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Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

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Schedule of Services:

Sundays:

Divine Service 8:00 A.M.

Bible Study & Sunday 9:15 A.M.

School

Divine Service* 10:30 A.M.

Wednesdays:

Divine Service 7:00 P.M.

**This service will also be streamed on Facebook Live. Access the livestream by visiting us at [facebook.com/ourredeemerkingsford](https://www.facebook.com/ourredeemerkingsford).*

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church is a congregation of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, a denomination of nearly 2 million members in the United States and Canada. Learn more about The LCMS by visiting its website at lcms.org or on Facebook at [facebook.com/TheLCMS](https://www.facebook.com/TheLCMS).

From the Pastor's Desk

"Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people."

- Revelation 14:6 (ESV)

When Martin Luther died in 1546, his funeral was held in the city of Wittenberg and his pastor, Johannes Bugenhagen, preached at his funeral. The preacher declared that the "angel" of Revelation 14 (above) with an "eternal gospel" was indeed Luther himself.

Whether St. John in Revelation 14 was referring to Martin Luther when he saw an "angel...with an eternal gospel to proclaim," is open to debate. But that the Gospel of Jesus Christ is for "those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people"...that is not up for debate. The faith that was proclaimed by Luther and the churches of the Lutheran Reformation is the true "catholic" faith.

Martin Luther indeed saw himself as a faithful Catholic until the day that he died. It was the pope and those who submitted to him who had departed from the "eternal gospel" of Jesus Christ. The word "catholic" comes from the Greek, meaning "according to the whole." It's sometimes described as meaning "universal." The true meaning of being "catholic" is to hold to that "eternal gospel"...the forgiveness of sins in Jesus Christ that is delivered through the Church to "every nation and tribe and language and people."

In the month of October, we will celebrate the 503rd anniversary of Martin Luther's Reformation. Luther detested that the churches of the Reformation were referred to as "Lutheran" churches. That was Rome's way of describing the churches who subscribed to Luther's teachings. Luther would have described the churches of the Reformation as the true "catholic" churches, holding fast to the "eternal gospel" that forgiveness is found in the cross of Jesus Christ and life is found only in His victory over the grave.

Perhaps us Lutherans, mindful of the Reformation of Martin Luther, ought to do more to reclaim the word "catholic" for ourselves. The word actually has nothing to do with submission to Rome or the bishop of Rome's churches. This word means holding to that eternal faith that is for "every nation and tribe and language and people." That means that we Lutherans are the true "catholics": proclaiming the good news of the gospel of Jesus Christ at all times and in all places.

This is the month of Reformation. Ironically, it's a month where we celebrate that we are—in the truest sense of the word—the "catholic church."

In Christ our Lord,

Pastor Ruesch

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Please Note: Beginning October 1st the Church office hours will be Tues., Wed., and Thurs., from 8:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.

Our Redeemer Helping Hands Fundraiser
Rada Cutlery is ready for your order to benefit Helping Hands. We get 40% of the purchase.

Go to www.radafundraising.com and click on 'select your fundraising group' in the blue menu. Enter Our Redeemer into the group field and Kingsford MI for the location. You can shop for cutlery, gift sets, kitchen utensils and much more. Thank you to Kristi P. and Kathy P. for initiating this fundraiser and of course, for your support.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

We will continue with our Divine Service on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 P.M. with Holy Communion.

Our Sunday Schedule will be as follows: 8:00 A.M., Divine Service in the

Sanctuary with Holy Communion

10:30 A.M. Divine Service in the

Sanctuary with Holy Communion.

The 10:30 Service will also be transmitted into the parking lot for those who are more comfortable not congregating inside the church. Those in the parking lot will then be offered the option to come into the church afterwards to Commune. It will also continue to be live streamed on the Our Redeemer Facebook page.

PROTECTING EACH OTHER DURING COVID-19

As we return to worship services, we all need to do our part to safeguard our neighbors. It is who we are as Christians. When attending service, please plan on doing the following:

- ☐ Stay home if you have ANY of these symptoms:
 - o A fever
 - o Chills
 - o A dry cough
 - o Shortness of breath
 - o Sore throat
 - o New loss of taste &/or smell
- ☐ We encourage wearing a mask. Masks are available on the Welcome Kiosk
- ☐ Stop at the Welcome Kiosk hand washing station to wash your hands and pick up bulletin.
- ☐ Sit in designated pews marked with blue tape, with your family members.

