

# The Ringer

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August 2019 Newsletter



**P** From the  
Pastor

<sup>4</sup> Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. <sup>5</sup> Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. <sup>6</sup> Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. <sup>7</sup> And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

~~Philippians 4:4-7

We are called as a community in Christ to rejoice always. Now there is always a discussion that can be had about "how can we be happy all the time?" But I lift up Paul's words to remind us of the community we have at Redeemer who come together to worship the God who loves us in Christ. This love pushes us to reach out to others with the joy we receive in knowing our Lord is near. It is this rejoicing that spurred our council and Rejoicing Spirits committee to begin the process to have a service called Rejoicing Spirits at Redeemer. On August 18<sup>th</sup> after church we will be joined by Michael Martinez from Mosaic to have a discussion and watch a video called "Discovering the Possibilities". This will help prepare us for our launch of our monthly service in September. We have had some wonderful response from the community of Salina about this inclusive worship service. It is one more way that Redeemer is working to touch the lives of others with the good news of Jesus Christ.

So let us rejoice in the Lord always, again let us all say Rejoice.

***In Christ  
Pastor David.***

# Council Highlights

## Redeemer Lutheran Church Council — July 16, 2019

### *Council Highlights*

1. The groundwork for the first Rejoicing Spirits service is coming along quite nicely. All members are urged to attend a meeting after church service on Sunday, August 18th for a sensitivity training. The first service will be Saturday, September 14th at 11 am here at Redeemer. All members are again urged to attend.
2. The response for the lawnmower fundraiser has been good. We are nearing our goal.
3. Looking for members on the Evangelism/Outreach committee If you are interested please talk to Ray, Kendra or Anna.
4. The church could will not meet in August.

*Council Meeting Minutes are available to read on the Council Bulletin Board and in the office.*

*Council Meetings are the 2nd Thursday of the month beginning at 6pm.*



# Budget Information

### ***Treasurers Report***

Total income: \$168746.80      Budgeted income: \$295,100.00

Total expenses: \$135690.64      Budgeted expenses: \$297,470.00

Mortgage balance: \$405,034.18



## FYI

THE CLIMATE FOR CHANGE IS NOW.

## PARIS

TO

## PITTSBURGH



Thursday, September 26, 7:00 p.m. at  
Kansas Wesleyan's Fitzpatrick Auditorium

Join us for an inspiring FREE documentary about cities and towns across the U.S. embracing the transition to a lower-energy future.

"Paris to Pittsburgh reveals the inspiring steps communities across the country are taking to confront the severe health and economic threats posed by climate change," said Geoff Daniels, the head of unscripted programming for National Geographic. "From innovative ways to improve our food supply chain through Fleet Farming, parking lots shaded by solar paneled roofs to passionate college students making an impact in sustainable energy jobs, this documentary provides a hopeful roadmap for the future."

"Americans are determined to uphold our end of the Paris Climate Agreement, with or without Washington's help," said Michael R. Bloomberg, environmentalist, Mayor of New York City 2002-2013, and founder of Bloomberg Philanthropies (which produced the film). Co-hosted by Redeemer's Creation Care Team and Kansas Wesleyan University, with discussion to follow.

Talk to Mary Mertz (820-5585) to get your FREE tickets!

Join us at Daimaru Steakhouse located at the 3045 South Ninth on Tuesday, August 13, 6:30 p.m. for Ladies Night Out. RSVP appreciated but not necessary to Rosemary Anderson 785-492-1859 or Arlene Keil 620-292-1031. Bring a friend!



**Dear Redeemer Congregation:**

**Due to unforeseen circumstances the Property Committee had to replace the lawnmower. The committee has started a fundraiser for this purpose. If you are so inclined in your heart to contribute to this cause it would take a lot of stress off the budget. So far we have raised \$2400 of the \$3600 cost. Place your contribution in the yellow envelope and mark it lawnmower fund.**



**THANK YOU!**  
Redeemer Church Council

**A big thank-you to Tanner Thurman for coming forward to help during our lawnmower crisis. He mowed for us and let us borrow his mower for another cutting. God's angels are always close at hand. Again, thank you.**

## Reminders

# PAGETURNERS

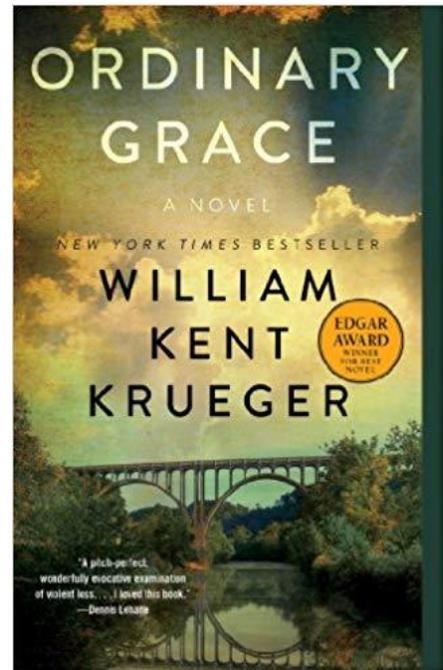
**August 20**

Ordinary Grace

Hosts—Lana & Gary Jordan

Book Club Meets on  
the 4th Tuesday of  
the month.

