

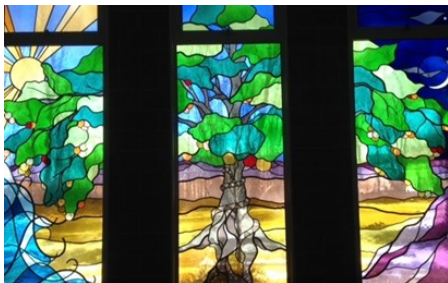


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## Pastor's Corner

### Receiving and Sharing Christ's Easter Joy

On the first Sunday of this month we are still in the season of Lent, during which we leave out the alleluia's in the Divine Service in order to focus more on our sins and God's merciful promise to send us a Savior. We are reminded of these things in the first of our stained glass windows.

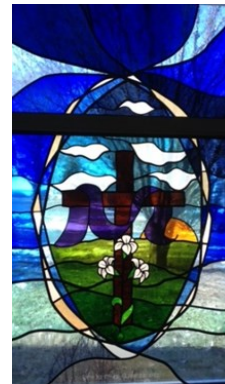


Then on the second Sunday of this month we begin our journey with Jesus' during Holy Week, which includes His death on Good Friday, highlighted by the crucifix.



Finally, on the third Sunday of this month we celebrate our Lord's glorious resurrection on Easter Sunday with the words: "He is risen! He is risen indeed!"

Alleluia!



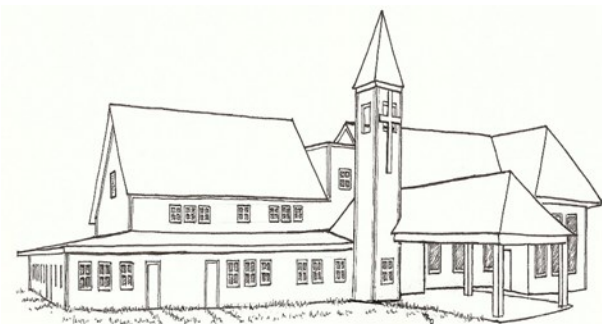
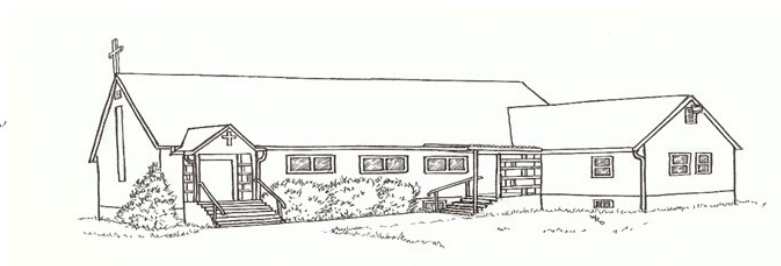
Since we live after Jesus' resurrection, we can't help but celebrate His resurrection every day of our lives and especially on Sunday. For no matter how frightful things may be in our world, or what challenges lay before us when it comes to things like providing a new facility for our growing school, our crucified and risen Lord and Savior is with us to give us an eternal peace and joy that goes beyond understanding, as well as the desire to share that peace and joy with others.



Like me, you may not have been a part of this congregation during the exciting time of it's early growth and the eventual construction of our current church building, family life center, and classrooms. But most of you, who are reading this newsletter, have been here to experience the exciting start up of Redeemer Lutheran School, which already includes twenty one students! Twenty one children who are receiving an excellent education which includes the Good News about our most excellent Savior, Jesus Christ!

Hopefully you've been reading the information which the Parish School Board has been putting in your church mailbox, and will also read their articles in this newsletter. The opportunity which the Lord has given us to share the love of Christ with a growing number of children in our area is beyond awesome, and it's ongoing fruit is beyond measure. It is a great privilege for me to have been called by God to be your pastor during this ongoing growth in both the congregation and school. Your support for the ministry of Redeemer Lutheran Church, Preschool, and now Redeemer Lutheran School is a pleasure to behold, especially because I know that it has grown out of your God-given faith in Jesus Christ and His love for you and all people.

