

### The Redeemer Reporter

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March 2014 From the Vicar's Desk

For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven: a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted;

- Ecclesiastes 3:1-2

Spring has sprung! Well by the time you get this newsletter I sure hope that it's sprung. From all accounts this has been one of the snowiest winters on record. In fact this year we have already gotten more snow then we did the last two years combined! I think this is why the majority of us are looking forward to the coming of spring. We are looking forward to the days getting warmer, and the snow melting. No more shoveling of the sidewalks or brushing off our cars just so we can get to work.

There is one other thing that we look forward to as we turn the calendar to March, and that is the Season of Lent. On the 5<sup>th</sup> we will celebrate Ash Wednesday which is the beginning of Lent, carrying the Church through March and into April. Over the next several weeks we will be taking a look at the journey Christ took to Jerusalem.

The word Lent comes from the old English word for "spring." The season has been kept as a time for devotion and self-denial. That is one of the reasons why beginning in the 4th century the observance of Lent originally became connected with a forty day fast prior to Easter. This tradition continues today as some Christians give up something.

I have to be honest growing up we didn't focus all that much on Lent. Growing up Roman Catholic about the only thing I remember is we didn't eat meat on Fridays, and we always had to give something up. Not eating meat wasn't that big a deal as I liked fish, but I never knew what to give up. Of course when you're a kid you always give up something you don't care much about anyway. No way was I giving up chocolate, or soda, or anything that I really, really liked to eat. I also don't remember attending a Wednesday Lenten service or a Good Friday.

There is so much more to the season of Lent. It is during the season of Lent that we prepare ourselves for the final days of Christ's earthly ministry. It is during this time that we consider our unfaithfulness to God. We look closely at how God has loved us, and how we have not loved God, We look at how we've failed to keep all of the things that He's commanded, and what this means to us. It is during the Season of Lent that we reflect on how truly sinful are and our need for a Savior.

Not only is Lent a time for us to reflect on our sinfulness, but it is also a time for us to reflect on our mortality. We are reminded that from dust we came and to dust we will return. This reflection on our mortality so that we are prepared to receive the life that God has prepared for us through Christ, and to understand the full cost of the price that was paid. During the Season of Lent we will be looking at the life, death and resurrection of our Lord and Savior. During the Season we look to the cross and the empty tomb through which we have forgiveness of sins. Through the empty tomb on the blessed Easter morning we have been given eternal life.

### **BIG** REDEEMER THANKS TO...

- Gary & Linda Owens, Marge Steinke, and Donna Wanicki for helping collate and label the February newsletter.
- > Deanna Ryskamp for helping to collate the weekly bulletins.
- Linda & Gary Owens for taking care of the weekly coffee hour, keeping the creamer stocked, and sending out Redeemer birthday postcards.
- Adam & Sharon Knuth for donating coffee for the Sunday coffee hours.
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- Mary & Dennis Russell for changing the lettering on the church sign.
- Judy Kowal for cleaning the kitchen many times. Rich Kowal for taking care of repairs & odd jobs around church.
- Sharion Marks for managing the payroll, taxes, and other financial tasks month after month. Our counters: Paul Schwan, Rich Kowal, Bill Jantzen & Bob Clark. Cyndy Bishop for entering contributions and creating statements.
- > Those who helped with setup, serving and clean-up for the Souper Bowl of Caring Soup

- Luncheon, especially Sue Douthett and the Youth Group.
- Bill Namovice, Bill Ball, Eugene Schoop, John Tellez, Ryan Noble, Ken Smith, Bill Jantzen, Tom Skorupa, Jim Duke, and the team from Crown Point for clearing out the MPR for the new carpet to be installed and Bill Namovice, Cyndy Bishop, Katie Bishop, Rich Kowal, Anthony Hecimovich and Stacy Broviak for helping move them all back in the MPR.
- Nancy Talbott, Bill Namovice, Greg McBroom, Cyndy Bishop, Vicar Matt, Pastor Eric, A.J. Broviak for shoveling the snow. Elders and other members have stepped in when the saw a need and picked up the shovel and we thank you immensely!
- The many Thrivent members who have donated their Thrivent Choice Dollars to Redeemer.
- And thanks to everyone who gives their time & energy to fill the church's many needs...every "little" thing comes together to keep our church vibrant!