(there are a few exceptions)



Joint Worship Services  
will start May 26 and run  
through September 1 at  
9:30am.



### Discover the Possibilities with Mosaic

Mosaic is a 106 year old faith based, nonprofit ministry that helps people with disabilities relentlessly pursue opportunities to lead a full life. Formally known as Bethpage Mission, Mosaic began in Axtell, Nebraska and has been supporting people in North Central Kansas since 1985. Join us on August 18<sup>th</sup> after worship service for a one-hour presentation called "Discover the Possibilities" where you will hear stories of people supported by Mosaic and how a caring community can help give a voice to someone with a disability to lead a meaningful life.



# Central States Synod News

## New Synod Staff Announced

The election of a new bishop becomes a time of transition and gives us the opportunity to take a breath, look at what we have been doing and what we might do in order to fulfill the purpose and mission to which God calls us now, in the day, in this synod, through this call. Since all staff are co-terminus with the bishop (and therefore everyone's position ends on August 31) this is also true regarding staff positions. This transition is a time to assess; what staffing is needed to support the priorities of our work together as a synod, the funding available for those staff positions, and the best persons to take on the changing roles. In conversation with the executive committee of the synod council, I proposed the following staffing structure with some basic responsibilities outlined. Additionally, the following people have accepted these new positions which will begin September 1.

**Bishop's Associate (full time) – Rev. Dave Whetter**

- Congregational transitions
- Leadership development
- Congregational support
- Preaching, teaching, visiting congregations

**Bishop's Associate for Congregational Relations and Mission Support (part time) – Rev. Christyn Koschmann**

- Connecting congregations to the mission of the synod
- Mission support
- Mission interpretation

**Director for Communications (full time) – Tim Anderson**

- Designing and maintaining the synod website
- Producing the synod e-newsletter
- Coordinating AV at synod events
- Relator to synod ministries teams & committees

**Synod Administrator (full time) – Dawne Bockelman**

- Office management
- Event planning and coordination
- Roster and candidacy coordinator

**Directors for Evangelical Missions (two half time positions funded by the ELCA) – Rev. Donna Simon (Kansas City) & Rev. Kendra Nolde (St. Louis)**

- Congregational Vitality
- New Ministries
- Area Ministry Strategies

This staffing structure reduces the synod staff the equivalent of a ¾ time position. I appreciate your patience as the new staff works together to make sure we are serving the synod as effectively as possible. There are still many details to work out to streamline the functions of the staff to compensate for the smaller staff. I will continue to communicate with you as things are clarified so you know who on staff can assist you.

I also want to express my appreciation for the leadership of Bishop John Gustafson, Bishop's Associate Keith Hohly, and synod administrator Sandy VanTuyl and pray God's blessings on their next endeavors. While change can be challenging and difficult, it also presents us with new opportunities. I look forward to exploring those new opportunities with you and am excited to work with the new staff.

The Rev. Susan Candea, Bishop-Elect  
Central States Synod, ELCA



# Lectionary for Sundays in August

## Sunday, August 4—8th Sunday after Pentecost

[Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 18-23](#)

[Psalm 138](#)

[Colossians 2:6-15 \[16-19\]](#)

[Luke 11:1-13](#)

<sup>1</sup>He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." <sup>2</sup>He said to them, "When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. <sup>3</sup>Give us each day our daily bread. <sup>4</sup>And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.

And do not bring us to the time of trial."