After service, exit by the office door to the parking lot. The Sanctuary will be cleaned by the Elder on duty between services for your safety.



OFFICIAL ACTS OF THE CHURCH

Wedding

Morrow/Brabant August 29, 2020
Neibarger/Trulock September 26, 2020

Change in Membership

Janet Larch September 12, 2020 (DOD)

ECONO/SUPER ONE RECEIPTS

Have you been saving grocery slips? Have you been turning them into Our Redeemer? There is a large white bucket under the LWML card table labeled for Econo/Super One slips. We receive 1% of each \$1.00 you spend on groceries through their rebate programs. Sherry C. has graciously been tallying them up. The money goes into the Youth Program checking account. We use the money to sponsor our Compassion Child which is \$480 a year. There is also a container for stamps & ink cartridges however, they only accept Inkjets (they DO NOT accept Laser/Toner cartridges). Your support is greatly appreciated. **We no longer take Campbells soup labels as Campbells has discontinued its labels for education program.**

LWML-LADIES' GUILD

"Serve the Lord with Gladness"

Our Sept. 14th meeting opened with a poem about Billy Graham; *"I Know Where I'm Going"* Do you? The Bible Study, also by Barb C.: *Walk by Faith not by Sight*. This was the theme from NWD's Convention that was postponed. There was mite dedication by Gloria S. Business Meeting: Secretary was absent—no report. Treasurers report—bal: \$406.64; Mites sent: \$109.89. New greeting cards arrived and are available on the table in the Narthex.

The Zone 2 Rally is scheduled for Oct. 3rd in Munising. No one is attending due to COVID concerns.

Oct. 3rd is the date for a workbee @ Our Redeemer to remove five trees to begin landscaping projects. Volunteers with pickups, tools, and strong backs and arms encouraged to contact Brent W. or Skip S. Lunch will be provided. Further discussion was held as to pending landscaping plans. They will be finalized at the Oct. 25th Congregational meeting. Especially regarding lettering, landscaping, flower beds etc. We value your input so please attend.

Oct. 4th is LWML Sunday—plans were made for member involvement—greeters, flowers, Sunday School, etc. We welcome all ladies to join us in "Serving the Lord with Gladness!"

We also promoted RADA cutlery sale fundraiser—proceeds for Helping Hands projects, Thanksgiving baskets etc. Catalogs are available on the table in the Narthex.

Oct 12th is the next regularly scheduled meeting at 1 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We will be remembering our college students with a mailing to show our Christian love and concern.

We encourage other ladies in the congregation to join us. Call Caren 774-0182 or church 774-1844 if in need of a ride.

Mites always welcome and greatly appreciated!

Serving the Lord with gladness
Sisters to Christ
LWML Ladies and Caren E., President

LWML DATES to KEEP in MIND.

Oct 3—Zone 2 Rally—Munising
Oct 12—regular meeting—1 p.m. @ church
2021 Nat. LWML Convention—Lexington, KY
2022—NWD Convention—Green Bay, WI
2022 NWD Convention—Marquette, MI
2023 Nat. LWML Convention

Our Redeemer Children, Youth and Family Ministries

- Sunday School Every Sunday @ 9:15 a.m. Sept. through May. All children are welcome!
 - Youth Confirmation Class Wednesdays 5:30 p.m. Sept. through May.
 - Bible Study Opportunities Sundays, 9:15 a.m. Thursdays, 10:00 a.m.
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FALL 2020 OPPORTUNITIES

We weren't able to hold our traditional youth programs this summer, but that doesn't mean camp is over! Take advantage of the opportunity to bring your family or group of friends to camp. Please visit our website and check out all the opportunities available.

We're Hiring: Maintenance & Improvements Director We're looking for applicants who have a heart for ministry and a strong understanding of how their role serves the mission of Camp Luther, along with excellent organizational and communication skills, a passion for people of all ages, and a strong desire to help this unique ministry grow and fulfill its mission. Check out our website and apply today!

Get Away During the Week While our cottages are booked most weekends, there is space for you to escape during the week this fall! Walk, read, bike, paddle, chat, relax...all at your own pace. Contact beemer@campluther.com or all 715-546-3647 to book dates that work for you.

School at Camp Retreat We recognize many families are facing a fall with their kids still participating in some form of online learning at home. Want a change of pace from your family being stuck inside together? Consider coming to camp! We're setting up several of our cottages to be online learning friendly - complete with wi-fi! And we're offering a special discount for families who are doing online learning with their kids.

