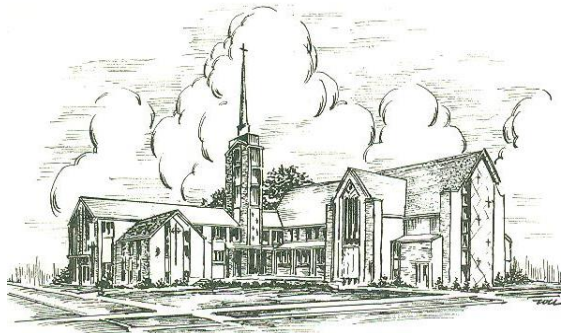


Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church News



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Sundays at Our Redeemer's:


9:00 a.m. – Worship
10:00 a.m. – Sunday School

Worship on Wednesday:

5:30 p.m. – Meal
6:00 p.m. – Worship
* No WOW in Summer *Different meal & worship times during Lent.

93.5 KBM 11:00 a.m. - Listen
KSCR 103.5 FM to our week delayed
RADIO WITH ROOTS 1290 AM **Sunday worship**

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"We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness." Romans 12:6-8

Dear Family of God,

The Apostle Paul's letter to the Romans, which comprises 16 chapters, is addressed to both Jewish and Gentile Christians, and much of it is intended to help them realize that there is no differentiation between them. That is, anyone can become a Christian because it is not because of who we are or what we do that we are saved. No, we are saved by grace alone because of our faith in what Jesus did for us. That is, Jesus died on the cross for all humans that we might live.

Martin Luther, of course, read the Book of Romans closely, and it was because of his reading that he formulated our understanding of justification by faith through grace. Romans includes numerous well-known verses, including the verse (Romans 8:38-39). Chapter 12, which I quote above. The verse is all about the "marks of a true Christian" and "the new life in Christ."

Here, Paul emphasizes that we each have been given gifts from the Holy Spirit that we are called to employ on behalf of our neighbor in need. "If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all." (Verse 18)

As we move into the fall season, there are multitudes of opportunities for you to use your gifts on behalf of Our Redeemer's and our community. From teaching Sunday School or helping to make and serve Wow Meals on Wednesday, to singing in the choir, to helping with the Church dinner, to reading in worship, to ushering, to serving on a team (and much more –look at the calendar of upcoming events and programs!), you have a gift from God that is uniquely yours, and uniquely precious to this faith community.

Our Stewardship and leadership team would like to help you find your place in this community of faith. There are so many ways to give. Your time, Your talents and of course, Your treasure. Maybe there is an idea you would like to explore. If you would like to volunteer for any of these activities, please call the church office or speak with one of the Congregation Council Team Leads or members.

You have the gifts, and God has a plan and a need for them!
Thank you! Pastor Zane Anderson



7th - 9th Grade October Class Schedule

(6:45 - 7:45 p.m.)



- October 4th** Class Focus: Making Choices
- October 11th** Class Focus: Making Choices
- October 18th** No Class: Education Minnesota Break
- October 25th** No Class: Serve at the Smorgasbord (Times to be announced)
All Confirmation students are expected to attend

Confirmation Sunday

October 29th

At the 9:00 a.m. service our 10th graders will affirm their baptism during a special Confirmation service.

Please pray for the 10th grade youth who have completed their confirmation instruction and will come to their Affirmation of Baptism Day!

Confirmation families, please call or email the church office with the number of family members who will be joining you that morning.



New Member Information

Classes: November 5th and 12th

New Members welcomed on November 19th

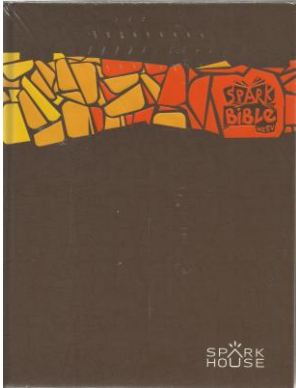
We will be welcoming new members into our congregation on November 19th at the 9:00 a.m. worship service. We still need a few of you to confirm your interest in joining our faith community. Please contact us at (320-843-3151), so that we may look forward to seeing you in the classes.

It is for people new to our community and those who are returning after a time away. The two meetings will be on November 5th and 12th, following worship. It will be an introduction to Lutheran perspectives on faith and life. Most find this helpful when coming to Our Redeemer's from other Christian churches and others find it a good refresher. Please put these dates on your calendar.

We are looking forward to this opportunity to get to know each of you better!



3rd Grade Bible Class and Presentation



3rd Grade Bible Classes are on October 1st and 8th during the Sunday School hour in the Fellowship Hall. Parents please attend with your child.

