

## + ANNOUNCEMENTS +

**UNDERSTANDING WORSHIP:** THE PROPER PREFACE reflects specific focus. Early forms of the PROPER PREFACE recalled the history of salvation, beginning with creation and moving through Christ's life and the institution of the Lord's Supper. Later, especially in the West, the Roman Mass began to focus on an aspect of salvation appropriate to the specific season of the church year. These seasonal prefaces give concrete reasons for giving thanks in light of God's actions through the life of Christ. All Prefaces conclude with an acknowledgement of corporate praise, joining in "with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven" (**Heb. 12:1**).

**MASKS & DISTANCING:** As of July 27, 2021, the CDC has updated its recommendations for mask-wearing in light of the B.1.617.2 Delta variant of COVID-19. Their recommendation is for those who are fully vaccinated to wear a mask in public indoor settings of substantial or high transmission. Redeemer Lutheran is NOT enforcing a mask mandate, however, we encourage mask use and distancing measures out of love and concern for one another when we gather (**Matt. 25:40**).

**REMEMBER:** If you have been exposed to someone who is COVID positive, or if you yourself feel ill or have tested positive for COVID, please refrain from attending public worship. We'd love for you to take part in our radio programming or internet worship services. Also, we ask that you notify us at the church office, so that we can ensure the safety and health of others by making them aware of an exposure.

**KTLO:** Worship services at Redeemer Lutheran are being broadcast on local radio station KTLO 97.9 FM on Sunday Mornings at 10:00AM. Beginning with the opening hymn and concluding with the sermon, this service will share the Good News of Jesus Christ with our whole community! It will also be available on our church's website as well as KTLO's website as a digital downloadable podcast.

**WEATHER:** In case of inclement weather, we will do all that we can to have our weekend services. If it is unsafe to go out, you may enjoy our services online. Listen to the radio station, KTLO-97.9 for any cancellations or check its website. Also you can check [www.redeemermtnhome.org](http://www.redeemermtnhome.org). It will be updated by 7AM each Sunday with any cancellations.

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** Flowers are provided by John and Linda Templeton in honor of Mildred Homan's 99<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

**VISITATION:** Pastor McReynolds is making efforts to visit all of the members of Redeemer. There is a sign-up sheet on the Welcome Center table or please call the church office to make an appointment.

**CONFIRMATION:** If you have a student in the 6-8<sup>th</sup> grade (or older who has not yet been confirmed), please let us know in the church office. Course schedules are being set for this upcoming year and we need to know who to include in our invitation letter. If you have any questions, please let Pastor McReynolds know.

**FLOWERS:** On the altar can be reserved for a special occasion, to remember a loved one, or just to beautify our Altar space. If you'd like to purchase flowers for our Altar, the cost is \$17 for one bouquet and \$34 for two bouquets. Please sign up on the flower chart and be sure to give the name and/or occasion you are honoring on the chart as well. Make checks payable to Redeemer Lutheran and bring them to the church office.

**NURSING HOMES & HOSPITALS:** Will not allow access to the patient registry due to HIPAA laws. If you or a loved one is admitted to the hospital or nursing home, please notify the church office and be aware: in-person visits are limited due to COVID-19. Thank you!

**ADULT BIBLE CLASS:** Your Life, Death, Heaven, The Interim State, Resurrection, and the New Creation. This multi-part Bible Study will be on Sunday Mornings between worship services in the Family Life Center (9:45-10:45) With each section, we will explore what the Scriptures teach regarding each of these topics, we will dispel any myths or false teachings of this world, and we will build our hope in the New Creation won for us by the blood of Jesus.

**BIBLE STUDY:** Pastor David Gadbow is leading a Bible study on Wednesdays in the Fellowship Hall at 10:00 a.m. He will be teaching the book of Daniel. Never too late to join.

**PULL TABS:** Please save your pull tabs from aluminum cans to be given to Ronald McDonald House in Springfield, Mo. It is a home away from home for children who are sick. There is a collection box in the Narthex. Please contact Carolyn Clark with questions. 435-2957

**CHOIR AND BELLS:** We hope everyone is having a wonderful summer. Soon it will be time to start Choir practices. We are looking forward to ringing & singing praises to the Lord. Redeemer Bell Choir (3:30 p.m.) and Redeemer Choir (4:30 p.m.) will begin practice on Wednesday, August 25th. For more information, please contact: Arlon Steinbach, Bell Choir director 870-425-0309 Paula Tucker, Choir director - 870-404-6074

**CWS SALE:** Drop-off dates for October sale. September 7th, 8th, and 9th. 9am to 11am each day.