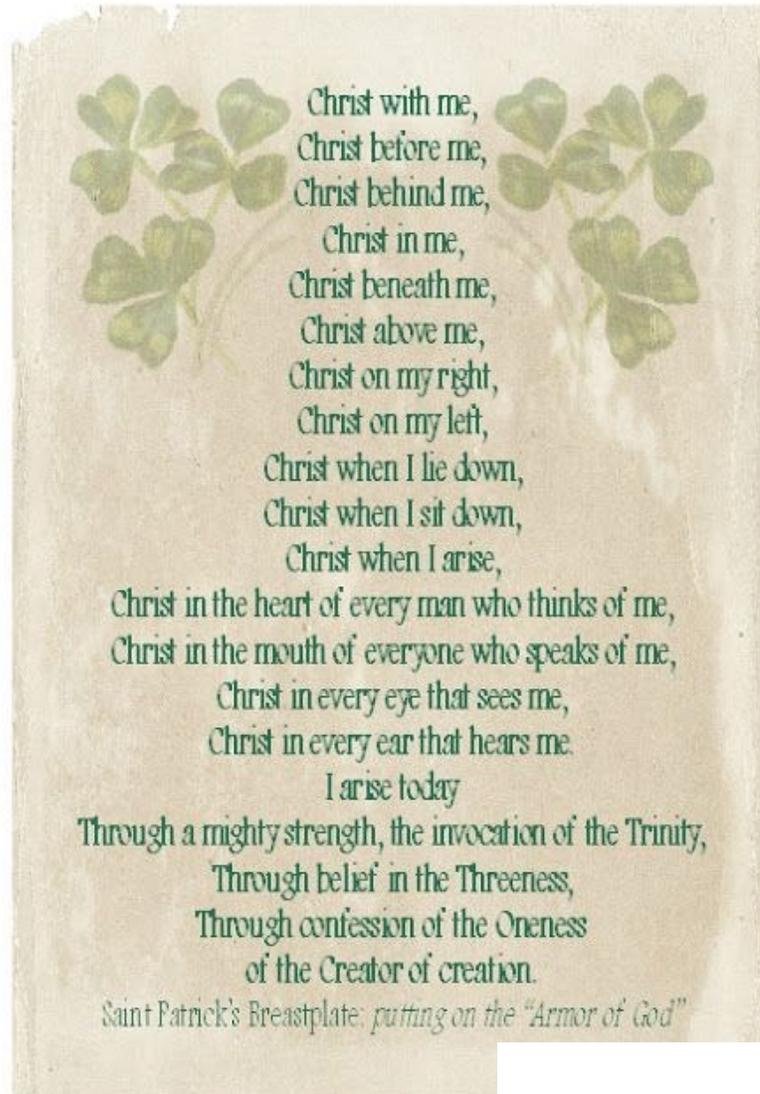




March Ringer 2026



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Hours: Wednesday through Friday 8:30-4:30



CALENDAR DATES

Mar. 1st– 8:30a.m. Transition team meeting, 9:30a.m. Worship

Mar. 3rd– 5:30p.m. Church Council Meeting

Mar. 4th– 6:15p.m. Lent Supper, 7:00p.m. Lenten Services

Mar. 5th– 6:30p.m. Guys Night out

Mar. 8th– 9:30a.m. Worship

Mar. 11th– 6:15p.m. Lent Supper, 6:30p.m. Bell rehearsal,
7:00p.m. Lenten Services

Mar. 12th– 8:30a.m. Breakfast Club at IHOP

Mar. 14th– 11:00a.m. Rejoicing Spirits

Mar. 15th– 8:30a.m. Sunday School, 9:30a.m. Worship

Mar. 16th– 6:00p.m. Silver needles meeting

Mar. 17th– 11:30a.m. Souper Sisters lunch @ old Chicago.

Happy Saint Patrick's Day!!!!

