



Redeemer

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Welcome
Welcome

Dear Friends in Christ

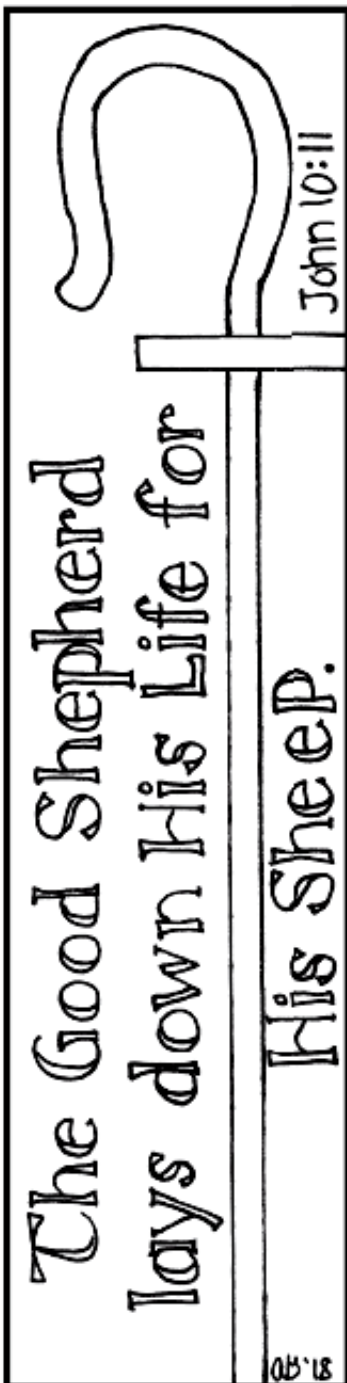
We are delighted to have you worship with us today. If you are a guest, we'd love to meet you, so please feel free to introduce yourself to the Pastor and congregation members.

“And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.”

Acts 4:12

AS WE GATHER

Of all the animals that could have been used to portray humanity, does it feel strange to be called a sheep? After all, it is not the most honorable creature. There are no defense mechanisms to escape a predator, no intimidating roar, and limited ability to fend for one's self when it comes to seeking nourishment, water, and safety. Yet these things reveal the point we are called to understand. It may not be good to be a sheep on our own, but it is great to be a sheep with a Good Shepherd to care for the flock. Jesus is our perfect shepherd who protects and defends, feeds and nourishes, leads and provides all we need in this body and life. Together as His flock, we are blessed to follow Him as by His Word and Means of Grace He leads us to streams of living water and paths of righteousness for His name's sake.



WEEKLY PRAYER

Our weekly prayer gathering is EVERY TUESDAY MORNING from 7:15am-8:15am. Yes, it's early, but it's needed and is intentionally early for those who need to be at work. Come and spend an hour or any part of it with members of your Redeemer family in the chapel.

PRAYER CHAIN

Redeemer's prayer chain numbers more than 70 people and our prayer support has been very fulfilling to families that need intercessory prayers on their behalf. We welcome prayer requests anytime day or night at:

prayers@redeemerjackson.org

If you would like to be added to the prayer chain, simply send your email address and name to the email address above and you can help those needing prayer support.



NEWS AND NOTES

UPCOMING PRAYER EVENTS

There are 2 very important **PRAYER EVENTS** coming in May which we hope you will take part in:

1. Jackson City-Wide Annual **PRAYER WALK** on Sunday, May 2. We will meet at 2PM at the McDonald's parking lot on Prospect near 4th street and walk (or drive if you prefer), praying for all those residents in the area outlined on the map in the narthex. We will walk 6 feet apart as per COVID-19 guidelines.
2. **NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER** gathering at NOON on Thursday, May 6, at Austin Blair Park, 600 South Jackson St., downtown. We will gather in-person, with current COVID-19 rules in place. We then begin and read the entire Bible out loud, all at the same time, with assigned specific Bible verses assigned to each person. This takes 15 minutes, and the SOUND is powerful!

Check out the bulletin board by the office for additional information on the Prayer Walk or the National Day of Prayer. If you have questions about either of these events or if you would like to be assigned a verse for the National Day of Prayer please call Carol Faris (517)474-0450 or Redeemer's office (517)750-3100.

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation is coming up on May 2, 2021 during our 10:30am worship service. Please pray for our confirmands and their families leading up to Confirmation Sunday and for their walk with Christ in the future.



