

Redeemer REVIEW



REDEEMER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH - MISSOURI SYNOD CHICO, CALIFORNIA JANUARY 2021 Vol. 35 No. 1

from the Pastor...

Rev. Donald Jordan

TIMES OF SPIRITUAL DISTRESS

“Do not fear, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom” – Luke 12:32

You are Christians, baptized into Christ, with every spiritual blessing in Christ and what a blessed life you have in Jesus. You thank and praise Him daily for the gift of forgiveness of sins, eternal life, and salvation that he has promised and given to you. You are glad and look forward to coming to church to receive the gifts of Jesus that he earned for you in his life, death, and resurrection. He continues faithfully to deliver these gifts through the ministry of the church, the ministry of word and sacrament. These gifts are given to you, his child on this earth, which is broken and cursed due to the original sin in the Garden of Eden.

A variety of issues faces each one of you in life, no matter what the age or circumstances. In your life you are currently experiencing all kind of problems that lead to feelings of fear and anxiety. This is natural and part of life in a sinful world, as you are beset by the devil, the world, and your sinful flesh.

Ultimately, the cause of fears is rooted in a lack of trust in God’s gracious ordering of the universe for the well-being of his people. Anxiety, apprehension, and fear do not come from the Holy Spirit and God does not desire that his children live with these hindrances.

Why should we be fearful of man or any thing on this earth? Why should we fear a virus or some other illness? Why should we fear dying and death? Why should we fear for the future of our children? Why should we fear what people will think about us? Why should we fear that we will run out of money? Why should we fear anything or anyone in this life?

“The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?” – Psalm 27:1



The only thing we should fear is losing our salvation and losing God, because that is the only thing that matters. All our cares that we have, which are real, are to be brought to God in prayer, with the knowledge that He loves us and cares for us. He knows all things and knows your fears and anxiety. He has cared for you all your life and he will continue to care for you, despite the circumstances and your fretting.

“And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. But rather fear Him who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.”

- Matthew 10:28

The fears we have are only connected to this mortal life, which is fraught with difficulty and trouble. That is normal for this world and what you are experiencing now is normal and all predicted in Scripture. There is nothing new under the sun.

But, your prayer is that nothing would separate you from Jesus Christ and the fellowship that he gives you in word and sacrament, the fellowship of the church where he feeds you and strengthens you in the adversities and anxieties of life. Rejoice, be glad, and enjoy the life that God has given you in Christ until he brings you to the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting.

“Though devils all the world should fill,

All eager to devour us,

We tremble not, we fear no ill;

They shall not overpower us.

This world’s prince may still

Scowl fierce as he will,

He can harm us none.

He’s judged; the deed is done;

One little word can fell him” (LSB 656, st.3)

Pastor Jordan



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

02 LINDA ALLEN
 02 REV. DONALD JORDAN
 03 MARY SIEMENS
 10 DAVID SWEET
 11 RYAN YOUNG
 14 ANDREW JORDAN
 14 BRI LOFINK
 17 SVETLANA SMITH
 17 JASPER TIEMANN
 18 CAROLYN MARTIN
 20 LINDA ROWE
 23 SAMANTHA ZIMMER
 30 TODD THOMPSON
 30 RHONDA WERNER



JANUARY BAPTISMS

01 JUDY MORENO
 01 LINDA ROWE
 14 JERRY BRANDT
 14 ELLA MIRAMONTES
 14 KYLA MIRAMONTES
 14 NICHOLAS MIRAMONTES
 14 BRANDON SIEMENS
 18 ELEANORE BINGEN
 19 DIANE SCOTT
 25 IRENE BEVERS
 25 HENRY DEGARMO

JANUARY SERVANTS

ACOLYTE:
 YUHUAN
 WENSLAFF
 ALTAR GUILD:
 LORI JORDAN
 LINDA REAN
 MARNÉ SIVESIND
 KATHY SWEET
 LOUISE URNESS
 ELDER OF THE MONTH
 JAY ERWIN
 COUNTER:
 PAT LILLIE
 VAN DRIVERS:
 JAY ERWIN
 BRUCE
 HOLDERBEIN
 KURT JORDAN
 DARYL SMITH