### Thank You!

### HAVE YOU RECENTLY CHANGED YOUR ADDRESS? PHONE NUMBER? E-MAIL ADDRESS?

Please remember the church office when changing addresses, phone numbers or email addresses.

### Also, please give the church office your college student's address!

To inform the church office please: ♦ Leave a note on the secretary's desk ♦ Call 838-4898

◆ Send a note to Redeemer, 9009 Kennedy Ave, Highland, IN 46322

**OR** ♦Email <u>info@redeemerhighland.org</u>.

### \*\*IMPORTANT NOTE\*\*

The church office is working on an updated member directory to print for members to keep contact one another. A form will be sent out to every member household to check their information and add missing information. The form will ask if your phone number is to be LISTED or UNLISTED, please make sure to circle the appropriate label. UNLISTED phone numbers will be only used for church office contact and not printed in any directories. PLEASE return the form(s) to the church office ASAP, to help with our member update project.

### REDEEMER NEWS

REDEEMER IS IN NEED OF AT LEAST ONE **INDIVIDUAL** to oversee the basement sump pumps on a regular basis. Twice a year, the pumps need to be inspected to ensure they are in working order, and the pipe to the storm drain needs to be cleared. Redeemer has all of the tools required for this job, and Jim Duke is willing to show you what needs to be done, but we need an individual, preferably with plumbing or sump pump experience, to make sure this is done on a regular basis. Redeemer stores many important items and records in the basement, and a flood would be catastrophic. If you have experience in this area and would be willing to take on this important job, please contact the church office.

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS to greet members and welcome visitors before Sunday services. If you have not signed up before or greeted in the recent past, but would like to offer your smile and handshake, please call or email Stacy at the church office. Let Stacy know if you will greet alone or with family members, your preferred service and the best number for Judy Gauder, our newest Greeter Scheduler, to call to schedule you. Thanks!

**YEAR END FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** are available in the church foyer for individuals/couples who used offering envelopes or electronic giving in 2013.

Call Stacy at the church office (838-4898) or email her at (<a href="mailto:info@redeemerhighland.org">info@redeemerhighland.org</a>) if you need your statement to be mailed to you.

Please remember to use <u>only</u> your white **2014 envelopes, as numbers may have changed**, even if you have envelopes leftover from 2013. If you need Offering Envelopes assigned to you, please contact Stacy in the church office. Thank you.

### UNDER CONSTRUCTION

...that is the exciting status of Redeemer's new website which will be switching to a new host soon! The website will have a new look, but the name will remain **www.redeemerhighland.org**. The general office email will also stay the same info@redeemerhighland.org!

When the switch occurs, Redeemer will temporarily not have access to the <a href="info@redeemerhighland.org">info@redeemerhighland.org</a> email account or the Redeemer website, for up to 5 days. If you experience difficulty contacting the church via email, please give us a call with your information or question...219-838-4898. Thank you for your patience...the slight inconvenience will be worth it when you see the NEW, IMPROVED website!

LADIES SOCIETY MEMBERS—Please sign up to be a baker and/or server for our Wednesday Lenten Services. A sign-up sheet is in the kitchen. Ash Wednesday is March 5, the day before our next Ladies Society meeting.

**EVANGELISM COMMITTEE** will meet on **Monday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6PM** for the month of March.

**DO YOU LOVE TO SING?** The Redeemer choir would love to have you! Being able to read music is NOT required. If you would like to make a joyful noise unto the Lord, join us **Monday nights at 6:15 PM**. *A separate Youth Choir also meets on Mondays at 5:30 p.m.* New choir members are always welcome!