Presentation of Bibles on Sunday, October 15th - 9:00 a.m. during worship.

Final class to follow during the Sunday School hour.

When your child was baptized, you promised to place the Scriptures in his or her hands. Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church is a partner with you to help fulfill that promise! We give the gift of a Bible to our 3rd grade children and provide this class to help your child become acquainted with the Bible and how to use it.

We would like a parent to attend class with them on these dates in the Fellowship Hall. Sunday School starts right after worship at 10:00 a.m.

As parents you all have a favorite Bible story. Please come with yours in mind for the second session on the 8th. That means Mom and Dad. You could also ask a grandparent what their favorite story or verse is.

The best choice for you to accomplish this Baptismal promise is to gather with your child on this day. If you are not able to make it, maybe a sponsor or grandparent can come in your place. If you still can't find someone to be there with your child, let us know and we will find someone to help them.

Thanks for all that you do to help your child grow in their love for God's word.

SW MN Synod Junior High Youth Gathering

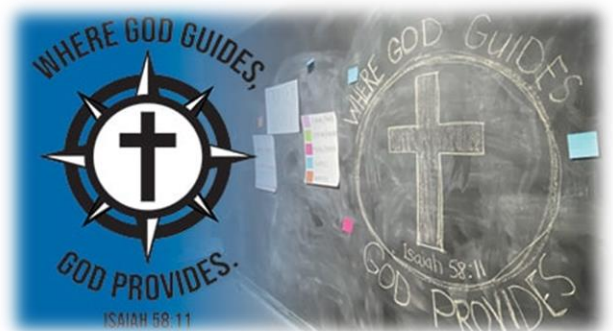
When: Nov 18 - 19th

Where: Willmar, MN

Who: Current 7th - 9th Grade Students

Join youth from around the area synod for youth led worship, guest speakers, and music. Following the worship, have a blast playing laser tag, spikeball, making crafts, swimming, and dancing, and participate in the service project at night life!

Registration is \$50, please register by Oct. 11th. Registration forms can be found in the church office. If you have questions, reach out to Ainsley and Matthew at ourredeemersyouth@gmail.com.



ELCA National Youth Gathering



When: July 14th - 21st

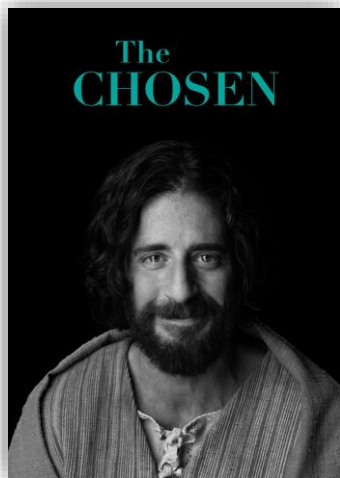
Where: New Orleans, LA

Who: Current 8th - 12th Grade Students

Join kids from all over the US and the world to participate in the largest gathering of ELCA youth in the US. Participate in service projects, listen to big name speakers and music artists, and meet people from all over at this can't miss opportunity. Monthly meetings and fundraising opportunities will begin at the end of next month to prepare for the gathering, so please get your registration forms in ASAP, but no later than October 29th.

Registration is \$150 and is due at the time of registration. Forms can be found in the church office. Please reach out to Matthew and Ainsley at ourredeemeryouth@gmail.com if you have any questions.





Bible Study

The next Bible study session of "The Chosen" will be on Tuesday, October 10th at 9:00 a.m. starting with treats in the Fellowship Café. They are held every second Tuesday of each month. Bring your enthusiasm and your Bible!

Our Redeemer's Quilters

Wednesdays at 9:00 a.m.



Women of all ages are invited to come!

We need new recruits to assist in making quilts!

Assembling, tying, cutting, sewing and other things to complete a quilt. Enjoy a morning of assisting in making quilts, with coffee & goodies, friendship and fellowship. It will become a meaningful experience, guaranteed!

WOW Worship and Meal

Wednesdays - 5:30 Meal / 6:00 Worship



Our Redeemer's offers a Wednesday evening meal and worship service which is convenient for people who will be out of town or working on Sunday morning – or for those who want a home-cooked meal with fellowship and a worship opportunity!

Join us in the Fellowship Hall for a 5:30 supper (which is FREE) followed by a 6:00 worship service. Come after work, school or whatever – dressed as you are and feed your body and soul!

We will need volunteers to sign up, prepare the meals, serve and have friends clean up! It is a great midweek time in God's word, but we will need help. Sign-up sheets are outside the Church Office.