OFFICE MANAGER'S NEW HOURS

BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2021

WORK FROM HOME ON
MONDAYS

7:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

WORK IN THE OFFICE

TUESDAY - THURSDAY

7:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

ELDER ASSIGNMENTS

ALLEN - EVANS
 FRATALLONE - JORDAN
 KEIL - RUSTAN
 SAWYER - SWEET
 THOMPSON - ZIMMER

TIM WENSLAFF
 ROBERT REAN
 DARYL SMITH
 JAY ERWIN
 ROBERT ENGELKEN

CHURCH STAFF

REV. DONALD JORDAN, PASTOR
 JACKIE VIEIRA, OFFICE MANAGER
 REV. DAVID BUNTING, ORGANIST

JAY ERWIN, ORGANIST SUB
 JERRY BRANDT,
 HANDBELL CHOIR DIRECTOR

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*DIANE SCOTT

*BOARD CHAIR

SERMONS, BULLETINS

Sermon audio, bulletins, and children's bulletins are available at redeemerchico.org.

Partake of the Word of God and invite others.

HOLY COMMUNION

Pastor Jordan will serve individual communion upon request. Contact him by text or voice message at 530-513-1284 or pastordonaldjordan@gmail.com and he will be glad to serve you The Sacrament of the Altar. This is also a good time to review The Small Catechism, so please read, prepare, and learn more about how essential the Lord's Supper is to us Christians.

Newsletter Submission Deadline

Submit articles and pictures for inclusion in the next Redeemer Review by the 20th of each month.

Email submissions to:
[redeemerchicooffice@gmail.com](mailto:redemerchicooffice@gmail.com)

Sign-up to sponsor a candle (\$15.00), or provide altar flowers in honor or memory of a loved one or an occasion.

Signup sheets are on the wall in the narthex.

All 2021 Sundays are open.



HOMEBOUND

Brenda Bell

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Chico, CA 95928

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CA 92675

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Chico, CA 95928

Bella Thorson

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Chico, CA 95973

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Quincy, CA 95971

*For our shut-in's
phone numbers,
contact Pastor Jordan
or the office manager.*



Submit prayer requests to Pastor Jordan by email, text, voice mail, or in writing, using the form in the pew rack.

pastordonaldjordan@gmail.com

(530) 513-1284

(530) 342-6085 Opt. 1

TITHES & OFFERINGS

Thank you to all who continue to support the work of our Lord Jesus Christ by giving your tithes and offerings. Below are...

Six Ways to Give Your Tithes and Offerings

✠ **Offerings are received in the Narthex.**

✠ **Mail or deliver** a check to Redeemer Evangelical Lutheran Church, 750 Moss Ave, Chico, CA 95926. Mail is checked daily.

✠ **Bill pay** through your bank allows an automatic check to be mailed at no charge. Contact your bank or set up with your online bank account.

✠ **Simply Giving** pre-authorized withdrawals from your bank account to the church bank account. Obtain form in person or from the church website, redeemerchico.org

✠ **PayPal** credit card payment on the church web site, redeemerchico.org

✠ **Vanco Mobile** app. Go [here](#) for a short video about Vanco Mobile. Download from the app store and select Redeemer Lutheran Church, Chico.

✠ **GivePlus+** app. Select Redeemer Lutheran Church, Chico.

✠ Direct questions to Jackie Vieira, Office Manager, at redemerchicooffice@gmail.com or 530-228-4240.

