

# THE REDEEMER READER

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## OUR REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

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### Schedule of Services

#### Sundays:

Divine Service	9:00 A.M.
Fellowship	10:15 A.M.
Sunday School, Youth Group & Bible Study	10:30 A.M.

#### Wednesdays:

Midweek Lenten Vespers	7:00 P.M.
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The Lutheran Church—Missouri  
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## From the Pastor's Desk

*"And he said to them, 'O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?' And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself."*

- Luke 24:25-27 (ESV)

It's almost time for our annual celebration of the most pivotal event in all of history: the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ from the dead. This year, we will have our regular slate of services (6:30 A.M. Sunrise...9:00 A.M. Regular Service...Breakfast in between!) and we will greet one another with those words that we have "fasted" from during Lent: "Alleluia! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!"

When Jesus walked with two disciples on the road to Emmaus in Luke 24, He taught those disciples how to read their Bibles. That He, Jesus, had died and risen from the dead wasn't just big news for that day...it wasn't just the talk of the people...it was the most important thing that had ever happened. It was the whole point of the Scriptures! Luke records, "And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself." (Luke 24:27)

As Jesus went on with those two disciples, His identity still hidden from them, we read, "When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. And their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And he vanished from their sight." (Luke 24:30-31) The risen Lord Jesus is found throughout the pages of your Bible. And He's made known to you in the "breaking of bread" that takes place every week in the Lord's Supper.

It's "en vogue" in the Easter season for magazines and TV specials to try to cast doubt on the Easter account. They will try to paint the resurrection of Jesus as more myth than historical reality. But remember that the resurrection of Jesus is even more than historical reality for us as Christians. It's historical *centrality*. It's the reason we gather—not just on Easter—but every week. It's why we find Him in the "breaking of bread" of Holy Communion. It's why His Word of Holy Scripture is not just our authority, but our very life and salvation.

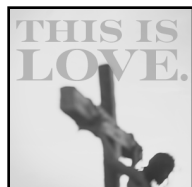
It is the greatest news of all that Jesus Christ is risen from the dead. Sin, Satan, and even Death itself have been overcome...thanks be to God. This is the reason for our worship...our gathering...our very existence as the people of God!

In Christ our Lord,

*Pastor Ruesch*

Pastor Ruesch

### 2022 Lenten Supper & Service



Join us our last Wednesday during the season of Lent for a **supper being served at 6:00 P.M.**, followed by a **Lenten service at 7:00 P.M.** Our Lenten Theme this year is **"This Is Love"** and is based on **1 John 4**.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Service</u>	<u>Serving Supper</u>
April 6 <sup>th</sup>	Midweek of Lent 5	Potluck

### 2022 Holy Week Services



<u>Date</u>	<u>Service</u>	<u>Time</u>
April 10 <sup>th</sup>	Palm Sunday	9:00 a.m.
April 14 <sup>th</sup>	Holy Thursday	7:00 p.m.
April 15 <sup>th</sup>	Good Friday	1:00 p.m.
April 17 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Sunday	6:30 a.m.
April 17 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Breakfast	7:30-8:30 a.m.
April 17 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Sunday	9:00 a.m.

**The Easter Breakfast this year will be a potluck style breakfast. We are asking for egg-baked dishes. Please use the sign-up sheets on the welcome kiosk to sign up to bring a dish or to help with serving/cleanup.**

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**ALTAR GUILD HAS A NEED FOR MORE MEMBERS!** If you are interested in helping keep the sanctuary beautiful, please contact Carol Thornton at 282-8740. Orientation will be provided. Meetings are scheduled for the third Wednesday of the month at 10 AM, but attendance is not mandatory.



## OFFICIAL ACTS OF THE CHURCH

### Baptism (1)

James Dupuis

March 13, 2022

**ECONO RECEIPTS** We cannot accept any receipts from Tadych's dated before **December 6th, 2021**, the date new owners took over the company. Please check your receipts before dropping them off. Thank You!