Everyone is invited to this uplifting worship service!



Kids of the Kingdom Birthdays

10-2	Harold Habben	10-10	Paislee Wall	10-23	Hallie Thompson
10-6	Ole Syverson	10-15	Ashton Wroblewski	10-24	Brennan Wroblewski
10-6	Shelby Larson	10-15	Parker Hill	10-24	Gwen Wilcox
10-8	Victoria Larson	10-18	Brock Slaughter	10-28	Adelaide Kowal
10-9	Georgia Goschey	10-19	Adysen Hess	10-29	Daxton Pownell
		10-19	Brielle Hess		



ORW Cookbooks for Sale

The ORW are selling their cookbooks again! The cost is \$25.00. The proceeds will go to the fundraising efforts for the heating/cooling unit for the main kitchen. See them at the garden and food sale on September 17th and at Smorgasbord.



1956 Original Church Plates for Sale

The ORW are selling the plates for \$5.00 each. See them displayed in the Narthex. The proceeds will go to the fundraising efforts for the heating/cooling unit for the main kitchen. Please pick-up and pay in the church office. Make checks payable to the ORW Fundraiser.

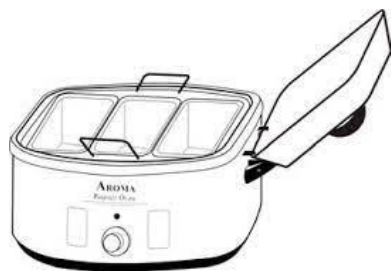
Smorgasbord Committee / Service Chairs

There will be a planning meeting at 6:45 on Wednesday, October 11th and a follow-up meeting at 6:45 on Wednesday, November 1st. The meetings will be held in the lounge (coffee area) in the back of the Sanctuary.



Needed for Smorgasbord

Looking for clean empty cool whip or cottage cheese containers with lids for Smorgasbord. Please place in cart in Narthex.



Looking to Borrow

We are looking to borrow 5 electric roasters for the week of Smorgasbord. If you would be willing to help us out, please notify Laurie O'Leary, Kim Ulland or the church office.

Do you get our weekly Friday Enews?

It's a great way to stay in-the-know with what is going on at Our Redeemer's. Let us know in the office and we will add your email to the list!



Community Winter Coat Closet



Accepting new or gently used winter jackets, snow boots, snow pants, hats, gloves, and mittens for youth through high school.

Also accepting new socks and undergarments for youth through high school.



Monetary donations are welcome and should be brought to the church office. Checks can be made out to Our Redeemer's with Community Winter Coat Closet in the memo line.

Cheer Packages



Our Redeemer's is excited to be sending cheer packages to our young adults! This month we will be collecting items to send packages to young adults (ages 18-22)! To make this successful, we need updated mailing addresses. Do you have one of these young adults in your family? Do you have a neighbor or grandchild in this age range? Please let us know the best mailing address for them. You can call us or send us an email with the information. Please have the addresses to us by Friday, October 20th.

To help with the costs of these packages and postage, donations are welcomed.

Suggested items: individual packages of Pringles potato chips, beef sticks, trail mix, candies/chocolates, ramen noodles, lip balm, gum, hot chocolate packets, microwave popcorn, sunflower seeds, hand sanitizer, travel-size shampoo/conditioner/body wash/lotion, highlighters, pens, and face masks. Other items can include \$5 gift cards to places such as Kwik Trip, McDonalds, Subway, Burger King, Taco Johns, etc.

Monetary donations of any size are also welcomed. You can also sponsor a box for \$25. Please indicate "Cheer Packages" on any of the donations.

Please have all items to the box by the church office by Friday, October 27th. Thank you for helping us reach out to our young adults letting them know we are thinking of them and praying for them!



For Healing and Strength



Glenn Rois, Tegan Nokleby, Margaret Reich, Rod Ellingson, Bryce Mast (son of Nathan Mast & Heather Brenner), Candyce Sowers, Lew Nokleby, Mike Holte, Marilyn Inman, Mark Frank, LouElla Brown, David Hester (brother-in-law of Linda Wall), Kelene Robling (daughter of Sharon Ness), Weston Nickle (great-grandson of David & Diane Janson), Sean Bolduc, Ryan Smith (son of Kevin Smith and grandson of Char & Harvey Smith), Samantha Thompson (granddaughter of Jerry & Connie Opoien).