ASLEEP IN JESUS

MARSHA HOFFMAN

DECEMBER 18, 2020



APRIL 15, 1949 - DECEMBER 18, 2020

REDEEMER FINANCIAL SUMMARY

January 1, 2020 - November 30, 2020

INCOME/EXPENSE – ACTUAL:

ORDINARY INCOME:	\$141,599.91
EXPENSES:	<u>\$156,262.44</u>
NET ORDINARY INCOME	\$-28,766.23
FACILITY RENT INCOME	642.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$-28,124.23
RETAINED EARNINGS	<u>29,213.38</u>
BALANCE (Total Equity)	\$1,089.15

For more details, see the office manager.

2021 Budget

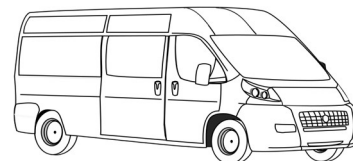
Adopted at November 15, 2020 Voters Meeting

ADMINISTRATION	\$ 163,422
EDUCATION	\$ 500
EVANGELISM	\$ 500
FELLOWSHIP	\$ 500
STEWARDSHIP	\$ 500
TRUSTEES	<u>\$ 36,260</u>
TOTAL	\$201, 682

Our youth group is supported by your plastic and aluminum CRV beverage containers. Remove the caps from plastic. Sort aluminum and plastic, place in bags, then place in the bins located in the Parish Hall storage closet. Thank you for your support.



To ride the van to church on Sundays, contact Jerry Brandt at 636-4392 weekly.



PASTOR JORDAN'S SERMONS
KKXX.net - Tunein.com KKXX 930 AM, 103.9 FM
Saturday & Sunday 1:00 & 5:00 PM

THE LUTHERAN HOUR
KKXX.net - Tunein.com KKXX 930 AM, 103.9 FM
Saturday & Sunday 1:30 PM



And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. (Deuteronomy 6: 6-7 ESV)

How many times have you read your child's favorite storybook to him/her? Probably enough times that even if they are not a reader yet they can recite the content as if they were reading and will quickly tell you if you leave out or change a word.

Just as having a book your child can hold we also have a children's bulletin that your child can hold and actually interact with the message. The children's bulletin contains various activities all centered on scripture.

If you have not been aware of this resource go to the church website (redeemerchico.org) and click on the tab "Bulletins/Sermons" and under the current week you can find both the Sunday bulletin and the children's bulletin to preview. This is generally posted by Thursday afternoon of the current week. However, the church website generally has the bulletin/sermons and children's bulletins available for only 4-6 weeks.

While you can download the bulletin as a pdf file, and you might want to do this, it would be best for your child to know where the children's bulletins are in the narthex so they can get their own bulletin when they enter church with you rather than having it already printed out for them. (If you can't find them ask an usher.) Once your child(ren) know where their bulletins are they will be eager to get their own each week. Remember, each child should have their own bulletin.

As favorite storybooks are read over and over again, encourage your child(ren) to save their bulletins so they can read them again or perhaps finish coloring the various pictures.

Generally the front of the bulletin has a picture related to the Gospel as well as a verse. Not only is this a good way to memorize scripture, it could be a good family activity to talk about what was in your child's bulletin as you sit over lunch on Sunday.

If you point out to your children before the service starts some of the words they might hear in the scripture readings or in pastor's sermon you might be

amazed at what an early age children who appear to be off in their own world are actually able to repeat what was said especially if they have an activity that helps this along. Before long the stories from scripture will be as well-loved as favorite storybooks!

Hint: a 3-ring binder can help contain the bulletins. When a bulletin becomes *too well read* if you downloaded the pdf file you can print out a new one, thus avoiding catastrophe.

TECHNOLOGY

Technology and Words



Recently the graphic from a blog brought to mind the way technology has gradually been changing words and how we use them. Is this a good news/bad news development or a little of both? Do you find yourself using an emoji rather than crafting words to convey an emotion? Do you sometimes wonder what a sender was meaning by the use of a certain emoji?

There is no doubt that signs and symbols can convey a message far more conveniently than a whole paragraph of words but there has to be mutual understanding. For example, a U-turn sign with a slash going through it may mean you can never make a U-turn. However, there may be an additional sign that says "between 7:00 - 8:30 a.m." which certainly changes your ability to make a U-turn at 10:30 a.m.



