

Life at Redeemer

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Meet and Greet the Pastoral Candidate -September 11

Everyone is invited to join us on Saturday, September 11, for an opportunity to "Meet and Greet" the pastoral candidate. We will gather outside of Crossroads from 4 pm to 4:30 pm (weather permitting). At 4:30 pm we will have a brief devotional time in our worship space. Pastor Kessinger and the pastoral candidate will lead us through Evening Prayer as we remember the 20th Anniversary of 9-11. After the devotion we will stay in the worship space to learn more about the candidate and answer any questions you might have at this time. We will end no later than 6 pm. The event will be livestreamed for those who cannot attend in person, but we hope that those who are comfortable will come! Here is the link for the livestream - https://vimeo.com/592237193

Special Announcement about the Call Vote -September 12

Over the last couple of weeks, we have been asking you to sign-up for one of our worship services on Sept. 12 and then stay for the Special Congregational Meeting to vote on whether to call our pastoral candidate as our Associate Pastor. Please sign up at your earliest convenience so we can prepare accordingly.

For voting members who can come and vote but are not ready to be in our worship space please contact the church office to let us know you will be present (but will be staying outside of our building). People may use their own devices or be in the Crossroads where a screen will be set up to see the livestreaming of the meeting. At the time of the vote, we will have a table set up just inside the doorway of the Crossroads and will issue ballots to all voting members waiting outside.

Looking Ahead

Special Congregation Meeting September 11—Meet and Greet September 12—Call Vote

Art and Essay Contest

Tyson's Interfaith is sponsoring a contest with cash prizes titled, "A Whole New World Starts Now." Information can be found in our recent Sept. Tidings Newsletter and also at https://tysonsinterfaith.org/iweevent/essay-art-contest/.

Faith Formation Classes

In September we will offer some gathering opportunities for Pre-K through Grade 6. Watch for specific details to come in the next couple of weeks. The first official day of classes will be on Sunday, October 3, from 9:45 am to 10:45 am. This includes the Confirmation Class. We hope to have a High School class but we need some good leaders to volunteer. If you have an interest please contact Kim Wenk (kbwenk@gmail.com). Register online.

Adult Education Opportunities this Fall

- Table Talk Sundays at 9:45 am (on-going)
- Prayer Conversation Tuesdays at 9 am (Begins September 7)
- <u>Thematic Study of the Bible</u> Wednesdays at 8 am (Begins September 8)
- <u>Study on the Gospel of John</u> Wednesdays at 7 pm (*Begins September 15*)
- <u>Bible Study 101</u> Sundays at 4:30 pm (Begins September 19)

Hurricane Ida (From Lutheran Disaster Response)

The impact of Ida is yet to be fully assessed, but with a hurricane of this scale, rebuilding will be costly and take years. With extensive experience in accompanying communities throughout the relief and long-term recovery phases, Lutheran Disaster Response is working with local ELCA synods and Lutheran social service organizations to coordinate a response to Hurricane Ida. Immediate needs will include basic necessities and temporary housing. Long after the headlines change, LDR will continue to accompany communities on the journey of rebuilding their homes and lives.

Donations can be sent to - https://elca.org/Our-Work/Relief-and-Development/Lutheran-Disaster-Response/Our-Impact/Hurricane-Response

ELCA Youth Gathering Minneapolis, MN | July 24-28, 2022

Pastor Kessinger has been receiving information about the ELCA Youth Gathering being held in Minneapolis, MN, next summer. Registration for the gathering starts in Sept. All indications are that protocols will be in place to make this a safe environment for our young people. All youth in 8th—12th grades are eligible to attend. The theme is "Boundless: God Beyond Measure" from Ephesians 3:14-21. During the four day event there will be interactive learning, a service day and time spent with our synod along with a mass gathering each evening featuring live music and motivational speakers. Please email Pastor by Sept. 10 and let her know if your child has an interest in attending. Thank you!

Please Remember to Pray....

For Healing:

Andy
Bob
Brad
Diane
Eli
Emily
Joel
JT
Kennedy
Leo

Lloyd and family

Shawn

Yardley, Michael and Jasmine Augustenborg Epstein, Erica

Alexander, David Anastasia, Pat Blakey, Patrick

Blessing, Spencer & Joan

Bornmann, Keith Brown, Liane

Capodamno, Jean-Francoise

Caprino, Christine
Carroll, Tom
Chipouras, Marjorie
Cholick, Carol
Cooke, Martin
Court, Marilyn
Del Voie, Christian
Devine, Daniel
Dewitt, David
Furth family
Gale, Brad
Gorsline, Katie
Granholm, Rick
Gurganus, TR

Gurganus, TR Jones, Gloria Klopp, Connie Kutscher, Matt Layton, Trish Lawson, Linda

Mattingly, Jim McCall, Richard McMahon Family Miller, Coletta Miller, Michael Moe, Cheryl "Cheri"

Mullins, Jolene Noble, Jeff Ortiz, Frank
Payne, Patty
Pittman, Casie
Platten, Steve
Ryding, Karin
Schneider, Marie
Stein, Peter
Surgener, Marilyn
Sylvester, Dominic
Sylvester, Mark & Meghan

Waldron, Cindy Webb, Campbell Wiltse, Twila

For Comfort in Death:

The family and friends of Mary Diane Harshbarger The family and friends of Pat Culhane The family and friends of Munn Kostka For Leo, whose father recently passed away The family and friends of Richard Utyro The family and friends of Marites

For Comfort and Strength:

Anna and Stephen Chris and Kiron Sarah and Jenny Brown, Gwen Rienits, Joyce

For those suffering from mental illness

For Comfort and Peace:

Bertha

Samelo, his family and community

Susan

Westerline, her family and community

Bowler, Anna

For Safety:

Captain Daniel Bader

Walsh, Jon White, Brandon For all refugees

For all our military and diplomatic people

throughout the world

All those who serve to protect our country during

these difficult times

For those healing from the coronavirus:

Aaron and Kia Beau Kevin Michael Duda, John Hayfield, Sherry Okoye Family

Townsend, Les

For those caring for patients suffering from coronavirus:

Dominic, Elizabeth and Ian Sharon Tara and family Kuhagen, Leslie Kutscher, Karin Manfredini, Guilia

Prayers for the safe distribution of vaccines across the world.

Prayers for all individuals and families in all countries, affected by COVID and the new variant strains.

Prayers for our nation as we address the causes and effects of violence and the courage to act in faithful ways.

Prayers for the unemployed, the underemployed and those suffering from mental health issues.

Prayers for those who have suffered due to Hurricane Ida.

Prayers for those in Afghanistan who seek safety.

Prayers for those suffering in Haiti.

Prayers for all those facing persecution because of their faith and/or ethnicity.

Prayer List Note:

To add names to this list you may email or telephone the church office. We want all our prayers to be current —so **please keep us up to date on those whom you have added to our prayer list.** With the exception of safety prayers for our military, we will remove names after one month unless we hear from you. We are prepared to pray indefinitely.