**LENT BEGINS** with the Ash Wednesday Divine Service on **Wednesday**, **March 5 at 7:00 p.m.** and continues with Lenten Services every Wednesday until Holy Week, *the week of April* 13<sup>th</sup>. A time for treats and fellowship follows the Lenten Services.

....... A LENT RESOURCE table will be located in the church foyer offering Lenten Coin Folders for 40 days of offering, Lenten devotions and additional information. If you would like a Lenten Coin Folder mailed to you, please contact Stacy at the church office (219-838-4898 or info@redeemerhighland.org).



The new Crown of Thorns and Nails on display for Lent at the Elder's desk in the Narthex was a gift to Redeemer in memory of Harry & Mary Lou Bergner from friends and family through the Memorial Fund.

### REDEEMER NEWS

**THE GARDEN COMMITTEE** will hold an organizational meeting for the 2014 growing season on **Thursday, March 6th, at 5:30 p.m.** just prior to the Ladies Society meeting. Anyone interested in helping with the landscaping and gardens is welcome to attend. For information contact Renee Reimer.

ADULT & YOUTH HANDBELL CHOIRS will have a brief practice together on Thursday, March 6 at 6:20 p.m. The Adult Handbell Choir will practice on Thurs., March 13 at 6 p.m.

THE MARCH LADIES SOCIETY MEETING will be Thursday, March 6 at 7:00 PM. At this meeting the ladies will also host a Kitchen Shower to restock the supplies in the Redeemer Church kitchen. All donations are greatly appreciated and shared by the congregation. Below is a list of needed items. Also, it will be the last time to turn in any items for the Hammond Zone of the LWML (Lutheran Women's Missionary League) In-gathering of prize items for Wittenberg Village in Crown Point, Indiana. These prize items are presented during the activities and events for the Wittenberg residents. Suggested prize items are necklaces that fit over the head, bracelets that fit over the hand, small figurines, stuffed animals, etc. The items will be brought to the LWML Prayer Breakfast the following morning at Trinity Lutheran Church in Lowell, Indiana (see the newsletter flyer for more information).

Redeemer's Kitchen Shower Shopping List:

6" OR 7" STYROFOAM PLATES
PAPER TOWELS
NAPKINS
FOIL
1-QUART & 1-GALLON ZIPPER
BAGGIES

THE CRAFT FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE will hold an organizational meeting on Saturday, March 8th, from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. Bring your personal projects in knitting, crocheting, needlework, paper crafting, or crafting and join in some time of sharing. The group will meet once per quarter during the year. Possible service projects will be discussed as well. Four lap throws and four hats were delivered to the Community Hospital Oncology Department in February. The group continues to save JoAnn

and Michaels coupons to use for Vacation Bible School and other church projects. For information contact Renee Reimer.

COME JOIN "THE YOUNG-AT-HEART"
Sunday, March 16<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. for an evening of Bible Study, food and fellowship. We will enjoy delicious hors d'oeuvres before Pastor Kleinschmidt leads us in an always interesting and informative Bible Study. Dessert and fellowship will conclude our evening. Save the Date! All are welcome.

### APRIL NEWSLETTER DEADLINE MONDAY, MARCH 17 at 10 AM

### LITTLE LAMBS MARKET DAY

Order Deadlines:

<u>Paper orders</u> to Church by March 18

OR Order Online by March 19

ORDER PICK-UP: Saturday, March 22, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Market Day offers a large selection of quality foods and sales help the Little Lambs Learning Center. For more info or to order please visit marketday.com or see the Little Lambs display in the classroom hall. An order form is enclosed. (See the special Pie Flyer, also).