How often have you been frustrated with the "auto-correct" feature in your text or email application that if not caught totally and perhaps damagingly changes what you intended to say? Then you end up sending three additional texts, an email, a phone call and perhaps a face-to-face meeting to unravel, clarify and rectify the error.

The intended auto-correct feature meant to be a help to you has hindered a relationship. So, bottom line, by all means use technology applications and devices to aid your communications, but you are still responsible for the content so don't forget to proof-read.

As we enter this New Year perhaps we need to focus on how we use all of our technology; to make sure especially that our communication brings glory to God.

REV. DANIEL & KATHY CONRAD, MISSIONARIES TO MEXICO

Dear Members of Redeemer Evangelical Lutheran Church,

November 17, 2020

Greetings in the name of the Lord. We thank you for your prayers and financial support that make the mission in Mexico possible. The COVID-19 virus has shown no signs of letting up here in Mexico. Accordingly, the visits that Dan normally makes to Guatemala and the different parts of Mexico have been put on hold until further notice. The activities for the training of the national workers have not been put on hold, however. At the present time Dan is finishing up a deacon's course, a deaconess course, and a seminary course on the Psalms. All these courses are being taught via the ZOOM application.

This last Sunday, we witnessed the ordination of pastoral candidate Neftali Garcia. This event took place at Iglesia Luterana San Pablo in Mexico City. 11 members of Neftali's home congregation in Rio Bravo, Mexico made the 13-hour trip by van to Mexico City to attend the ceremony. We have witnessed Neftali's pastoral development over the years and this ordination filled us with great joy. Neftali will serve as the pastor of San Pablo and will take the place of pastor Alvaro Lopez who is retiring. We give thanks to God for pastor Alvaro who served faithfully at San Pablo for thirty-five years. Well done good and faithful servant!

We give thanks to God that we have escaped the COVID-19 virus so far. When we leave the house for any reason, we use our facemasks, and we keep our distance from other people. We pray for the people of Mexico, the United States, and all countries of the world that we all may overcome this pandemic. We also pray for those who have been affected by this virus that the Lord will give them strength during this difficult time.

As the holiday season approaches, we pray that you have blessed Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's celebrations. Amid the present pandemic God continues to reign and His church continues to proclaim repentance and forgiveness of sin to all the nations.

Enclosed please find our prayer card and a photo of the ordination of Neftali Garcia (Neftali is in the middle of the first row.) Your prayers and support provided materials and pastoral formation for Neftali as well as providing for the present pastoral candidates who are in formation. God's richest blessings!

"Now unto Him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy, to the only wise God our Savior be glory and majesty, dominion and power, now and ever. Amen." (Jude 24,25)

In Christ,

Rev. Daniel, Kathy & Ana Conrad

Rev. Daniel, Kathy, and Ana Conrad



Rev. Daniel and Kathy Conrad

Daniel.Conrad@lcms.org lcms.org/conrad
international.lcms.org

Birthdays

Daniel - July 6, Kathy - July 30, Ana - Oct. 10

Wedding Anniversary Home District

May 13 California-Nevada-Hawaii

Rev. Daniel and Kathy Conrad serve the Lord through The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) in Mexico, based in Mexico City. In this role, Daniel serves as the coordinator of theological education for the entire country. He works with and mentors national pastors and pastors in formation who are serving throughout Mexico. With the challenges of Mexico City's population being 25 million people and the shortage of national pastors in this country, Daniel provides assistance in sending out workers to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Pray for the Conrads as they serve in Mexico. Ask God to give Daniel strength as he continues to mentor and teach national pastors in the different regions of Mexico. Give God thanks for the national pastors that this country does have and for the future pastors that are in formation. Let us give thanks that the Conrads are serving God's children in Mexico.

