



# Reflections

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## **"I thank my God every time I remember you." Philippians 1:3**

On All Saints Sunday, November 3rd, we will conclude our worship by recessing outside to dedicate our Remembrance Garden. All of the hardscape work is finished. Mulch will be laid yet this fall and landscaping will be done once warmer weather returns in the spring. But the vision of what many had hoped for has been brought to life.



The wisdom of Ecclesiastes tells us that there is a season for all parts of the human experience to be acknowledged and reckoned with: birth and death, weeping and laughing, losing and seeking. In the Remembrance Garden the ashes of those connected to the Redeemer community will mingle with God's creation and with other saints who have passed on to the mystery of God's future. In a larger sense the Remembrance Garden will be a sacred space to remember all our losses and all our griefs, a place to contemplate times of transition in our lives and probe their meaning, a place to acknowledge gratefully all that abides when something treasured has come to an end. And there will be a part of the Remembrance Garden dedicated to all creatures, great and small, who have enhanced our lives and helped us learn how to give and receive love.

As hope blossoms in the wake of a loss, God makes it possible for us to remember with less pain and more gratitude. The focal point of the Remembrance Garden will be the rock from which water will flow to remind us of the life-giving water of baptism and the promise that "as Christ was raised was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life." (*Romans 6:4*)

This Sunday I will be remembering some Redeemer members whose time in this creation has come to an end and who are now, in God's time, joined with all the saints in God's new creation. Some were friends, some were former teachers and later colleagues at the seminary. And I will also remember and give thanks for all of you who have welcomed and supported me during the past three months of Pastor Dave's sabbatical. You have brought the Remembrance Garden to life and you have done marvelous ministry in so many ways. Thanks be to God for the life we will continue to share!

*- Pastor Brad*

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# The Redeemer Community

## Time Change Coming: *Fall Back*



Daylight Saving Time will end on **Sunday, November 3** at 2 a.m. that morning. Plan now to set your clocks back one hour when you go to bed on **Saturday, November 2** or you could end up being an hour early for church!

## BREAD Listening Session' Set for Nov. 3 during Adult Forum

An update on BREAD activities has been run over the last several issues of *Reflections*. Now, **Sunday, Nov. 3** Redeemer will hold its “House Meeting/Listening Session” during the Sunday School hour from about 11:15 a.m. to about 12:15 a.m. in Room 2 of the Sunday School wing.

Every fall the BREAD congregations hold house meetings to share updates on the BREAD campaigns and share their concerns about social justice in Columbus. All faith organizations in BREAD hold these listening events as a tool to determine the next project that BREAD would like to focus on. So plan to come to share your ideas with Redeemer’s BREAD team.



### Upcoming BREAD Dates

- **Team Assembly: Monday, Oct. 28:** North Broadway UMC at 7 p.m., 48 E. North Broadway Street, 43214.
- **RLC House Meeting/Listening Session: Sunday, Nov. 3.** Room 2 at 11:15 a.m.
- **Annual Assembly: Tuesday, Nov. 12,** Christ the King Catholic Church at 7 p.m., 2777 E. Livingston Ave., 43209.

## Dinners Return to First English!! Redeemer to Serve Nov. 21

On **Thursday, November 21**, Redeemer is scheduled to provide the dinner at First English. The menu will be: Sloppy Joe sandwiches, individual chip snack bags, fruit cups, individually wrapped Hostess desserts and granola bars. There will be lemonade and water also available for the dinners.

According to **Coordinator Kay Ernsthausen**, “We will need enough food for 150 dinners, Today I am giving you all the heads up this is starting. Dinner will be served from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. We will need to be at First English at between 4:30 and 4:45 p.m.

“We will need people to make Sloppy Joes. (2 lbs of ground meat into Sloppy Joes) – please let Kay know if you will be donating sloppy joes and we will make arrangements for pick up on Thursday, Nov. 21 so they are hot. I will also need 150 hamburger buns for the sloppy joes. We will also need five or six people to serve.