<sup>5</sup>And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; <sup>6</sup>for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' <sup>7</sup>And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' <sup>8</sup>I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

<sup>9</sup>So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. <sup>10</sup>For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. <sup>11</sup>Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? <sup>12</sup>Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? <sup>13</sup>If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

## Sunday, August 11—9th Sunday after Pentecost

[Genesis 15:1-6](#)

[Psalm 33:12-22](#)

[Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16](#)

[Luke 12:32-40](#)

[Jesus said:] <sup>32</sup>"Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom, <sup>33</sup>Sell your possess-



sions and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. <sup>34</sup>For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. <sup>35</sup>"Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; <sup>36</sup>be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. <sup>37</sup>Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. <sup>38</sup>If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

<sup>39</sup>"But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. <sup>40</sup>You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

## Sunday, August 18—10th Sunday after Pentecost

[Jeremiah 23:23-29](#)

[Psalm 82:8](#)

[Hebrews 11:29, 12:2](#)

[Luke 12:49-56](#)

[Jesus said:] <sup>49</sup>"I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! <sup>50</sup>I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! <sup>51</sup>Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! <sup>52</sup>From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; <sup>53</sup>they will be divided:

father against son  
and son against father,  
mother against daughter  
and daughter against mother,  
mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law  
and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."

<sup>54</sup>He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain'; and so it happens. <sup>55</sup>And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat'; and it happens. <sup>56</sup>You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"



# Lectionary & Partners in Ministry

**Sunday, August 25—11th Sunday after Pentecost**

[Isaiah 58:9b-14](#)

[Psalm 103:1-8](#)

[Hebrews 12:18-29](#)

[Luke 13:10-17](#)



<sup>10</sup>Now [Jesus] was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. <sup>11</sup>And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. <sup>12</sup>When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." <sup>13</sup>When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. <sup>14</sup>But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." <sup>15</sup>But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? <sup>16</sup>And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" <sup>17</sup>When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

**ALTAR GUILD: Carol Keeler & Anna Prockish**

**PARTNERS IN MINISTRY 9:30 SERVICE**

	August 4	August 11	August 18	August 25
<b>Greeter</b>	Dan Metcalfe & Kendra Albin	Sue & Gary Mettlen	Kris Johanson & Dennis Kuhlman	Diane Conover & Kathy Lowman
<b>Usher</b>	Janis & Joe Plumer	Betty & Rick Henderson	Lana & Gary Jordan	Barbara & Ted Wire
<b>Lector</b>	Charlotte Herrman	Wayne Keeler	Mary Shaffer	Jan Jackson
<b>Communion</b>	Kendra Albin, Carol & Dennis Kuhlman	Dan Metcalfe, Tom & Sandi Drown	Alan English, Kathy & Joe Heinrich	Britney English, Mary Shaffer & Viv Cook
<b>Sound</b>	Ray Beckman	Tom Mertz	Perry Jurgensen	Britney English
<b>Fellowship</b>	Betty & Rick Henderson	Janis & Joe Plumer	Lonnie & David Wahlgren	Pam & Larry Strahan

# Take Note!



Members of Immanuel, Redeemer, and St. John's Lutheran Churches will again team up for **God's Work. Our Hands** Sunday on **September 8, 2019**. This year, we will be working at Ashby House here in Salina as we join thousands of ELCA members that day who are engaging in service work to make a positive change in their communities, build and deepen relationships, and share God's love.

Each congregation will hold their regular early worship service for those who wish to attend. Then we'll meet at Ashby House (exact location will be announced as we get closer to September 8) at **9:30 am** to help with either yard work or work in the new shelter for 2 hours. We will have projects for all ages and abilities, including putting together Baby Kits and School Kits for Lutheran World Relief. **All Hands** are needed as we serve!

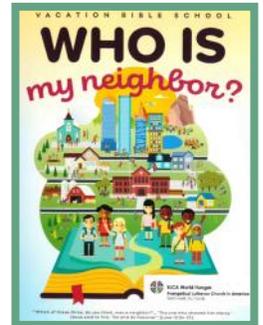
During the weeks before September 8, members are encouraged to donate items for the ministry of Ashby House. (Please see list below and take items to your congregation for collection.) For the day of September 8, you are encouraged to wear a Thrivent T-shirt (shirts are available if you need one), a **God's Work. Our Hands** T-shirt, or a shirt that represents your congregation. Pastor Ed Foster of St. John's will be our official photographer, and we invite you to take pictures of your own to share.

If you have any questions please contact Mindy Tillberg of Immanuel ([mt2820b@gmail.com](mailto:mt2820b@gmail.com)), Tyler Henoach at St. John's ([tylerhenoch@carrollswab.com](mailto:tylerhenoch@carrollswab.com)), or Noni Strand at Redeemer ([nonistrand@gmail.com](mailto:nonistrand@gmail.com)).