Please continue to pray for this congregation, that we may continue to work together to fulfill what the Lord has lifted us up to do—to Lift High the Cross, the love of Christ proclaim, till all the world adore His holy name. And please do your best to join us at the General Assembly after the service on Palm Sunday; for each part of Christ's body, the church, here at Redeemer is important as we move forward in union with our Savior who gave His life to save us and others in the world around us. All glory be to God the Father Son and Holy Spirit.



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# Redeemer Lutheran School Newsletter April 2022

Dear Members of Redeemer Lutheran, Thank you for being prayer warriors for the students, their families and our staff as we seek to do God's will in educating these children who have been entrusted to us. Redeemer Lutheran School is in the last quarter of our first year of educating elementary students in a Christ-centered culture. The staff is already working on the 2022-23 school year preplanning what curriculum is needed and recruitment opportunities for new students. Please help us get the word out about our OPEN HOUSE on TUESDAY, APRIL 5, from 5:00-7:00 pm.

**Current Enrollment:** 21 students (Kindergarten-Fifth Grade)

**School:** Our Kindergarten class is currently using the stained-glass windows in the sanctuary as object lessons in their Bible time. There is a hands-on 3-D follow up activity to help the kids remember the lessons. They are becoming amazing readers and writers. In science, the Kindergarteners are learning about God's world and animals.

Our first and second graders are becoming fluent readers while comprehending the stories they read. We are learning about nouns, completing the last "special" sounds in phonics, and diagramming sentences. In math we have learned to tell time to 5 minutes and are beginning to study fractions and double-digit addition with carrying. In Bible time, the children are continuing to write and illustrate in their Bible Journals while following the historical timeline since creation. Please come look at their journals to see all the stories they have learned so far. In science, we have been discovering God's world with special adaptations animals have, along with wheels, levers, and ramps.

Our third, fourth, and fifth grade students are working with mixed numbers and adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing fractions; writing reports for language class; and studying earth science, with a trip planned to Sand Dunes National Park. We are reading and studying Bible stories included in the Gospels leading up to the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus and its life-changing impact for each of us.

**Testing:** Redeemer Lutheran School tested our students for National Testing, March 30-31. We are excited to see how our students compare academically with students across the nation. We anticipate having test scores by the end of the school year.

**Hot Lunches:** Thank you to Jenean, Sharon and Char for preparing delicious hot lunches every Wednesday that the kids devour.

**Share YOUR Talents:** A HUGE thank you to Mrs. Tracy Dickinson for spending her afternoons at RLS volunteering and teaching us amazing art lessons. If you are interested in sharing your talents, please contact any of the teachers!

As members of Redeemer Lutheran Church, this is your school and your mission outreach for spreading God's Word and His love within the community. Thank you for entrusting us as His servants to be a part of this mission!



Yours in Christ,  
RLS and Tiny Treasures Staff

**"Let them praise the name of the Lord, for His name alone is exalted; His glory is above earth and Heaven." Psalms 148:13**

# Redeemer Lutheran School & Tiny Treasures Preschool

## Fundraisers

Below are a few ways you can help raise money for our school at **NO EXTRA COST TO YOU!** Please encourage your friends and family to do the same.

**Raise Right** mobile app makes fundraising easy. Download the app. Enter Redeemer's enrollment code: **25ATYDGXCFLP**. Once you are signed into the app, you can purchase eGift Cards. With choices like Walmart, Amazon, and Visa cards, you can raise money for Redeemer while doing your everyday shopping. You can reload your eGift Cards at any time or get gift cards in the mail to give as gifts. Visit **www.raiseright.com** to learn more about the earning opportunities, daily bonuses, and giveaways.

**City Market** generously donates money to organizations at no cost to the customer. First you will need to create a digital account or sign into your existing account. Next you will need to link your card to an organization. The account you wish to support is Redeemer Lutheran Church Preschool Tiny Treasures (the school and preschool share an account). Select the appropriate organization and click save. If you have any additional questions, please visit **www.citymarket.com/i/community/community-rewards**.

