

Lutheran Church of the Redeemer
2384 E. Landis Avenue
Vineland, NJ 08361

8:30 AM - Worship
9:15 AM Sunday School
10:30 AM - Worship



February 2024 -Monthly Newsletter
Redeemer Lutheran Church
2384 E. Landis Ave Vineland, NJ
856-691-4278
The Rev. Heather Sugden, Pastor

March 2024

DON'T MISS OUT!

Questions? Contact the Church Office
www.redeemervineland.org

100th

March 10th
One Service at 10:30 AM
100th Anniversary
Celebration with Bishop
Tracie Bartholomew



March 10th is Daylight Savings
Don't forget to set your clock
AHEAD by one hour!



Lenten Services & Lunches
Wednesdays at Noon
through March 20th
All are welcome to join in!



Holy Week
March 27 - Prayer Vigil
March 28 - Maundy Thursday
March 29 - Good Friday
March 31 - Easter

Connecting People to Christ,
Growing in His Love, Serving Him.
"Come and See, Go and Tell, the Good News for All!"

A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR HEATHER

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible. Hebrews 11:1-3

One hundred years ago, a group of Christians came together in Vineland to launch a Lutheran congregation. This was the "official" start to a church community that had begun years before in Lutheran homes, was dreamed about in other church buildings, and was shared with families around the community.

As they signed paperwork and celebrated a new beginning in 1924, I am certain they could not imagine what lay before them. Soon, an economic crash would devastate the country, world war would break out once again, and the families who signed the charter would watch as children of the congregation were sent directly into harm's way.

None of these events were on their minds when they began The Lutheran Church of the Redeemer. And yet even without seeing the events of the future clearly, their faith was clear in its vision.

With great faith, the people of Redeemer called a pastor and began helping people in need in the community. They expanded - both in congregation size and in mission: starting a preschool, senior housing, a food pantry and feeding ministry, and a counseling center. They resettled displaced persons coming to the United States; they supported missionaries sharing the good news around the world.

Bible studies, mission trips, Sunday School, Vacation Bible School. Camp, Diakonia, educating interns and supporting seminarians. Choirs, choir festivals, musicians of various instruments. Plays, skits, lectures, worship inside and outside and even in the parking lot! Countless weddings, funerals, baptisms, and confirmations. People who have shared in Holy Communion together, shared a cup of coffee together, and shared time in one another's lives. All of this - and so much more - has made Redeemer the place it is today.

Somehow I don't think the people of Redeemer in 1924 could have grasped all that lay before them. But their faith dared to dream of all they could not even hope for so long ago. They trusted in God. And because of their faith, we stand here now.

As we celebrate this milestone of our congregation, I pray our faith might be renewed. We also do not know what the future holds, but we stand together in proclaiming that future belongs to God. Praise God for such faith!

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Redeemer's Mission Statement As a welcoming and nurturing community of faith we: invite all to celebrate Christ's love, Empower one another to grow in Christ's love, share Christ's love as we minister to the world.

PLEASE NOTE. The deadline for information to be included in the newsletter is **the 15th of every month.**

Please e-mail your information to: **RLCOffice2384@gmail.com**

Have You Remembered Redeemer In Your Will?

CELEBRATE!

Happy March Birthdays

3 Gus Foster	20 Dorine Rosier
5 Susan Bradbury	23 Charles Donaghy
8 Harry Sugden	23 Cody Geisser
9 David Raffo	24 Al Keller
10 Madeline Helland	25 Laurie Wiese
12 Noah Wiese	28 Natalie Harrison
14 Enzo Drogo	28 Chloe Morvay
18 Michele Loeschke	30 Cathy Wisda

Happy March Anniversaries

11 Tammy & Don Williams
16 Maggie & Ralph Hunter

HOLY WEEK

2024

PRAYER VIGIL

March 27, 2024

9:00 am - Noon

Join us in the sanctuary during this time for prayer.
Feel welcome to join us for prayer whenever you're able during this time.

MAUNDY THURSDAY

March 28, 2024

7:00 pm

Join us in the sanctuary for our Maundy Thursday Service

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

March 29, 2024

7:00 pm

Join us in the sanctuary for our Good Friday Service

EASTER SUNDAY

March 30, 2024

8:30 am & 10:30 am

Celebrate the Risen Savior during our morning worship!

CHURCH COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

If you would like a complete Church Council Report,
please contact the Church Office.

FROM JANUARY 2024 COUNCIL

(Full notes are available in the Church office)

PASTOR REPORT - Thanked all those who helped during Christmas. She is confident and hopeful that the congregation will continue to work together in 2024.