“Also, there is a change coming in doing dinners in that sack lunches will be handed out for people to take with them. For November, Redeemer is only providing the dinner and serving. Another organization is providing the sack lunches.

“Those considering making Sloppy Joes, here is a recipe from **Kathy Mimplitch** that has been used in the past. Thank you all for your commitment to this ministry!”

- 2 lb lean ground beef
- 1/2 cup chopped onion
- 1/2 cup chopped green pepper
- 1 tsp garlic powder
- 2 tsp prepared yellow mustard
- 1 1/2 cups ketchup
- 6 tsp brown sugar
- Salt and pepper to taste

In a medium skillet over medium heat, brown the ground beef, onion and green pepper. Drain off liquids. Stir in garlic powder, mustard, ketchup and brown sugar. Mix thoroughly. Reduce heat and simmer for 30 minutes. Season with salt and pepper. This makes ~ 12 servings

I usually omit the green pepper (I don’t like it)! I sometimes use ketchup and barbecue sauce instead of just ketchup. I almost double the brown sugar as I like it sweet. Recipe can be made with turkey.

## Stewardship Looks at Building as Asset for Ministry

Redeemer's Property Team Leader **April Smith**, in her presentation on the Stewardship theme of "Together Creating Something Greater than Ourselves," told the congregation, "The church is not a building but a church building is a valuable asset used by a congregation in ministry to the community.

"You may not realize it but we are landlords and are responsible for the safety and security of our long time tenants, Suzuki Music School. We have a wonderful relationship with them and I can't think of a better use of the education wing of the building than to bring the joy of learning music to children and their families.

"We also have several support and community groups who make use of our building for their meetings. Our parking lot is used for basketball camp and our various food giveaway days. The courtyard provides a perfect space for a garden that yields produce we freely share with our neighbors. These are important ministries that make use of our property.

"Maintaining our campus is a quiet ministry with noticeable results. While it is true that we pay for some outside services like lawn care, snow removal, and pest control and we have a wonderful part time custodian, the responsibility to care for our property lies with each one of us. Behind the scenes, we must insure that all of our safety and fire, heating and cooling, and elevator systems are serviced and inspected. We coordinate for repairs and maintenance jobs to be completed.

"All of these tasks are accomplished by volunteers who spend time here on our campus helping to make sure our building and property can serve us well in ministry to our community. We can always use more hands to share the load so please ask about what you might be able to help with. Let's think about the future - not just for 2025 but perhaps three, five, 10 or even 20 years ahead – and dream about what ministry from this corner of Berwick might look like for generations to come."

## Engel Provides Overview of Special Funds Team Purpose, Activities

**Special Funds Team (SFT) Chair Dave Engel** writes that the team, approved by the congregation in 2018, supervises the investment of each fund (Mission Endowment Fund, Memorial and Special Gifts Fund that includes the Memorial Fund, and the Mary Kohler Ministry Fund, and the RLC Building and Equipment Fund) as "entrusted to it by the congregation. These monies are currently invested in the Columbus Foundation. Interest earnings from the total investment are distributed proportionate to the amount in the individual funds.

"The **Mission Endowment Fund** provides for mission work beyond the operating budget of RLC. A percentage (4 percent) of the annual earnings are distributed annually" for the following purposes:

- a. "Establish and support ministries of outreach within or on behalf of the congregation.
- b. "Further partnerships in mission through the synodical, regional and national expressions of the ELCA.
- c. "To support capital improvements, debt retirement a building program of RLC when circumstances warrant. Forms to suggest recipients of this year's distribution are forthcoming.

"Suggestions for unrestricted **Memorial Gift** funds are made to the SFT which will then make a recommendation to the Congregation Council.

"The **Mary Kohler Ministry Fund** is an unrestricted fund created by gifts from **Mary Kohler** and an anonymous donor. Applications for educational purposes and for new or existing RLC neighborhood ministries receive priority. The Congregation Council determines disbursements. A suggestion for distribution of money from the Mary Kohler Ministry Fund are made to the SFT which may recommend a distribution of funds to the Congregational Council. Actual distribution is at the direction of the Congregation Council.