Redeemer Lutheran Church Acct # 30252

### "RECYCLE LIFE" BLOOD DRIVE on Sunday, March 30th from 9:00 a.m. — 12:30 p.m.

The Heartland Blood Mobile Unite will be parked in the Redeemer parking lot. It is a cozy place to give blood with its reclining seats. All donors will receive an insulated re-usable tote. Please sign-up in the foyer for a time that fits in your schedule. If you can give, please help...blood banks are having more and more trouble receiving donations. This winter has been especially difficult due to the extreme weather.

A YOUTH DINNER FUNDRAISER will be held on Sunday, March 30<sup>th</sup> from 4 – 8 p.m. at the Highland Culver's located at the corner of Ridge Road and Cline Avenue. Watch for flyers in the church foyer and attached to Redeemer Reminder emails. Please bring a flyer with you for the youth to receive credit. Thank you for your support of Redeemer's youth!



### **Sunday School News - March 2014**

Last month we held our annual Souper Bowl of Caring hunger campaign. It went well this year. Our Sunday School and Bible Class offerings for 5 weeks went to Souper Bowl as well as a door offering received at all three services on February 1st and 2nd. **Total dollars received to fund** 

**Redeemers Share Cupboard Fund was \$618.93.** We also had a non perishable grocery collection for the 5 weeks and items received were sent to St. James Pantry. As reported in the bulletin at the close of the drive we had received 188 items, however left over, un opened items from the Polar Bear picnic as well as another box of food were received before St James collected them, so we sent **about 220 items to St. James Pantry**. Thank you to everyone who helped make this another successful year! Thank you to the Youth Group for all the help with preparing and serving at the Soup Luncheon Celebration during the Education Hour on Souper Bowl Sunday.

Our offerings effective February 9th will be going to help purchase Audio Bibles for Soldiers.

Throughout the year we occasionally send homemade cards to deployed troops, via Operation SOS, to be placed in care packages, at Christmas time, Valentine's Day and during the summer. Redeemer has also participated as a collection site for items in the fall, for the large Christmas packing event. Supporting The Audio Bibles for Soldiers is a wonderful way for the kids to continue to show love and support for the troops by sharing their faith and the comfort of God's word with them.

**Coming soon!** - From February 9th through March 16th the children will be in their regular class sessions. (March 5th is Ash Wednesday). As we approach Easter, we will have some special group sessions and activities beginning on March 23rd - group activity/lesson with Roger Rodeck. March 30th - Make Easter cards with Laurie Schuetzenhofer. April 6 - practice songs for Palm Sunday. April 13 - Palm Sunday, children sing at beginning of 10:45 service. April 20 - Easter Egg Hunt.



Sunday School will cheerfully accept monetary donations to help defray the cost of the egg hunt. If you would like to donate, please place in an envelope marked "Easter Egg Hunt" and give to a teacher or place in Stacy's "in box" on her desk. Make checks payable to Redeemer and mark memo "egg hunt" Thank you.



Gangway to Galilee VBS will take us on and around the Sea of Galilee with five accounts of Jesus' ministry there. By grace through faith, Jesus, God's own Son our Savior, calls us, teaches us, keeps us safe, saves us, and provides all we need now and forever. That's amazing grace!

Connect Children with God's Eternal Good News at VBS: Every child needs to hear the Good News that Jesus their Savior calls us, teaches us, keeps us safe, saves us, and provides all we need by His amazing grace through faith. At Gangway to Galilee VBS, you will connect children with the most important message of their lifetime: the miraculous story of what Jesus did for us what we could never do for ourselves. We are looking for a few good sailors to help with Vacation Bible School 2014. VBS will be held the week of, **June 16**<sup>th</sup> -30<sup>th</sup>. Many hands will be needed for this year's voyage. Please see sign-up sheet in the church foyer for open positions, or speak directly to Cyndy Bishop or Colette Martin. Join us for an Amazing Grace Adventure!



### THIS IS THE LETTER OF THE L.A.W.

March 2014

I wanted to take a minute to thank everyone who came out to support the Youth Group at our Polar Bear picnic. Everyone seemed to have a great time, and the food was fantastic. There is nothing like brats and hot dogs to get you in the mood for spring. Thank you so much to everyone who donated food and materials for this event.