Mar. 18th– 6:15p.m. Lent Supper, 6:30p.m. Bell rehearsal,
7:00p.m. Lenten Services

Mar. 19th–9:30a.m. Silver needles sew-in

Mar. 22nd– 8:30a.m. Confirmation Class, 8:30a.m. Sunday
School, 9:30a.m. Worship

Mar. 25th– 6:15p.m. Lent Supper, 6:30p.m. Choir rehearsal,
7pm Lenten Services



Dear Members of Redeemer,

This past Sunday you voted to be in covenant with me for the next three years. This covenant will be reviewed each year to see if we wish to journey together for another year. I want to thank each and everyone of you for the kind words of welcome, encouragement and shared ministry visions. The Holy Spirit calls us to be church together and this is my prayer as we journey together. My prayer is that it is a joint effort between you, the people of God, and me, your Pastoral Leader. Our journey is to proclaim the Good News of the Gospel together as a team and to make everyone welcome to God's table, the community we call Redeemer and to the family of the baptized. As I reflect on the eight months we have been working together, my spirits have been lifted, and I look forward to our time together as we walk by a faith that calls us to truly love one another and work together as a people of God that lives out their baptismal promises.

In Christ,

Pastor Del



February Council Highlights

- ◆ **Property and A&E are working together on the concrete and railing project leading up to the main entrance.**
- ◆ **The updated Constitution is ready for publication. If you would like a copy, emailed or paper, please contact the office.**
- ◆ **Pastor is working on updating out building use policy and charges.**
- ◆ **We will be using the Safe Gatherings for our updated Youth Protection Program. Anyone working with children under 18 or special populations will be required to to complete this program.**
- ◆ **Time and talents data had been compiled and given to the Council Liaisons. They will be contacting people and setting up meetings for the committees. It has been recommended that the Liaison be the chair of the committee.**
- ◆ **Transition team brought a recommendation of Pr. Del Strecker, Retired be hired as a 3/4 time Pastor for 3 years to Council. It was unanimously approved. A Congregational Meeting was set for Feb. 22 to vote on this**

Important: To try and get the Ringer out by the first of each month the council Highlights will be a Month behind if you do not like this idea or any other changes made to the Ringer please send some positive feedback to Samantha. Thank you!

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Drew Alstatt- Mar. 3th

Michael Mertz- Mar. 7th

Tyler Nuss- Mar. 15th

Carol Lehman- Mar. 22nd

Anna Proeckish- Mar. 27th

Kayden Tonnings- Mar. 29th

Kristi Weiss- Feb. 3

Sue Mettlen-Mar. 15th

Karen Levin- Mar. 20th

Aaron Nuss- Mar. 25th



Happy
Anniversary

Larry and Caroline Manz 03/24/2000



Announcements

The youth are again planning on serving Easter Breakfast to raise funds for going to church camp. The breakfast will follow the 9:30 church service. Did you know it costs each youth \$475 to go to camp? Camp Tomha Shinga has a donor that gives each child \$50 so that still leaves \$425 per youth. Our youth do the Easter breakfast to help off set that cost. This year we have 5-6 youth going to camp. The girls have loved going the past two years and come back excited to learn more about God's world. Three of the youth will be going to confirmation camp with Pastor Del. We hope you will stay after church on April 5th and help support the youth. Following the breakfast we will have an Easter egg hunt for the younger youth of our church and families/friends.

Please stop by the office and welcome our new part time secretary Angie she will be here on Wednesdays and Thursdays!!!!



Spring Cleaning– March 28th at 9 am we will be cleaning inside and out of the church if you would like to help out we would appreciate it and love to see you there.

Souper Sisters will have lunch at Old Chicago and then tour Christ Cathedral after our lunch on March 17th.