NEW BUSINESS - Annual Meeting: Lisa Cook & Larry Gilbert will be present one week before the meeting to answer questions about the proposed budget. Council terms and election of new members discussed. Voting for new members will take place at the congregational meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

WAVES OF HOPE - Brenda Ackley reported on the Waves of Hope event. Brenda, Matt & Pastor attended this event. The event was about building faith and working together to improve church attendance and have churches be more active.

MISSION CHALLENGE - Pastor Moses will be joining us on Feb. 11. he will be discussing the progress made in the building of the university.

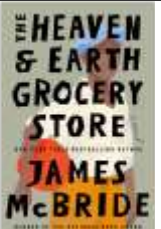
SARAH PLACE - Matt Helland presented 5 non profits to receive a \$2000 gift from Sarah Place: Code Blue, Hydromission, Vineland Soup Kitchen, Liberian Mission and Rural Development Shelter.

TREASURER REPORT - There have been some issues with the heater. Someone will be coming out to repair at the end of January. The stove in the kitchen will also be replaced. Giving was up in December because there were 5 Sundays and the holidays.

OTHER BUSINESS - Kathleen Clay was concerned about the residents of Luther Acres not being able to attend church due to lack of transportation. Pastor Heather mentioned that we could look into Ride Share Companies (Uber/Lyft) to help them. We will continue this discussion at a future meeting.

Next council meeting will be held on Tuesday, Feb.13th at 7:00 PM.





The Book Club
this month will be reading
"The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store"
by James McBride
Join us March 18 at 4:00 PM in the
Manor House



2024

MARCH

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25	26	27	28	29	01	02
		6:30 PM AA Meeting			12:00 Senior Event (please rsvp)	9:00 AM AA Mtg (Women)
03	04	05	06	07	08	09
POSITIVE CHANGE SUNDAY 8:30 AM Worship 9:15 AM Sunday School 9:15 AM Confirmation Class 10:30 AM Worship		6:30 PM AA Meeting	12:00 PM LENTEN SERVICE & LUNCHEON			9:00 AM AA Mtg (Women)
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
100th Anniversary - Special Worship Service at 10:30 AM with Bishop Bartholomew followed by a luncheon in the Fellowship Hall. (Daylight Saving Time Starts)		6:30 PM AA Meeting 7:00 PM Church Council Meeting	12:00 PM LENTEN SERVICE & LUNCHEON 1:00 PM Thrivent Meeting			9:00 AM AA Mtg (Women)
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EASTER SUNDAY 8:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM Worship	Easter Monday - Office Closed					
						

*events subject to change

CALLING ALL SENIORS

LEARN HOW TO USE A SMARTPHONE

IF YOU ARE 55+

AND WANT TO LEARN MORE

CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE WITH
YOUR QUESTIONS AND WE'LL LEARN
TOGETHER! (MOST QUESTIONS CAN
BE ANSWERED)

light lunch too in the Manor House
Must register for this event

MARCH 1

NOON

RSVP by Feb. 26th



Make & Take Craft Time!



If you are 50ish+
join us

4:00 PM on Friday, April 12
for a Make & Take Craft!
Don't forget to register
& bring a friend.

Light refreshments and a
guitarist for entertainment.
Call the church office to register
856-691-4278 ex. 102

POSITIVE CHANGE

Positive Change on March 3rd will be
contributed to the Anniversary Mission
Project. This project raises funds for people of
Liberia to help build a Lutheran University.



MARCH 10, 2024
ONE SERVICE ONLY
10:30 AM SERVICE



WITH BISHOP TRACIE BARTHOLOMEW

LUNCHEON FOLLOWING IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Please keep in prayer the long term needs of: Betty Anderson, Jerry Amari, Jerry Carter, Jim Clay, Laurie Clauss, Janet Cook, Ellie & Tim Federwitz, Bud Freas, Ernestine Gbolo, Linda Haines, Violet Harris, John Hoffman, John Jones, Alice Motter, Scott Nagele, Peggy & Oz Schumacher, Dick & Carol Shenton, Kevin Thurlow, Katy Tyler, John Warren, Ginny Workman, and our College Students

All troops serving our country and the world including:

Matt Collins, Meredith Conley, Albert M. Floriani,
Michael Gonzalez & Kevin Sykes



Stars made by our Sunday School adorn the sanctuary.



Senior Sunshine Luncheon at Larry's II



Fat Tuesday Pancake Dinner Fun!



A visit from Pastor Moses taught us about life in Liberia



Ash Wednesday

Our Anniversary Mission Project is well underway. We continue to accept donations so that we can complete our part in the preparation of the building at the Liberian Lutheran University. When completed there will be a School of Agriculture and a School of Nursing available to the families of Liberia. Thank you to all who have donated to this important project.

