlighters. Thank you for your donations! Past college students have expressed how meaningful this was to them.

LIFE CHAIN

Sunday, October 1st, 2:00 p.m. at Culver's on University

Peoria Area Lutherans for Life will again stand in the Life Chain that stretches from the abortion clinic on North University to Metro Center. We will gather in the parking lot at Culver's and quietly stand for one hour along the street in front of Metro Center, holding signs provided by Central Illinois Right to Life.

Life Chain is a peaceful and prayerful public witness of pro-life Americans standing for one hour praying for our nation and for an end to abortion. It is a visual statement of solidarity by the Christian community that abortion kills children and that the Church supports the sanctity of human life from the moment of conception.



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youth & children

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We still are in need of a few Sunday School teachers and other volunteers in the area of children's ministry.

If you want to help out, contact Jen Roettjer at jennifer.roettjer@redeemerlutheran.com.

APPLYING GOD'S WISDOM TO YOUR FINANCES

When Solomon became King of Israel in his father David's place, God offered to grant him whatever he desired (2 Chronicles 1:7-12). Solomon's choice so pleased God that the reputation of his reign and his financial wealth remains today.

Solomon chose wisdom. And it was from that experience that he wrote in Proverbs 3:15-16, "She (wisdom) is more precious than rubies; nothing you desire can compare with her. Long life is in her right hand; in her left hand are riches and honor."

If God's wisdom is not coupled with your financial endeavors, there remains a potential danger for you as a Christian. Paul warned of the danger of seeking money alone (1 Timothy 6:9-10). Jesus spoke of the deceitfulness of riches (Mark 4:19). And Solomon said that riches will fly away so that you cannot catch them if that is all you seek (Proverbs 23:5).

Please be aware that none of these men, including our Lord, spoke against money or its accumulation. They spoke only of the danger associated with it apart from God's wisdom. Money in and of itself is neither good nor evil, only the motivation behind it.

The Bible does not teach you that it is wrong to desire finances. Your ability to desire is what motivates you to action and accomplishment. What the Bible does teach you is to desire wisdom in regard to your finances, which alleviates the danger surrounding money.

God's wisdom with regard to money is the ability to obtain and channel financial resources effectively. God's wisdom is what He would do in the same circumstances. Is this wisdom available to you as a Christian? Yes. That's why Solomon instructed you to desire it. Where do you find God's wisdom for finances? It's imparted to you through God's Word and through prayer.

One application of God's financial wisdom is giving. When you share Christ through your gifts of love, you are applying God's wisdom to your financial affairs. God is not against your having money or material goods. But He is opposed to money or material goods having you.

By applying God's wisdom through giving, you keep yourself free from money's ability to deceive you into thinking that money is the answer to all or at least most of your problems. Remember, it is God's WISDOM that's the answer to all your problems, including those financial.

FINANCIALS

July 2017 / YTD

Income*
\$226,790 / \$1,379,855

Expense
\$196,938 / \$1,347,758

Net (+/-)
\$29,852 / \$32,097

*YTD income includes
\$30,765 mortgage rebate