**Natural Grocers** gift cards are available for pickup at the school. Please notify Sharon Althaus if you would like to purchase a gift card in denominations of \$25, \$50, or \$100. Redeemer Lutheran School receives 5% back on all gift card purchases at no cost to you.

**AmazonSmile** is a simple way for you to support our school every time you shop, at no cost to you. To use AmazonSmile, simply go to **smile.amazon.com** on your **web browser**. You will need to set up **Redeemer Lutheran Church Delta, CO** as your charitable organization. All proceeds will go towards Redeemer Lutheran School and Tiny Treasures Preschool. Once you have set up the organization, create a shortcut to **smile.amazon.com**. Any purchases made through **www.amazon.com** will NOT go towards our organization.

You will also need to turn Amazon Smile on in your **mobile app** if you shop from your phone. Download or open the Amazon shopping app. Click on the menu (three horizontal lines in the bottom right). Scroll down to settings. Then select AmazonSmile. Follow the instructions to set up **Redeemer Lutheran Church Delta, CO** as your organization. If you have already chosen the organization in your web browser, it will bring it up automatically..

You can also earn an extra 2% by using an Amazon gift card purchased through the Raise Right app when making any purchases!

**Box Tops for Education** - Clip Box Tops from hundreds of your favorite General Mills products. Each Box Top is worth 10 cents for our school.

**Office Depot's Back to School** - 5% of your total school supply purchases can go to our school when you participate in Office Depot's Back to School program. Be sure to mention Redeemer Lutheran School when making any purchases. You can also earn an extra 5% for the school by using an Office Depot gift card purchased through the Raise Right fundraiser!

**Target REDcard** - Earn 2.5% when you use a Target gift card purchased through the Raise Right app. When you specify Redeemer Lutheran School on your Target REDcard, 1% of your purchases at Target and Target.com, and 1/2% of your Target Visa credit card purchases are donated to our school.

**Thank you for taking the time to help our school!**

## **Easter Brunch**

EASTER BRUNCH is April 17th following the service. Look at the MARY & Martha Board in the narthex for more information! Also see Andrea, Char or Amber for questions.

## **Greeting Cards**

The card display (on the east wall of the Fellowship Hall near the restrooms) offers quality Christian greeting cards with Scripture verses. Cards are placed alphabetically by occasion (Anniversary, Baby, Baptism, etc.). The last row below "Wedding" is for special occasions, Easter, Mother's Day, etc. All cards are 50 cents each. Deposit your money in the wooden box on the wall next to the display. If you have any questions or comments, please see Renee Beck.

## **School Expansion Notice**

At the April 10<sup>th</sup> General Assembly meeting, a resolution will be presented to begin a fund-raising project for a new facility for Redeemer Lutheran School. Potential construction costs and plans will be discussed by the Building Committee. We are currently seeking people with a passion for Christian education who are willing and able to make an initial donation to help launch our fund-raising campaign. If you are interested and/or have family, friends or acquaintances who may be interested, please contact Paul Althaus, Parish School Board chairman.

## **It's Baby Bottle Banking Time: The Pregnancy Resource Center Needs YOUR Help**

This Mother's Day the PRC wants to give out Baby Bottles. Please consider donating your old baby bottles. They are also looking for donations of new car seats. Feel free to contact John Moseman or Pastor and we will collect them. The PRC wants them before May 6th. You can also call the center at 874-5733.