The youth group is going to be very busy for the next several months. We have talked about doing another service project of some kind. We have considered making food for St. Josephs Food Kitchen. This idea has gotten a lot of support, and it looks like we will just need to pick a day and make it happen. We will also looking at having some type of fun outing for the youth. Several ideas have been presented and we just need to decide on which one might be best. Finally we will be going to Camp Lutherhaven in May to participate in their Spring Clean-up event. The youth are excited about this and are really looking forward to it. If you have any suggestions on activities or service projects for our youth please do not hesitate to talk with Vicar Matt.

<u>March 16 Breakfast at Top Notch</u> It's the third Sunday in the month, which means its breakfast at Top Notch. Bring some money and come and enjoy some time to relax, meet with friends, and enjoy some breakfast.

March 24 Youth Committee Meeting All parents are invited to the monthly youth committee meeting. We will be discussing our upcoming service projects, fundraisers, and activities that we have in the works. We will also discuss any new ideas we have for the rest of the year. We will meet in Vicar Matt's office at 6:30 PM.

March Dining Out Fundraiser The dining out fundraiser for March will be at the Culver's Restaurant on the corner of Cline Avenue & Ridge Road in Highland. The fundraiser will be held on Sunday, March 30<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 – 8:00 p.m. Look for a flyer in the foyer and please bring it with you for the youth to receive credit. Dining out is a great way to raise money and a great time to see family and friends from Redeemer.

<u>Sunday Bible Study</u> Due to weather we had to postpone our final discussion of world religions. We did finish this up in February. Our final religion was Mormonism, but previously we looked at Atheism, Islam, Hinduism, Scientology, and Buddhism. This month will be moving onto a Study of Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows. Be sure to come to the Youth Group any time to share your ideas on upcoming studies.

Peace in Christ,

Vicar Matt



All your children shall be taught by the Lord, and great shall be the peace of your children. Isaiah 54:13

### **Our Mission**

At Little Lambs Learning Center, we believe that each child is a special and unique creation of God. And that is why our mission at Little Lambs Learning Center is to provide your child with a secure, loving Christian environment where he or she will develop spiritually, socially, emotionally, intellectually, physically, and creatively.

### **Two-Day Preschool:**

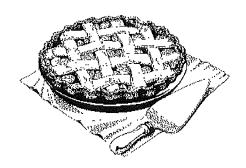
Students for the two-day class must be at least 3 years old before August 1. The two day program meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The class meets from 9:00am to 11:30am. Students must be toilet trained.

### **Three-Day Pre-Kindergarten Program:**

Students for the three-day class must be at least 4 years old before August 1. The three- day program meets on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays days. The class meets from 9:00am to 1:00pm. Students must be toilet trained.

Enrollment for 2014-2015 school year is open <u>now through Feb 28<sup>th</sup></u> for <u>Redeemer members only</u>. After this date enrollment will still be accepted but will be open to the public as well. Spaces are already limited due to returning students and families.

For more detailed information please contact Cyndy Bishop at (219) 838-4898 or e-mails at redeemerlittlelambs@yahoo.com



For a limited time this month, Little Lambs will be participating in a Pie fundraiser with Market Day! Market Day offers high quality pies at a reasonable price and with each purchase you will be contributing to our fundraising goals.

Our goal this spring is to sell <u>100</u> pies and the money earned will be going towards class tablets. The more pie we sell the greater percentage goes to Little Lambs. Please see your Market Day from enclosed for the selection of pies available. There are three easy ways you can order your pies:

- 1. Go to  $\underline{www.marketday.com}$  and place an order (acct # 30252) by Wednesday, March 19<sup>th</sup> at 11 PM
- 2. Fill out the enclosed Market Day form and drop it off in the Market Day box outside the church office by Tuesday, March 18<sup>th</sup>
- 3. See the Market Day table in the church foyer and place your order on the fundraising sheet by Sunday, March  $16^{th}$

Please make check payments payable to Market Day.