Our Redeemer's Milestones



Departed Loved Ones: Marvin Urke (brother of Conrad Urke), Nancy Kellner

Baptisms: Brooks Bodhi Tosel

We Gratefully Acknowledge



- \$25 to the General Fund in memory of Nancy Kellner, given by Jan Kittelson.
- \$25 to the ORW in memory of Shauna Knaphus Norby (daughter-in-law of LuVerne & Arlene Norby), given by Lori & Pat Hawley.
- \$25 to the ORW in memory of Nancy Kellner, given by Otto Puchalski.

Options to Support our Media Ministries:



Radio & Video Broadcast

If you would like to sponsor the radio and/or video broadcast in honor of, in memory of, in appreciation of, or in celebration of a loved one, please call or email the Church Office.

Available upcoming dates are:

<u>Radio:</u>	\$35	<u>Video:</u>	\$20
October- 15, 22, 29		October- 15, 22, 29	
November- 5		November- 5	
December- 10		December- 10	

Radio & Video Broadcasts

October 1: In thankfulness and appreciation to special friends who have helped us in so many ways, given anonymously.

October 8: In memory of Delmer Razink (birthday: October 8th), given by Joan, Jodelle, Jolissa, Jonna and Jenaye.





OCTOBER	1	8	15	22	29
Live Feed Operator	Jack Kjos	Jack Kjos	Jack Kjos	Jack Kjos	Jack Kjos
Projector Operator	Donna Tatge	Sue Hess	Kim Ulland	Peggy Bausman	Sara Erdman
Communion Servers	Laree Breen Grant & Hege Herfindahl	×	TBD TBD TBD	×	Confirmands
Lay Reader	Ginny Backman	Ron Hanson	Matthew Anderson	TBD	Confirmands
Coffee Hour	ORW	Outreach (Community Winter Clothes Closet)	Outreach (Community Winter Clothes Closet)	TBD	TBD
Acolyte	Halle Bolduc	Chase Baker	Jada O'Leary	Austin Fahje	Jeremiah Hess

USHERS

Kent Evenson, Doug Clark, Grant Evenson, Gene Anderson

WOW VOLUNTEERS

20th – Sue Hess & Deb Wrobleski
27th – Kathy Svingen

ALTAR GUILD

Sue Hess, Carole Holmgren, Kylee Collins, Holly Rodahl

MUSIC & WORSHIP SEEKING VOLUNTEERS

The Music & Worship Board is seeking help for communion servers and readers for the next couple of months. Signing sheets are outside the Church Office.

Please consider signing up!



Our Redeemer's Women

A HUGE thank you to the work units 3 and 4 for a very successful crafts, food and produce sale. Thank you to all who brought items for sale and of course to all of the shoppers. This event adds needed dollars for the ORW missions budget.

The annual Smorgasbord is fast approaching. The event is October 25th from 4:30 -7:30 p.m. It is a dine-in or take out supper. Prices will be \$16 for adults and children 10 and under are \$10. Ticket prices have been increased to reflect the increase in the cost of groceries. This event takes all our church members to be successful. The first planning meeting was held on September 20th. Each work chairman received their packets. If you are not contacted and want to help or even learn how to make something use the Smorgasbord sign-up sheet by the church office. Join the joy of working together as a church family.

Fundraising has begun for the mini-split (heating and cooling unit) for our kitchen. The property board has agreed to install the unit before Smorgasbord. The fundraising is an effort to pay them back. To this effort: the church cookbooks are for sale at \$25 each. The old church plates with the picture of Our Redeemer's is for sale at \$5 each. Great memories for your loved ones for the holiday season. All checks can be given to our church secretary, Katrina. Make your checks to ORW with the memo "mini-split fund". Our goal is to raise \$7,000.00. Thank you for all your contributions to our church.

Our quilters are very very busy sharing their creative talents. They could always use more help. They meet every Wednesday at 9:00 a.m. in the basement. Just follow the laughter and conversation and you will find them. They are currently making quilts for the Willmar Cancer clinic. Many hands will get the work done faster. Thank you ladies for your gifts to our community and other missions.

God's Work. Our Hands.

Your sister in Christ,
Patty Gomer, ORW President

Smorgasbord needs you!

Plan to attend on Wednesday, October 25th

Be a part of our 68th annual event!

Serve and Connect by volunteering to:

- Help prepare food
- Help decorate
- Help set up the serving tables
- Help set tables
- Provide entertainment in the sanctuary
- Work in a serving line
- Work in the kitchen
- Help with clean-up



Sign up in the narthex or contact:

Sonja Schwiderski sschwiderski@hotmail.com

Sarah Jaeger sarahjaeger77@yahoo.com

68th
Annual

Smorgasbord

Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church

800 10th St S, Benson

Wed., October 25

4:30-7:30 p.m.