Workbee Weekend October 16-18 Make a world of difference in just one weekend! Help get camp ready for winter during this crucial volunteer weekend. Food and housing is provided as our way of saying thanks!

Student Life Program Has your college or university moved to online classes? You could live at camp, be a part of an intentional community, and do your classes here!

*The launch of this program has been postponed but we are still accepting applications with a goal start of later this fall or the start of 2021.

Camp Luther is a subsidiary ministry of the North Wisconsin District-LCMS. Our mission is to build up believers in Christ for service to the church and witness to the world.

Board of Missions

Hello,

Just a reminder that the Helping Hands of the Board of Missions is here to serve members of our congregation and the community through providing assistance for minor home repairs, yard work, and other small projects (wheelchair ramps are referred to Habitat for Humanity). Helping Hands also provides funding for our annual Thanksgiving Baskets.

Currently, we have a fund balance for Helping Hands of \$1807. We currently have a fundraiser going with Rada Cutlery, please refer to page two for details.

Please consider making a donation of any amount during this year. You may make out a check to Our Redeemer Helping Hands and mail it to the church or drop it in the collection basket after services. We hope you will prayerfully consider this donation.

THE NEXT MEETING IS OCTOBER 17 AT 9:00 A.M.

Yours in Christ,

Carol T., Board of Missions Chair

**PLEASE WATCH OUR WEBSITE AND
FACEBOOK PAGE FOR UPDATES!**



Serving in God's House This Month

Sunday Divine Service: 8:00 and 10:30 A.M.
"Drive-In" Service Transmitted into the
parking lot during the 10:30 A.M. Service

October 4

8:00 am Elder: David M.
Organist: Don H.
10:30 am Elder: Gary P.
Organist: Don H.

October 11

8:00 am Elder: Ed T.
Organist: Don H.
10:30 am Elder: Mark M.
Organist: Don H.

October 18

8:00 am Elder: Gary P.
Organist: Marian V.
10:30 am Elder: Brent W.
Organist: Marian V.

October 25

8:00 am Elder: Ed T.
Organist: Don H.
10:30 am Elder: Mark M.
Organist: Don H.

Altar Guild for October:

Sheila B. & Gloria S.

Wednesday Divine Service 7:00 P.M.

Digital Music

October 7, 7:00 pm

Elder: David M.

October 14, 7:00 pm

Elder: Dana B.

October 21, 7:00 pm

Elder: Dana B.

October 28, 7:00 pm

Elder: Dana B.

ATTENDANCE TOTALS

Wednesday, August 26 (7:00 PM)	8
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Sunday, August 30 (8:00 AM)	23
In (10:30 AM)	25
Out (10:30 AM)	8

Wednesday, September 2 (7:00 PM)	8
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Sunday, September 6 (8:00 AM)	37
In (10:30 AM)	41
Out (10:30 AM)	7

Wednesday, September 9 (7:00 PM)	14
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Sunday, September 13 (8:00 AM)	35
In (10:30 AM)	43
Out (10:30 AM)	6

Wednesday, September 16 (7:00 PM)	11
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Sunday, September 20 (8:00 AM)	53
In (10:30 AM)	35
Out (10:30 AM)	2

Wednesday, September 23 (7:00 PM)	9
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Sunday, September 27 (8:00 AM)	54
In (10:30 AM)	39
Out (10:30 AM)	2



Health and Wellness Ministry

October

Is It a Cold or the Flu? Prevention, Symptoms, Treatments

Most viral respiratory infections, like the common cold, usually come and go within a few days, with no lasting effects. But influenza (flu) is a disease that can cause serious health problems and can result in hospitalization or death.

Symptoms of Colds and Flu

Flu and cold viruses spread mainly by droplets, when infected people cough, sneeze, or talk. You also can get infected by touching a surface or object that has flu viruses on it, such as a door handle, and then touching your eyes, nose, or mouth. Flu season in the United States may begin as early as October and can last as late as May, and generally peaks between December and February.

Colds: Symptoms of colds usually are a stuffy or runny nose and sneezing. Other symptoms include coughing, a scratchy throat, and watery eyes. There is no vaccine to prevent colds, which come on gradually and often spread through everyday contact.

Flu: Symptoms of the flu come on suddenly and can include fever, headache, chills, dry cough, sore throat, body or muscle aches, tiredness, and feeling generally miserable. Like the viruses that cause a cold, flu viruses can cause a stuffy or runny nose, sneezing, and watery eyes. Young children also may experience nausea and vomiting.