### All orders must be picked up on Saturday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, from 10:30-11:30.

If you have any questions please see Ms. Cyndy in the preschool room at any time!!

Thank you for your supporting the children of Little Lambs Learning Center!! Gratefully,
Cyndy Bishop



Please Join Us
Friday March 7th
Trinity Lutheran Church
Lowell
Registration and Breakfast
9:00 - 9:30

We will be having an ingathering for Wittenberg

They have asked for our help providing new or gently used

prizes for their Bingo games.

They are looking for any type of necklaces that will fit over the head, earrings, rings, socks, hand lotions, doilies, small figurines, large print books, large print puzzles books.

Use your imagination.

So that we may have an approximate head count for Breakfast,

Please notify Sue Stadt (844-6176) or the

Church office (696-9338)

if you are planning to attend by March 3rd

### **LUTHERAN & OTHER EVENTS**



**2014 Lenten Devotions Shine Light on Christ's Passion, Earthly Journey**Based on the searching words of King David in Psalm 22, Lutheran Hour Ministries'
2014 Lenten Devotions in English explore the heartrending suffering of the Savior. *My God, My God, Why Have You Forsaken Me?* is a poignant contribution from LHM's
Theological Editor and Writer, Rev. Wayne Palmer. Gleaning insights from numerous
Psalms and Gospel texts, he turns the spotlight on Jesus' humanity, detailing the immeasurable challenges He encountered from people on all sides as He pushed forward to save the people He loved.

"I wanted to base the devotions on Psalm 22, which fleshes out Jesus' fourth saying from the cross," Palmer said. "From there I thought it would be best to include each of the seven sayings of Jesus from the cross in the devotions, then to put it in the context of the Roman trial, condemnation, crucifixion, death, burial and resurrection.

So it starts at a wide angle if you will, then zooms in to that fourth saying to go verse by verse through Psalm 22, then zooms back out to the burial and resurrection."

Available to read online at <a href="https://www.lhm.org/lent">www.lhm.org/lent</a>, My God, My God will be available as a PDF download. The devotions can also be heard as a podcast and received as an e-mail subscription throughout the Lenten season. These devotions will be available beginning mid-January, and the audio version will begin March 5.

Redeemer will have a few copies available at the Lenten Resource Table in the church foyer.

**THE VALPARAISO REGIONAL SPRING COLLEGE FAIR** is being held on **Wednesday, March 12, 2014**, from **6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.** The fair will be at the Harre Union on the campus of Valparaiso University. As many as 100 private and public colleges and universities are planning to attend the event. More than 2,000 high school students and parents from Porter, LaPorte, Lake, Jasper, Newton & Starke counties are expected to attend. Financial aid presentations will be offered 6 - 6:45 p.m. and from 7:15-8 p.m. to help educate parents and students on the process.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: A Community Band concert will be held on **Thursday, April 3 at 7 p.m.** at the Highland High School Monbeck Auditorium.

THE 41<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL LAKE COUNTY RIGHT TO LIFE FUNDRAISING BANQUET is scheduled for Friday, April 4, at Avalon Manor in Merrillville at 7:00 p.m. The doors will open at 6:00 p.m., and the event will conclude at approx. 9:00 p.m. The featured speaker will be Shauna Prewitt. There is no charge for the banquet, but reservations are required. A poster in located on the tri-fold board or visit www.lakecortl.org.

**<u>LUTHERAN RADIO STATION:</u>** Worldwide KFUO.org wherever you are live, on-demand and archived.

**WORSHIP FOR SHUT-INS** –Northwest Indiana Areas Sunday – 11:30 am on TLN – Cable 138 or online at www.worshipforshutins.org. Nationwide it is on DIRECTV Channel 377 at 11:30 am EST on Sundays.