**FREE of charge to all—not attending the all-day LWML Rally CONGREGATION AND COMMUNITY are encouraged to attend!**

**From 1-2:30 p.m. Mission Presentation—by Rev. Matthew Ruesch of their experiences in Mayaguez Puerto Rico for three years prior to coming back to Kingsford, Topic title: “Present Need for Gospel there and how we think about sharing the Gospel with others in our world today.” Pastor will also give update of current activities of Rev. James and Christel Neuendorf now in Caribbean. Special offering will be received to support their mission.**

### **Spring Banquet Meal Choices**

1. Grilled Chicken Breast, salad/garlic bread, lasagna. Angel Food Truffle with Pudding and fruit, coffee/milk/water.
2. Grilled Chicken Breast, salad/vegetable, baked potato, fruit cup, coffee/milk/water.



### **LWML-LADIES' GUILD**

#### ***“Serve the Lord with Gladness”***

LWML was honored to serve the 1<sup>st</sup> Lenten supper on Ash Wed. to begin the Lenten Season. Well attended! Followed by “This is LOVE” Service @ 7 p.m.

March 14<sup>th</sup> meeting—Bible Study “Promise, Power, Peace” was led by Sheri V. to be continued at our Apr 11<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Zone 2 Spring Rally plans were finalized. Kingsford LWML are hosts on April 23<sup>rd</sup>. Meeting to begin @ 8:30 CST (9:30 EST) with registration, coffee, and refreshments. Rally to begin at 9 CST with opening devotions, business meeting, mite offering. Bible Study—Genesis 1-3 “Creation—You—and a new Creation” by Allison H. Zone 2 Christian Growth. Lunch at noon. Following lunch will be a presentation by Pastor Ruesch (**see insert on left**) Ingathering will be collected of personal items esp. hygiene, toiletries, toilet paper, toweling, cleaning supplies, etc. for Caring House (for abused) and Salvation Army. Closing at 3 p.m. Safe travels home. Love to have good showing of Our Redeemer Ladies. **Deadline to register is April 18<sup>th</sup> to Caren or Church.**

Have a Blessed Easter! Follow scheduled Services and activities in Newsletter and Bulletins.

Then Happy Mothers Day—May 8<sup>th</sup> and the day after—May 9<sup>th</sup> is our annual Ladies Spring Banquet. Gathering @ 5:00 p.m.—dinner @ 6 p.m. Tickets go on sale Palm Sunday, Apr. 10<sup>th</sup> thru May 1<sup>st</sup>. Price: Adults \$12.00, student \$7.00 under six free. The caterer Patti E. has offered two meal choices to state your preference at time of ticket purchase. (**See choices on left**). THEME: “Thrift Store Treasure Hunting” Smart shopping to save \$\$\$\$. Speaker: Judy R., Menominee MI. “Accomplished Thrift Store Shopper and Creator of Outsits with a Flair”. A special Style Show with all models flaunting their favorite consignment bargains with a flair! Fun! Fun! Anyone interested in being a model—contact Heather. WAITERS wanted and needed—anyone interested notify Caren @ 774-0182 or the church office @ 774-1844. Paid with good food! Looking forward to a fun filled evening while learning valuable saving tips. Buy tickets for you and a friend(s)!!!

Don't forget to plan ahead also for the North Wis District Convention June 16-18 in Green Bay WI. Details in *Mission Tidings*, winter 2022 issue. Deadlines to register for hotel and convention are prior to May 16<sup>th</sup>.

Thanks to flooring fund supporters—we are already up to \$1,700.

See you at Church, Good Bless,  
Caren & LWML Gals.

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Our Redeemer Children, Youth and Family Ministries

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

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**VISIT [WWW.CAMPLUTHER.COM](http://WWW.CAMPLUTHER.COM) FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER FOR ANY OF THESE WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITIES.**



**Register for Summer** *Registration open!*

Camp Luther summer youth camps provide an incredible, faith-filled experience for campers from Kindergarten all the way through High School. It's our goal that everyone who attends Camp Luther is encouraged and strengthened in their faith through authentic community, outstanding staff, experiential activities, and intentional faith building. Come experience the power of camp this summer!