"The **RLC Church Building and Equipment Fund** funds the capital expenditure needs that exceed the congregation's annual budget. Additions to and distributions from this fund are controlled by the Congregation and the Congregation Council. The funds are distributed at the direction of the Congregation Council."

In addition to Dave, members of the Special Funds Team are **Wendy Stoica**, treasurer; **Terry Warren**, secretary; **Ashley Bird**; and **Julie Boreman**.

## Last Food Giveaway: 'Glorious Day'

**Kathy Zwanziger** reports, “What a glorious day we had for the final Food Giveaway of the season on October 17! Once again, we had many new families: 35! We had a total of 165 guests (four more than last month), for a total of 533 people served. Of those, 149 were children (17 and under), and 125 were seniors.

“We were light on volunteers: 20 of our own members (some coming after work or school), and two extra volunteers. (Since **Larry Jones** has come to every giveaway, I count him as a member!) With the volunteers’ willingness to help, we managed to distribute 10,696 pounds of food and nearly ALL the extras (except 1 box of chalk) – and a box of bars of soap (which was donated to Bishop Griffin Resource Center).

“Thanks to all of you for your contributions and to all the volunteers for their time and effort. We had a great season – and look forward to our next giveaway in April of 2025.”

## Help LSS Pack Thanksgiving Care Packages

Thank you all for your generosity as we begin filling “Thanksgiving bags” for Lutheran Social Services! Approximately twenty-five bags have already been donated. That's 1/3 of the number we donated last year. This year the bags are due November 10. There are some bags and lists on a table underneath the screen. It's so easy to buy, e.g., “5 for \$2” but you only need 3; donate the “extras” in the coat closet. Some are already waiting!

With Thanksgiving approaching, Redeemer will again be assisting the Food Pantry in providing some food for those who need help providing a Thanksgiving meal for their families. A few bags are available at church to fill with these items *only* so folks are asked to use their own cloth bags for the items. (They will not be returned.). LSS will add a turkey, bread, and produce. **The deadline to have items at church is Sunday, Nov. 10.** Questions? Contact **Kathy Zwanziger**.

- 2 pouches or 1 box of mashed potatoes
- 2 cans of fruit (peaches, applesauce, pears, etc.)
- 3 cans of green beans
- 2 cans of corn
- 2 cans of pumpkin
- 1 can of cranberry sauce
- 1 box or bag of stuffing mix
- 1 turkey gravy packet
- 1 boxed yellow cake mix

Thanks for helping make Thanksgiving happier for many people!

## RLC CROP Walk Team Raises over \$12,000

A resounding Thank You! to everyone who donated to this year’s CROP Hunger Walk.

Team Redeemer raised \$12,696 for the cause. Some of this goes to support the Mid-Ohio Food Collective, which supplies the produce for the monthly food giveaways in our parking lot. Once again, Redeemer was number one in Central Ohio.

This year’s walkers were Kathleen Zwanziger, Wendy Stoica, Heidi Sherer, and Connie Criswell.

## Thanks to Everyone Writing an Advent Devotion!

Thanks to everyone who signed up to write one (or more) of the devotions for this year’s Advent devotional booklet!! It will be available on **Sunday, Nov. 24** and Redeemer member **Donna Voelkel** will again provide original art for the cover.

Just a reminder: The meditations should be fewer than 350 words, include a title and conclude with a short prayer. Individual devotions should be emailed to **Mary Benis** by **Monday, Nov. 11** for editing.

## Tuesday Bible Study Continues Oct. 29

Redeemer’s Tuesday Bible Study continues on **October 29** with a look at the Book of Revelation, led by **Pastor Brad**. It runs from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. both in-person here at church and on Zoom. To Zoom in, go to <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86259497992?pwd=zbqyreRTMc2DXXPiJD5mQRc5UIxjdA.1> ;Meeting ID: 862 5949 7992. Passcode: 830218. Phone only: 1-312-626-6799.

