



ANNOUNCEMENTS
Redeemer Park Ridge
October 8, 2017

UPCOMING MESSAGES: Today we continue our message series focused on Martin Luther's Small Catechism, a look at the fundamentals of the faith in the Ten Commandments, the Apostles' Creed, the Lord's Prayer, Baptism, and Holy Communion. This will lead us up to and through the 500th anniversary of the start of the Protestant Reformation, October 31.

<i>Today</i>	<i>Christian Basics: The Apostles' Creed</i>
Oct 15	Special combined service – Ordination
Oct 22	<i>Christian Basics: The Lord's Prayer</i>
Oct 29	<i>Christian Basics: Justification, Baptism, and Communion</i>

ALL-REDEEMER WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY, October 15: Next Sunday is an all-Redeemer combined worship service at 10:30am at our Park Ridge campus. Our newly called pastor Peter Schwich will be ordained and installed as pastor and church-planter for our Portage Park site. Preaching and presiding will be Bishop Wayne Miller of the Metropolitan Chicago Synod of our denomination, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Lunch will follow. Be sure to be on hand to celebrate and to add your prayers and support!

GET YOUR CATECHISM: Copies of Martin Luther's Small Catechism are available in the back of the church. Pick one up this morning!

GROW IN FAITH AND UNDERSTANDING: Come to Sunday morning learning hour. Sunday school meets at 9:45am in the Family Room (the room at the very end of the downstairs hallway). Youth group and adults will meet at 10:00am in the gym.

CROP WALK NEXT SUNDAY: The annual Niles/Park Ridge CROP Walk raises money to fight hunger both locally and around the world. It's also good exercise and a lot of fun. This year's walk is the same day as our joint service to celebrate the ordination and installation of Peter Schwich. But step-off for the walk isn't until 2:00pm, so you can do both! Get a registration sheet from the table in the sanctuary or sign up online. See Pastor Carol with any questions.

HELP CHANGE THE LIVES OF FORMER PRISONERS: Our prison ministry has just launched a revolutionary online tool that will connect "returning citizens" with a statewide network of churches and service providers. We're looking for some help, including data entry and phone calling, to enroll individuals and service providers in the network. This is a crucial step toward getting the site up and running! If you're able to help out, or just want additional information, please contact Ben Blobaum at ben@insideoutnetwork.net or 224-392-1834.

SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY AND FALL PARTY: Sunday School children, parents, teachers, and their friends are invited to volunteer at Feed My Starving

Children (1072 National Pkwy, Schaumburg, IL 60173) on October 21 from 2-4pm. We'll hand-pack rice, soy, dried vegetables, and a nutritionally complete blend of vitamins and minerals into bags which are then sealed, boxed, placed on pallets, and shipped to the neediest children around the world. Children ages 5 and older are allowed to volunteer! FMSC would like one adult per child younger than second grade. Also, children under the age of 5 are not allowed in the packaging area. Because we have a limited number of spots, FMSC asks that we register before we go. Please sign up on the clipboard in the coffee area or let Beth Christenson (eafuhrman@hotmail.com) know by October 15.

Immediately following the volunteer event, participants and Sunday School students too young to attend the FMSC event are invited to come to the Christensons' house nearby (5809 Prairie Lane, Palatine, IL 60067) for a Fall Party. We'll have kids' activities, games and pizza. Please bring an appetizer or dessert if able.

LUTHER MOVIE SHOWTIMES: In celebration of the 500th anniversary of the beginning of the Protestant Reformation, we'll have two showings of the 2003 feature movie *Luther*, starring Joseph Fiennes as Martin Luther. Come for the movie, with snacks, either Friday, October 27, at 7:00pm, or Sunday, October 29, at 3:00pm. Both showings will be in the sanctuary at Redeemer Park Ridge. No ticket required.

ENRICH YOUR MARRIAGE WORKSHOP: Saturday, November 4, 8:30am-12:30pm, at Redeemer North Avenue: You invest in your career, your kids, and your 401k. Why not invest in your marriage? Based on over 30 years of scientific research with 3,000 thousand couples, the Enrich Your Marriage workshop is grounded in "what actually works" in marriages that are happy and thriving. The workshop is not therapy and there is no group discussion. You will learn how to build and maintain fondness, admiration, and closeness in your marriage, keep conflict discussions calm, resolve gridlock and build a more satisfying relationship with your spouse. The presenter is Steve Kovic, Licensed Professional Counselor and member of First Presbyterian Church in River Forest.

THANK YOU TO OUR SERVERS: Each time we gather, a team of servers generously gives their time, gifts, energy, and dedication to create a worship experience that is warm and welcoming. Thanks to everyone who served this weekend! Redeemer's ministries thrive when all of us use our gifts together. If you'd like to get involved, just talk with any of our current servers or one of the pastors, or contact Sara Trivedi (redeemeroffice@comcast.net).

QUICK TRIP: Pastors Carol and Fred will be in Long Island on Saturday to present at a long-planned workshop for the Metro New York Synod. Please pray that there are no flight interruptions for their return!

NEED A HAND? The Redeemer Help Squad might be just the thing! The Thursday evening men's group has decided to band together to show Christ's love in some practical ways for folks in our congregation. Whether you need help with small projects, errands, fixing a lamp, moving furniture, trouble-shooting your computer, or any of a thousand other things, we'd love to be able to help. Find a green help request sheet on the table in by the coffee bar and follow the directions. We look forward to helping you! Questions? Contact Pastor Fred (fred@redeemerparkridge.com or 847-323-3774).

MAKE AN IMPACT FOR GOD’S MISSION: Everything we do at Redeemer is made possible by the generous financial gifts of our members, regular attenders, and visitors. If you would like to give electronically, simply go to redeemerchicago.com and click the “Donate” button. Or you can scan the QR code, which will take you to Redeemer’s secure electronic giving page. There you can select one-time or recurring direct deposit gifts. And you may now set up, review, and change recurring direct deposit gifts directly through Redeemer’s secure electronic giving page. Press the “Create Profile” button on the giving page and follow directions to set up your profile. When you’ve signed in to your profile, you can change, start, and stop recurring gifts without the need to submit any paper form!

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK		
Please note: Locations are given for your planning purposes. Everyone is welcome at everything anywhere!		
<i>Today</i>	8:30am 9:45am 10:00am 10:00am 11:00am 11:30am	Traditional Worship (PR) Sunday School (PR, Family Room) Youth Group & Adult Classes (PR, gym) Contemporary Worship (North Ave) Contemporary Worship (PR) Sunday School, Youth Group, Adult Classes (North Ave)
Wednesday	6:30pm	Alpha (PR)
Thursday	6:00pm	Youth Group (PR)
Next Sunday	10:30am	All-Redeemer Worship & Ordination Service (PR)