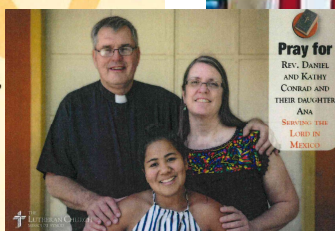
Mexico City,
Mexico

You can support us by sending a check to:

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P.O. Box 66861
St. Louis, MO 63166-6861

Memo "Rev. Daniel and
Kathy Conrad"

You can also give online at
lcms.org/conrad



Deaf Youth Ministry of Texas

P.O. Box 4
Pflugerville, Texas 78691



Rev. Mark Seeger
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December 2020

Dear friends of Deaf Youth Ministry of Texas,

Even though 2020 has been a strange and challenging year, we do have some good news to report, but before I get to that, I'd like to explain why we have a new mailing address. When I first opened the post office box, the post office was at 6th and Guadalupe. That post office was close to the church and it had a large, free parking lot. The post office later moved downtown to 9th and Congress. There was very little parking in the area and sometimes I had to park more than a block away. That was frustrating, but since I was in much better health back then, it wasn't too much of a burden. Since then, the city of Austin has removed a lot of the street parking places, so now in the entire block in front of the Post Office, there are only 4 parking places. Because of health problems and the surgery on my foot, if I can't get one of those parking places, I can't check the mail. The city of Austin has also given homeless people pretty much free reign, and the panhandlers in front of the Post Office are becoming more and more aggressive. I no longer feel safe, especially if it's after dark. Since I live in Pflugerville, as does our DCE, Denise and her family, and there is a large, free parking lot, I decided to move our post office box. Because we are box #4, it is one of the closest boxes to the front door, which makes it easy. (See address above)

Now, to news about the ministry. Covid-19 has really changed things for us. We weren't able to have a service trip last summer, but we are planning one for next summer. In the past, our snacks would always be home made cakes & brownies, fresh popped popcorn, lemonade and fruit punch. We can't do that anymore. Now all the snacks are pre-packaged. For the kids' birthdays, I used to bake their favorite cakes. I miss doing that, and the kids miss getting them.

After years of trying to convince the church to let us have a second night to

DEAF YOUTH MINISTRY OF TEXAS, REV. MARK SEEGER - CONTINUED

use the building, they finally agreed to let us use it on Tuesday evenings, also. So on Tuesdays, we have our Young Adults/College Age class. It has turned out better than expected. Our first class was October 6th and, so far, since then until now, we have had 27 young adults attend. 17 of them had attended when they were in high school, but 10 of them are new this year.

The school year normally would have started in August, but this year it started a month late and our first classes for Middle School and High School were on September 23rd. In Middle School, we have had 16 students, 5 of whom are new this year. In High School, we have had 21 students, 3 of whom are new this year. In our three classes - Middle School, High School and College Age - we have had a total of 64. Of those, 18 are new this year. Even though in a normal year, we would have had at least 150 students by this time, I thank God for each and every one of these precious youth. Many of the Texas School for the Deaf students are not back on campus yet, but are taking their classes through the internet. As more students return to campus, we expect to see more attending our programs, too.

It is a real blessing to me to have so many great volunteers. Ted and Denise Pulfer, who moved here from Wisconsin, have been so helpful in teaching the classes, as have Abby Capo and my wife, Carol. I had encouraged Denise to move here with the hope that she would eventually take over the youth ministry when I am no longer able to do it.

It is also a blessing to me to have so many people who support our ministry with their prayers and, if possible, with financial support. Even if you aren't able to financially support us, we still covet your prayers. There are still people and powers who would love to see this ministry fail, but with your prayers and God defending us, this ministry should continue long after I am no longer here. It is our prayer that God bless you and yours in the coming year... and always!