## Calling All Recyclers!

**Kathy Zwanziger** reports, “Last week I took several items to The Recycling Convenience Center at 2566 Jackson Pike (just south of the corrections facility) because they will recycle styrofoam (just the ‘packing’ kind, not the food container kind). They also took all my pill bottles, as well as the well-used aluminum pans from the garden giveaways.

“Additionally, they take batteries (car and household ones, even the corroded one I had), oil -based paint -- as well as typical recyclable items. The recycling list is found at this website. [Recycling Convenience Center | SWACO, OH](http://www.recyclingconveniencecenter.com) .”

## ‘Noisy Offering’ Going to Lutheran Disaster Response

Lutheran Disaster Response (LDR) is the latest beneficiary of Redeemer’s “Noisy Offering” – the offering of coins during the Sunday service. Given the latest two hurricanes – Helene and Milton – that raked Florida and North Carolina and various locations in between, LDR works with its partners to provide immediate relief, such as water, food, clothing, gift cards, tarps and other needs. Since many hurricanes also require a long-term response, Lutheran Disaster Response provides support on the long road to recovery with disaster case management, construction management, attention to unmet needs, and emotional and spiritual care.

Contributions can also be made directly to LDR by calling 800-638-3522. Checks or money orders can be mailed to Lutheran Disaster Response P.O. Box 1809 Merrifield, VA 22116-8009.

“Gifts to Lutheran Disaster Response equip us to respond to those affected by hurricanes and related disasters, such as mudslides, severe storms and flooding. These gifts also empower us to respond to disasters whenever and wherever they strike. Gifts to ‘Hurricane Response’ at <https://give.elca.org/page/68904/donate/1> will be used in full (100 percent) to assist those affected by hurricanes, until the response is complete.”

## Narthex Art Now Features Banners



The latest installment in the series of art exhibits “Redeemer through the Seasons” is now up featuring Redeemer’s many banners used throughout the year to enhance the liturgical observances. Included with each is a short history and the artist who created it.



The display also includes a special quilt created by member **Kathy Mimlitch** reflecting Redeemer’s members as well as activities in the church. She created the quilt for Redeemer’s 67<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Check it out to find the

square you signed. If you didn’t sign a square, use the cloth marker to sign one of the white triangles.

Kathy Mimlitch acknowledges **Karen Rider** for the inspiration for the anniversary quilt, **Kathy Rapp** for the embroidered pieces and **Eileen Day** for her consultation on making the wall hanging. Many of the banners were made by Redeemer member **Michelle Clemence**.

## Reformation Service Uses Creed from Presbyterian Church

The Reformation Sunday worship service, which saw a “back and forth” message between **Pastor Brad** and his wife, **Pastor Ann Palmerton**, a Presbyterian minister, used the following version of the creed from her denomination:

### A Statement of Faith adopted from The Presbyterian Church USA’S “A Brief Statement of Faith” - 1991

In life and in death we belong to God.  
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit,  
we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,  
whom alone we worship and serve.

We trust in Jesus Christ,  
Fully human, fully God.  
Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:  
Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,  
Jesus was crucified,  
suffering the depths of human pain  
and giving his life for the sins of the world.  
God raised this Jesus from the dead,  
vindicating his sinless life,  
breaking the power of sin and evil,  
delivering us from death to life eternal.

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father.  
In sovereign love God created the world good  
and makes everyone equally in God's image  
to live as one community.  
Ignoring God's commandments,  
we violate the image of God in others and ourselves,  
accept lies as truth,  
exploit neighbor and nature,  
and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care.  
We deserve God's condemnation.  
Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation.  
In everlasting love,  
God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant.  
Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child,  
like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home,  
God is faithful still.

We trust in God the Holy Spirit,  
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.  
The Spirit binds us together with all believers  
in the one body of Christ, the Church.  
In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage  
to pray without ceasing,  
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,  
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,  
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.  
In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,  
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks  
and to live holy and joyful lives,  
even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,  
praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

With believers in every time and place,  
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death  
can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.  
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

## Important Emails

[Info@RedeemerLuth.com](mailto:Info@RedeemerLuth.com) – use for communicating with the office, *Reflections* newsletter, **Office Manager Becky Trover**, healing prayer requests or for general information.