Check with your health care provider promptly if you are at high risk for flu-related complications and you have flu symptoms — or if you have flu symptoms that do not improve. People at high risk include:

- Children younger than 5 years, but especially those younger than age 2
- Pregnant women
- People with certain chronic health conditions (such as asthma, diabetes, or heart or lung disease)
- People age 65 or older

What to Do if You're Already Sick

Colds usually run their course. When you're sick, limit exposing yourself to other people. Cover your mouth and nose when you cough or sneeze. Also, stay hydrated and rested. Avoid alcohol and caffeinated products.

There are FDA-approved prescription medications — called antivirals — for treating flu. Also, a cold or flu may lead to a bacterial infection (such as bronchitis, sinusitis, ear infections, and pneumonia) that could require antibiotics.

How to Safely Take Nonprescription Medicines for Cold or Flu Symptoms

Read medicine labels carefully and follow the directions. People with certain health conditions, such as high blood pressure or diabetes, should check with a doctor or pharmacist before taking a new cough or cold medicine.

Choose the right over-the-counter (OTC, or non-prescription) medicines for your symptoms.

- Nasal decongestants help unclog a stuffy nose.
- Cough suppressants help relieve coughs.
- Expectorants help loosen mucus.
- Antihistamines help stop a runny nose and sneezing.
- Pain relievers can help ease fever, headaches, and minor aches.

Check the medicine's side effects. Medications can cause drowsiness and interact with food, alcohol, dietary supplements, and other medicines. Tell your doctor and pharmacist about every medical product and supplement you are taking.

Check with a health care professional before giving medicine to children.

Most people with the flu who aren't at high risk have mild illness and do not need medical care or antiviral drugs. Still, your symptoms may last up to two weeks.



LCMS- Stewardship-Ministry-Newsletter Article—October 2020

We celebrate the Reformation at the end of each October. The Reformation began on All Saints' Eve in 1517, which was when Martin Luther posted the 95 Theses to the door of the Castle Church in Wittenberg. So, let's hear from Luther himself on the topic of giving and stewardship.

In the Small Catechism under the Table of Duties, Martin Luther gives specific Bible passages to help Christians know their duty in their various vocations as members of their family, society at large, and in God's family, the Church. Under the heading "What Hearers Owe Their Pastors," Luther lists five passages from the Bible, three of which have to do with giving to your local congregation. They are these:

- "The Lord has commanded that those who preach the gospel should receive their living from the gospel." (1 Cor. 9:14)
- "Anyone who receives instruction in the word must share all good things with his instructor. Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows." (Gal. 6:6–7)
- "The elders [presbyters, i.e., pastors] who direct the affairs of the church well are worthy of double honor, especially whose work is preaching and teaching. For the Scripture says, 'Do not muzzle the ox while it is treading out the grain,' and 'The worker deserves his wages.'" (1 Tim. 5:17–18)

Luther comments on these passages in his 1535 Lectures on Galatians. He wrote:

"When Paul says 'all good things,' this is not to be taken to mean that everyone should share all his possessions with his preacher. No, it means that he should provide for him liberally, giving him as much as is needed to support his life in comfort. ... The apostle is so serious in advocating this topic of support for preachers that he adds a threat to his denunciation and exhortation, saying: 'God is not mocked.' ... All this pertains to the topic of support for ministers. I do not like to interpret such passages; for they seem to commend us, as in fact they do. In addition, it gives the appearance of greed if one emphasizes these things diligently to one's hearers. Nevertheless, people should be taught also about this matter, in order that they may know that they owe both respect and support to their preachers. Christ teaches the same thing in Luke 10:7: 'Eating and drinking what they provide, for the laborer deserves his wages'; and Paul says elsewhere (1 Cor. 9:13–14): 'Do you not know that those who are employed in the temple service get their food from the temple, and those who serve at the altar share in the sacrificial offerings? In the same way the Lord commanded that those who proclaim the Gospel should get their living by the Gospel.' It is important for us who are in the ministry to know this, so that we do not have a bad conscience about accepting for our work wages ... it happens when those who proclaim the glory of God and faithfully instruct the youth derive their livelihood from them. It is impossible that one man should be devoted to household duties day and night for his support and at the same time pay attention to the study of Sacred Scripture, as the teaching ministry requires. Since God has commanded and instituted this, we should know that we may with a good conscience enjoy what is provided for the comfortable support of our lives from church properties to enable us to devote ourselves to our office." (LW 27:125–126)