LCEF'S NEW YOUNG INVESTORS (Y.I.) CLUB Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF) is offering a Young Investors (Y.I.) Club to help children and teens save for the future and learn about using money as a gift from God. An investment in a Y.I. StewardAccount® can be started with just \$25. Ready to learn more? Check out Y.I. Club at <a href="Lcef.org">Lcef.org</a> or call 800-843-5233. Applications and more information are also available in the East Classroom Hallway outside the Preschool Room.

LCEF is a nonprofit religious organization; therefore, LCEF investments are not FDIC-insured bank deposit accounts. This is not an offer to sell investments, nor a solicitation to buy. LCEF will offer and sell its securities only in states where authorized. The offer is made solely by LCEF's Offering Circular. Investors should carefully read the Offering Circular, which more fully describes associated risks. LCEF StewardAccount access features provided through UMB Bank n.a. The StewardAccount is not available to investors living in South Carolina.

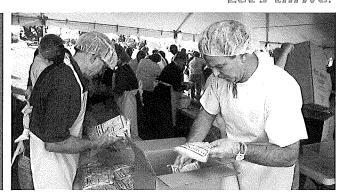
### ABOUT THE LUTHERAN CHURCH—MISSOURI SYNOD

The 2.3 million-member Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod is a mission-oriented, Bible-based, confessional Christian denomination headquartered in St. Louis. Through acts of witness and mercy, the church carries out its mission worldwide to make known the love of Jesus Christ. Learn more at <u>www.lcms.org</u>.

### Thrivent Financial for Lutheranse Let's thrive:

### **Thrivent Choice**<sup>SM</sup>

An easy way you can help us receive charitable grant funds



### Touch lives, warm hearts, your way

Giving back has always been important to Thrivent Financial for Lutherans and its members. In 2009 alone, Thrivent Financial provided \$113 million to help congregations, communities and nonprofit organizations.

Now, through the Thrivent Choice program, Thrivent Financial members can help direct where Thrivent Financial distributes part of its charitable outreach funds each year, including:

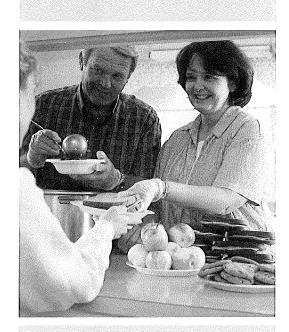
REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH - HIGHLAND, IN.

### Here's how you can help

Eligible Thrivent Financial benefit members 16 and older are designated Choice Dollars that they can help direct to their preferred Lutheran organizations. Member eligibility and designated Choice Dollar amounts are based on:

- Holding a qualifying Thrivent Financial volunteer leadership position.
- Annual premiums of qualifying insurance products.
- Contract value on qualifying products.

Potential Choice Dollar amounts range from \$25 to \$500 for eligible benefit members.