Vacation Bible School | June 21-23, 2021 | 6:00-7:45pm

Crew Roles Needed:		Crew Roles We'd Love to Have:	
Games	Plan and facilitate the themed games for all the kids during one evening of VBS. If supplies are needed, this person will organize donations or purchasing.	Sunday Morning Announcements	Prepare and lead written and verbal Sunday morning announcements to promote for kids to attend and recruit additional crew members. (In-advance role)
Crafts	Facilitate themed craft for all the kids during one evening of VBS. If supplies are needed, this person will organize donations or purchasing.	Skits	Act in daily skits during openings and/or closings.
STEM	Plan and facilitate themed science/STEM activity for all the kids during one evening of VBS. If supplies are needed, this person will organize donations or purchasing.	Snacks	Plan, prepare and distribute pre-packaged snacks that align with the theme daily. If supplies are needed, this person will organize donations or purchasing.
Music	Be up front and lead kids in song and dance during opening and closing each day.	Waiting Activities	Prepare and lead themed activities for children who complete daily activities early.
Bible Storyteller	Share God's Word in the Bible story each day.	Parent Resources	Curate and prepare a table of resources or prayer time that might be useful for parents of VBS children. (In-advance role)
Technology	Run the videos and other technology needs during the opening and closing each day.	Prayer Points	Write and submit the prayer focus areas for the congregation to be praying for this ministry every couple of weeks leading up to VBS. (In-advance role)
Registration	Collect and organize registration forms. Distribute t-shirts. Direct children to their groups/areas. Count offerings daily.	Writing team	Join in the writing of skits and one day of full materials for the VBS program. (In-advance role)
Group Leaders/ Helpers	Be responsible for a group of children. Lead them in participating in all activities.	Promotion	Create and distribute flyers and promotional information to the community. (In-advance role)

We need commitments for most roles by May 18. If you'd like to take on one or more of these important roles for VBS, please sign up at the table in the narthex.

CALL COMMITTEE **CORNER**

- Summary of survey and Mission and Ministry Inventory compiled and submitted to President Maier to begin assembling a Call list.
- **PRAYER NEEDS:** Pray for wisdom and guidance for all involved in developing our call list.

redeemerjackson.org/news/pastoral-call-updates/

MOBILE FOOD PANTRY

Date: May 22

Time: 9:00am-12:00pm

Place: Trinity Lutheran Church,
Downtown Jackson

Donations Needed for Upcoming Events:
Laundry Detergent

Please place in bin in the narthex.

GIVING

The offering plate will not be passed, there are two ways to support our ministries financially:

- Give as you exit the sanctuary or
- Online at redeemerjackson.org/give/

THIS WEEK AT CHURCH

APRIL 25 TODAY

- Sunday Worship w/Communion-8:00am
- Sunday School/Adult Bible Study-9:30am
- Sunday Worship w/Communion-10:30am

APRIL 26 MONDAY

- Women's Bible Study-10:00am

APRIL 27 TUESDAY

- Hour of Prayer-7:15am-8:15am
- Praise Team Rehearsal-7:00pm

APRIL 28 WEDNESDAY

- Quilters-9:00am-12:00pm

APRIL 29 THURSDAY

- Bethel Bible Study-6:30pm

MAY 2 NEXT WEEK

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READINGS

Acts 4:1-12

1 John 3:16-24

John 10:11-18

WEEKLY OFFERINGS NEEDED

FOR 2021 BUDGET

\$9,398.38

OFFERINGS RECEIVED 4/18/2021

Budget-\$7,697.10 Non-Budget-\$29.20

Sunday Worship

Worship Services

8:00am and 10:30am

Children and Adult Bible Study Classes

9:30am-10:15am

Sunday Communion Schedule

Second, Fourth and Fifth Sundays

8:00am and 10:30am Service

Receiving Communion

The Apostle Paul wrote in 1 Corinthians 11:28. "Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup." When you examine yourself before Communion, ask yourself these questions.

1. Have I confessed and repented of my sins?
2. Do I believe that the Blessed Sacrament I receive is the true Body and Blood of Jesus, in, with and under the elements of bread and wine?
3. Do I share in the confessional and doctrinal unity of this Christian Congregation?
4. Will I, with the Lord's help, amend my sinful life?

Please speak with the Pastor or an Elder prior to service if you have further questions.

Our Ministry Team

Pastor Carl Bassett, Intentional Interim

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Office Hours

Monday-Thursday **Friday**

8:00am-4:00pm

Office Closed - Remote work day-Available by appointment only

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