In Christ,



Rev. Mark Seeger

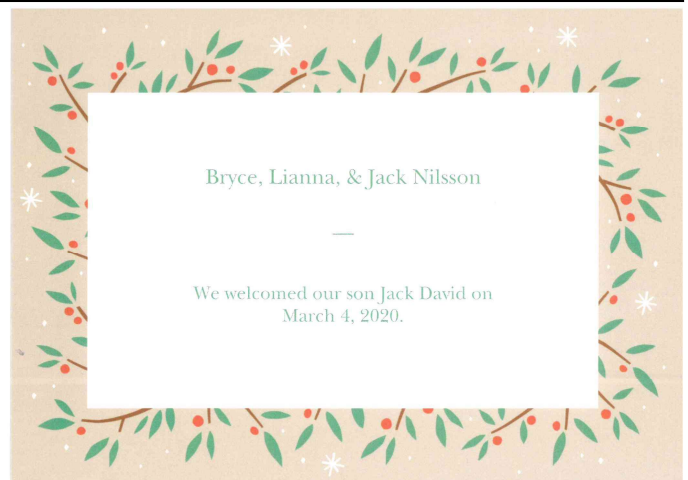
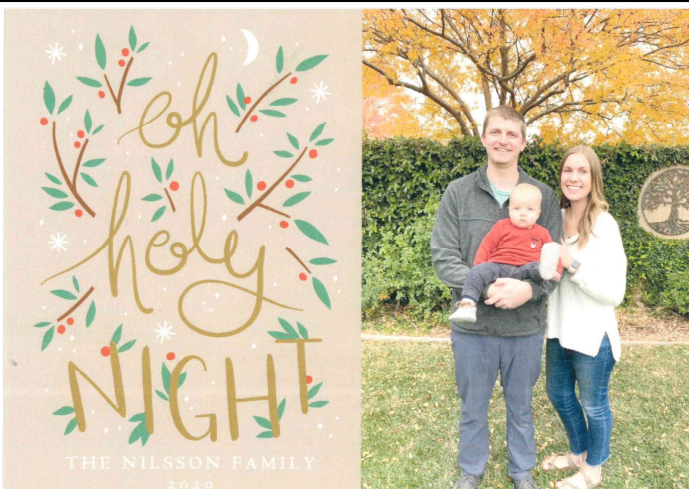
THANK YOU!
Sincere and deep thanks to all of you who contributed so generously to my Christmas gift. It is received with appreciation and glory to God for your love, support, and prayers in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Pastor Jordan
Thank you to all for the blessings you have bestowed upon me this Christmas season. May our Lord multiply those blessings back to you.

In His service,
Jackie Vieira,
Office Manager
Thank you for your generous Christmas gift. Thank for your prayers and the opportunity to serve you as organist. God bless and keep you healthy!

In Christ's service,
Rev. David
Bunting, Organist

LIANNA, BRYCE, & JACK NILSSON, LOCHBUIE, COLORADO



PASTOR ON THE RADIO

Pastor Jordan is a regular guest on "Live Talk with Jerry Olenyn" Thursday and Friday on KKXX radio. 8:30 a.m. & 2:00 p.m.

AM 930, FM 103.9. www.tunein.com



DIGITAL DAILY DEVOTIONS

From Lutheran Hour Ministries:

<https://www.lhm.org/dailydevotions>

From Higher Things:

<https://higherthings.org/content/reflections>

Portals of Prayer:

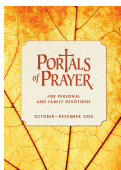
<https://www1.cph.org/portals/default.aspx>



LUTHERAN PUBLICATIONS SUBSCRIPTIONS

Portals of Prayer

<https://www1.cph.org/portals/default.aspx>
800-325-3040 Opt. 2



Higher Things Reflections
www.higherthings.org/reflections

The Lutheran Witness

<https://search.cph.org/search#w=The%20lutheran%20witness%20subscribe>
800-325-3040 Opt. 2



SACRED MUSIC STATION

You can fill your Christmas season with sacred Christmas music. Lutheran Public Radio is streaming sacred Christmas music for the twelve days of Christmas. LPR streams 24/7/365 at lutheranpublicradio.org.