**Join our Summer Staff 2022**

Do you or someone you know want to spend a summer helping others learn more about Jesus in the midst of God's creation? You can do this while playing games, singing songs, and looking at the stars! If so, head on over and learn how to apply for a life-changing summer.

**Every Kid to Camp**

Every Kid to Camp is a ministry that sends kids to camp at no expense to their parents (except transportation). Our goal is that every child in the North Wisconsin District and beyond is given the opportunity to attend one of our summer camp programs before they graduate high school. The only qualification for being a part of this program is that the recipient has never attended one of Camp Luther's summer camp programs before. If you know someone who you believe would benefit from receiving an Every Kid to Camp award, please contact the Camp Luther office at 715-546-3647.

**State Bible Bowl** *April 9, 2022*

Camp Luther is hosting the 2022 Wisconsin State Bible Bowl. Come with your team, comprised of youth grades 7-12 representing any church or school, to win the title of State Bible Bowl Champion.

**Volunteer Week** *April 18-23*

Come use your skills to serve alongside Camp Luther and Johnson Brothers Construction of Munsing, MI, for a portion of the week, or the whole week. This is a week of service and fellowship at Camp with others seeking to help camp out.

If you are unable to come for Volunteer Week contact Snowcat at [snowcat@campluther.com](mailto:snowcat@campluther.com) to set up a time to come and volunteer at camp. Also, look out for our Workbee weekend April 29th - May 1st

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**Successful Golf Classic!** Thank You! Thank you to all of you who golfed, those who won auction items, and all sponsors of the 2021 Golf Classic in June! It's because of YOU that 52 kids will be able to come to Camp Luther for their first time, thank you. Over \$26,000 was raised at this year's Golf Classic.

Save the date! Next summer's Golf Classic will be: **June 17, 2022!**

Check out our website for all the wonderful opportunities to enjoy Camp to it's fullest. We have retreats and cabin rentals. Fall is a great time to enjoy the great outdoors. There are also great opportunities at KBC, you will find all the information on our website.

The COVID-19 pandemic has affected everyone, including Camp Luther. Your financial gifts are especially appreciated during this time.



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

**Serving in God's House This Month**

The 9:00 a.m. Divine Service is being live streamed on the Our Redeemer Facebook page [www.facebook.com/ourredeemerkingsford](http://www.facebook.com/ourredeemerkingsford).

A link to the bulletin will be available as well.

**April 3**

**9:00 am** Elder: Jason L. & Jim R.  
Organist: Don H.  
Acolyte: Logan F.

**April 10**

**9:00 am** Elders: Ed T. & Jim R.  
Organist: Don H.  
Acolyte: Aiden L.

**April 17**

**6:30 am** Elder: Jim R.  
Organist: Don H.

**9:00 am** Elder: Jason L. & Ed T.  
Organist: Marian V.  
Acolyte: Nora R.

**April 24**

**9:00 am** Elder: Gary P. & Ed T.  
Organist: Don H.  
Acolyte: Jesse G.

**Altar Guild for April:**

All Members

**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 bulletin6

Wednesday/Holy Week Service 7:00 P.M.

**Digital Music**

**April 6**

Elder: Damian T.  
Acolyte: Lillie W.

**Holy Thursday, April 14**

Elder: Gary P.  
Organist: Don H.  
Acolyte: Jeremiah W.

**Good Friday, April 15 1:00 P.M.**

Elder: Ed T.  
Organist: Don H.

**April 20**

Elder: Damian T.  
Acolyte: Lillie W.

**April 27**

Elder: Gary P.  
Acolyte: Jeremiah W.

**ATTENDANCE TOTALS**

Wednesday, March 2 (7:00 PM)	72
Sunday, March 6 (9:00 AM)	45
Wednesday, March 9 (7:00 PM)	30
Sunday, March 13 (9:00 AM)	91
Wednesday, March 16 (7:00 PM)	51
Sunday, March 20 (9:00 AM)	94
Wednesday, March 23 (7:00 PM)	Cancelled
Sunday, March 27 (9:00 AM)	92



Health and Wellness Ministry

April

## CHILD ABUSE AWARENESS MONTH FAQs

### What are the four types of child maltreatment?

The four types of abuse are physical, sexual, emotional, and neglect.