October Birthdays

- 1 Jesse G.
Nevaeh T.
- 2 Lisa V.
- 3 Kathy B.
- 4 Katie B.
Diane L.
Roger O.
Joshua S.
- 6 Rodney H.
- 7 Sara B.
- 8 Lacey L.
Aubrey M.
- 9 Sheila B.
- 10 Kristine P.
Easton R.
Renee W.
- 11 Steve B.
- 12 Miles C.
Jacob M.
Kammie S.
- 13 Amy H.
- 15 Jane L.
- 18 Rebecca R.
- 19 Laurie B.
Carolyn G.
David P.
- 21 Kathleen P.
Taylor R.
Dave T.
Savannah V.
- 23 Mark M.
- 26 Arianna B.
Kendra T.
- 27 Bentley G.
Lori N.

“Rejoice with those who Rejoice”
-Romans 12:15

- 28 Gracie C.
Sterling F.
Allison K.
Jocelyn T.
- 29 LeAnn Z.
- 30 Jim R.
- 31 Sherry C.

Anniversary Prayer

O Lord, Your mercies are new every morning. We thank you for another year of life together for those we mention before you. We ask you to keep them open to receive always more of your love that their love for each other may never grow weary but deepen and grow through every joy and sorrow shared; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

October Anniversaries



- 4 Gary & Gina H.
- 7 Jeff & Lisa S.
- 11 Jeremy & Nicole M.
- 14 Jeff & Patti W.
- 20 Steve & Merri B.
- 25 John & Lori C.
- 28 Thomas & Lynn T.

**If any dates have been published
incorrectly or have been omitted, please
contact the Church Office.**





October 2020

Church Office Hours:
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
8:00 A.M.-3:00 P.M.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Worship Services in bold print.</p> <p>Holy Communion is offered at every Divine Service. (Marked with an asterisk*)</p>				<p>1 10:00 A.M. Bible Study 5:30 P.M. Adult Confirmation</p>	<p>2 <i>Pastor's Day Off</i></p>	<p>3 9:00 A.M. Church Work Bee</p>
<p>4 17th S. after Trinity 8:00 A.M. Divine Service* 9:15 A.M. Bible Study & Sunday School 10:30 A.M. Divine Service*</p>	<p>5 6:30 P.M. Board of Elders</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7 5:30 P.M. Youth Confirmation 7:00 P.M. Divine Service*</p>	<p>8 10:00 A.M. Bible Study 5:30 P.M. Adult Confirmation</p>	<p>9 <i>Pastor's Day Off</i></p>	<p>10</p>
<p>11 18th S. after Trinity 8:00 A.M. Divine Service* 9:15 A.M. Bible Study & Sunday School 10:30 A.M. Divine Service*</p>	<p>12 1:00 P.M. Ladies' Guild</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14 5:30 P.M. Youth Confirmation 7:00 P.M. Divine Service*</p>	<p>15 10:00 A.M. Bible Study 5:30 P.M. Adult Confirmation</p>	<p>16 <i>Pastor's Day Off</i></p>	<p>17 9:00 A.M. Helping Hands/Board of Missions</p>
<p>18 19th S. after Trinity 8:00 A.M. Divine Service* 9:15 A.M. Bible Study & Sunday School 10:30 A.M. Divine Service*</p>	<p>19 <i>Newsletter Deadline</i> 6:30 P.M. Church Council</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21 5:30 P.M. Youth Confirmation 7:00 P.M. Divine Service*</p>	<p>22 10:00 A.M. Bible Study 5:30 P.M. Adult Confirmation</p>	<p>23 <i>Pastor's Day Off</i></p>	<p>24</p>
<p><i>Circuit Pastors' Retreat at Camp Luther</i></p>						
<p>25 Reformation Day (Observed) 8:00 A.M. Divine Service* 9:15 A.M. Bible Study & Sunday School 10:30 A.M. Divine Service* 6:30 P.M. Quarterly Voters' Meeting</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28 5:30 P.M. Youth Confirmation 7:00 P.M. Divine Service*</p>	<p>29 10:00 A.M. Bible Study 5:30 P.M. Adult Confirmation</p>	<p>30 <i>Pastor's Day Off</i></p>	<p>31 4:00-7:00 P.M. "Trunk-or-Treat" (Event Status to Be Determined)</p>

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