[MemberCare@RedeemerLuth.com](mailto:MemberCare@RedeemerLuth.com) – use for communicating with the Member Care team about needs for personal ministry such as in-home communion, a home visit, meals, etc.

[FinSec@RedeemerLuth.com](mailto:FinSec@RedeemerLuth.com) – use for stewardship campaigns.

[Itgroup@RedeemerLuth.com](mailto:Itgroup@RedeemerLuth.com) – use for communicating with Redeemer’s IT Team for items related to the website.

[Property@RedeemerLuth.com](mailto:Property@RedeemerLuth.com) – use to report items that need repair in the church building.

[SundaySchool@RedeemerLuth.com](mailto:SundaySchool@RedeemerLuth.com) – use to offer suggestions for our Sunday School ministry.

[Transportation@redeemerluth.com](mailto:Transportation@redeemerluth.com) – use to request temporary transportation assistance.

[Communications@redeemerluth.com](mailto:Communications@redeemerluth.com) – use to send church related announcements or pictures for sharing on Redeemer’s social media sites. Another way is to tag Redeemer in the posts.

## Publishing Deadlines for *Reflections*, Sunday Bulletins

### For *Reflections*

- **PLEASE SUBMIT PRIOR TO 5 P.M. ON SUNDAYS.**
- Send to [info@RedeemerLuth.com](mailto:info@RedeemerLuth.com) and put *Reflections* in subject line.
- Or leave a note in the *Reflections* mailbox at the top of the stairs outside the church office.

### For Sunday Bulletins

The deadline for information to be published in Sunday bulletins is the **Wednesday morning** before. That information can be sent to the above email: just put “Bulletin” in the subject line.

## Prayers and Personals

If anyone knows of a great house cleaning person or company who is accepting new clients, please call the church office to share their information. A member of the Redeemer community needs help!

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### *Sister Act Retreat Follow-up*

Those who attend the Sister Act Retreat often sign cards for those we think would enjoy a note of cheer. **Novella Hinkle** was one of those people this year. Her daughter, **Theresa Gavin**, sent this message:

“Thank you for the card! ... Mom likes the signatures and I appreciate the personal messages. Blessings to all!”

### *A Note of Thanks*

**Kathy Rapp** and **Karen Kent** are so grateful for the cards, flowers, and comments on the passing of their mother, **Mary Watts**. ‘Our Redeemer Family sure knows how to surround us with love. We are planning a Memorial Service at Redeemer on **Saturday, Nov. 23**. Thank you all!’

## Updated 2024 RLC Member Directory Now Available

The fall quarterly update of the 2024 **Redeemer Member Directory** is now available. It can be picked up in the church office. Or call the church office at 614-237-1263 to have it either mailed or emailed. Thanks to **Diane Brobeck** for keeping this resource up-to-date!

## Flower Sign Up Sheet for 2025 Now Up

The sign-up sheet to provide flowers for the worship services in 2025 is now up on the bulletin board next to the Library. This is a good opportunity to remember a loved one, a special occasion or just because. To pay for the flowers use the special envelop that is also available on the bulletin board. They run \$20.

## 2025 Calendars Available for Pick-Up

Calendars and planners for 2025 are starting to accumulate on the shelf under the hallway bulletin board. Members and friends are encourage to take as many as you can use and feel free to share with friends and family. **Office Manager Becky Trover** suggests, “If you visit nursing homes or care facilities, oftentimes they like to have wall calendars to post in each room - you are encouraged to take a supply with you.”

## Care Kits Available for Distribution

Care Kits, assembled by members of Sister Act and the youth Sunday School classes, can be picked up in the Narthex and distributed to those in the community who need some additional help. Also included is a resource list of where they might go for assistance. It was also suggested folks could insert \$5 into the kits they distribute.

