

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH, ELCA

The Ringer ~ February 2024



From the
Pastor

*Jesus, the sinner's Friend, to Thee,
Lost and undone, for aid I flee,
Wearied of earth, myself, and sin;
Open Thine arms, and take me in.*

*Pity and heal my sin-sick soul;
'Tis Thou alone canst make me whole;
Dark, till in me Thine image shine,
And lost, I am, till Thou art mine.*

*At last I own it cannot be
That I should fit myself for Thee:
Here, then, to Thee I all resign;
Thine is the work, and only Thine.*

*What shall I say Thy grace to move?
Lord, I am sin, but Thou art love:
I give up every plea beside—
Lord, I am lost, but Thou hast died.*



This old hymn, written by Charles Wesley, struck me as an attitude worthy of Lent. We enter the Lenten season being marked by the Cross of Christ—not in the clean waters of Baptism (although that is recalled) but in the dust of our mortality. In this marking we turn solely to the God of Creation who formed us out of dust, and to the God of Redemption who gave us Christ.

So as we enter this Lenten journey, let us contemplate the work of love that Christ has done: for each of us, and for all of us. Amen

In Christ,
Pastor David

Ash Wednesday: February 14

Service at 7:00 p.m.

Council Notes

- The Council would like to say “Thank You” to the outgoing Council members for their past service: Dan Metcalfe, Jody Biegert and Kris Johanson.
- Welcome to the new Council members: Spencer Melhus, Lana Jordan & Mary Shaffer.
- **THANK YOU TO ALL** for your unwavering support of donations throughout and at the end of the year of 2023!
- 2024 Council Officers are as follows:
 - Tom Mertz – President
 - Grant Johanson – Vice President
 - Cheryl Itschner – Secretary
 - Kris Johanson – Treasurer
- February 4th Joint Council meeting at Immanuel 3 pm
- February 14th is Ash Wednesday Service at 7:00 p.m.
- **During Lent, Wednesday Services will begin at 6:15 pm**
- Council Meetings are now the 3rd Tuesday of the Month at 5:30 pm; February 20th is the next meeting.

From the Treasurer

YTD Income as of December 31: \$280,499

YTD Expenses as of December 31: \$246,312

Mortgage Balance as of December 31: \$233,275

Endowment Fund Balance as of December 31: \$233,166

*Thanks, Jan
and Kris!*

Church Events

Join us for *Rejoicing Spirits,*
for individuals of all abilities!

Saturday, February 10
at 11 am.

Inclusive worship service, then
lunch and games to follow.

This month's theme: **Super Bowl**

Wear your team apparel!



Annual Meeting

On January 21 members gathered for potluck brunch and our annual congregational meeting. We passed the 2024 budget, honored outgoing Council members, and installed new Council members.

Thanks to all who made the event a success!



Church Groups

PAGETURNERS

Book club — all are welcome!

Next meeting **Thursday**

February 15 *

at 5:30 PM

The Boys in the Boat:

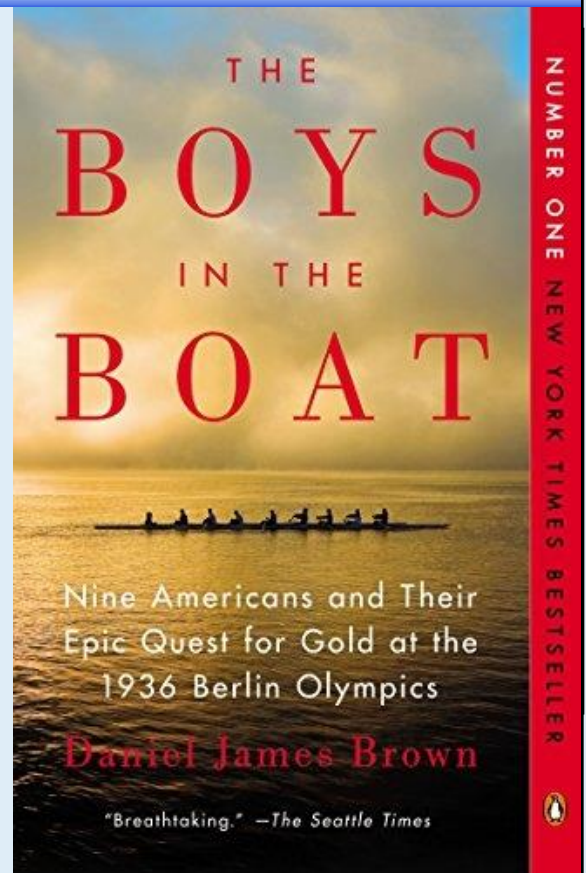
Nine Americans and Their Epic Quest for Gold at the 1936 Berlin Olympics

By Daniel James Brown

Leader: Rick Henderson

@ Jean & Phil Sedo's, 1190 Columbine Circle

* Note date change



Sewing Circle

February 8

Join us on the second Thursday of the month from 10:00-3ish (with lunch in the middle). This month we'll be making blankets and head wraps for Tammy Walker Cancer Center.