### What is the most difficult kind of abuse to substantiate?

The most difficult kind of abuse to substantiate is verbal abuse.

### What type of abuse is the hardest to detect?

Emotional abuse is often mixed with other forms of abuse and is hard to detect.

## HOW TO OBSERVE CHILD ABUSE AWARENESS MONTH

by working for them.

### 5 INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT CHILD ABUSE

- 1. It causes many problems**  
Victims of child abuse are at a risk for emotional, physical, relationship problems.
- 2. There are various types**  
Common types of child abuse include emotional abuse, physical assault, and sexual assault.
- 3. Alcohol abuse is a big contributor**  
Parents abusing alcohol and drugs are more likely to neglect and abuse their children.
- 4. Abuse causes social problems**  
Abused children are not able to express emotions safely.
- 5. It has the same rates among all genders**  
Boys and girls face similar rates of child abuse.

## WHY DO WE OBSERVE CHILD ABUSE AWARENESS MONTH

- 1. It helps to predict child abuse signs**  
Child Abuse Awareness Month helps in making us learn about the signs of child abuse. It lets us study the behavior of an abused child.
- 2. Every child deserves a safe childhood**  
We believe that every child should have a secure childhood. Child Abuse Awareness month emphasizes greatly on protecting our children from mistreatment of any kind.
- 3. The children grow up to become good human beings**  
**How to spot the warning signs:**
  - The child suddenly changes their behavior or performance in school
  - They're always watchful, preparing for something bad to happen
  - They have unexplained injuries
  - They seem scared of their parent or caregiver
  - They protest or cry when it is time to go home**How to help:**
  - Give the child a safe space to talk
  - Comfort them
  - Remain calm and listen to what the child is telling you and write it down
  - Report it by calling the police or your local child protective services agency
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Children who have experienced a safe childhood grow up to become happy and well-behaved



**LCMS- Stewardship-Ministry-Newsletter Article—April**

**Blessed Shall You Be**

“Blessed shall you be in the city, and blessed shall you be in the field. Blessed shall be the fruit of your womb and the fruit of your ground and the fruit of your cattle, the increase of your herds and the young of your flock. Blessed shall be your basket and your kneading bowl. Blessed shall you be when you come in, and blessed shall you be when you go out.” (*Deuteronomy 28:3-6*)

This is God’s promise to the Israelites as they stood beyond the Jordan outside of the Promised Land. He promises blessing to His people. He will make them prosper, whether they are in the city or the field. He will make their fruit of their work to prosper, whether from the ground, their wombs, their flocks, or their herds. He will make them to prosper in all things, whether upon their coming in or their going out.

But there’s a catch. He would do this for Israel only “if you obey the voice of the LORD your God.” (*Deut. 28:2b*) If they did that, He would cause that “all these blessings shall come upon you and overtake you.” (*Deut. 28:2a*). If they didn’t obey the voice of the Lord, if they didn’t keep the commandments of the Lord and “walk in his ways” (*Deut. 28:9*), they would be met with curse and woe. The blessings would be replaced with curses. Everything that the Lord promised to prosper and bless would be cursed and fail.

Thanks be to God that our Lord Jesus Christ has come into our flesh and fulfilled the law for us – in our place and for our benefit. Our Lord Jesus Christ died for us – in our place and for our benefit. Our Lord Jesus Christ is risen from the dead for us – in our place and for our benefit. By this we have justification before God. We are forgiven, clean, holy, and righteous. The blessing of God is promised to us in Christ Jesus. It depends upon his work, not ours.

All this is ours in Holy Baptism. For in Holy Baptism, God claims us as His own, makes us His children, His heirs, and His holy people. And so it is that the work of our hands and its fruit is holy because we are holy in Christ. It is pressed into His service, and it thereby becomes a blessing to us and to our neighbor.

