



## BACKPACKS FOR BENSLEY

**Redeemer parishioners can help overwhelm 110 Bensley Elementary kindergarten students and their families with the love of Christ by purchasing or donating funds to purchase new backpacks and school supplies!**

For the third year, Redeemer is partnering with Bensley Elementary school to provide new backpacks and school supplies for students. This is the second year that we will provide these for every student entering kindergarten in the fall.

Because of COVID-19 and to make things easier for those who would rather not shop in person, ECW is offering two choices for backpack/supplies donations. On Sign-up Genius, you may indicate that you will donate the funds to provide one or more backpacks with supplies which ECW will order and put together for you. The other alternative is to indicate that you will purchase the supplies and backpack for a child yourself and bring them to Redeemer during the range of dates given.

Monetary Donations:

1. Indicate your choice on Sign-up Genius by August 2.
2. \$60 provides one backpack filled with supplies.
3. Checks should be mailed or delivered to Redeemer with “ECW Bensley Backpack” on the memo line by Friday, August 7. Donations by credit card are also accepted on the homepage of the church website at [www.redeemermidlothian.org](http://www.redeemermidlothian.org).

Self-Purchase:

1. Indicate your choice on Sign-up Genius by August 2.
2. Download the Bensley Kindergarten supply list and purchase a backpack and the supplies on the list. **You are welcome to work with another family or families to provide all the items. Only one slot is needed on the sign up for a group.**
3. With your name attached, deliver the backpack **packed with the supplies** (attach a bag if all will not fit) to the church **parlor**, making sure to check in at the office to let them know you have brought your items.
4. Drop-off dates – August 2 through August 23.

Backpacks will be blessed at the end of August and delivered to Bensley during the week of August 31.

This mission is sponsored by the Episcopal Church Women with assistance by the Outreach Committee. Questions: please contact Caroline Head ([carolinehead@verizon.net](mailto:carolinehead@verizon.net) or (804)513-2160). Many thanks for your participation and generosity!