# Vacation Bible School 2019



**“Who is my Neighbor”** was the theme for VBS attended by 29 kids with 26 of them 6 years and under. It was a fun week learning the story of the Good Samaritan, bible verses and new songs. Those helping with VBS were Charlotte Herrman and Sue Mettlen fixing the delicious meals every night, Britney English leading the singing, Pastor David narrating the story, Kendra Albin and Nat Callahan leading games, and Kyle and Brenda Tonniges, Janet Whitaker, Britney English, and Shellee Callahan being group leaders. Mary Mertz and Debbie leading craft/simulation time and serving as co-directors. Thanks to those who provided cookies for our dinners.



# Wish List

## **Bath and Bedroom**

- Toilet paper
- Twin size sheet sets
- Twin size bedspreads (no comforters)
- Pillows

## **Clothing**

- Children's gloves & hats
- Women's underwear and bras (new)
- Children's underwear (new)
- Women's socks (new)
- Children's socks (new)

## **General**

- Cash donations
- Office supplies (scotch tape, dry erase markers, copy paper, etc.)
- Gift cards (gas & food)
- Children's school supplies (construction paper, markers, crayons, white glue, scissors, backpacks, etc.)

## **Household**

- Windex
- Latex gloves
- Multi-surface cleaner (409, etc.)
- Lysol spray

## **Kitchen / Laundry**

- Paper towels!
- Dish cloths
- Laundry detergent
- Dish soap
- Coffee (regular & decaf)

## **Over-the-Counter / Personal Care**

- Feminine hygiene products
- Deodorant
- Cold and Flu Medication (alcohol-free)
- Ibuprofen / Acetaminophen (Tylenol)
- Band-aids
- Diapers
- Diaper rash ointment
- Baby lotion
- Baby shampoo
- Antibiotic ointment
- Baby wipes

## **PERMANENT PART-TIME SUPERVISOR**

The Salina Rescue Mission currently has an opening for a **Part-Time Supervisor**. The Salina Rescue Mission is a Christian Ministry that provides homeless men food, shelter and clothing as well as providing meals to anyone in need in our community.

This will be a Permanent, Part Time team member working 20-30 hours per week. Qualified individuals must be flexible with their schedule, which may include late nights, early mornings and weekends.

### **Responsibilities:**

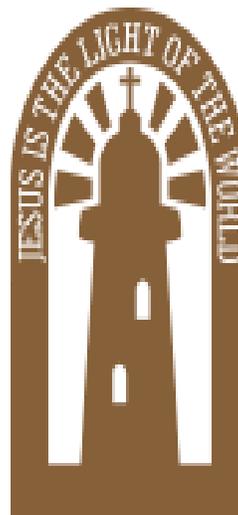
- Carries out check in and out procedures
- Enter data into our Guest Tracking software
- Enforces policies of the Mission
- Transport Mission Guests in Mission owned vehicles
- Handle conflicts that may arise between Shelter Guests
- Ensure confidentiality of Guest information
- Cook breakfast

### **Qualifications:**

- Follower of Jesus Christ and Ministry focused
- Proficient in Microsoft Office and cloud based databases
- Organizational Skills
- Excellent communication skills, both verbal and written
- Ability to work within team environment
- Professional attitude at all times
- CDL with passenger license or eligible to obtain

Starting pay for this position will be \$11/hr with earned time off and meals provided onsite while on duty.

Interested applicants should submit their resume, cover letter and testimony of your relationship with Jesus Christ to P.O. Box 1667, Salina, KS 67402-1667 or via email. Please indicate "Shift Supervisor" on envelope or in email Subject line.



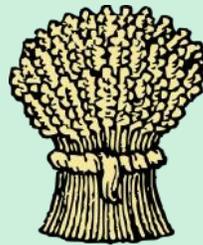
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# We are Family

- 08/05 Gary & Sue Mettlen
- 08/09 Randy & Jan Jackson
- 08/13 Gary & Lana Jordan
- 08/14 Pastor David & Anita
- 08/15 Doug & Mary Ellen Rudick
- 08/15 John & Ann Garrison
- 08/22 Tyler & Kayla Nuss
- 08/22 Mark & Kristi Weiss
- 08/23 Joe & Kathleen Heinrich



## Happy August Birthday!



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|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| 3 Talan Pickering  |                    | 22 Lacey Hasker       |
| 4 Gary Jordan      |                    | 23 Virgil Augustine   |
| 5 Jim Cook         |                    | 24 Ivan Lobban        |
| 8 CeCelia Anderson | 14 Jody Biegert    | 26 Tatijana Krebsbach |
| 9 Ray Beckman      | 16 Nathan Callahan | 26 John Nielsen       |
| 12 Joe Plumer      | 18 Brenda Tonniges | 30 Carol Kuhlman      |
| 12 Olivia Suarez   | 19 Alison Suarez   | 31 Tanner Thurman     |
|                    | 20 Brock Alstatt   |                       |

## FLOWER CHART

If you are interested in providing flowers for our worship services on a specific date, please sign the chart. Make sure to use only a dry-erase marker.