MERCY/HEALTH MINISTRY

The need for blood donations continues and many of us can make a difference by simply making an appointment and donating at Vitalant. Safety is one of their concerns and measures are taken within their facility to make donating as safe as possible.



Vitalant is now providing results to donors for antibodies to COVID-19. The need remains great for donations. Call Vitalant directly for an appointment at 893-5433 or www.vitalant.org

A donor needs to be in good health, sixteen years or older. Body weight must be 110 or more. No upper age limit. Good hydration and nutrition is important.

Our Mission Statement

Welcome to Redeemer Evangelical Lutheran Church, a community of believers saved by God's grace through faith in Jesus Christ.

As a people enabled by the Spirit, we are committed to regular worship and the use of the sacraments, studying and teaching the Bible, praying, using our gifts and talents in God's service, for the caring and nurturing of others and sharing the message of God's salvation so that God is glorified and all people may know Jesus as their Savior and Lord.

*"For I determined not to know anything among you except Jesus Christ and Him crucified."
1 Corinthians 2:2*

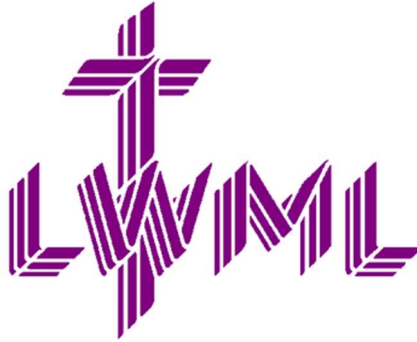
LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE

Lutheran Women's Missionary League consists of women in the service of our Lord to assist others through mission grants. For the biennium of 2020-2022, grants totaling \$124,000 have been adopted.

The fourth grant is near completion in the amount of \$6,710. It is sponsored by Redeemer Lutheran, Fresno and St. Paul, Merced.

The outreach is entitled "Hmong New Year Celebration Outreach."

The tradition of soul calling and celebrating the New Year has been practiced for centuries by the Hmong in Asia. When the Hmong people sought refuge in the USA after the Vietnam war they brought this cultural tradition with them. It is believed by Hmong people that a person's soul may have wandered off, got lost, or couldn't find its way back with its own body during the year. A feast is held and special guests are the spirits of their ancestors. At New Year, their ancestor spirits are asked to bless the family with another year of wealth, good health, protection, and happiness. A month-long



festival then follows. In Fresno and Merced the Hmong celebrate the New Year festival in December. The festival in Fresno alone draws over 20,000 and is the largest and longest running one in North America. These festivals are a good opportunity to share the Gospel truth to the Hmong; that it is not their ancestors who bless them yearly, but Yahweh, the creator and Living God and His amazing grace through His only Son, Jesus Christ. Printed Christian material in English and Hmong is handed out. The funds will go to purchase Luther's Small Catechism, other Christian materials, and operating costs for booths at Merced and Fresno festivals.

Hundreds of societies gather mite offerings which are gathered at the district level to fund grants. Our narthex houses a mite box to accept offerings. Each and every member of our congregation may have a mite box and information about "What is LWML?" Thanks to our donations, we are able to assist in these endeavors. AND ALL GLORY BE TO GOD !!!

2020 MISSIONS SUPPORT

- 1Q Higher Things Youth Conference, Ft. Collins, CO, \$4,115.00; Charity Fund, \$4,115.00; Missionary Daniel Conrad, Mexico City, \$4,115.00
- 2Q Missionary Mark Rabe, Ethiopia, \$4,084.63; Missionary Dennis Meeker, Kenya, \$4,084.63; Faith Lutheran Church, Ukiah, California, \$4,084.63
- 3Q Lutheran Heritage Foundation, \$3,083.94; Lutheran Deaf Ministry, Texas, \$3,083.94
- 4Q Women's Resource Clinic; KKXX Sermons; The Lutheran Hour; Issues, Etc.