Contact Carol Keeler or Debbie Beckman with questions.

Lectionary for February

February 4

Isaiah 40:21-31

Psalm 147:1-11

1 Corinthians 9:16-23

Mark 1:29-39



February 11

2 Kings 2:1-12

Psalm 50:1-6

2 Corinthians 4:3-6

Mark 9:2-9

February 18

Genesis 9:8-17

Psalm 25:1-10

1 Peter 3:18-22

Mark 1:9-15

February 14 — Ash Wednesday

Joel 2:1-2, 12-17

Psalm 51:1-17

2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

February 25

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

Psalm 22:23-31

Romans 4:13-25

Mark 8:31-38

Thanks

Thank you to Pastor David & our Redeemer friends for the prayers, visits, phone calls, cards, food, flowers & esp. the Redeemer Christmas Carolers!!

We sincerely appreciate the thoughtfulness & kindness shown us during our long extended illnesses we have been & still are experiencing.

Tom & Sandi Drown

Thank you so much for the prayers, texts and cards during Tom's trip to Mayo Clinic. We felt so supported!

Tom & Mary Mertz

Redeemer Celebrations for February

- 3 Emily Strommen
- 4 Grant Johanson
- 4 Ted Wire
- 5 Pam Strahan
- 7 Trey Potter
- 7 Doris Simpson
- 11 Kris Johanson
- 14 Becky Pyle
- 15 Kenrick Hasker
- 18 Cody Pennington
- 19 Randy Jackson
- 21 Amy Green
- 22 Kenny Bridges
- 25 Adaline Nuss
- 26 Darren Anderson

Happy Birthday!



22 Harris & Lacey Hasker

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Partners in Ministry

Altar Guild for February: Kathy Heinrich

8:00 SERVICE	February 4	February 11	February 18	February 25
GREETERS	Cheryl Itschner	Mary Shaffer	Gary & Sue Mettlen	Jan Jackson
USHERS	Mary Shaffer	Cheryl Itschner	Denise Dusin	Gary & Sue Mettlen
LECTOR	Kathy Lowman	Charlotte Herrman	Gary Mettlen	Jan Jackson
COMMUNION	Charlotte Herrman	Kathy Lowman	Jan Jackson	Mary Shaffer
SOUND	Perry Jurgensen	Perry Jurgensen	Perry Jurgensen	Perry Jurgensen
10:30 SERVICE	February 4	February 11	February 18	February 25
GREETERS	Jim & Viv Cook	Kris & Grant Johanson	Rod & Rosemary Anderson	Marty Holmquist & CeCelia Anderson
USHERS	Kris & Sam Neff	Ray & Debbie Beckman	Jim & Viv Cook	Lana Jordan & Janet Whitaker
LECTOR	Debbie Beckman	Ann Metcalfe	Sam Neff	Tom Mertz
COMMUNION	Viv Cook	Kris Johanson	Janet Whitaker	Rod Anderson
SOUND	Ray Beckman	Kyle Tonniges	Kris Neff	Mary Mertz
FELLOWSHIP	Rod & Rosemary Anderson	Betty & Rick Henderson	Carol & Wayne Keeler	Jim & Viv Cook

Remember, if you can't be there on your assigned day, please find a substitute.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4 800 Worship 1030 Worship 1130 Fellowship 300 Joint Council meeting at Immanuel	5	6	7 5:30 Supper 6:00 Godly Play	8 8:30 Breakfast club 10-3 Sewing Circle	9	10 11:00 Rejoicing Spirits
11 800 Worship 1030 Worship 1130 Fellowship	12 6:00 Silver Needles	13	14 ASH WEDNESDAY 5:30 Supper 6:00 Godly Play 7:00 Ash Wednes- day service	15 930 Silver Needles Sew-in	16	17
18 800 Worship 1030 Worship 1130 Fellowship	19 Newsletter deadline	20 600 Council	21 5:30 Supper 6:00 Godly Play 6:15 Lenten Service	22 Newsletter deadline	23	24
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Our mission:

To love,
welcome,
and serve
all of God's
Creation.



"Chosen by God...to love one another."



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Weekly Church Events

Sunday Worship

8:00 and 10:30 Worship services
Fellowship after second service

Rejoicing Spirits

2nd Saturday every month
11:00 AM Worship, lunch & games
afterward

Wednesday

5:30 pm Supper
6:00 pm Godly Play

Organist: Ruth Mirtz

Choir & Bell Choir Director: Ann
Metcalf

2024 Council

Tom Mertz, Pres.	577-9456
Grant Johanson, VP	402-759-2255
Cheryl Itschner, Sec.	822-2693
Sheila Alstatt	643-0627
Lana Jordan	643-5253
Carol Keeler	825-4511
Spencer Melhus	392-0528
Mary Shaffer	826-5661
Ted Wire	309-269-5471

Treasurer: Kris Johanson

Financial Secretaries: Mike Ramage and Joe
Plumer