Fall Fund Raiser

Calling all who craft, sew, knit, crochet, and bake. We're planning a fall fund raiser for our church, so if you enjoy crafting or can sew, knit, crochet, or bake we need you and your talents! Or if you have money in your pocket this is the time for your generosity. We can collect your items to sell. More information to follow. See Carol Keeler or Janet

Announcements



Continued

If you will be able to attend the Easter Vigil Saturday, April 7th please contact the office by person, email, or phone if you are willing to help Pastor will need- 2 Greeters, 2 Ushers, 3 Lectors, 1 Crucifier, and 1 Communion. Thank you in advance!!!

Maundy Thursday service will be at 7pm

Good Friday service will be held at 7pm

Easter Service will be held on Saturday,

April 7th at 7:30pm

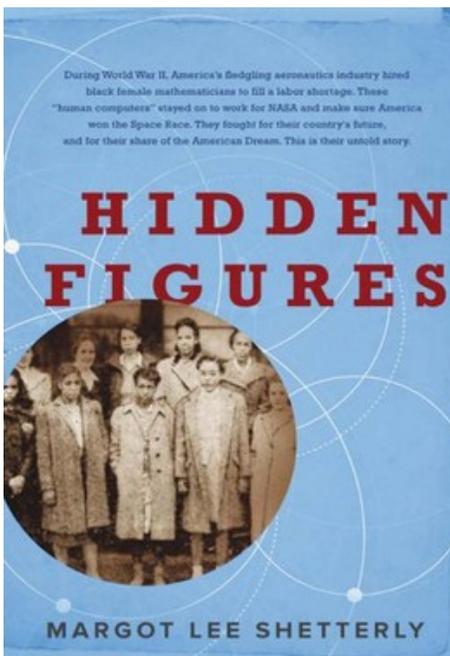
From the Treasurer as of January

YTD Income: \$ 79,041.57

YTD Expenses: \$15,372.70

Endowment Fund \$285,258.64

Mortgage Balance: \$ 189,271.09



Page Turners Book of the month!!

tells the true, untold story of Black female mathematicians—"human computers"—who played a crucial role at NASA during the Space Race and Civil Rights era. It follows Katherine Johnson, Dorothy Vaughan, and Mary Jackson as they overcome segregation and gender discrimination, performing the calculations necessary for critical aerospace achievements.

Calling all Cancer Survivors...

There are some cancer survivor forms on the welcome center. The American Cancer Society/Relay for Life is trying to recognize as many survivors as possible with free t-shirts. If you are a cancer survivor or know someone close to you who is, please fill out a form and put it in the envelope. I will get them turned in and a t-shirt will show up in the mail soon. It doesn't matter what type of cancer.....We want to recognize you !



Sewing club meets the second Thursday of the month from 10:00am- 3:00pm with an hour out for lunch. You don't have to know how to sew we could use your help else where. If you knit or crochet bring your needles we need hats and scarves!!!! Hope to see you there.

Thanks to the Redeemer Sewing Group (Carol Keeler, Debbie Beckman & Jody Biegert) for making 13 neck pillows, 6 seat belt covers and 6 rice bags for the Wellness Tote Project. These will go to Tammy Walker Cancer Center and the Cancer Center of Kansas here in Salina. They provide support to those undergoing cancer treatment. Thanks again ladies!

Fellowship Treats

Lenten Pretzels

Prep time: 40 minutes (not including dough rise time)
 Cook time: 15 minutes
 Servings: Makes 8 large pretzels

INGREDIENTS

- 2 1/2 cups lukewarm water
- 1 Tablespoon dry yeast
- 1 Tablespoon sugar or honey
- 2 teaspoons salt
- 9 cups flour
- 1/2 cup baking soda
- 3 cups hot water (for the baking soda bath)
- 4 Tablespoons of coarse finishing salt