For this great gift, our reception of the blessings of God because of Christ Jesus our Lord, it is our duty to thank and praise, serve, and obey Him. This is not in order to receive the blessings but because in Christ we already have. With this in mind, we sit down on the first day of the week and set aside as He has prospered us to give to His church for His work of blessing in our midst (*1 Cor. 16:2*).



## April Birthdays

- 2 Keen S., Jr.  
Muriel W.
- 10 Sheri V.
- 11 Chelsea H.  
Sue R.
- 12 Aniyah B.  
Penelope B.  
Brynlee C.  
Anna P.
- 14 EmmiLyn B.
- 15 Edward T.
- 16 Joanna F.
- 17 Earl S.
- 19 Bob R.
- 20 Matthew G.  
Darren P.
- 21 Scott B.
- 23 Gloria S.  
Lillie W.
- 24 Erin F.
- 25 Rob C.  
Charlie K.  
Sue P.
- 27 Lynn T.  
Izabel V.
- 29 Gary S.  
Mackenzie T.

**"Rejoice with those who Rejoice"**  
-Romans 12:15

### 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.*

## April Anniversaries



- 04 Joseph & Paula M.
- 06 Harry & Sally G.
- 15 Tony & Sherry C.  
Jason & Carol L.
- 16 Matt & Ann G.





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><b>1</b> <i>Pastor's Day Off</i></p>	<p><b>2</b></p>
<p><b>3</b> <i>5<sup>th</sup> S. in Lent</i> <b>9:00 A.M. Divine Service*</b> 10:15 A.M. Fellowship 10:30 A.M. Sunday School, Bible Study, &amp; Youth Group</p>	<p><b>4</b> 6:30 P.M. Board of Elders</p>	<p><b>5</b></p>	<p><b>6</b> 5:30 P.M. Confirmation 6:00 P.M. Lenten Supper <b>7:00 P.M. Midweek Lenten Vespers</b></p>	<p><b>7</b> 10:00 A.M. Bible Study</p>	<p><b>8</b> <i>Pastor's Day Off</i></p>	<p><b>9</b></p>
<p><b>10</b> <i>Palm Sunday/Sunday of the Passion</i> <b>9:00 A.M. Divine Service*</b> 10:15 A.M. Fellowship 10:30 A.M. Sunday School, Bible Study, &amp; Youth Group</p>	<p><b>11</b> 1:00 P.M. Ladies' Guild</p>	<p><b>12</b></p>	<p><b>13</b> 5:30 P.M. Confirmation</p>	<p><b>14</b> <i>Holy Thursday</i> <b>7:00 P.M. Divine Service*</b></p>	<p><b>15</b> <i>Good Friday</i> <b>1:00 P.M. Good Friday Service</b></p>	<p><b>16</b></p>
<p><b>17</b> <i>Easter Day</i> <b>6:30 A.M. Divine Service*</b> 7:30 A.M. Easter Breakfast <b>9:00 A.M. Divine Service*</b></p>	<p><b>18</b> <i>Newsletter Deadline</i> 6:30 P.M. Church Council</p>	<p><b>19</b></p>	<p><b>20</b> 5:30 P.M. Confirmation <b>7:00 P.M. Divine Service*</b></p>	<p><b>21</b> 10:00 A.M. Bible Study</p>	<p><b>22</b> <i>Pastor's Day Off</i></p>	<p><b>23</b> <b>LWML Zone 2 Rally Kingsford, MI</b></p>
<p><b>24</b> <i>2<sup>nd</sup> S. of Easter</i> <b>9:00 A.M. Divine Service*</b> 10:15 A.M. Sunday School 10:15 A.M. Quarterly Voters' Meeting</p>	<p><b>25</b></p>	<p><b>26</b></p>	<p><b>27</b> 5:30 P.M. Confirmation <b>7:00 P.M. Divine Service*</b></p>	<p><b>28</b> 10:00 A.M. Bible Study</p>	<p><b>29</b> <i>Pastor's Day Off</i></p>	<p><b>30</b></p>

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*Here to Serve!*