## Birthdays

Jenean Hovel—April 4th  
Gary Gates—April 8th  
Michelle Clubb—April 11th  
Rachel Oberheu—April 12th  
Gabriel Howell—April 13th  
Lauren Boyles—April 14th  
Rick Oberheu—April 16th  
Karen Jetley—April 16th  
Amber Miller—April 19th  
Barb Nagoda—April 20th  
Ron Cumins—April 20th  
Renee` Beck—April 23rd  
Evelyn Kruger—April 23rd  
Ed Morris—April 25th  
Lisa Althaus—April 25th  
Cornelia Reynolds—April 26th  
Michelle Scarbrough—April 26th  
Morgan Hinz—April 26th  
Sharon Althaus—April 28th



## Baptismal Birthdays

Rebecca Cumins  
Lowell Kindschy  
Jeanne Nelson  
Ken Weber—April 3rd  
Andrea Van Fossan—April 7th  
Teagan Scarbrough—April 8th  
Jackie Robirds—April 10th  
Gabriel Howell—April 15th  
Phillip Dwyer—April 25th  
Jenean Hovel—April 27th  
Macy Weber—April 30th  
Emmett Weber—April 30th

## Wedding Anniversaries

Ralph and Nancy Seeley—April 7th  
Buck and Marie Buchholz—April 23rd  
Frank and Vicki Candelaria—April 27th



## *Flowers for Moms*

THIS MOTHER'S DAY HONOR THE  
MOM IN YOUR LIFE WITH A FLOWER



### **FLOWERS FOR MOMS**

This year on top of any other celebrations or gifts planned for Mom please consider giving your mom, or a mom in our congregation a flower at church. We will be handing out flowers before church and ask for a donation of any amount you can give. This will not only be a gift to those special ladies in our church but will also be a way help the Pregnancy Resource Center and its mission to promote life and motherhood. We are going to make our order in a few weeks so we will need the best count as possible. Please let Bobbi in the office know how many you may want to order. For more information contact John Moseman at 970.312.7543



## THE LORD'S MINISTRY

Redeemer Lutherans attendance figures and financial blessings that were given for the month of March to further maintain the Lord's ministry.

Date	Attendance	Communicants	Offerings Received Gen./Designated Funds	Needed Operating Budget
3-2-2022	57	57	\$790.00	
3-6-2022	96	77	\$138/\$39.00	\$4,545.06
3-9-2022	41		\$265.00	
3-13-2022	93	80	\$6,226.75/\$485.00	\$4,545.06
3-16-2022	41		\$2,142.33	
3-20-2022	95	75	\$4,762.50/\$76.00	\$4,545.06
3-23-2022	29		\$3,727.00	
3-27-2022	97	79	\$3,095.00/\$24.00	\$4,545.06

## “Life Thoughts In The Church Year”

**April 3 – Lent V** – The vineyard tenants parable issues a stern warning about using death as a solution like abortion or assisted suicide. Paul's words – “for his sake I have suffered the loss of all things” (Philippians 3:8) – acknowledge the difficulties surprise pregnancy and terminal diagnosis bring. But Isaiah prophesies the sweet assurance of God's salvation in these difficulties: “a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert” (Isaiah 43:19).

**April 10 – Palm Sunday/Passion of Our Lord** – Philippians 2 outlines how the humble love of our Lord Jesus involved Him in human nature and our life from embryo until His own flesh failed in crucifixion. Not only does this sanctify every member of our race whatever their circumstances, but it also rests the rights and responsibilities for deciding the manners of our lives and the timing of our deaths in His hands (Deuteronomy 32:39). Both now come as gifts for our good!

**April 17 – Resurrection of Our Lord** – Christ is risen, in the body! This makes every other human body precious from fertilization to forever (Isaiah 65:20). Death belongs to the old things and the former ways (Isaiah 65:17) from which our God and Father has set us free (1 Corinthians 15:26). The grave lies empty and has nothing to offer, not even by means of physician-assisted suicide or abortions. Neither we nor our neighbors need submit to it any longer!

**April 24 – Easter II** – The patient gentleness of Jesus with Thomas extends joy to him and not judgment. In like manner the Savior's forgiveness embraces also hearts guilty and grieving because of aborting their own children or accelerating their parent's death. “Peace be with you,” Jesus says to you who have participated in violence against life, “receive My absolution and My Holy Spirit.” Come, praise Him who has made you precious alongside men and maidens, infants and aged (Psalm 148:12)!