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**A reminder: Pastor Dave** will NOT be emailing or texting anyone in the congregation while he is away on sabbatical. Anyone who receives a missive from him should not open it and delete it. Also, folks are reminded to not open emails from Bishop Suzanne Dillahunt or members of the Southern Ohio Synod staff that use unfamiliar email addresses. The synod says to do the following:

1. Do not engage
2. Report as spam with your email or cell phone provider
3. Delete the email, block the sender, and block the phone number

## October Birthdays

29-Jeremy Davis 30-Martin Binau  
31-John Caron

## November Birthdays

2-Danica Denniss 2-Barbara Hairston  
2-Neil Hoddinott 9-Bryce Harms  
9-Ruth Murray 12-Emlyn Ott  
13-Emily Ott 19-Carolyn Klopfer  
20-Zak Hinkle-Moore 21-Andy Jacobs  
24-Judith Bird 24-Sarah Highland  
26-Grace Montgomery 26-Dereck Stewart  
28-Greyson Brush 28-Dave Shull  
29-Mary Bowling 29-Naomi Morgan

# The Wider Church

## Palestine Update

The following update is provided by **Julianne Johnson**:

“Last week, Israel killed **Yahya Sinwar**, the head of Hamas who was central to planning the October 7 massacre in Israel. He was the last of three leaders of Hamas that Israel had targeted - all three had been charged with war crimes by the International Criminal Court, which also charged **Israeli Prime Minister Netanyahu** and the Israeli Defense Minister for war crimes in the destruction and death in Gaza.

“Israel continues its war in Gaza as well as its extensive bombing in Lebanon, where Hezbollah - a terrorist group supported by - Iran is based.

“**President Joe Biden** and **Vice President Kamala Harris** have urged Israel to pursue a ceasefire and release of the hostages now that Yahya Sinwar has been killed. While Netanyahu seems determined to continue expanding the war, it is hard to imagine that the remaining hostages can continue to live through escalating conflict and the devastating and worsening conditions in Gaza.

## Prayer Concerns from ELCA

**October 29** Lament that we sin and fall short of the glory and expectations of God, then shout prayers of thanksgiving and joy that we are forgiven, freed and saved by the gift of God’s grace.

**30** Throughout history God has acted with steadfast love, forgiveness and concern for humankind. Alleluia, thanks be to God!

**31 Reformation Day:** Give thanks for the legacy of Martin Luther and other reformers who demanded that the theology and practices of the church be faithful to God’s word and the good news of Jesus Christ. Pray that we will never stop reflecting on Scripture or the gospel message, and that our ministries and faith communities might best respond to their call to do God’s work in the world.



**November 1 All Saints Day:** Remember and give thanks for saints who are now in God's eternal, loving care. Praise God for their significance in your life — their influence, example and faith.

**2 American Indian Heritage Month:** Give thanks for our Indigenous neighbors and siblings in Christ, whose diverse gifts, traditions and wisdom help shape and enrich society and the church. Pray for the work of ELCA Indigenous Ministries and Tribal Relations and the Association of American Indians and Alaska Natives of the ELCA. Ask God to guide and further the work of our church and society to build better, right and just relationships with Indigenous peoples.

**3** Pray that we will love God with all our heart, soul, mind and strength, and that God's abundant love and mercy will be reflected in our love for others.

**4** Praise God for the wonders of the heavens, which stir our awe, curiosity and gratitude for God's infinite power and creativity. Give thanks for scientists, astronomers and explorers who deepen our knowledge and respect for creation and its mysteries.

## The Community Beyond

### Key Election Dates for Nov. 5 Election

Early voting is currently underway for **Tuesday, Nov. 5** election. That means folks can vote either by mail with those ballots having to be postmarked by **Nov. 4** or in person at local boards of elections. That schedule is as follows:

- 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. from Oct. 28-Nov. 1. (Polls are open until 8:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 29.)

- 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 2

- 1-5 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 3

**Tuesday, Nov. 5 ELECTION DAY** – Polls open 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Deadline for mail ballots to be personally delivered to county board of elections by 7:30 p.m.