DIRECTIONS

- Mix the 2 1/2 cups lukewarm water, sugar/honey, and yeast. Let sit for 10 minutes until bubbly. Mix in the flour and salt until you can't stir in any more. Turn out onto the counter and knead in the remaining flour. The dough should be hardy sticky.
- Cover the dough and let it rise overnight in the refrigerator or for about 2 hours on the counter.
- Turn the dough out onto your work surface and cut it into eight equal pieces. Roll each piece into a log.
- Cover the dough logs and let them rest for about 15 minutes. Preheat the oven to 450°F.
- Roll each log out into a long thin snake. Pull the ends of a "snake" towards you to make an upside-down "U" shape. Fold the "arms" over each other twice, then back towards the "belly". Seal the tips on the belly by pressing them down firmly.
- Using a glass (or non reactive) bowl, dissolve the baking soda into 3 cups of hot water.
- Fully submerge each of the pretzels one at a time into the baking soda bath for 10 seconds each. Drain each pretzel thoroughly before transferring them to parchment paper lined baking sheets.
- Sprinkle the coarse finishing salt over the pretzels.
- Bake pretzels for around 15 minutes until they are a deep golden brown color.
- Enjoy your traditional Lenten snack!

OLD-FASHIONED RICE PUDDING

2 1/2 cups cooked rice
 1 1/2 cups whole milk
 2/3 cup brown sugar
 3 eggs, beaten
 3 tbsp. melted butter
 2 tsp. vanilla
 1/2 tsp. nutmeg
 1/2 tsp cinnamon
 1/2 cup raisins

- Mix together all ingredients: pour into greased slow cooker.
- Cook on HIGH for 1-2 hrs or LOW for 4-6 hrs, stirring once in last 30 mins.
- Serve warm or cold.

PERFECT BREAD PUDDING

DON'T LOSE THIS RECIPE:

- 2 1/4 cups milk
- 2 slightly beaten eggs
- 2 cups 1-inch day-old bread cubes
- 1/2 cup brown sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1/2 cup seedless raisins

Bake at 350°F for about 45 minutes, until knife comes out clean.

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| 1 1/2 cups flour | 1/2 tsp vanilla extract |
| 1.5 tsp baking powder | 2 tbsp lemon extract |
| 1/4 tsp baking soda | Zest of 1 large lemon |
| 1/4 tsp salt | 1 cup sour cream |
| 1/2 cup vegetable oil | 1 cup powdered sugar |
| 1 cup sugar | 1 tbsp lemon juice |
| 3 large eggs | 1 tbsp milk |

Partners In Ministry

If you would like to volunteer to help with Fellowship, please contact Debbie Beckman. If you would like to volunteer to help with Altar Guild, please contact Vivian Cook. Redeemer needs you! Thank you!

| Duty | March 1st | March 8th | March 15th | March 22nd | March 29th |
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| Greeters | Jim & Vivian Cook | Janet Jackson & Janet Whitaker | Ray & Debbie Beckman | Joe Plumer & Mike Ramage | Lana Jordan |
| Ushers | Wayne & Carol Keeler | Grant & Kris Johanson | Gary & Sue Mettlen | Lana Jordan & | Joe Plumer & Mike Ramage |
| Lector | Mary Bridges | Kath Lowman | Jan Jackson | Wayne Keeler | Denise Dusin |
| Cantor | Kris Johanson | None | Sam Neff | Ann Metcalfe | Kahlan Metcalfe |
| Communion | Charlotte Herrman | Rod Anderson | Kahlan Metcalfe | Kris Neff | Mary Shaffer |
| Sound | Kyle Tonniges | Perry Jurgensen | Kris Neff | Mary Mertz | Ray Beckman |
| Crucifer | Carol Keeler | Ray Beckman | Charlotte Herrman | Dan Metcalfe | Kris Johanson |
| Fellowship | Kris Johanson | Betty Henderson | Shelia Alstatt | Lana Jordan | Debbie Beckman |

*Content of the Ringer depends on you, the members of this church, for articles, photos, important dates, etc. **The March Newsletter deadline is March 27th, 2025.** Information turned in after this date might not be included. The newsletter is available by email, mail or at the church.*