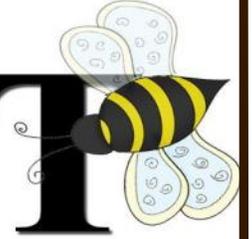
Cost will be \$20.



Content of the Ringer depends on you, the members of this church, for articles, photos, important dates, etc. **The September Newsletter deadline is August 15th at 12:00 pm.** Information turned in after this date might not be included. The newsletter is available by email, mail or at the church.



# AUGUST



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 1:00 Womens Life Group	2	3
4 9:30 Worship	5	6 5:45 Worship & Music	7 9:00 Bible Study	8 1:00 Womens Life Group	9	10
11 9:30 Worship	12 12:00 News- letter Deadline	13 6:30 G.U.Y.S. 6:30 Ladies Night Out	14 9:00 Bible Study	15 9:30 Silver Needles 1:00 Womens Life Group	16	17
18 9:30 Worship 10:30 Rejoic- ing Spirits Training	19 6:00 Silver Needles	20 4:00 Page Turners	21 9:00 Bible Study	22 8:30 Breakfast at Bayard's 1:00 Womens Life Group	23	24
25 9:30 Worship	26	27	28 9:00 Bible Study	29 1:00 Womens Life Group	30	31

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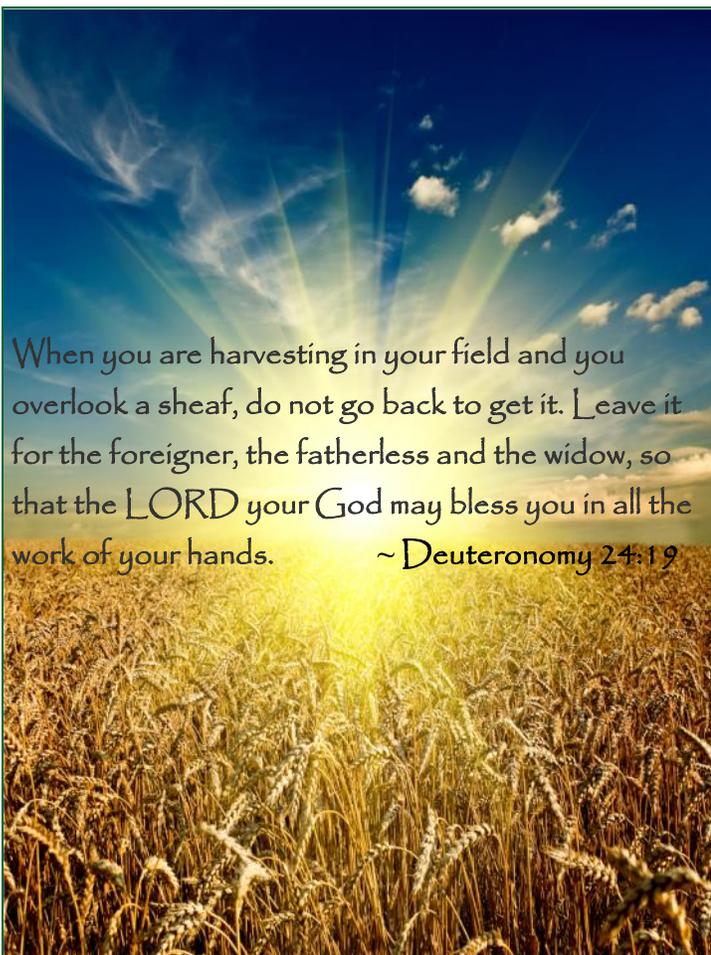
*"Chosen by God...to love one another."*



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Sunday Sermons can now be heard  
on the Redeemer Website.



When you are harvesting in your field and you overlook a sheaf, do not go back to get it. Leave it for the foreigner, the fatherless and the widow, so that the LORD your God may bless you in all the work of your hands. ~ Deuteronomy 24:19



### Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

God's Work. Our Hands.



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#### Weekly Church Events

##### Sunday Communion Worship

8:00 Communion worship  
10:30 Communion worship

##### Wednesday morning

9:00 Bible Study

##### Wednesday Evening Activities

5:30—Dinner  
6:00—Godly Play  
6:15—Communion Worship  
Followed by Education  
7:15—Music practice

**Organist:** Ruth Mirtz

**Choir Director:** Ann Metcalfe

**Bell Director and  
Worship Accompanist:**

Britney English

#### 2019 Council

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