**Saturday, Nov. 9:** Deadline for boards of election to receive mail-ballots that have been postmarked on or before **Monday, Nov. 4.**

## Getting Ready for Worship

### All Saints Sunday

### November 3, 2024 – 10 a.m.

### Lessons

**Readings:** Isaiah 25:6-9; Revelation 21:1-6a; John 11:32-44

### Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

### A Prayer for Peace

Gracious God, grant peace among nations. Cleanse from our own hearts the seeds of strife: greed and envy, harsh misunderstandings and ill will, fear and desire for revenge. Make us quick to welcome ventures in cooperation among the peoples of the world, so that there may be woven the fabric of a common good too strong to be torn by the evil hands of war. In the time of opportunity, make us be diligent; and in the time of peril, let not our courage fail; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Intercessions & Thanksgiving

- + For the people of Christ Lutheran Church in Heath.
- + For Redeemer community member Heather Coffman.

**Each week we remember in our prayers in worship those who cannot be with us and those with special needs and concerns:** Bebe McCoy, Robin Stokes, Bonnie Hegreness, Heidi Carman, Mary Kennedy, Kevin Bailey's sister Kleta Childs, Jeremy Davis, Bebe McCoy's brother-in-law Walt and her sister Jan, Brittany Parsons, Mary Bowling's sister Val, John Kennedy's niece Michele Wolfe, Becky Trover's sister Maddie Sutphin, her son-in-law Brandon James, and her niece Olivia Theissen, Skye Andree, Carolyn Moehring, Kris Kauffman, Ruth Murray's daughter Ellen Rose, Kathie Ehrich, John Huber, Barbara and David Hairston, Dottie and Larry Bird, Paul Johnson, Karen Kent, Diane Brobeck, Roman Fisher, Terry Warren's sister Elaine, the family of Ralph Ehrich.

## Worship Leaders

Presiding Minister	<b>Pastor Brad Binau</b>
Assisting Minister	<b>Julianne Johnson</b>
Cantor	<b>Al Rider</b>
ASL Interpreter	<b>Bryan Neal</b>
Organist & Senior Choir Director	<b>Kathy Rapp</b>
Pianist & Chime Choir Director	<b>Karen Kent</b>
Usher	<b>Zak Hinkle-Moore</b>
Verger	<b>Michelle Clemence/Wendy Stoica</b>
Producers	<b>Tom Mimplitch, Scott Steiner</b>
Communion Prep	<b>Wendy Stoica, Sue Watson, Kay Ernsthausen</b>
Hospitality	<b>Michele Clemence</b>

*Flowers are given by Julianne Johnson in memory of Judy Pollock.  
The Noisy Offering will go to Lutheran Disaster Response – Hurricane Relief.*

## This Week at Redeemer

**October 28 – November 4, 2024**

<b>Monday</b>	3:00 p.m.	Suzuki Music
	5:00 p.m.	TOPS
	7:00 p.m.	BREAD Team Assembly
<b>Tuesday</b>	1:00 p.m.	Bible Study
	2:00-8:30 p.m.	Suzuki Music
<b>Wednesday</b>	9 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	Suzuki Music
<b>Thursday</b>	10:30 a.m.-8:30 p.m.	Suzuki Music
<b>Sunday</b>	8:45 a.m.	Senior Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 a.m.	Worship with Holy Communion IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Dedication of Remembrance Garden
	11:15 a.m.	BREAD listening event IN-PERSON and ZOOM
<b>Monday</b>		<b>Pastor Dave returns from Sabbatical</b>
	3-8:00 p.m.	Suzuki Music
	5:00 p.m.	Executive Team via ZOOM
	5:00 p.m.	TOPS
	5:30 p.m.	Girl Scout Troop 2462

**Redeemer's mission:** To be followers of Jesus, sharing God's love with all

**Redeemer's vision:** To foster understanding and healing in community

**Redeemer's Values:** Inclusion, Compassion, Justice