\$16 Adults • \$10 Children 6 & under

DINE-IN * PICK-UP

Velkommen!

Menu:

Rømmegrøt, Söt Suppe, Lefse, Blod & Potato Klub,
Rullepølse, Flatbread, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy,
Meat Balls, Roast Pork, Cole Slaw, Relishes,
Deviled Eggs, Assorted Fancy Cookies

Proceeds help support our
local & foreign missions.



ORLC Council Meeting Minutes

August 21, 2023

In Attendance: Linda Wall, Kim Saterbak, Sarah Jaeger, Holly Olson, Dave Vollan, Mike Forsberg and Eric Hedman

Absent: Pastor Zane Anderson

Devotion: Linda Wall

Meeting was called to order at 6:09 p.m.

Consent Agenda: A motion was made by Linda, 2nd by Dave to accept the consent agenda. Motion passed.

Secretary's Report – Reviewed Meeting Minutes from 6/12/23

Treasurer's Report – Reviewed current status to actual of finances and where expenditures are being allocated.

Pastor's Report: No report this month.

Board Reports: ORW: Plans to purchase a mini split.

Cemetery Board: Everything is going good.

Old Business: 1) Will continue to obtain written monthly reports from parish nurse, pastor, and youth directors. 2) Continued discussion on how to keep the congregation engaged. 3) Continued discussion on processes for financials.

New Business: 1) A motion was made by Linda, 2nd by Holly to create a form to be used when any expense is to be paid by the church and this form needs the receipt attached. Will start using the form as soon as created. Motion passed 2) A motion was made by Kim, 2nd by Holly that Katrina Johnson has authority on all accounts at First Security Bank in Benson. Motion passed. 3) A motion was made by Dave, 2nd by Kim to purchase QuickBooks Desktop at the appropriate time in the near future. Motion passed. 4) Discussion regarding which computer to put QuickBooks on at the Church. 5) A motion was made by Holly, 2nd by Dave to cash out Charles Schwab inherited funds. Motion passed. 6) Will reach out to the nominating committee to start filling board member spots.

Next Devotion: Eric


Next Meeting: Monday September 11th 2023, 6 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Holly Olson

October 2023



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:00 Worship w/Comm. 10:00 Coffee Hour / SS 10:00 3rd Gr. Bible Class	2 9:00 FFF 5:15 Yoga/Exercise	3 1:00 Knitting (Library)	4 <u>Confirmation</u> WOW 9:00 FFF / Staff/ Quilting 5:15 Yoga / Exercise 5:30 Meal / 6:00 WOW 6:45 Confirmation / Choir	5 1:00 Knitting (Library)	6 9:00 FFF	7
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15 <u>3rd Gr. Bible Pres.</u> 9:00 Worship w/Comm. 10:00 Coffee Hour / SS 10:00 3rd Gr. Bible Class 11:00 -1:30 Fall Festival 2:00 Sons of Norway	16 9:00 FFF 5:15 Yoga/Exercise	17 1:00 Knitting (Library)	18 9:00 FFF / Staff/ Quilting 5:15 Yoga / Exercise	19 1:00 Knitting (Library)	20 9:00 FFF	21
22 9:00 Worship 10:00 Coffee Hour	23 9:00 FFF 5:15 Yoga/Exercise	24 1:00 Knitting (Library)	25 <u>Smorgasbord</u> 9:00 Staff 4:30-7:30 Smorgasbord 	26 10:30 Scandi Haven Communion 1:00 Knitting (Library)	27 9:00 FFF	28
29 <u>Confirmation</u> 9:00 Worship 10:00 Coffee Hour / SS	30 9:00 FFF 5:15 Yoga/Exercise	31 1:00 Knitting (Library)	1	2	3	4
5 <u>Bucket Sunday</u>	6					

This Month's Calendar is subject to change.
Please watch the bulletin for updates or changes.
Thank you!



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October

IMPORTANT DATES:

October 1st & 8th

10:00 a.m. – *3rd Grade Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall*

October 15th

9:00 a.m. – *3rd Grade Bible Presentation during Worship*

10:00 a.m. – *3rd Grade Bible Class*

11:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. – *Our Redeemer's Fall Festival*

October 25th

4:30 – 7:30 p.m. – *Smorgasbord*

October 29th

9:00 a.m. – *Baptism of Affirmation (Confirmation)
during Worship*

And whatever you do,
in word or deed,
do everything in the name
*of the lord Jesus,
giving thanks*

to God the Father
through him.

Colossians 3:17