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- 1Q Redeemer Charity Fund; Faith Lutheran Church, Ukiah, California
- 2Q Missionary Mark Rabe, Ethiopia, Missionary Dennis Meeker, Kenya, Missionary Daniel Conrad, Mexico
- 3Q Lutheran Heritage Foundation; Lutheran Deaf Ministry, Pastor Seeger
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Sunday Bible Study - 8:45 a.m.



Thursday Bible Study - 9:30 a.m.
Book of Matthew

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Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
3	4	5	6	7	1	2
10	11	12	13	14	8	9
17	18	19	20	21	15	16
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31					29	30

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Dec 27	28	29	30	31	Jan 1, 21	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
2nd Sunday of Christmas - 8:45am SS/ABS (PH) 10:00am Divine Service 1:00pm Sermon, KXXX 1:30pm The Lutheran Hour	Office Closed - Pastor's Day Off	7:00am Office Open 12:00pm Office Closed	Epiphany (W) 7:00am Office Open 12:00pm Office Closed 12:00pm Divine Service	7:00am Office Open 8:30am Live Talk KXXX 9:30am Bible Class (FR) 12:00pm Office Closed 2:00pm Live Talk KXXX	[F] The Circumcision and Name of Jesus (W) Office Closed 8:30am Live Talk KXXX 2:00pm Live Talk KXXX	[C] J.K. Wilhelm Loehle, Pastor 1:00pm KXXX Sermon 1:30pm Lutheran Hour 5:00pm KXXX Sermon
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
[C] Basil the Great of Baptism of our Lord/1st 8:45am SS/ABS (PH) 10:00am Divine Service 10:00am Officers/Boards	Office Closed - Pastor's Day Off	7:00am Office Open 8:00am Lifeline Screening (PH) 12:00pm Office Closed	7:00am Office Open 12:00pm Office Closed	7:00am Office Open 8:30am Live Talk KXXX 9:30am Bible Class (FR) 12:00pm Office Closed 2:00pm Live Talk KXXX	Office Closed 8:30am Live Talk KXXX 2:00pm Live Talk KXXX	9:00am Board of Elders 1:00pm KXXX Sermon 1:30pm Lutheran Hour 5:00pm KXXX Sermon
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2nd Sunday after Epiphany - 8:45am SS/ABS (PH) 10:00am Divine Service 1:00pm Sermon, KXXX 1:30pm The Lutheran Hour	[F] The Confession of St. Peter (W) Office Closed - Pastor's Day Off	7:00am Office Open 12:00pm Office Closed	[C] Sarah Redeemer Review Deadline 7:00am Office Open 12:00pm Office Closed	7:00am Office Open 8:30am Live Talk KXXX 9:30am Bible Class (FR) 12:00pm Office Closed 2:00pm Live Talk KXXX	Office Closed 8:30am Live Talk KXXX 2:00pm Live Talk KXXX	1:00pm KXXX Sermon 1:30pm Lutheran Hour 5:00pm KXXX Sermon
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[F] St. Timothy, Pastor and 3rd Sunday after Epiphany - 8:45am SS/ABS (PH) 10:00am Divine Service 1:00pm Sermon, KXXX	[F] The Conversion of St. Paul (W) Office Closed - Pastor's Day Off	[F] St. Titus, Pastor and Confessor (W) 7:00am Office Open 12:00pm Office Closed	[C] John Chrysostom, Pastor 7:00am Office Open 12:00pm Office Closed	7:00am Office Open 8:30am Live Talk KXXX 9:30am Bible Class (FR) 12:00pm Office Closed 2:00pm Live Talk KXXX	Office Closed 8:30am Live Talk KXXX 2:00pm Live Talk KXXX	1:00pm KXXX Sermon 1:30pm Lutheran Hour 5:00pm KXXX Sermon
31	Feb 1	2	3	4	5	6
4th Sunday after Epiphany 8:45am SS/ABS (PH) 10:00am Divine Service 1:00pm Sermon, KXXX 1:30pm The Lutheran Hour						

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