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2 8:00 a.m. H. C. 9:15 a.m. SS/BC/CH 10:45 a.m. H. C. 12 p.m. Trustees Mtg	5:15 p.m. Youth Choir 6:00 p.m. Evangelism Mtg. 6:15 p.m. Adult Choir 7:00 p.m. Elders	4 6:30 pm Confirmation 8:00 p.m. Dartball (Our Saviour)	7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service	5:30 p.m. Garden Committee Call-out & Meeting 6:20 p.m. Adult & Youth Bells 7:00 p.m. Ladies Society Mtg.	7 Pastor's/Vicar's Day Off 9 a.m.—11 a.m. LWML Prayer Breakfast (Trinity, Lowell)	10 a.m.—1 p.m. Fellowship Craft Group 6:30 p.m. Holy Communion
9 8:00 a.m. Matins 9:15 a.m. SS/BC/CH 10:45 a.m. H. C. 2 p.m. Leathercrafters	5.15 p.m. Youth Choir 6.15 p.m. Adult Choir 6.30 p.m. Planning & Stewardship 7:30 p.m. Church Council	9:00 a.m. Circuit Pastors' Conf. (Whiting) 6:30 pm Confirmation 8 p.m. Darts (Dyer)	12 7:00 p.m. Lenten Service	13 6:00 p.m. Adult Handbells	<ul><li>14 Pastor's/Vicar's</li></ul>	15 6:30 p.m. Vespers
16 8:00 a.m. H. C. 9:15 a.m. SS/BC/CH Youth to Breakfast 10:45 a.m. H. C. 5 p.m. Young-at-Heart Bible Study	APRIL NEWSLETTER DEADLINE 5:15 p.m. Youth Choir 6:15 p.m. Choir	18 Market Day Orders Due to Church 10:45 –11:00 a.m. LLLC Chapel 6:30 pm Confirmation 8 p.m. Dartball (Home)	19 Market Day Orders Due Online 10:45 –11:00 a.m. LLLC Chapel 7:00 p.m. Lenten Service	20	21 Pastor's/Vicar's Day Off	10:30—11:30 a.m. Market Day Pick-up 12—5 p.m. MPR Rented 6:30 p.m. Holy Communion
23 8:00 a.m. Matins 9:15 a.m. SS/BC/CH 10:45 a.m. H. C.	24 5:15 p.m. Youth Choir 6:15 p.m. Adult Choir 6:30 pm Youth Comm. Mtg.	6 p.m. Board of Ed. 6:30 pm Confirmation 8 p.m. Darts (St. Paul #1)	26 7:00 p.m. Lenten Service	27	28 Pastor's/Vicar's Day Off	29 12—5 p.m. MPR Rented 6:30 p.m. Vespers
30 8:00 a.m. H. C. 9 a.m.—12:30 p.m. Heartland Blood Drive 9:15 a.m. SS/BC/CH 10:45 a.m. H. C. 4-8 p.m. Youth Dining Fundraiser at Culver's	3.1 5:15 p.m. Youth Choir 6:15 p.m. Adult Choir 7:30 p.m. Dartball League All-Star Game (?)					

## Collections at Redeemer:

Campbell Soup labels

(box in church KITCHEN – for Bethesda Homes)

Pop tabs

(basket in church foyer – for Ronald McDonald House, Chicago)

Ink jet and laser ink cartridges

(box in church foyer – for Redeemer Youth Group)

Aluminum cans [RINSED & crushed]

(porch behind church foyer – for Redeemer Youth)

Newspapers, Magazines, Catalogs, Shredded Paper (put in plastic bag) – NO PHONE BOOKS –

Green & Yellow Dumpster in church parking lot – for Redeemer Youth Group)

Old cell phones – **only the phone & battery** (*large cardboard box/basket in church foyer – Youth*)

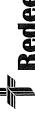
"Happy Meal" type toys, playing cards, women's long necklaces & beads, etc. for <u>Nursing Home</u> prizes

(HEARTWARMERS basket in church foyer – Anchorage Nursing Home, Beecher)









# Redeemer Lutheran Church

(A Congregation of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod)

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### Services:

Saturday:.....6:30 p.m.
Sunday:.....8:00 a.m.
10:45 a.m.

### Special Services in March:

Ash Wednesday Service with Holy Communion, March 5...7:00 p.m. Lent Mid-Week Services, March 12, 19 & 26.......7:00 p.m.

Sunday School, Youth Group & Adult Bible Study:

Sunday:.....9:15 a.m.

### Staff:

Pastor: Eric Allan Kleinschmidt Vicar: Matthew Montgomery

Admin.Asst.: Stacy Broviak

. Church Office Hours: Monday – Friday, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. It is the mission of Redeemer Lutheran Church through worship, fellowship, witness, service and education to proclaim Jesus Christ as God's Son and the world's Savior, crucified and risen from death to give us NEW LIFE

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